

"Dublin Me Arts!"

A Community Arts Directory for Dublin

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FOREWORD

Welcome to the first edition of the Dublin City Arts Directory. It provides an essential guide to cultural and arts groups in an ever-changing Dublin. The directory offers a clear and user-friendly set of signposts to a rich and vibrant artistic tapestry in our city.

There are ten sections, all of which are colour-coded for easy use. Each group/event has been categorised under the section most relevant to its main pursuit. This will enable both citizen and visitor to locate a variety of activities and organisations in the capital.

While we have made every effort to include as many groups as possible in this directory, we hope that those not listed will appear in the next edition.

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RÉAMHRÁ

Fáilte chuig an chéad eagrán de Eolaire Ealaíon Chathair Átha Cliath 2006. Soláthraíonn an tEolaire treoir riachtanach do ghrúpaí ealaíon agus cultúrtha i gcathair shíorathraitheach Bhaile Átha Cliath. Cuireann an tEolaire comharthaí eolais ar fáil, atá soiléir agus cúntach, agus a léiríonn an taipéis iontach saibhir ealaíonta atá againn inár gcathair.

Tá deich rannóg san eolaire seo, iad uile dathchódaithe ar mhaithe le héascaíocht úsáide. Tá chuile ghrúpa/imeacht rangaithe faoin rannóg is oiriúnaí dá phríomhghnó. Cuirfidh sé seo ar chumas gach duine, idir shaoránach agus chuairteoir, teacht ar an éagsúlacht imeachtaí agus eagrais san ardchathair.

Tá súil againn go mbeidh na grúpaí nach bhfuil san eagrán seo, d'ainneoin ár ndícheall, páirteach san chéad eagrán eile.

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THE ARTS FOCUS GROUP



The Arts Focus Group, a member of the Dublin City Community Forum, was founded in 2002 and has a membership of over 60 groups.

Membership of the Arts Focus Group includes a wide variety of individuals, groups and organisations involved in arts and culture throughout the city.

The Arts Focus Group encourages all participants to share their knowledge, allowing for diverse cultural experience and facilitating a range of methodologies.

The main aims of the Arts Focus Group are:

1. To provide a forum for arts and creative activity in Dublin.
2. To share information and increase awareness of the arts and cultural activity throughout Dublin.
3. To formulate and develop policy.

If you, or your organisation are interested in becoming more involved with either the Dublin Community Forum or the Arts Focus Group you can get more information by contacting:

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Arts Focus Group
Director of Community and Enterprise
Block 4
Floor 1
Civic Offices
Dublin 8**

Phone: 01-2223259
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CRAFTS / TEXTILES

Group Name: GAP Ballymun
Contact Name: Sharon Lawlor
Address: 27 Shangan Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8625846
Fax: 01-8620989
Email: sharon@globalactionplan.ie
Web: www.globalactionplan.ie
Meeting Venue: Shangan Recycling Centre, Under Flat 1, Shangan Road, Ballymun
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts, youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballymun
“WE ARE”: An environmental and educational group that creates art from waste such as paper, bottles, cans etc and teaches young people the importance of recycling and reusing.

Group Name: Phoenix Art Studios
Contact Name: Antonella Scanu
Address: 7-11 St Augustine Street, Dublin 8
Phone: 087-2753944
Email: phoenixartstudios@yahoo.com
Meeting Venue: La Catedral (contact number above)
Meetings: Has daily use of space
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Liberties
“WE ARE”: Studios for mixed media artists and a performing arts venue facility.

Group Name: The Basin Club
Contact Name: Cillian Russell (Manager)
Address: 39 Blessington Street, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8601610
Fax: 01-8601548
Email: thebasinclub@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Open: Daily (art takes place weekly)
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, painting/drawing
Group Type: Resource organisation
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Phibsborough
“WE ARE”: A facilitated group for people living with mental illness, where free expression is used as a rehabilitative tool.

Group Name: Ringsend Action Project Crafts Group
Contact Name: Aileen Foran
Address: Regal House, 28 Fitzwilliam Street, Ringsend, Dublin 4
Phone: 01-6607558
Email: raponforan@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Contact number above
Meetings: Weekly - usually Wednesday morning
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles
Group Type: Community arts

Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ringsend
“WE ARE”: A local community crafts and textiles group for people of all ages.

Group Name: Lourdes Youth and Community Services School Craft Group
Contact Name: Colette Spears
Address: Lourdes Day Care Centre, Sean McDermott Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8363416
Fax: 01-8556445
Email: lycs@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Crafts Centre, Rutland Street, Dublin 1 (behind Rutland Street Primary School)
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles
Group Type: Arts training
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: North east inner city
“WE ARE”: A women’s sewing and knitting group where women meet, creating personal and group creations through wool and textiles.

Group Name: Ballymun Arts and Crafts
Contact Name: Willie Abbott
Address: 71 Coultry Avenue, Santry Avenue, Dublin 9
Phone: 086-1643572
Meeting Venue: Axis Centre, Ballymun
Meetings: Monthly
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, literary/writing/storytelling, painting/drawing
Other Activities: Wire-craft sculpture
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballymun
“WE ARE”: A group with varying interests. We mostly create our crafts at home. This includes wire-craft painting, textiles and sculpture.

Group Name: Finglas Youth Resource Centre
Contact Name: Joanne Angus
Address: Mellows Road, Finglas, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8642595
Fax: 01-8642604
Email: info@fyrc.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, painting/drawing
Group Type: Youth arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: An open creative art workshop themed on young people’s own ideas. Our programme is part of the service delivery of the youth centre.

Group Name: Warhammer Club
Contact Name: Helen O’Donnell
Address: Finglas Library, Shopping Centre, Jamestown Road, Dublin 11

Phone: 01-8344906
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Twice weekly - Monday and Wednesday 6.30pm
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, painting/drawing
Group Type: Youth arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: Young adults engaging in activities using small soldier like figurines.

Group Name: Donnycarney Ladies Resource Arts and Crafts Group
Contact Name: Angela
Address: Donnycarney Community and Youth Centre, Collins Avenue East, Donnycarney, Dublin 5
Phone: 087-6648759 or 01-8329676
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Wednesday 10.30am - 1pm
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Donnycarney
“WE ARE”: A group open to women who are interested in socialising and exploring a variety of arts and crafts.

Group Name: Henrietta Adult and Community Education Hand-Knitting
Contact Name: Valerie Bowe
Address: 8-9 Henrietta Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8874129 or 01-8874114
Fax: 01-8723486
Email: vbowe@stvincentstrust.ie
Web: www.stvincentstrust.ie
Meeting Venue: St Vincent's Trust, 8-9 Henrietta Street
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Hand-knitting
Other Activities: Personal development
Group Type: Community arts, venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Courses usually begin every September. Contact above for brochure or enrolment information.
Locality: Dublin 1
“WE ARE”: A centre for adult education, personal development and arts and drama. Hand-knitting takes place weekly, usually on Tuesdays. If you like hand-knitting and a bit of company at the same time, this is the course for you. Or, you might want to learn how to knit or crochet, if so do come along. No fee applies.

Group Name: Charleville Mall Library Children's Arts and Crafts
Contact Name: Terry
Address: Charleville Mall Library, Charleville Mall, North Strand, Dublin 1
Phone: 087-2940959 (Marianne)
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Monday afternoons
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Summerhill, Dublin 1

“WE ARE”: A children’s group aged between 5 and 11 years who engage in arts and crafts.

Group Name: Rathmines Library Arts and Crafts
Contact Name: Eve Parnell
Address: Rathmines Library, Rathmines, Dublin 6
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, architecture/design, painting/drawing, visual arts/sculpture
Group Type: Youth arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Rathmines, Rathgar and Ranelagh
“WE ARE”: An arts and crafts group for young people.

Group Name: DTwelve Arts and Crafts Group
Contact Name: Georgina Logan
Address: 72 Poddle Close, Crumlin, Dublin 12
Phone: 01-4926561
Meeting Venue: Loreto Centre, Crumlin Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12
Meetings: Weekly - Wednesday 10am - 12pm
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
“WE ARE”: A group providing an informal friendly space for local women in Dublin 12. We encourage the development of interpersonal and creative skills through an arts and crafts programme that includes plate painting, jewellery, patchwork quilt and seasonal flower arranging.

FILM / VIDEO / PHOTO / NEW MEDIA

Group Name: Filmbase
Contact Name: Seamus Duggan
Address: Filmbase, Curved Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6796716
Fax: 01-6796717
Email: info@filmbase.ie
Web: www.filmbase.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Open: Monday - Friday 9.30am - 5.30pm
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media
Group Type: Resource organisation
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Temple Bar
"WE ARE": A resource centre for filmmakers providing awards, equipment, training and information. We also have space for hire for meetings, exhibitions, screenings etc.

Group Name: Ballymun Communications
Contact Name: Oliver McGlinchey
Address: The "Axis" Centre, Main Street, Ballymun, Dublin 9
Phone: 01-8832117 or 01-8832121
Fax: 01-8832119
Email: ollie.mcglinchey@axis-ballymun.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Ballymun
"WE ARE": A group that uses video and photography to promote our community. We run a Community Employment Project and we also provide training.

