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Public Art in Fingal - Join the Conversation in a town near you!

Fingal County Council's Arts Office is embarking on a new series of Public Art Commissions for Fingal. Public Art can take many forms, from the hero on horseback to a live experience taking in a full range of art-forms from visual art, theatre, dance, music, photography, film, performance, sculpture and projects which engage entire communities and towns. Put simply, Public Art can last a day, a week, a minute or a lifetime. Like a sculpture on a plinth, Public Art has the power to change space and the way we think about the areas we live in.

In 2016 we intend to invite artists to make proposals which celebrate, highlight and engage with Fingal citizens, its history, place, present and future, who we are and where we live.

As we enter into an important consultation phase, we would like to share with you the possibilities of Public Art for Fingal and begin a conversation to ensure that we attract the most exciting artists and projects to Fingal. We are thrilled to have curator Aisling Prior on board with this new round of commissioning opportunities. Aisling has vast experience as public art commissioner and curator in a variety of contexts including the high profile Breaking Ground Regeneration Commissions in Ballymun.

Over the coming weeks, Public Art Co-ordinator with Fingal County Council Caroline Cowley along with Aisling Prior will conduct a series of information and consultative sessions throughout the county, the sessions will include talks on a number of national and local examples of public art projects designed to ignite comment and participation in Fingal's future opportunities for artists.

You can register to attend any of the dates below with Caroline Cowley, Public Art Co-ordinator, Fingal Arts Office by email Caroline.cowley@fingal.ie , or by telephone (01) 870 8489. All are welcome.

For more information please see www.fingalarts.ie

- 25th of May 11am –12pm Balbriggan Library
- 25th of May 3pm – 4pm Rush Library
- 27th May 11am- 12pm Blanchardstown Library
- 31st of May 11am – 12pm Swords Castle Chapel
- 31st May at 2.30pm – 3.30pm Baldoyle

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