

The Art of Being in Nature


The Intersection of Art, Food and the Environment

Arts in Junior Cycle in collaboration with **Kilkenny County Council Arts Office, Kilkenny Education Centre** and artist **Lisa Fingleton**

The workshop offers participants an opportunity to:

- consider how an artist uses the local environment as a source of inspiration to address ecological and social issues in their practice
- discuss and reflect on the connections between local food, self-sufficiency and sustainability
- examine the role art can play in climate action and protecting biodiversity
- engage in a range of drawing activities to support reflection
- share ideas and gain insights into eco-social art practices

Open to teachers from all subject disciplines.

Date	Venue	Time
Tuesday 25 April, 2023	 zoom	7.00 - 8.30pm



Lisa Fingleton is an artist, writer and grower. Living and working on a small organic farm near the sea in Kerry, she has spent many years cultivating deep-rooted connections between art, food and farming. Her journal-style book *The Local Food Project* explores the power of thinking global and eating local.

Lisa was the embedded artist with *A Creative Imagining / Corca Dhuibhne Inbhuanaithe*, one of 15 pilot projects under the first *Creative Climate Action Fund*. She worked with Dingle farmers, through line drawing and film, to explore ways in which they can respond to climate change and biodiversity loss. Lisa also created a 100 foot interactive drawing called *The Creative Climate Wall* with farmers and *Creative Ireland* at the *National Ploughing Championship* in 2022. The huge drawing was then installed at the *Irish Museum of Modern Art (IMMA)* for the

Earth Rising Festival. Last year Lisa also worked with the *Crawford Art Gallery* to draw *The Sandwich Project* on the gallery wall as part of the *Meat and Potatoes* exhibition.

For the last number of years she has been working with her partner Rena Blake on *The Barna Way*, an eco-social art and biodiversity project on their farm. In 2020 they planted 10,000 native trees on their land.

Lisa has been both the *Kerry Council Visual Artist* and *Filmmaker in Residence*. Lisa has an MA in documentary film from *Goldsmiths College, London* and a degree in Fine Art from the *National College of Art and Design (NCAD)*.

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Kilkenny County Council Arts Office works to develop, coordinate, motivate, inspire and strengthen artistic activity. They promote the arts as a worthwhile activity for all, coordinate key national arts and culture events and provide advice and support for groups and individuals.

Spaces are limited. A waiting list will apply. Register on www.artsinjuniorcycle.ie

We strive to host inclusive, accessible events that enable all individuals to engage fully. To request an accommodation or for enquiries about accessibility, please contact artsinjuniorcycle@jct.ie

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