Group Name: Temple Bar Properties
Contact Name: Roisin McCarthy
Address: 12 East Essex Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6772255
Fax: 01-6772525
Email: rmccarthy@templebar.ie
Web: www.templebar.ie
Events Venue: Meeting House Square
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Locality: Temple Bar
"WE ARE": An organisation that organises outdoor events in the city spanning film, music, theatre, family entertainment and markets. Visit the Temple Bar Information Centre at 12 Essex Street for more information or www.templebar.ie.

Group Name: Irish Wheelchair Association Youth Arts Group
Contact Name: Stephen Moynihan
Address: Blackheath Drive, Clontarf, Dublin 3
Phone: 01-8186430

Fax: 01-8333873
Email: stephen.moynihan@iwa.ie
Web: www.iwa.ie
Meeting Venue: Clontarf R.O.C, Blackheath Drive, Clontarf, Dublin 3
Meetings: Twice monthly
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: North Dublin
"WE ARE": A group of young people from north Dublin who take part in monthly activities that help us to develop our social skills by a "learning by doing" approach.

Group Name: Access Cinema
Contact Name: Mareta Dillon
Address: Studio Building, Meeting House Square, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6794420
Fax: 01-6794166
Email: info@accesscinema.ie
Web: www.accesscinema.ie
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media
Group Type: Resource organisation
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Nationwide
"WE ARE": A resource organisation for regional cultural cinema exhibition. We work to promote "art-house" cinema regionally.

Group Name: Irish Film Institute Library
Contact Name: Orna Roche
Address: 6 Eustace Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6795744
Fax: 01-6778755
Email: info@irishfilm.ie
Web: www.irishfilm.ie
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media
Other Activities: Library and archive
Locality: Dublin city
"WE ARE": A library that offers access to a wide range of film related books and journals, with a particular focus on Irish film. The library is open to the general public.

DANCE / MOVEMENT

Group Name: Cumann Rince Damhsa Irish Dancing
Contact Name: Margaret Halpin
Address: 109 Cremona Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10
Phone: 01-6231730
Meeting Venue: Cherry Orchard Community Centre, Cherry Orchard Grove, Dublin 10
Meetings: Three times a week - Monday, Thursday and Friday
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballyfermot
“WE ARE”: A dance class for children aged 4 and over, catering for beginners and open dancers. We provide a nice hobby and help build confidence in children. We hold occasional fund-raisers for trips away.

Group Name: Draiocht Drama Group
Contact Name: Stasia Clerkin
Address: 67 Kinvara Road, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8382562
Meeting Venue: Contact above
Main Activity: Dance - ceili and set dancing, drama
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Navan Road
“WE ARE”: A ceili and set dancing class taking place each week. We do one “3 act” play each year for different charities.

Group Name: The Dublin School of Classical & Contemporary Dance
Contact Name: Anne Campbell-Crawford
Address: 13 Stamer Street, Portobello, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4755451
Email: annecc@inybco.com
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Open: Daily
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Rathmines/Portobello
“WE ARE”: A group providing education in ballet and modern theatre dance for children from 4 years of age up to professional standard.

Group Name: Irish National Youth Ballet
Contact Name: Anne Campbell-Crawford
Address: 13 Stamer Street, Portobello, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4755451
Email: annecc@inybco.com
Web: www.inybco.com
Meeting Venue: Myra Community Centre, Francis Street, Dublin 8
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Arts training group, youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members

Locality: Dublin and countrywide
“WE ARE”: Providing young dancers with pre-professional and educational training in ballet for the stage.

Group Name: Irish Modern Dance Theatre
Contact Name: John Scott
Address: SFX City Theatre, 23 Upper Sherrard Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8749616
Fax: 01-8787784
Email: imdt@iol.ie
Web: www.irishmoderndancetheatre.com
Meeting Venue: Various venues
Meetings: Contact above for more information
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Professional arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Dublin city
“WE ARE”: A company whose policy is to create and commission new works and expand the experience of dance theatre for audiences and performers. IMDT have performed in every possible location throughout Ireland and abroad.

Group Name: Coisceim Dance Theatre
Contact Name: Jenny Traynor
Address: 14 Sackville Place, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8780558
Fax: 01-8780813
Email: info@coisceim.com
Web: www.coisceim.com
Meeting Venue: Coisceim Studio (contact above)
Open: Daily
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Professional arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Dublin 1 and 2
“WE ARE”: Coisceim creates and presents professional dance works to national and international audiences.

Group Name: Association of Professional Dancers in Ireland
Contact Name: Ann Marie Peters
Address: Space 28, North Lotts, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8730288
Fax: 01-8734573
Email: prodance@iol.ie
Web: www.prodanceireland.com
Meeting Venue: Contact above number
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Professional arts, resource organisation
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Based in Dublin but serves entire country
“WE ARE”: The country's primary resource organisation for the professional dance community, serving professional, contemporary and classical dancers and choreographers and also teachers and students of contemporary and classical dance.

Group Name: Ballyfermot Superjettes
Contact Name: Karen McGeough
Address: 10b Stella Gardens, Irishtown, Dublin 4
Phone: 01-6600401
Fax: 01-6195194
Email: karen.mcgeough2@mail.dcu.ie
Meeting Venue: Ballyfermot Civic Centre, Ballyfermot Library and Cherry Orchard Community Centre (contact number above)
Meetings: Three times weekly
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur, youth arts group
Recruiting: Always recruiting new members!
Locality: Ballyfermot
“WE ARE”: A group that teaches children and young adults baton twirling and dance. Our group takes part in competitions and seminars throughout the year.

Group Name: Chinese Irish Cultural Academy
Contact Name: Summy Wong and Kitty Lee
Address: 179 Parnell Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 087-2580839
Fax: 01-2827295
Email: info@cicareland.com
Web: www.cicareland.com
Meeting Venue: Contact number above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Ethnic heritage
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin 7
“WE ARE”: A group which meets to practice Chinese cultural performance, Chinese traditional dance classes, Chinese music and Chinese martial arts.

Group Name: Rathmines Dance Club
Contact Name: John Donnellan
Address: 12 St Brigid's Park, Cornelscourt, Dublin 18
Phone: 01-2893797
Meeting Venue: Rathmines Parish Hall, Rathmines Road Lower, Rathmines, Dublin 6
Meetings: Four nights weekly
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Other Activities: Theatre outings
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Rathmines and Rathgar
“WE ARE”: A non-profit organisation aiming to increase awareness of social dance, helping people to take part in as many dance activities as possible including dance forms from gavottes to salsa for all age groups.

Group Name: Sequence Dance Club
Contact Name: Gerry and Brigid Murray
Address: 20 Mellows Avenue, Finglas, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8362004

Meeting Venue: Whitehall Parish Centre, Thatch Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9
Meetings: Weekly - Tuesday 2.30pm - 4.30pm
Main Activity: Dance/movement
Group Type: Arts training
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Whitehall
“WE ARE”: A sequence dance group that meets weekly to learn various sequence dance routines.

PAINTING / DRAWING

Group Name: DCC Children's Art Classes
Contact Name: Terry Wogan
Address: Charleville Mall Library, Charleville Mall, North Strand, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8749619
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Monday 3pm - 4pm
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: North east inner city
"WE ARE": An arts class for children aged 8-11 yrs. We also do crafts/collage and other arts activities.

Group Name: Halston Street Art Classes
Contact Name: Carmel Woods
Address: Halston Street Parish Centre, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8724093
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts group for adults
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: North inner city
"WE ARE": An adult arts/painting and crafts group. Both are weekly. Sometimes have exhibitions for displaying group's work. Usually twenty in a group.

Group Name: Charleville Mall Library Art Group
Contact Name: Maureen Maguire
Address: Charleville Mall Library, Charleville Mall, North Strand, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8363305
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Monday 10am - 12.30pm
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: North east inner city
"WE ARE": A group which is now seven years old. Members can paint what they like (mainly oil painting). We often organise trips away, have exhibitions in the library and attend the annual Stephen's Green exhibition.

Group Name: KLEAR Adult Education Centre
Contact Name: Tara Heffernan
Address: Swans Nest Road, Kilbarrack, Dublin 5
Phone: 01-8671845
Fax: 01-8678778
Email: klearoffice@eircom.net
Web: www.kleared.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts group

Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Kilbarrack
“WE ARE”: An adult education centre offering a broad range of adult education courses. Four art classes are run once a week, for ten-week periods. A creative arts class is run for our literacy students. Art for Everyone, Art Beginners and Art Advanced are open to any adult interested in learning art and developing their talents.

Group Name: Doras Bui/Parents Alone Resource Centre
Contact Name: Sarah Jane Leonard
Address: Bunratty Drive, Coolock, Dublin 17
Phone: 01-8484811
Fax: 01-8481116
Email: info@dorasbui.org
Web: www.dorasbui.org
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Contact above
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Coolock
“WE ARE”: A group which engages in different art activities including art, crafts and stained glass.

