





Dry Stone Wall Building

Friday 14th September (9.30am -4pm) Saturday 15th September (9am -4pm)



REGISTER WORKSHOP

Introductory Talk

by Eddie Farrelly, Tom Pollard and Kevin Carrigan

The workshop will include the building of a unique Aran Islands dry stone wall.

The range and intensity of dry stone wall types and styles on the Aran Islands is probably unparalleled anywhere else in the world.

This workshop will suit both experienced dry stone wallers and learners.

Important notice: Steel toe cap footwear and protective gloves are mandatory.





Stone Carving

with Alexandra Morosco and Tracy Mahaffey

Friday 14th September (9.00am - 4.00pm) Saturday 15th September (9.00am - 4.00pm) Sunday 16th September (9.00am - 1.00pm)



Stone Carving: ISLAND INSPIRED

Whether visiting for the first time or seasoned participants returning year after year, Inis Oirr, our host island, amazes and delights us all. Inspired by The Sketchers in 2017, Tracy and Alexandra invite 2018 carving participants to take a walk, and find one thing that inspires such as a shell, a piece of seaweed, an object washed upon the shore, a flower, or photo of an animal. We will then look at the various ways to achieve the essence of these items in a

sculptural voice. Is the seashell best depicted in a relief or in the round? How can we share a story of this special place when it speaks through carving allows just enough time the language of stone? This exercise will make for a more cohesive group, while allowing participants of all experience levels to learn something new. We plan to take a little time for some thinking, sharing and sketching. Carving participants are encouraged to come early for some time on your own to get a head start,

but it is not mandatory if your time is limited.

A weekend workshop in stone for covering basics of tool use for beginners, and the initiation of a project for all levels. Participants should plan on bringing their stone home with them at the end of the course, or making arrangements with another participant, at whatever stage of completion.

Recommended tools for carving to bring or purchase onsite:

- Our work will be completed with hand tools. There will be minimal
- electric and pneumatic tools available for demonstration.
- · Participants are advised to bring the following
- · Notebook, pencils, eraser for sketching and notes
- 1 or 1-1/2 lb. hammer.
- Single steel or tungsten carbide point (1/2" or 5/8")
- Minimum of two or three flat chisels (we recommend tungsten carbide, 1/4",1/2", 5/8")
- Minimum two claw (tooth) chisels (rough/fine)

Participants are responsible for the transport of their personal project after the workshop. **Note:** there are weight limits to luggage and parcels on flights with Aer Arann.

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Letter Carving

with Tom Little

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with Tom Little

MAKING MARKS to record, commemorate and celebrate life's journey is one of mankind's earliest and most enduring achievements. It is also uniquely human.

This workshop invites you to make your mark by exploring the medium of the carved letterform. To get you started you will be guided through the basics of drawing letterforms, layout design, surface preparation, lettercutting techniques, and the use and care of chisels.

It is suggested, though by no means necessary, that you have a small project in mind before coming on workshop. Best results are often achieved with a specific goal in mind. For example, choose a word or a name that has a special meaning for you. The workshop is suitable for participants with no experience and some. Whether you are dipping your toe for first time or need encouragement in furthering your skills this is the place to be. Whatever your starting point the focus will be on you making your mark. Workshop will open with a short slideshow of notable examples of lettercarving past and present. It is hoped that the weekend will whet your appetite for further study and practice in this timeless craft.

WHAT TO BRING

- · Safety boots, work clothes.
- Also bring along A3 drawing pad, 4H pencil, eraser, pencil sharpener, ruler.
- Safety glasses, Goggles, protective gloves will be provided and are mandatory.

- · Lettering chisels Guillet Europ lettering chisels 4mm, 6mm, 8mm and 10mm
- · Dummy hammer 600grm.
- Stone
- A range of stone types and sizes will be available at no extra cost.

REGISTER WORKSHOP





On Location Sketch Outs Exploring Inis Oirr WORKSHOP



Thursday 13th September 3pm - 5pm

If you are arriving early, there will be an extra sketch out. Meeting point – The harbour.

Friday 14th September 10am - 4pm

On location sketch outs with your allocated group at locations including the Wreck of the Plassey, O'Brien's Castle, the lighthouse, half buried and ruined churches, the harbour, lakes and beaches, limestone fieldscapes, stonewalls, stunning skies and dramatic seascapes.

Saturday 15th September 10am - 4pm

10am-2pm - On location sketch outs with your allocated group at locations across the Island as above.
2pm - 4pm - Join a sketch out to capture the creation of a dry stone wall with prizes for the most evocative sketches.

Sunday 16th September 10am - 1pm

On location sketch outs with your allocated group at locations across the Island as above.

