



Cónal Creedon image courtesy of Clare Keogh

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Crawford Art Gallery committed to Culture Night 2020

Culture night has always been a special evening for the culturally curious in Cork City and the creatives at Crawford Art Gallery are committed to making it a special evening for their audiences, where ever they may be.

The Gallery is open and as numbers will be limited for the evening Crawford Art Gallery have come up with novel ideas to highlight the building and the national collection, to be enjoyed by audiences from the comfort of their own homes

Up the Crawford Walls, is an online puzzle game and audiences can play at home or on the Street and anywhere in between. To play, all that's needed is a computer, tablet or phone. This drag and drop game is great for kids and adults, as they can find architectural features and learn some facts about each feature. Suitable for all ages, Players can learn about the building, which was once Corks customs house, from the comfort of their own couch! Tune into the gallery's Website and Social Media channels to get some more info on this interactive puzzle game.

As well as *Up the Crawford Walls*, audiences can enjoy bite sized tours of Art works in the collection. Cónal Creedon (culture night's ambassador) will give us a behind the scenes of his portrait by Eileen Healy and how he ended up wearing a sheriffs badge!

Stephen Doyle (Artist) talks about his painting *Dylan is Ainm Dom* and how through this work Doyle explores sexual orientation and identity.

Find out more about other key works from the collection through social media, on the hour every hour from 6-9pm on Culture night.

The gallery will extend its opening hours until 9pm on Culture night.

If you can make it in person you can wander the gallery(with social distance of course!) and soak up some of the exhibitions on display at the moment.

STATIO BENE: Art and Irelands maritime haven is inspired by Cork's motto, *Statio Bene Fida Carinis*, which translates as 'a safe harbour for ships'. Artworks have been selected from the gallery's collection that describe or address the maritime traditions of this significant port, an anchorage not only in naval and seafaring terms, but culturally and socially too.

Kevin Gaffney Artist-Filmmaker will premiere *Expulsion* (4 films) in Crawford Art Gallery. Shot in part at the Gallery, *Expulsion* imagines a Queer State, an anti-capitalist society whose citizens strive to live in harmony with the environment. Another video work, *Retelling: Dr. James Miranda Barry and John Joseph Danson*, made in conjunction with *Expulsion* will also be premiered. An unmissable experience!

Lucid abnormalities is the Gallery's annual collection exhibition open in the Gibson Galleries on Floor 1. *Lucid abnormalities* draws together familiar works from the collection by Margaret Clarke, Seán Keating, John Lavery, Daniel Maclise, Norah McGuinness, Edith Somerville, Mary Swanzey and Jack B. Yeats, with lesser-known works that are sometimes startling or troubling in mood or tone.

Last chance to see the exhibition *In Transit which closes on 20 September*. This exhibition of photography and filmmaking looks at the deeper discussion of what constitutes citizenship in the wake of the enormous migrations into Europe.

Firm favourites to peruse in the gallery include Harry Clarke's stained glass collection and Recasting Canova in the Sculpture Galleries.

With content available online and onsite audiences will get definitely get their Culture fix from Crawford Art Gallery on September 18th.

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More about Crawford Art Gallery

Crawford Art Gallery is an Irish national cultural institution, dedicated to contemporary and historic visual art, located in a significant heritage building in the heart of Cork city. Home to a collection of national importance, it tells a compelling story of Cork and Ireland over the last three centuries, while also offering a vibrant and dynamic programme of temporary exhibitions.

Originally built in 1724 as the city's Customs House, the Gallery is home to the famous Canova Casts, gifted to Cork two centuries ago. Featured in the gallery's collection of 3,000 objects are well-known and much-loved works by Irish artists James Barry, Harry Clarke, Mainie Jellett, Seán Keating, Daniel Maclise, Norah McGuinness, Edith Somerville, and Jack B. Yeats, as well as contemporary artists Gerard Byrne, Maud Cotter, Dorothy Cross, Eilis O'Connell, and Hughie O'Donoghue.

An oasis of calm and tranquillity, Crawford Art Gallery is open seven days a week, free to enter, and a must-see for locals and tourists alike. Welcoming over 265,000 visitors annually, the Gallery boasts an award-winning Café in stunning surroundings, serving fresh local produce for which Cork is famous.

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Website : www.crawfordartgallery.ie

Opening Hours

Monday–Saturday 10.00am–5.00pm

Late opening Thursdays until 8.00pm

Sundays and Bank Holidays

Gallery: 11am - 4pm

Entry Free



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