Group Name: Artane ARA
Contact Name: Paddy Smyth
Address: 10 Gracefield Avenue, Artane, Dublin 5
Phone: 01-8312289
Email: wolfie7@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: St Paul's Youth Club, Gracefield Road, Artane, Dublin 5
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Older people's arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Coolock/Artane
“WE ARE”: An active retirement association receiving lessons from a VEC instructor on drawing, oil painting and watercolours.

Group Name: St Bernadette's ARA
Contact Name: Phyllis Daly
Address: 54 Kildare Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12
Phone: 01-4530382
Meeting Venue: St Bernadette's Parish Hall, Clogher Road (rear of St Bernadette's Church)
Meetings: Four days a week
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Other Activities: Bowls, dancing
Group Type: Older people's arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Crumlin
“WE ARE”: An active retirement association which meets regularly for art, sport and fun. We also have an art class at 146 Sundrive Road.

Group Name: Dubco Art Group
Contact: Gerry Buckley
Address: 3 Springfield, Blackhorse Avenue, Dublin 7
Phone: 086-8150133
Fax: 01-4531655
Email: gerry.buckley@dublincity.ie
Meeting Venue: Canteen of Dublin Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8
Meetings: Weekly - Tuesday 5pm - 7.30pm
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Older people's arts, voluntary/amateur
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin city centre
"WE ARE": A social art group consisting of employees and retired members of Dublin City Council only. New members are always welcome!

Group Name: St Andrew's Adult Education Art Classes
Contact Name: Betty Watson
Address: 114-116 Pearse Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6771930
Fax: 01-6715734
Email: betty.watson@standrews.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Contact above
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Pearse Street
"WE ARE": An "introduction to art" group using drawing and painting to raise people's interest in art and to allow them to develop their potential and to develop skills.

Group Name: Orchard Community Centre Art Group
Contact Name: Marion Doyle
Address: Orchard Community Centre, Cherry Orchard Grove, Dublin 10
Phone: 01-6265655
Fax: 01-6239588
Email: cocis@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - three days a week
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Arts event/festival
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballyfermot
"WE ARE": A centre hosting youth clubs three days a week. We have two festivals per year – St Patrick's Day and Halloween. We make costumes, banners and lots more.

Group Name: ScArt
Contact Name: Eve O'Toole
Address: 38 Wadelai Green, Glasnevin, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8370920 or 087-7477742
Meeting Venue: Our Lady of Victories School, Ballymun Road, Glasnevin
Meetings: Weekly - Thursday 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Main Activity: Painting/drawing

Group Type: Voluntary/amateur
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Glasnevin
“WE ARE”: A group that draws and paints in oil and watercolours. We also do glass painting and silk painting.

Group Name: Grange Woodbine Art Group
Contact Name: Cathy Harkin
Address: 15 Grange Park Road, Raheny, Dublin 5
Phone: 01-8481370
Meeting Venue: Grange Woodbine Community Centre, Raheny Road, Dublin 5
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Arts training
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Raheny
“WE ARE”: The Grange Woodbine Art Group. We are in operation for about 15 years. We meet on Wednesday nights in the centre in a class of approx 12-15 patrons. We are taught drawing and painting in both oils and acrylics, by a popular teacher.

Group Name: “Art Attack” - Finglas Youth Resource Centre
Contact: Olive Ring
Address: Mellowes Road, Finglas, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8642595
Fax: 01-8642604
Email: info@fyrc.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Youth arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: An art group which is part of our structured activities for young people at risk, aged 10-21 in Finglas.

Group Name: Lourdes Youth and Community Services School Art Group
Contact Name: Colette Spears
Address: c/o Lourdes Day Care Centre, Sean McDermott Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8363416
Fax: 01-8556445
Email: lycs@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: School on Stilts, Rutland Street, Dublin 1 (behind Rutland Street Primary School)
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Arts training
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: North east inner city
“WE ARE”: A mixed group of people developing artistic talent in drawing and painting.

Group Name: Prospect Arts Group
Contact Name: May Nichol
Address: 235 Clontarf Road, Dublin 3
Phone: 01-8333455
Meeting Venue: St Gabriel's Community Centre, St Gabriel's Road, Clontarf, Dublin 3
Meetings: Every Monday from October to June - breaks during summer
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Waiting list applies - contact number above
Locality: Clontarf
"WE ARE": A group that meets to paint. We have an annual exhibition and a workshop for intermediates. We share ideas and engage in constructive criticism!!

Group Name: Golden Years Art Club
Contact Name: Sean Grehan
Address: "Done Roaming", 29 Stanford Green, Walkinstown, Dublin 12
Phone: 01-4503143
Meeting Venue: The Moeran Hall, WSAF, Somerville Drive, Walkinstown, Dublin 12
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Older people's arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Walkinstown
"WE ARE": A group that was formed for a number of people in the Golden Years Club who had expressed an interest in art.

Group Name: Blue Leaf Gallery
Contact Name: Ciara or Cathy
Address: 10 Marino Mart, Fairview, Dublin 3
Phone: 01-8333456
Fax: 01-8331224
Email: info@blueleafgallery.com
Web: www.blueleafgallery.com
Main Activity: Painting/drawing, visual arts
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Fairview/Marino
"WE ARE": A commercial art gallery aiming to showcase emerging and established artists through monthly exhibitions.

Group Name: Finbarr Art
Contact Name: Kathleen Atkinson
Address: Finbarr Court, Finbarr Road, West Cabra, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8383007
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Older people's arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin 7
"WE ARE": A group of retired men and women who originally took up art as a pastime and have since won many awards for our paintings.

Group Name: Holy Family Parish Centre Art Classes
Contact Name: Peter Scully
Address: 13 Prussia Street, Dublin 1
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Thursday 8pm - 9pm
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Contact above address
Locality: Prussia Street and surrounding area
“WE ARE”: A group of 6-12 year olds who engage in arts activities including painting, colouring and drawing.

Group Name: DCC Children’s Art Classes
Contact Name: Helen O’Donnell
Address: Finglas Library, Shopping Centre, Jamestown Road, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8344906
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Saturday 10.30am (during term time)
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: A group of children aged 6 and over who engage in arts, crafts, painting and drawing.

Group Name: ICCI Youth Group
Contact Name: Mostanfiz Gani
Address: 19 Roebuck Road, Clonskeagh, Dublin 14
Phone: 01-2080006
Fax: 01-2603708
Email: mustafidh@yahoo.co.uk
Web: www.islamireland.ie
Meeting Venue: Islamic Cultural Centre
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing, theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Clonskeagh
“WE ARE”: A local Muslim youth organisation and we use art as a means of bonding with each other as well as developing presentations for the community.

Group Name: Ballygall Arts “Studio”
Address: Fr Maloney Centre, 10 Pinewood Drive, St Canice’s Road, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8420584
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Monday 8pm
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Waiting list applies - contact above
Locality: Glasnevin and Dublin 11
“WE ARE”: An art group for over 18s. We started 25 years ago. We take part in an annual exhibition in Cappagh Hospital.

Group Name: Pallas Studios
Contact Name: Mark Cullen/Brian Duggan
Address: 17 Foley Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8561404
Email: info@pallasstudios.org
Web: www.pallasstudios.org
Meeting Venue: Pallas Studios and Pallas Heights, Pallas Heights, Sean Treacy House, Buckingham Street, Dublin 1
Main Activity: Art studios, contemporary gallery space, painting/drawing
Other Activities: Film/video/photo/new media, visual arts
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: North east inner city
“WE ARE”: The Pallas Studios, born on Foley Street in 1996. We provide space and facilities for professional artists. We also do contemporary art exhibitions and some local art projects with the community.

Group Name: Bulfin Ladies Club Art Group
Contact Name: Marie Campbell
Address: 51 Kickham Road, Inchicore, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4543518
Meeting Venue: Beara Hall, Connolly Avenue, Inchicore, Dublin 8
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Inchicore
“WE ARE”: A group that meets every week and “we all love it”. We draw, we paint and we usually have an exhibition near to Christmas.

Group Name: Finglas Artsquad
Contact Name: Joe Lyons
Address: Unit 14B Main Centre, Finglas Village, Finglas, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8343950
Fax: 01-8348115
Email: finart@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Daily/monthly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Arts training, community arts, venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Finglas/Cabra
“WE ARE”: A group whose mission is to promote arts and crafts in the local community, in particular with socio-disadvantaged. We use art as therapy and cater for people with special needs.

Group Name: Leisure Art Group
Contact Name: Sr Magdalen Daly
Address: Ballyfermot Resource Centre, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin 10
Phone: 01-6264147
Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Wednesday
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members

Locality: Ballyfermot
“WE ARE”: A very informal adult art class. We exhibit annually in either Ballyfermot Civic Centre or Ballyfermot library.

