

BIRR THEATRE AND ARTS CENTRE

OXMANTOWN HALL

Birr, Co. Offaly

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Offaly's Centre for the Arts

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CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR SOLO EXHIBITIONS

Birr Theatre & Arts Centre are currently calling for applications for their Visual Arts Programme. The permanent exhibition space includes the foyer and the stair walls. Each exhibition period may vary but are usually about 6 weeks with the opportunity for a launch if deemed appropriate.

Artists are welcome to visit the space prior to application.

Applicants to send:

- completed application form
- CV
- Samples of recent work
- proposal and artistic statement

to Anne Coughlan,
Birr Theatre & Arts Centre, Birr, Co Offaly.

For application form please contact Anne on 057 9122893
or e-mail anne.birrtheatre@gmail.com
download: www.birrtheatre.com

Closing date for applicants for 2015/16
is 5pm on Friday 31 October 2014.

This is a call for submissions for **SOLO EXHIBITIONS 2015/16** and should not be confused with the recent call for **COMMON GROUND**

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Application for *Visual Arts* Programme Solo Exhibition

Conditions of Application

- Proposals and expressions of interest for the following year's programme will be advertised each autumn/winter, though any applications submitted during the year will be considered for assessment.
- A panel nominated by Birr Theatre and Arts Centre will make decisions
- Only exhibitions of new works will be selected
- 4/6 artists may be selected for the annual gallery programme
- Each artist will be awarded 6 weeks exhibition space in the foyer of the theatre and an opening reception if deemed appropriate.
- Artists may be invited to facilitate a "meet the artist" talk.
- 15% commission applies to all sales and there is no additional charge to artists.
- Artists will sign an agreement outlining details of exhibition and conditions in advance of installation.
- Accepted artwork – painting, drawing, printmaking, photography, digital art, mixed media.

Criteria for assessment of both programmes will be:

- Track record of artist, evidence of body of work of recognised quality.
- Evidence of artistic development.
- Quality of ideas/proposal presented both on a stand alone basis and with reference to other competing applications.
- Availability of resources of the Centre.
- Birr Theatre and Arts Centre reserves the right to ensure that work exhibited is appropriate to the scale, nature and audience of the centre.
- Late submissions will not be accepted and will be referred to apply for the following years programme.

This criteria is advised by the Arts Council for the purposes of fairness in a competitive assessment.

Birr Theatre and Arts Centre will provide the following service to successful artists:

- Printing and mailing of invitations for opening reception (where deemed appropriate)
- Press releases, local and national, Birr Theatre & Arts Centre will advertise and promote the selected artists for their exhibitions.
- Facilitation of any payments (if appropriate) 15% commission applies
- This is an exciting opportunity for artists to exhibit, we look forward to seeing your work.

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Application for Visual Arts Programme

Solo Exhibition

Surname: _____ First Name: _____

Address _____

Mobile No: _____ Tel No: _____

Email: _____

Details of portfolio submitted:

Checklist:

- Completed application form.
- CV / Bio.
- Samples of recent work, digital images or photographs, not actual work.
- Proposal (one typed page stating the nature, theme and content of the proposed exhibition)
- Artist Statement.
- 6/8 recent images on CD / DVD or via email.

I agree to the conditions of entry and certify that enclosed details are true and correct.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

*Please enclose an appropriate SAE for return of images & submissions.

** Applicants must have reached the age of 17 years on or before 1 January of the exhibition year.