Spend three days exploring Inis Oirr through sketching. Capture the magic scenery and culture of the smallest of the Aran Islands in your artists's notebook. Experience this intimate island through drawing her castles, shipwrecks, churches, seascapes and iconic drystone walls.

- Through on location sketch outs you will discover the rugged beauty of this jewel in the Atlantic. Enjoy the creative camaraderie and be part of the exhibition of work done over the weekend.
- This long weekend is for the self-motivated sketcher who wants to enjoy a fun and sociable time drawing on location in an ancient landscape. All levels of experience welcome.
- Join a sketch out to capture the creation of a dry stone wall.
- Lectures on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings by stone masons, stone carvers and artists, enhance your experience and understanding of the island and the festival.
- Each sketch out starts with a 30 minutes workshop with tips and inspiration from experienced sketchers. Your lunch will be delivered to you each day.
- · Leave the island with a sketchbook full of memories

What to Bring

Definitely sketchbooks, drawing pencils, pens, pencil sharpener, eraser. Perhaps loose leaf pages, watercolours, paint brushes, easel, colour pencils, oil pastels, or whichever medium / mediums you like to draw with.

This is an outdoor event. Irish weather is famous for offering 4 seasons in one day. Make sure to bring warm clothes, sturdy shoes and good rain gear. Inis Oirr has a lovely beach, so pack your bathers if you want to take the plunge.



Talks & Demonstrations

na gCloch Inis Oírr

All the talks are in An Halla. Demonstrations will be held in close proximity to An Halla.

Talks

Thursday 13th September 2018

4.30pm - 5.00 pm

Welcome to the island and discussion of workshops, sketch outs and other activities over the weekend

5.00pm - 6.00pm

'A Nation in Stone' - Looking at the work of Tír Chonaill Stone Festival: from monuments to miles of dry stone walls - Louise Price

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Landscapes and People - Helmut Schieder

Friday 14th September 2018

5pm – 6pm

'The Spirit of Place: The value of cultivating a deeper understanding to the landscape in which we work, as seen through a historic, poetic and artistic lens' Tracy Mahaffey & Alexandra Morosco

6pm - 7pm

'An old craft in the change of time' - Mario J. Tomasek

Saturday 15th September 2018

5pm – 6pm

From Dublin to Inis Oirr: the art of the Zibaldone.' Exploring worlds through an artist's notebook. - Jessica

6pm – 7pm

Talking Stone 'Impromptu talk where up to 6 people and start talking about any aspect of stone that they want to'

Demonstrations

Saturday 15th September 2018

10am - 1pm

Paving Demonstration

Sunday 16th September 2018

10am - 1pm

Hotlime Demonstration and talk by Eoin Madigan

10am – 1pm

Paving Demonstration by Mario J Tomasek

Biographies

Kevin Carrigan

Kevin Carrigan is a bricklayer/stonemason with 34 year experience. He has worked on the restoration of a diverse range of projects including religious and military buildings, bridges, walled gardens, farm buildings, cottages, follies etc. When the lime renaissance began he was one of the first to start their re-use. Initially lime was a small part of his works, but over the years this has grown and nowadays he works exclusively with lime.

Eddie Farrelly

Eddie Farrelly is a traditional dry stone waller/stone mason from Co Cavan, now based in Dublin. He has extensive experience in working with traditional lime mortars, earth mortars and cob walling.

The scenic beauty of the well maintained dry stone farm walls and stone buildings which enhanced his childhood landscape instilled in him a passion for the promotion, protection and conservation of Ireland's dry stone heritage. He believes that the ancestral traditions of the artisans of our dry stone heritage deserve to be respected. It gives him particular pleasure to teach the skills of traditional dry stone construction so that the craft may be continued into the future. He attributes most of his learned skills to his inspirational mentor, Master Stone Mason and Author, Patrick McAfee.

Eddie is the only person from Ulster to be conferred with BSc in Applied Conservation Skills from Waterford I.T. and he holds a National Crafts Certificate in Metal Fabrication from Dublin I.T.

He is a Director of recently formed The Irish Stone Workers Alliance, a member of Building Limes Forum Ireland and the Dry Stone Wall Association of Ireland. He has instructed at dry stone workshops throughout Ireland and internationally and he also enjoys demonstrating how to construct and fire a temporary lime kiln to cook limestone for the production of traditional quicklime.