Group Name: Merchants Quay Painters’ Group
Contact Name: Imelda Healy
Address: Merchants Quay Ireland, Homeless and Drugs Services,
4 Merchants Quay, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-6790044 or 01-6771128
Email: imeldamhealy@hotmail.com
Meeting Venue: Merchants Quay Franciscan Community
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Wood Quay
“WE ARE”: A group of people who work in the kitchen at Merchants Quay Centre learning painting techniques. We also exhibit our work.

Group Name: Ringsend Library Children’s Art Class
Contact Name: Aisling Ryan
Address: 64 Whitworth Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9
Phone: 01-8302097
Email: aisling.ryan1@ucdconnect.ie
Meeting Venue: Ringsend Library, Ringsend, Dublin 4
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Painting/drawing
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ringsend
“WE ARE”: Our aim is to encourage children aged 5-11 to explore art beyond the school classroom and to discover what they can do using simple materials like paper, paint, cloth and anything else we find!

THEATRE / DRAMA / PUPPETRY

Group Name: The New Theatre
Contact Name: Anthony Fox/Ronan Wilmot
Address: 43 East Essex Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6794336
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Open: All year round
Main Activity: Theatre/drama
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Temple Bar
“WE ARE”: A professional theatre, performing fully professional drama and available for hire to outside companies.

Group Name: Basement Productions
Contact Name: Billy Mangan
Address: 205 Decies Road, Markiewicz Community Centre, Dublin10
Phone: 01-6260118
Fax: 01-6260789
Email: billy@markiewiczcentre.com
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Thursdays at 8pm
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Dublin 10/Ballyfermot
“WE ARE”: A group established to both encourage the community to experience drama and to engage the community in drama activities.

Group Name: Ballyfermot Theatre Workshop
Contact Name: Gerry Royal - CE Supervisor
Address: Ballyfermot Civic Centre, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin 10
Phone: 01-6207191
Fax: 01-6207194
Email: bcasep@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Ballyfermot
“WE ARE”: A group established to develop a centre for the performing arts in Ballyfermot with the aim of developing cultural and social awareness through the mediums of visual/textual and physical theatre. We highlight the benefit of theatre and drama to the community.

Group Name: Tenters Drama Group
Contact Name: Margaret Elliot
Address: Donore Community Centre, Donore Avenue, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4541873
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Weekly: Every Monday 5.45pm – 8.30pm
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Community arts, youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members

Locality: Dublin 8 and surrounding areas in south central Dublin
“WE ARE”: A drama/theatre group for 4-18 year olds. We produce a variety show, mini tops and pantomime at Christmas and a show in springtime. We cater for children in Dublin 8.

Group Name: Gaiety Theatre
Contact Name: John Costigan
Address: South King Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6795622
Fax: 01-6771921
Email: info@gaietytheatre.ie
Web: www.gaietytheatre.ie
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Not applicable
Locality: Dublin 2
“WE ARE”: A commercial theatre venue.

Group Name: Leeson Park Players
Contact Name: Charles Richards
Address: 5 Richmond Hill, Rathmines, Dublin 6
Phone: 01-4962341
Email: crichards@oceanfree.net
Web: www.leesonparkplayers.com
Meeting Venue: Wesley House, Leeson Park, Dublin 6
Meetings: Twice weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Leeson Park/Ranelagh
“WE ARE”: A drama group established in 1933. We put on two shows a year. We do classics, comedies and we premier new work.

Group Name: Inchicore Variety Group
Contact Name: Kay O'Keeffe
Address: 86 Tyrconnell Park, Inchicore, Dublin 8
Phone: 086-8627739
Meeting Venue: Oblate Fathers, Tyrconnell Road, Inchicore, Dublin 8
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Inchicore
“WE ARE”: A community group consisting of 30 adults, 60 children aged between 5 and 21 years. We are about learning and enjoyment of song, dance and drama.

Group Name: PEG Drama/Variety Group
Contact Name: Margaret Tyrell
Address: 25 Caledon Road, East Wall, Dublin 3
Phone: 087-6499450
Meeting Venue: Sean O'Casey Community Centre, St Mary's Road, East Wall,

Meetings: Dublin 3
Two to three times weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: East Wall
“WE ARE”: A drama group for young and old, entering festivals and variety shows for fun.

Group Name: Oakwood Drama Group
Contact Name: Tony Redmond
Address: 4 Oakwood Road, Finglas, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8343382 or 087-2958571
Email: tonyredmond@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: St Oliver Plunkett Church Hall, St Helena’s Road, Finglas South, Dublin 11
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: In existence for 20 years. We stage plays in the Finglas area. Our former base was Oakwood Community Centre which is currently being developed. We hope to return there in the future.

Group Name: Storytellers Theatre
Contact Name: Liam Halligan
Address: 5 Aston Quay, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6711161
Fax: 01-6711159
Email: storytel@indigo.ie
Web: www.storytellerstheatrecompany.com
Meeting Venue: Various theatres/arts centres
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Professional arts group
Locality: Various areas
“WE ARE”: Providing drama workshops for youth groups, amateur groups, writing groups etc.

Group Name: Gate Theatre
Contact Name: Marie Rooney
Address: 8 Parnell Square, Dublin 1
Phone: 01- 8744368
Fax: 01- 8745373
Email: info@gate-theatre.ie
Web: www.gate-theatre.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Main Activity: Theatre/drama
Locality: Dublin city centre
“WE ARE”: A commercial theatre which successfully showcases Irish writing, acting and general theatrical talent both at home and abroad.

Group Name: Starstruck Stage School
Contact Name: Nicola Ryan
Address: 12 Lower Pembroke Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6764377 or 01-6764378
Fax: 01-6768105
Email: starstruck@julian-benson.com
Web: www.stageschool.com
Meeting Venue: David Lloyd Riverview, Beech Hill Road, Clonskeagh, Dublin 4
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Donnybrook/Clonskeagh
“WE ARE”: The Starstruck Stage School, established to give young talent the opportunity to learn the art of theatre and dance. Our aim is to introduce and nurture new up and coming talent to the world of performing arts, in lively and enjoyable classes.

Group Name: Dublin Youth Theatre
Contact Name: Maria Schweppe
Address: 23 Upper Gardiner Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8743687
Fax: 01-8745189
Email: dyt@iol.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Other Activities: Dance, movement voice, multi-media, puppetry
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Occurs once a year in September and involves auditions
Locality: North inner city
“WE ARE”: A youth theatre that aims to provide for the personal and social development of young people and to attain a high artistic quality in the performance of plays relevant to young people today.

Group Name: Team Educational Theatre Company
Contact Name: Lisa Heaney
Address: 4 Marlborough Place, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8786108 or 01-8721192
Fax: 01-8748989
Email: info@teamtheatre.ie
Web: www.teamtheatre.ie
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Professional arts
“WE ARE”: A company producing two programmes per year, one for primary and one for post primary schools, all of which have an educational question at their heart. We present, for the most part, original plays by Irish writers specially developed to focus on the needs and interests of contemporary Irish students from age 4 to 18.

Group Name: Gúna Nua Theatre Company
Contact Name: Paul Meade
Address: 74 Dame Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6759921

Fax: 01-6759921
Email: info@gunanua.com
Web: www.gunanua.com
Meeting Venue: Various
Main Activity: Theatre
Group Type: Professional arts
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Dublin area
“WE ARE”: A professional theatre company. We devise, write and produce contemporary theatre performances.

Group Name: Second Age Theatre Company
Contact Name: Linda Keating
Address: 74 Dame Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6798542
Email: linda@secondage.com
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Professional arts group
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: City centre/Dublin 2
“WE ARE”: A theatre company that exists to promote awareness and love of classical theatre for all.

Group Name: Walkinstown Drama Group
Contact Name: Louise O'Brien
Address: 58 Walkinstown Drive, Dublin 12
Phone: 01-4500373 or 085-1442843
Email: louiseobrien2002@hotmail.com
Meeting Venue: Assumption Secondary School, Kilnamanagh Road, Walkinstown, Dublin 12
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Community arts, voluntary/amateur
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Walkinstown
“WE ARE”: An amateur theatre group. We range in age from 20-70+ (no age limit applies). Our aim is to produce a number of quality presentations each year.

Group Name: Holding Court Theatre Group
Contact Name: Michael Byrne
Address: 5 Cairn Court, Dane Road, Poppintree, Ballymun, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8427287
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur, youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballymun
“WE ARE”: An old-fashioned drama group. We produce plays/pantomimes every year to cover costs.

Group Name: Project Arts Centre
Contact Name: Willie White

Address: 39 East Essex Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-8819613 or 01-8819614
Fax: 01-6792310
Email: info@project.ie
Web: www.project.ie
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Locality: Temple Bar
“WE ARE”: A venue that exists in order to encourage and support emerging and established artists with a view to creating innovative work and engaging the public in a dynamic encounter with this work.

