

THE RURAL HUB



Art4Rights

Meeting – 22nd – 23rd November 2022

Discussing stakeholders in Ireland and how
citizens can be involved through these
stakeholders

A bit about The Rural Hub

- The Rural Hub is an Irish association founded in 2012 that provides specific training programmes in order to support and aid members of the local community.
- We specialise in education, e-learning, media production, development, research, and strategic planning.
- The Rural Hub aims to support greater community involvement and enhance social inclusion by focusing on growing isolated communities.
- Through EU funded projects, we support local youth groups, migrant communities, senior adults, and individuals who have been absent from education to re-engage with service providers and mainstream education in the County Cavan area.

Cavan County Council Arts Office

- The Rural Hub has good ties with the Local Authority, Cavan County Council.
- The Cavan County Council Arts Office has already supported and helped develop public participatory art in the past.
- In previous projects they have involved artists and individuals from the community in their participatory art projects

Quote from the Cavan County Council Arts Office...

“In participatory artwork there is an element of co-creation between the professional artist and the individual or the community of individuals that they are working with. It can happen across a range of art form and is often referred to as socially engaged practice or community arts and is a democratic approach to art making. In Cavan this way of working encourages understanding and engagement with the arts. It can demystify the artistic process.”

Potential Public Art Participant Groups

The Cavan County Council Arts Office has previously worked with the following groups in public participatory art projects:

- Young people
- Elderly people
- Minority communities
- Others

Potential Participatory Art Partners

Cavan County Council has worked with the following partners in participatory art projects:

- Music Generation Cavan Monaghan
- Local Arts and Education Partnership
- Cavan Monaghan Arts and Health Forum (CPD)
- The Changing Seasons Peer Network (Forum)

Example of Local Participatory Art Project

A recent project called “Lost Landmarks and Thresholds” involved an author and artists working with older people from the local community.

This project involved older people writing about their memoirs in workshop led by a professional writer and editor during the COVID ‘19 pandemic.

[Lost Landmarks and Thresholds II - \(cavanarts.ie\)](https://cavanarts.ie)

Stakeholders to be determined, but could include...

- Migrant community
- Schools
- Elderly people
- Local artists/musicians

Questions from The Rural Hub...?

- What type of participatory art is required?
- Are there any rules/guidelines?
- How many participants?
- Does the end result need to be displayed somewhere and visible to the public?

Thank you for your attention...

Any Questions?

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