Jessica & James

James Moore is a fine artist with a degree from Limerick School of Art and Design. Jessica Peel-Yates has been writing and sketching in notebooks since she was ten years old. As part of At it Again! they wrote and illustrated five pocket sized guides to Irish literature. Imagine these as notebooks exploring iconic works of literature through maps, illustrations, quotes, narrative and interactive elements. Recently, they participated in Drawing on Joyce, a live drawing event and exhibition for the Bloomsday Festival in Dublin. Previously, they went

to Brazil for an art exchange entitled Home, Home away from Home with artistic collaborations and workshops leading to exhibitions in Chapeco, Brazil and Dublin, Ireland. Jessica & James are founding members of Dublin Sketchers who meet weekly for on location drawing in Dublin. James finds inspiration from story-telling in all its forms. He's interested in both naturalistic art and the possibilities that come from expressive or stylised representation. Jessica is influenced by the street jazz culture of 1920's New York, with its rhythmic atmosphere of improvisation, rule breaking and respect. As JesseJames they underwent a month's artist's residency on Inis Oírr in 2017

Tracy Mahaffey

Mallet and chisel have been an extension of Tracy Mahaffey's body and mind since she first picked them up in 1985. She creates and captures expressions in stone. Since the Fall of 2000, Tracy has been a memorial artist living in Rhode Island, USA. Gravestones are her medium to explore and express people's lives through the composition of lettering, relief carving, and sculpture. These learned and practiced skills influence and shape Ms. Mahaffey's personal work and view of life. Tracy has been teaching lettering and relief carving thought North America for the past ten years. Her work can be explored more at www.tracymahaffey.com.

Alexandra Morosco

Ms. Morosco is an American sculptor who is based on a somewhat larger forested island, outside of Seattle, USA. She has been carving professionally for 25 years, and is excited to share her love of stone and knowledge of tools on her eighth sojourn to Inis Oírr. Her focus is on symbolic and figurative carving, or "storytelling in stone". Since 2013 she has been working primarily creating non-traditional sculptural memorials, incorporating grief work and healing for her clients through her unique and creative process. visit www.moroscofinearts.com for more.

Tom Little

Tom Little comes from a family tradition of working stone going back generations. He considers his father, stonecutter Ted Little and sculptor/lettering artist Michael Biggs important early influences. Exploring the possibilities of material and letterform, he works as a stonecarver, lettering artist, drystone waller, product designer and trainer.

Biographies

Tom Little has completed commissions for public and private clients and exhibited widely. He has designed and created a successful product range of lettering pieces for Wild Goose Studio. He was a craft judge for the annual RDS Craft Competition 2012-2014.

Since 1992, Tom Little has designed and run courses in stonecutting, stone carving and drystone wall construction, for Kerry Education & Training Board with many of his students going on to make successful careers in stone working.

Currently he is delivering the national Stonecutting and Stonemasonry Apprenticeship training programme.

Pat McAfee

Patrick McAfee (Dublin, Ireland) stonemason and author of 'Irish Stone Walls', 'Stone Buildings' and 'Lime Works'. Patrick was a board member of Building Limes Forum Ireland - involved with both hot-mix lime mortars, earth mortars, stonemasonry and dry stone throughout Europe and North America. Pat has been involved with Féile na gCloch since its inception in 2006.

Tom Pollard

Tom Pollard was taught drystone walling under Pat McAfee at Drimnagh Castle, Dublin. Tom now lives in Tipperary and his work mainly consists of repairs and maintenance of traditional farm buildings and walls using traditional mortars and methods.

A tutor with Tipperary ETB (Traditional Stonewall Construction), Tom also gives demonstrations and workshops in Ireland and abroad in a personal capacity. Tom also works a lot with earth and lime mortars in new builds, stone follies and temporary structures for Irish arts and music festivals at Electric Picnic and Body and Soul. Tom's outlook on stonework as a profession is " If you can master the craft of dry stone walling then no repair or build will be anything less than a pleasure. Your work should be a pleasure".

Helmut Schieder

Helmut Schieder is a landscape gardener who lives with his family in Austria.

He loves working with nature. He is fascinated by stones and plants and likes to work with people. He went to the horticultural school `Gartenbauschule', Langenlois, He works with apprentices in various horticultural practices. He has worked with natural stones in garden design for a long number of years and with the actual dry stone walls for the past 10 Years. He has been totally consumed with

dry stone walls ever since.

One of his most wonderful discoveries by practicing this ancient craft was to get to know so many wonderful stone wallers.

Louise Price

Louise Price caught the love of stone work while rebuilding a traditional cottage in 2011. She started the Tir Chonaill Stone Festival in 2014, which is still going strong in its 5th year. She is a founding director of DSWAI and the outgoing secretary. She is a Director/secretary of TISWA: The Irish Stone Worker's Alliance. She is qualified in fine art and is the author of the blog 'limewindow'. She is involved in dry stone walling at an intermediate level and making networks for women to get involved. She is connected at home and overseas with 100% commitment to actively saving our fast disappearing Irish heritage. She is originally from Belfast is now settled in Donegal.