Group Name: Barabbas
Contact Name: Triona Ni Dhuibhir
Address: 7 South Great Georges Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6712013
Fax: 01-6704076
Email: triona@barabbas.ie
Web: www.barabbas.ie
Meeting Venue: Project Arts Centre, 39 East Essex Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Open: Daily
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Professional arts
Locality: City centre/national/international
“WE ARE”: A professional theatre company that produces original and unique theatrical productions. “Theatre of clown” permeates all the company’s work.

Group Name: Riverside Drama Circle
Contact Name: Declan Cahill
Address: 54 Riverside Grove, Clonshaugh, Dublin 17
Phone: 087-2233475 (Declan)
Email: declan.cahill@enterprise-ireland.com
Meeting Venue: Contact above
Meetings: Twice weekly (September - May)
Main Activity: Theatre/drama
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Coolock/Artane
“WE ARE”: A group that was founded in 1972. We stage two productions every year; one in spring and one in winter. Age group is 16 upwards.

Group Name: Act One School of Acting
Contact Name: Andrea Scott
Address: 93 Abbeyfield, Milltown, Dublin 6
Phone: 01-2606501
Fax: 01-2606501
Email: actone@eircom.net
Web: www.actone.ie
Meeting Venue: Rathfarnham War Memorial Hall, Terenure, Dublin 6
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members

Locality: Terenure
“WE ARE”: A school of acting and dramatic art committed to quality training for children, youth and adult students in drama, acting and related areas.

Group Name: Rialto Variety Group
Contact Name: Christine Charlton
Address: 90 Herberton Road, Rialto, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4531597
Meeting Venue: St Andrew’s Community Centre, Rialto, 468 South Circular Road, Rialto, Dublin 8
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama, dance/movement, music/voice/choir
Group Type: Drama group/variety
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Rialto
“WE ARE”: A group which has been in existence for over 30 years. The group ranges in age from 3 years upwards and involves both children and adults. The group performs a Christmas pantomime and a drama/play in the summer. We also have dance and drama classes for children.

Group Name: National Association for Youth Drama
Contact Name: Orlaith McBride
Address: 34 Upper Gardiner Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8781301
Fax: 01-8781302
Email: info@nayd.ie
Web: www.youthdrama.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Various times
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Resource organisation, youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Several youth theatres around Dublin
“WE ARE”: A national resource organisation for youth theatre/drama in Ireland.

Group Name: The Abbey Theatre Outreach Department
Contact Name: Michelle Howe
Address: 26 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8872223
Fax: 01-8729177
Email: outreach@abbeytheatre.ie
Web: www.abbeytheatre.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Throughout the year
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry, literary/writing/storytelling/poetry
Group Type: National cultural institution
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin 1
“WE ARE”: The outreach/education department which engages with and welcomes people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to the Abbey. Our annual programme reflects the many ways in which people interact with plays and drama as participants and as audience members.

Contact Name: Kay Farrell
Address: 34 Shanglass Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9
Phone: 01-8421473
Meeting Venue: Various
Meetings: Twice weekly including Sunday morning
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Whitehall, Dublin 9
“WE ARE”: A group that produces two plays a year. We usually rehearse for 6-8 weeks and then the play runs for 6 weeks. We perform our plays for various audiences including active retirement associations, ladies’ clubs etc.

Group Name: Dublin Drama Festival
Contact Name: Michael Petticrew
Address: 30 Ben Edar Road, North Circular Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8380784
Meeting Venue: Liberty Hall Theatre
Meetings: Monthly or bi-monthly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Arts event/festival
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: All of Dublin
“WE ARE”: A group organising a festival which involves a lot of drama and community groups in Dublin. Our festival usually runs for eight nights and is part of a national competition.

Group Name: Navan Road Parish Centre Drama Group
Contact Name: Liz Brennan
Address: 10 Park Manor, Castleknock, Dublin 15
Phone: 086-2245113
Email: lizbrennan01@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Navan Road Parish Centre, Dublin 7
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Youth arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Navan Road/Dublin 7
“WE ARE”: A group providing speech/drama classes for primary school children.

Group Name: The Point Theatre
Contact Name: Roslyn Long
Address: East Link Bridge, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8366777
Fax: 01-8366422
Email: roselyn.long@thepoint.ie
Web: www.thepoint.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Not applicable
Main Activity: Dance, music, bands, theatre
Group Type: Venue/arts centre

Locality: Dublin 1
“WE ARE”: A professional venue that offers all types of entertainment including live bands, ballet, opera, Broadway shows, children’s shows, exhibitions etc.

Group Name: Independent Theatre Workshop
Contact Name: Gillian Oman
Address: 2 Mornington Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6
Phone: 01-4968808
Fax: 01-4968808
Email: itwschool@o2.ie
Web: www.independent-theatre-workshop.com
Meeting Venue: 1) Beechwood Community Centre, Ranelagh
2) Church of Ireland College of Education, Rathmines
3) Scout Den, Corpuschristi Church Grounds, Drumcondra
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Theatre/drama/puppetry, dance/movement, film/video/photo/new media
Group Type: Arts training group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ranelagh and Drumcondra
“WE ARE”: A theatre school and agency. We have classes in speech and drama, dance, singing, musical theatre and film production for young people aged 4 to 19 years.

Group Name: PAM Variety Group
Contact Name: Dolores Birrell
Address: 51 Thomas Moore Road, Walkinstown, Dublin 12
Phone: 01-4602304
Meeting Venue: Contact above
Meetings: Fortnightly and usually more regularly before a show is due
Group Type: Community arts
Main Activity: Theatre/drama, dance/movement
Other Activities: Quizzes comedies
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Walkinstown
“WE ARE”: A club meeting twice monthly. Variety show practice takes place between June and December with a show performed in December.

Group Name: Rupert Guinness Theatre
Contact Name: Emma McCabe
Address: St James Gate, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-6435709
Fax: 01-6435025
Email: emma.mccabe@diageo.com
Venue Address: Same as above
Main Activity: Theatre
Group Type: Venue
Recruiting: Not applicable
Locality: Greater Dublin area
“WE ARE”: A venue for lots of local arts groups, both musical and drama. The venue can be hired for both rehearsals and performances.

Group Name: The Gaiety School of Acting
Contact Name: Karen Anne Delaney
Address: Gaiety School of Acting, Sycamore Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6799277
Fax: 01-6799568
Email: info@gaietyschool.com
Web: www.gaietyschool.com
Venue Address: Same as above
Meetings: Not applicable
Main Activity: Theatre/dance, film, literary, music
Group Type: Arts training group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin and nationwide
“WE ARE”: Ireland’s premier drama school. We run courses for adults, young people and children in Temple Bar, Bray, Sutton, Cork and Kerry.

Group Name: Drama League of Ireland “Inspiring Excellence In Amateur Drama”
Contact Name: Dara Carolan (Project Officer)
Address: Carmichael House, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8749084
Fax: 01-8735737
Email: dli@eircom.net
Web: www.dli.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Main Activity: Resource centre for amateur drama, summer school, winter schools, workshops
Group Type: Resource/library
Locality: Smithfield, Dublin 7
“WE ARE”: The first point of contact for amateur, independent and voluntary theatre; an education provider; a library service; and we offer advice on performing rights.

Group Name: Irish Centre of IATA/AITA (International Amateur Theatre Association)
Contact Name: Mary Pears
Address: PO Box 3094, 46 Thomas Street, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4530369 or 01-6243391
Fax: 01-4530369
Email: iatairl@eircom.net
Web: http://home.eircom.net/~iatairl
Meeting Venue: Various
Meetings: Various times
Main Activity: Facilitating participation at international amateur/community theatre festivals at home and abroad, drama in education, international theatre exchange etc. We cater for all age groups.
Group Type: Resource organisation
Locality: Dublin, national, international
“WE ARE”: An organisation affiliated to AITA/IATA asbl; the world association catering for all aspects of theatre/drama. Our motto is: "Understanding and Education Through Theatre".

CIRCUS / STREET ENTERTAINMENT

Group Name: Samhain Halloween Parade
Contact Name: Maggie Biggs
Address: 35 Leinster Avenue, North Strand, Dublin 3
Phone: 01-8557154/087-2243095
Fax: 01-8557154
Email: applause2@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Circus/street entertainment, dance/movement, theatre/drama/puppetry, visual arts
Other Activities: Event management, clowns and face painting, stilts, fire juggling and samba shows
Group Type: Arts event/festival
Locality: We travel to you!
"WE ARE": We specialise in parade organisation. We organise the Samhain Halloween Parade. We tour nationwide with workshops in theatre and anti-bullying programmes.

Group Name: Battle Of The Axe
Contact Name: Tony Ferns
Address: Ha'penny Bridge Inn (upstairs), 42 Wellington Quay, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 086-8156987
Email: battleoftheaxe@hotmail.com
Web: www.battleoftheaxe.com
Meetings: Weekly - Tuesday 9.30pm
Main Activity: Comedy, singers, songwriters
Locality: City centre
"WE ARE": A stand-up comedy, singer/songwriters and "open mic" night every Tuesday in the Ha'penny Bridge Inn.

