Concept: The Listening School

The Listening School is a conceptual school set up in the Galapagos Islands for three days in July 24 – 27, and linked to West Cork and the Skibbereen Arts Festival in Ireland. The school will develop a pedagogical programme around listening and sounding the archipelago in the anthropocene. Interrogating the western gaze on islands in the Anthropocene, the Listening School will link residents and artists on the Galapagos islands and West Cork around artistic presentations, performances, exhibitions and discussions.

The school will be organise around three conceptualisation of Sounding:

> **Sounding the Island**
  Dialogical workshops with island (Sherkin/Galapagos) using horizontal public address techniques.

> **Sounding the Archipelago**
  Workshop to facilitate field recordings of the island environments (See sounding the Anthropocene)

> **Sounding the Gaze**
  Public Interrogation of the perception of the islands in the Anthropocene
TIMELINE

Thursday 25th July

Morning

> Institutional opening (Minister, President of UArtes, Director of the House of Culturein Galapagos, Mayor...)

> Artistic presentations / performances / coffee break + workshop Opening of local exhibition (walk around and presentation with artists) / lunch

Afternoon

> Conceptual introduction / exchange of experiences / listening / conversation.

> Long Table Performance: How should artists respond to climate change?

Sounding the Island 1 

Friday 26th July

Morning

> Local Exhibition

> Archipelagic Thinking : Presentation by Elizabeth DeLoughray coffee / break / workshop

Sounding the Archipelago 2 # What is an Archipelago? Sherkin Island / Skibbereen / Galapagos

Afternoon

> Porch sitting performance: Sounding the Anthropocene Gaze 3#

Saturday 27th July

> Exhibition

Morning

> Real smart Cities (presentation + coffee break + workshop). Topics: data environment, Anthropocene, art and information society

> Sounding the Archipelago 4 # Beyond the network

Afternoon

> Real smart Cities

> Closing and prizes
Skibbereen Art Works

1 x Public installation > Listening Pods: Public sculpture listening school developed throughout Skibbereen town center.
   > Materials: Sandbags / headphones

1 x Film Installation > Wishful Sinking: Short film of destroyed beach police station shot on the island of Jambeli.
   > Location: Uillinn

1 x Live discussion > What is an Archipelago?: Live discussion between Galapagos islands and Skibbereen on Archipelagos in the Anthropocene.
   > Location: Uillinn