Mario Tomasek

Mario Tomasek found his passion on the work with stone more than 20 years ago. Since than he had never missed a chance to pass his knowledge to others. He has written 5 books concerning Natural Stone Paving and designed tools and jointing mortars, all available in www.pflastermeister.com. Besides his regular paving business, he started to work as an instructor in Switzerland for the IG-Naturstein and in the following years he brought back the knowledge of this old craft to Austria. Currently he is part of the Commission for the RVS 08.18.01 in Austria, which regulates the standards in the paving business. He's an expert witness for the Austrian law and a passionate trainer and speaker.

Eoin Madigan

Eoin Madigan is a sixth generation Stone Mason and lime practitioner who is passionate about conserving our built heritage. He is a William Morris Craft Fellow of the Society for the protection of Ancient buildings (SPAB), committee member of The Building Limes Forum Ireland and a founding member of SPAB Ireland.

Neil Dwyer

Neil Dwyer is a Director of O'Dwyer Masonry a company with specialists in Banker Masonry and Stone Masonry Construction. For further information see http://www. odwyermasonry.ie/



Recommendations & Advice for All Participants

It is recommended that Course Participants are suitably dressed for the workshop and wear steel toe-capped boots, sturdy shoes or walking boots, work gloves and dress for the weather. Sketchers should bring walking boots or shoes, warm clothes and rain gear.

Transport to Inis Oirr

Workshop participants must book their own travel to Inis Oírr. There are ferry services operating from Rossaveel, Co Galway and Doolin in Co Clare.

Ferries

The following are their contact details: **Aran Island Ferries, Rossaveel**

Tel: +353(0)91 568903 www.aranislandferries.com

Doolin Ferry

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Doolin 2 Aran Ferry

Tel: +353 65 7075949 Mob: +353 87 2453239

Email: info@doolin2aranferries.ie www.doolin2aranferries.com

Air Travel

Flights are available to Inis Oírr, from Inverin, Connemara, Co. Galway.

Aer Arann Islands Tel: +353(0)91 593034 www.aerarannislands.ie

Accommodation

Please note: It is recommended that you book your own accommodation and transport prior to booking this course. Please see list of accommodation and transport providers. Please also make your own arrangements for evening meals.

Leaba & Bricfeasta in Inis Oírr/ Bed & Breakfast in Inis Oírr

Baile an Fhormna / Formna Village

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(Rory's B&B): Phone: +353 (0)99 75002

www.tighruairi.com

Brid Brennan Phone: +353 (0)99 75125

Self Catering

For a full listing of self catering can be found on the following link:

following link:

http://discoverinisoirr.com/accommodation/

selfcatering/

Evening Meals

Evening Meals can be booked at the following:

Tigh Ruairí: Phone: +353 (0) 99 75002

www.tighruairi.com

South Aran House (bookings only)

Phone: +353 (0) 99 75073 www.southaran.com

Ostán Inis Oírr: Phone: +353 (0)99 75020

www.hotelinisoirr.com

Information of Inis Oirr and its services

Contact: Comhar Caomhán Teo, Inis Oírr, Árainn, Co. na Gaillimhe.

Phone: +353 (0)99 75008;

Fax: +353 (0)99 75071

Web: www.discoverinisoirr.com





Registration Form

We suggest that you photocopy this form for your records.

Féile na gCloch Inis Oírr 2018

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Tá Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe freagrach as ceantar riaracháin Chontae na Gaillimhe, seachas ceantar Chathair na Gaillimhe. Tá an Chomhairle freagrach as pleanáil, dearadh agus tógáil bóithre, scéimeanna soláthar uisce, saoráidí draenála, tithíocht, stáisiúin dóiteáin, leabharlanna agus reiligí. Is caomhnóir an chomhshaoil í an Chomhairle agus déanann sí iarracht, trína polasaithe pleanála agus comhshaoil, feabhas a chur ar an gcontae chomh maith lena thréithe agus a atmaisféar uathúil a chosaint. Tá ról gníomhach aici chomh maith maidir le forbairt gnóthaí tionscail, gnó, sóisialacha, ealaíon, oidhreachta agus cultúir an chontae.

Comhar Caomhán Teo

Is comharchumann forbartha pobail é Comhar Caomhán Teo atá ag feidhmiú ar Inis Oírr ó 1971. Tá ról lárnach ag an gComharchumann i bhforbairt an oileáin – idir forbairtí eacnamaíocha, sóisialta agus cultúrtha. Tá ról ceannasaíoch ag Comhar Chaomhán Teo. i gcur chun cinn agus i mbainistiú áiseanna éagsúla ar an oileán. Tá ról láidir stocaireachta ag an gcomharchumann ag plé leis na ranna stáit éagsúla agus feidhmíonn an comharchumann mar bhrúghrúpa agus mar ghuth láidir do mhuintir an oileáin.

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Comhar Caomhán Teo

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