Group Name: Blackthorn Arts
Contact Name: Stephen Holland
Address: 13B Echlin Street, St James Gate, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4536711
Fax: 01-4536711
Email: info@blackthornarts.ie
Web: www.blackthornarts.ie
Meeting Venue: Various
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Circus/street entertainment, literary, theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Professional Arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin central
"WE ARE": Blackthorn Arts promotes the collective talents of entertainers, actors and performers through its theatre projects, re-enactments and workshops.

MUSIC / VOICE / CHOIR / BAND

Musical Societies

- Baldoyle Musical Society
- DAYMS (Rathfarnham)
- DCU Musical Society
- Glasnevin Musical Society
- Harold's Cross/Tallaght Musical Society
- Navan Road Musical Society (see separate entry in this section)
- Next Stage Productions (Artane)
- O'Connell Musical Society (Donaghmede)
- Portmarnock M&D Society
- Teachers' Musical Society (St Pat's College, Drumcondra)

The above musical societies all operate in the Dublin city area under the auspices of AIMS (Academy of Irish Musical Societies). Most of the above groups regularly produce musicals or pantomimes of a high standard and would have regular rehearsal timetables especially when close to a show's deadline. These groups are usually recruiting new members and encourage people of all backgrounds and varying degrees of talent to get involved and have some fun!

For contact details on any of the groups listed above please contact Alice Hughes of AIMS at the following:

39 Beechcraft, Summerhill, Co. Meath

Phone: 046-9557727

Group Name: St James' Band
Contact Name: Kathleen Phelan
Address: 7 Mount Browne, Dublin 8
Phone: 086-0588325
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Twice weekly - Wednesday night 8pm - 10pm and Sunday morning 11.30am - 1.30pm
Main Activity: Band
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin 8
"WE ARE": A band for people of all ages with a wide variety of musical styles including brass, reed and percussion.

Group Name: Ceiliúradh Chamber Choir
Contact Name: Breda O'Shea
Address: Sandymount, Dublin 4
Phone: 01-8331649
Email: spokesong@ireland.com
Meeting Venue: Mount Tabor Nursing Home, Sandymount, Dublin 4
Meetings: Weekly - Thursday 8pm - 10pm
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Sandymount

“WE ARE”: A group of people who share a love of choral music. Repertoire includes folk songs and liturgical music from all over the world.

Group Name: Young European Strings

Contact Name: Maria Kelleher

Address: 21 The Close, Cypress Downs, Templeogue, Dublin 6W

Phone: 01-4905263

Fax: 01-4920355

Email: yes@iol.ie

Web: www.young-european-strings.com

Meeting Venue: Young European Strings School of Music (contact number above)

Meetings: Daily excluding weekends

Main Activity: Music

Other Activities: Education

Group Type: Youth arts, arts event/festival

Recruiting: Contact number above

Locality: Templeogue

“WE ARE”: An early music education group providing professional string-music training.

Group Name: Music Network

Contact Name: Seamus O'Reilly

Address: Coach House, Dublin Castle, Dublin 2

Phone: 01-6719429

Fax: 01-6719430

Email: info@musicnetwork.ie

Web: www.musicnetwork.ie

Main Activity: Music/voice/choir

Group Type: Resource organisation

Locality: Nationwide

“WE ARE”: Ireland's national music development organisation.

Group Name: National Youth Orchestra of Ireland

Contact Name: Joanna Crooks

Address: 37 Molesworth Street, Dublin 2

Phone: 01-6613642 or 01-6628735

Fax: 01-6613642

Email: info@nyoi.ie

Web: www.nyoi.ie

Meeting Venue: National Concert Hall, Mahony Hall, The Helix

Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band

Group Type: Youth arts group

“WE ARE”: NYOI gives training and performance opportunities to the country's top young orchestral musicians, selected at annual national auditions.

Group Name: Young Orchestral Pops

Contact Name: Kitty Dalligan

Address: College of Education, 96 Upper Rathmines Road, Dublin 6

Phone: 087-2390901

Fax: 01-8255566

Email: kitty@yops-ireland.com

Web: www.yops-ireland.com

Meetings: Monthly

Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band

Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Rathmines
“WE ARE”: A group of professional musicians who want to encourage young musicians to enjoy performing and learning classical, popular and film music with three concerts every year.

Group Name: Global Harmonies
Contact Name: Rachel Dempsey
Address: 65 Casino Road, Marino, Dublin 3
Phone: 086-3097232
Email: racheldempsey@hotmail.com
Web: www.dublin.ie/globalharmonies
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band
Group Type: Arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Citywide - Dublin 3 and 7 particularly
“WE ARE”: A group providing workshops and classes in intercultural/holistic voice and music work for individuals, schools, colleges, groups, festivals etc.

Group Name: Dublin Choral Foundation
Contact Name: Ite O'Donovan
Address: 107 New Ireland Road, Rialto, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4539663
Fax: 01-4539663
Email: iteod@iol.ie
Web: www.dublinchoralfoundation.ie
Meeting Venue: Aras Treasa, 5 Coppinger Row, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2
Meetings: Twice weekly
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir
Group Type: Arts training
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: City centre
“WE ARE”: A group providing a musical education for young singers through choral activities. We consist of two choirs “Piccolo Lasso” (boys and girls aged from five to fifteen years) and the “Lassus Scholars Chamber Choir”. Performances take place at many Dublin venues including the National Concert Hall.

Group Name: National Chamber Choir
Contact Name: Karina Lundstrom
Address: DCU, Glasnevin, Dublin 9
Phone: 01-7007811
Fax: 01-7005603
Email: national.chamber.choir@dcu.ie
Web: www.nationalchamberchoir.com
Meeting Venue: National Gallery of Ireland, Merrion Square West, Dublin 2
Concerts: Fortnightly
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir
Group Type: Professional arts
Recruiting: Involves audition (contact number above)
Locality: Glasnevin and city centre
“WE ARE”: An independent, full-time professional ensemble comprising 17

members who are drawn from the ranks of Ireland's top singers singing Renaissance, Baroque, romantic and contemporary music. The choir's wide repertoire spans the period from 11th century chant to the music of the 21st century.

Group Name: St George's Brass Band
Contact Name: Neville Bryan
Address: 34 Clonrosse Drive, Ard na Greine, Malahide Road, Dublin 13
Phone: 01- 8473111
Web: www.stgeorgesbrassband.ie
Meeting Venue: St George's Church, Cathal Brugha Street, Dublin 1
Meetings: Weekly on Mondays
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band
Other Activities: Joint concerts with choirs
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur, youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: City centre
"WE ARE": Dublin's friendliest brass band, open to all brass band enthusiasts from teens upwards, playing at a wide variety of venues during the year.

Group Name: St Andrew's Church Choir
Contact Name: Jean Monahan
Address: St Andrew's Church, Westland Row, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6761270
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Twice weekly
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Pearse Street
"WE ARE": A four part church choir who sing mainly Latin masses and motets. Usual mass is 11.30am on Sunday in St Andrew's Church.

Group Name: Irish Traditional Music Archive
Contact Name: The Secretary
Address: 63 Merrion Square, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6619699
Fax: 01-6624585
Web: www.itma.ie
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band
Other Activities: Traditional music and dance
Group Type: Resource organisation
"WE ARE": A public collection of Irish traditional song, instrumental music and dance, sound recordings, books and serials, sheet music, videos, photographs etc.

Group Name: The Contemporary Music Centre
Contact Name: Karen Hennessy
Address: 19 Fishamble Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-6731922
Fax: 01-6489100

Email: khennesy@cmc.ie
Web: www.cmc.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Open: Daily (Monday - Friday)
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band
Other Activities: Library and archive
Group Type: Resource organisation
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members. Composers can apply for representation.
Locality: Dublin city centre but remit is national and international.
“WE ARE”: Ireland's national archive/library, resource centre and promotional body for Irish composers and new music. CMC is a registered charity funded by the Arts Council as well as the Arts Council of Northern Ireland.

Group Name: Crumlin Community Youth Band
Contact Name: Hugh O'Neill
Address: 94 Dowland Road, Walkinstown, Dublin 12
Phone: 087-2648884
Email: oneill94@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Moeran Community Hall, Somerville Drive, Walkinstown, Dublin 12
Meetings: Three nights weekly and Sunday afternoon
Main Activity: Music/voice/band
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin 12 area
“WE ARE”: A community voluntary organisation offering young people an education in music. We supply instruments and tuition. No experience needed.

Group Name: The Philippine Chorale Ensemble
Contact Name: Tina Peji
Address: Contact number below
Phone: 085-1483563
Email: tinapeji@yahoo.com
Meeting Venue: No specific venue, as invited.
Practices Weekly
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir
Group Type: Arts event/festival, languages/ethnic heritage
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin city
“WE ARE”: A Philippine choral ensemble composed of young, talented enthusiastic singers whose main goal is to promote Philippine music and culture by choral rendition. Most of the group's members are from the caring profession.

