

Update on completed Artlink Programme Summer 2007:

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School tours: the school tour season took place between April and June and 790 children attended a printing programme, completing both an individual monoprint on paper and a stencil printed T shirt. In addition to local schools there were groups from Letterkenny, Gortahork and Derry.

Pushkin Programme: Facilitated two days of the Pushkin Programme at Baronscourt on the theme of the 'Fire Within' on 25 and 26 April 2007.

Schools Completion Project: Desertegney National School: Artists Franck Saucian and Marion Grant McNally facilitated a 10 week programme at the School funded by the Inishowen Schools Completion Project in May and June.

Joanna McGlynn Exhibition and Artists Residence: Joanna's exhibition opened in the Dunree exhibition space on May 10 and her two week residency then continued with the space open to the public. Joanna created a series of photographic images which were subsequently exhibited as part of the Earagail Arts Festival in July.

Digital to Darkroom exhibition: by the Gateway to Opportunity group opening took place on June 9th, and was launched by John Hume. The exhibition was held within the Mill and continued for the following week. The exhibition showed the results of the Darkroom workshops in Artlink and the digital activities in Derry.

Earagail Arts Festival re.in.state exhibition: opened on Wednesday 11 July funded by the Earagail Festival and curated by Mhairi Sutherland and Denzil Browne the exhibition of work by Jonny Bell, Maria McKinney and Joanna McGlynn showed a really diverse range of artwork including photographs, an installation with a shopping trolley and projections. The opening was well attended, got publicity in local papers and a good inclusion in the Earagail Festival Catalogue. The exhibition ends on Monday 23 July.

Fused Glass workshop: for adults this took place on Saturday 30 June and the results were successfully fired in the new kiln.

Summer Scheme for children: Artist Danielle Roelofsen facilitated a really successful summer scheme over two weeks for children aged 5 to 11. Danielle submitted a programme that included kite making, felting, weaving, puppet and mask making. A willow structure was commissioned from basket maker Brendan Farren and made in the garden, which was added to by the children from both groups.

Changing Attitudes / BEAM collaboration workshop programme: has been awarded an additional €5000 as a result of being invited to submit for increased funding. This will go towards a website and we have employed an additional artist as the lead facilitator who will attend each workshop and lead the programme. Artists are Maeve McIvor, Franck Saucian and Danielle Roelofsen and the first workshop is taking place today, Saturday 21 July which will be followed by workshops on the 28 and 4 August with launch in Waterside Theatre on 8 September.

Images on all the above activities are attached.