Group Name: Whitehall Parish Youth Choir
Contact Name: Fran Scott/Sarah Waldron
Address: Whitehall Parish Centre, Thatch Road, Whitehall, Dublin 9
Phone: 01-8375274
Meeting Venue: Church of the Holy Child, Whitehall
Group practices Weekly - Saturday 11am - 1pm
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir
Group Type: Youth arts group

Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: North inner city
“WE ARE”: A group engaged in vocal performance and vocal projection skills for young people aged 9-23 years. We rehearse and perform weekly. We engage in musical and fundraising concerts.

Group Name: Temple Bar Music Centre
Contact Name: David Allen
Address: Curved Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6709202
Fax: 01-6705566
Email: info@tbmc.ie
Web: www.tbmc.ie
Open: Daily
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Locality: Dublin city centre
“WE ARE”: A 600 capacity music venue catering for all tastes.

Group Name: Crash Ensemble
Contact Name: Mary Hickson
Address: O’Reilly Theatre, Belvedere College, Great Denmark Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8586644
Fax: 01-8744374
Email: admin@crashensemble.com
Web: www.crashensemble.com
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Main Activity: Music/voice/choir/band
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: North inner city
“WE ARE”: Ireland’s foremost contemporary music.

Group Name: Navan Road Musical Society
Contact Marina Browne
Address: St John Bosco School Hall, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 086-1000566
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Dance/Movement
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Navan Road/Dublin 7
“WE ARE”: A musical society for people over 18 years.

Group Name: Culwick Choral Society
Contact Maria Whelan
Address: Contact number below
Phone: 01-6608489
Email: maria.c.whelan@gmail.com
Web: www.culwick.org
Meeting Venue: Royal Hospital Donnybrook, Bloomfield Avenue, Donnybrook, Dublin 4

Meetings:	Weekly rehearsals on Thursdays
Main Activity:	Music/voice/choir/band
Group Type:	Voluntary/amateur arts group
Recruiting:	Currently recruiting members
Locality:	Donnybrook (for rehearsals)
“WE ARE”:	The Culwick Choral Society is an amateur choir with over 100 members from all parts of Dublin. Performances include a major choral work each spring (most recently Mendelssohn’s Elijah in the National Concert Hall), an annual Christmas concert and Handel’s Messiah for two nights each December in St Patrick’s Cathedral for a designated charity (raising in excess of €100,00 for charities overall).

CNC – Association of Irish Choirs / Cumann Náisiúnta na gCór

CNC/Association of Irish Choirs is the national organisation, funded by the Arts Council, which supports and promotes choral music throughout the island of Ireland.

CNC offers members:

- 1) **An information and advisory service** including *CNC E-zine* newsletter three times a year, national and international networking, choir exchange opportunities, interactive bulletin board and website and reduced rate public liability insurance.
- 2) **An education and outreach programme** including workshops, seminars and choral days, classroom music in-services, “National Conductors’ Forum”, Annual Choral Conducting Summer School and ‘Music in the Classroom’ summer course for primary teachers.
- 3) **A library and choral publications service** including extensive postal lending library service, library and publications advice and support and back catalogue of publications for Irish choirs.

Contact Details:

Cumann Náisiúnta na gCór/Association of Irish Choirs, Drinan Street, Cork
 Phone: 021-4312296
 Fax: 021-4961457
 Email: info@cnc.ie
 Web: www.cnc.ie

Choir: Cameron Singers

Choir Type: Adult - Community
 Contact: Ms Rita Ellis
 188 Springdale Road, Raheny, Dublin 5
 Phone: 01-8488102

Choir: Cantóirí

Choir Type: Adult - Community
 Web: www.cantoiri.com

Choir: Celtic Choristers MV

Choir Type: Adult - Community
 Contact: Mr Donal Delaney
 26 Shielmartin Drive, Sutton, Dublin 13
 Phone: 01-8325386 or 086-2548134
 Email: delaneydonal@hotmail.com

Choir: Christ Church Cathedral Choirs

Choir Type: Adult - Church

Contact: Mr Peter Parshall

Christ Church Cathedral, Chapter House, Christ Church Place, Dublin 8

Phone: 01-6712426

Email: music@cccudub.ie

Choir: Dublin Welsh Male Voice Choir

Choir Type: Adult - Community

Contact: Mr Cecil McCabe

c/o The Friends Office, The Royal Hospital Donnybrook, Donnybrook, Dublin 4

Phone: 01-4971921

Choir: Glória

Choir Type: Adult – Gay Community

Contact: Mr Ian Doyle

c/o Outhouse, 105 Capel Street, Dublin 1

Email: iano.doyle@gmail.com

Choir: Goethe Institute Choir

Choir Type: Adult - Community

Contact: Ms Elizabeth Clear

42 Copeland Grove, Clontarf, Dublin 3

Phone: 01-4750555 or 087-7987124

Choir: Lassus Scholars/Piccolo Lasso

Choir Type: Youth - Community

Contact: Ms Ite O'Donovan

Dublin Choral Foundation, 107 New Ireland Road, Rialto, Dublin 8

Phone: 01-4539663 or 087-2340151

Email: iteod@iol.ie

Choir: National Chamber Choir

Choir Type: Professional

Contact: Ms Karina Lundström

Dublin City University, Glasnevin, Dublin 9

Phone: 01-7005665 or 087-2426122

Email: national.chamber.choir@dcu.ie

Choir: Our Lady's Choral Society

Choir Type: Adult - Community

Contact: Ms Lois Jarvis

c/o Clonliffe College, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3

Phone: 0404-43937

Email: loisj1@eircom.net

Choir: Rockmount Choir

Choir Type: Adult - Community

Contact: Ms Orla Sheerin

42 North Avenue, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin

Phone: 01-2889775 or 087-6847483

Email: rockmountchoir@eircom.net

Web: www.iol.ie/~rockmount

Choir: RTÉ Philharmonic Choir

Choir Type: Adult - Community

Contact: Ms Norma O'Connor

Choral Officer, Music Division, RTE, Donnybrook, Dublin 4

Phone: 01-2082493 or 087-2472793

Email: norma.oconnor@RTE.ie
Choir: The Gaudete Singers
Choir Type: Adult - Community
Contact: Prof. John C. Barnes
59 Edenvale Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6
Phone: 01-4978341
Email: John.C.Barnes@ucd.ie

Choir: The Guinness Choir
Choir Type: Adult - Community
Contact: Ms Ada Kelly
28 Ashington Rise, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8384796
Email: adakelly@oceanfree.net

Choir: Voces Amicabiles Chamber Choir
Choir Type: Adult - Community
Contact: Mr David Maxwell
6 Fairview Green, Fairview, Dublin 3
Phone: 01-8339159 or 087-2909536
Fax: 01-8531432
Email: gardwell@indigo.ie
Web: http://voces_amicabiles.tripod.com

Choir: Ceiliúradh Chamber Choir
Choir Type: Adult - Community
Contact: Mr Micheál Breathnach
1 St Brendan's Cottages, Irishtown, Dublin 4
Phone: 01-6670007
Email: spokessong@ireland.com

Choir: Cullenswood Singers
Choir Type: Adult - Community
Contact: Mr Pat Scully
38 Castlewood Park, Rathmines, Dublin 6
Phone: 086-8141162
Fax: 01-4979606
Email: patrickscully@eircom.net

Choir: Classicus Youth Choir
Choir Type: Youth - Community
Contact: Ms Máire Ledwith Butler
Let's Go Singing Studio, 78 Northumberland Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4
Phone: 01-6189284 or 086-2663060
Email: mairesing@eircom.net



VISUAL ARTS / SCULPTURE

Group Name: The Hugh Lane Gallery
Contact Name: Jessica O'Donnell
Address: Charlemont House, Parnell Square North, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-2225564 or 01-2225588
Fax: 01-8722182
Email: info.hughlane@dublincity.ie
Web: www.hughlane.ie
Open: Daily
Main Activity: Visual arts/sculpture
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Locality: Dublin city
"WE ARE": An art gallery that runs an extensive range of education programmes catering for people of all ages, including guided tours, lectures and artist led drawing courses and art workshops.

Group Name: "Studio 10" Irish Museum of Modern Art
Contact Name: Lisa Moran
Address: Royal Hospital Kilmainham, Military Road, Kilmainham, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-6129912
Fax: 01-6129999
Email: info@imma.ie
Web: www.imma.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Friday mornings 10am-1pm, September - May
Main Activity: Visual arts/sculpture, painting/drawing
Group Type: Older people's arts
Recruiting: Open studio - new participants always welcome
Locality: Kilmainham
"WE ARE": An open studio in the Irish Museum of Modern Art where an artist facilitates arts workshops and gallery visits for older people. Open membership applies and no bookings necessary.

Group Name: Parents' Education Group Pottery Classes
Contact Name: Margaret Tyrell
Address: 25 Caledon Road, East Wall, Dublin 3
Phone: 087-6499450
Meeting Venue: Sean O'Casey Community Centre, St Mary's Road, East Wall, Dublin 3
Main Activity: Visual arts/sculpture, painting/drawing
Group Type: Arts training
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: East Wall
"WE ARE": A group learning to express our talents. A pottery class for "working hands and relaxing" and we offer a way of making new friends.

Group Name: Visual Artists' Ireland
Contact Name: Toby Dennett
Address: Corner Halston Street and Mary's Lane, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8722296
Fax: 01-8722364
Email: info@sculptors-society.ie
Web: www.sculptors-society.ie

Meeting Venue: Same as above
Main Activity: Visual arts/sculpture
Other Activities: Visual Artists Members' Organisation. Supporting and representing visual artists.
Group Type: Resource organisation
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: National
"WE ARE": An all Ireland membership body for professional visual artists. We provide services, facilities and resources for artists. We act as an advocate for the interests of artists and we initiate projects and publications.

Group Name: National Irish Visual Arts Library
Contact Name: Donna Romano
Address: National College of Art and Design, 100 Thomas Street, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-6364347
Email: romanod@ncad.ie
Web: www.nacd.ie/nival
Open: Daily
Main Activity: Architecture/design, crafts/textiles, painting/drawing, visual arts
Group Type: Resource organisation
Other Activities: Research resource
Locality: The Liberties
"WE ARE": A research resource for the study of 20th century and contemporary Irish art and design. We are open to the general public, free of charge. Our collection includes books, catalogues, magazines, invitations, images, press cuttings etc.

Group Name: Visual Arts Centre
Contact Name: Benedict Byrne
Address: 32 North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-6337937
Fax: 01-6337937
Email: info@visualartscentre.com
Web: www.visualartscentre.com
Main Activity: Visual arts
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Locality: Stoneybatter
"WE ARE": A visual arts centre which was founded in Dublin in 1978 and is an "artists run" studio facility.

Group Name: East Wall Youth Arts
Contact Name: Eileen Vaughan
Address: St Mary's Youth Club, Strangford Road East, East Wall, Dublin 3
Phone: 01-8860074
Fax: 01-8860075
Email: eastwallyouth@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Contact above number
Main Activity: Visual arts
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: East Wall
"WE ARE": A group running small-scale youth projects throughout the year in our

club. We undertake large youth arts initiatives in partnership with other groups. We are interested in developing more community-based quality youth arts projects.

Group Name: LOCAL Artwork
Contact Name: Armin Rasokat
Address: 19 Ebenezer Terrace, South Circular Terrace, South Circular Road, Dublin 8
Phone: 086-3930928
Email: local@rasoraso.info
Web: www.localartwork.info
Meeting Venue: Various
Meetings: Weekly/fortnightly
Main Activity: Visual arts/sculpture, film/video/photo/new media, movement and self-expression
Group Type: Arts training group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: City centre
“WE ARE”: A group that focuses on activities and workshops for those interested in self-expression combined with personal development. Workshops are constructed to lead to a more creative and fulfilled living in an expanded sense of creativity.

Group Name: Graphic Studio Dublin
Contact Name: Mory Cunningham
Address: Green Street East, Off Hanover Quay, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6703373
Fax: 01-6703373
Email: gsdworkshop@iol.ie
Web: www.graphicstudiodublin.com
Meeting Venue: Fine Art Print Studio
Main Activity: Visual arts
Other Activities: Fine art print
Group Type: Professional arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ringsend
“WE ARE”: A professional fine art print studio. We are a charitable organisation supported by the Arts Council of Ireland.

Group Name: A4 Sounds
Contact Name: Lisa Crowne
Address: 19 Mountainview Avenue, Harold's Cross, Dublin 6w
Phone: n/a
Fax: n/a
Email: A4SOUNDS@gmail.com
Web: www.A4SOUNDS.com
Meeting Venue: A4 Place
Main Activity: Design, Textiles, Film, Video, Photo, New Media, Music, Painting, Drawing, Visual Arts, Sculpture
Other Activities: Electronics, Animation, Model Making
Group Type: Community arts group / Arts event
Recruiting: No
Locality: Harold's Cross
“WE ARE”: A4 Sounds curates interactive exhibitions throughout Ireland and

abroad. We create site specific shows aiming to engage the wider community with the arts. We try to use as many recyclable materials as possible to create these shows e.g. old electronics and cardboard.

LITERARY / WRITING / STORYTELLING

Group Name: Storytime Session
Contact Name: Terry Wogan
Address: Charleville Mall Library, Charleville Mall, North Strand, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8749619
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Main Activity: Storytelling
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: North east inner city

Group Name: Daisy Belle Readers' Group
Contact Name: Terry Wogan
Address: Charleville Mall Library, Charleville Mall, North Strand, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8749619
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly - 1st Thursday @ 11am
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: North east inner city
"WE ARE": A group for adults that meets on a monthly basis. We choose a book and discuss it at the next meeting.

Group Name: Bookends Readers' Group
Contact Name: Neil Corcoran
Address: Cabra Library, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8691414
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Cabra
"WE ARE": A group for adults who read and discuss chosen books.

Group Name: Cover to Cover Book Club
Contact Name: Phil Moynihan
Address: Cabra Library, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8691414
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly, usually last Monday of every month
3.45pm - 4.15pm (7-9 yr olds)
4.15pm - 4.45pm (10-12 yr olds)
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Cabra
"WE ARE": A group for children. A book is chosen each month from a variety of different subjects and the two groups return the following month to discuss it.

Group Name: Grown-Ups and Toddlers' Group

Contact Name: Terri Murray
Address: Cabra Library, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8691414
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - two separate groups on Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30am - 11.30am
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Waiting list applies - contact number above
Locality: Cabra
“WE ARE”: Providing library space for pre-school children to interact together in a weekly group environment. Grown-ups must accompany toddlers who engage in shared readership and play with educational toys.

Group Name: Creative Writers
Contact Name: Terri Murray
Address: Cabra Library, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8691414
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Contact above
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Cabra
“WE ARE”: Currently recruiting members to revive the adult creative writer’s group.

Group Name: Poetry Ireland
Contact Name: Joseph Woods
Address: 2 Prouds Lane, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-4789974
Fax: 01-4780205
Email: poetry@iol.ie
Web: www.poetryireland.ie
Meeting Venue: Damer Hall, St Stephen’s Green, Dublin 2
Meetings: Weekly events held
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling, visual arts
Group Type: Resource organisation
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin city centre
“WE ARE”: A national organisation dedicated to developing, supporting and promoting poetry throughout Ireland. The four core activities are publications; readings; education and information; and resource services.

Group Name: Morning Readers’ Group
Contact Name: Ronan McNiece
Address: Pearse Street Library, 138-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6744888
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members

Locality: Dublin city centre
“WE ARE”: A group that meet once a month for one hour to discuss a previously chosen book.

Group Name: Evening Book Club
Contact Name: Andrew Sneyd
Address: Pearse Street Library, 138-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6744888
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin city centre
“WE ARE”: A group that meets one evening a month to discuss a previously chosen book.

Group Name: Irish Christian Writers' Fellowship
Contact Name: Joan Bradley
Address: Hon. Secretary, ICWF, Flat 2c, Iveagh Trust, Kevin Street, Dublin 8
Phone/Fax: 01-4549237
Meeting Venue: No fixed venue - contact above
Meetings: Bi-monthly. Hold literary evening twice yearly.
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Voluntary/amateur
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin city
“WE ARE”: A group encouraging Christians to express their faith in Jesus Christ through writing. We issue a two-monthly publication of members work called "The Candlestick".

Group Name: Rathmines Writers' Workshop
Contact Name: James Conway
Address: 8 Brighton Gardens, Rathgar, Dublin 6
Phone: 086-4025578
Meeting Venue: The Christchurch, Rathgar, Dublin 6
Meetings: Fortnightly
Main Activity: Creative writing
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Rathmines, Rathgar
“WE ARE”: A creative writing group established in 1990 fostering original writing in the greater Rathmines area. We engage with the community through workshops and readings.

Group Name: Terenure Readers' Group
Contact Name: Patricia Campbell
Address: Terenure Library, Templeogue Road, Terenure, Dublin 6
Phone: 01-4907035
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling/poetry

Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members (contact library)
Locality: Terenure
“WE ARE”: A group of adults who meet monthly to discuss a previously chosen book.

Group Name: Children’s Book Club
Contact Name: Donna Noonan
Address: Terenure Library, Templeogue Road, Terenure, Dublin 6
Phone: 01-4907035
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly (2nd Wednesday 3pm - 4pm)
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling/poetry
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Terenure
“WE ARE”: A book club for 9-12 year olds. Children meet to discuss books and do other activities including quizzes and arts and crafts.

Group Name: Conversation Exchange
Contact Name: Phil Moynihan
Address: Cabra Library, Navan Road, Dublin 7
Phone: 01-8691414
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly (Tuesday - French, Wednesday - Spanish)
Main Activity: Conversation exchange
Group Type: Languages/ethnic heritage arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Cabra
“WE ARE”: A “conversation exchange” group whereby Spanish and French speaking people meet to exchange conversation with English speakers.

Group Name: The Word Depot
Contact Name: David Sherry
Address: 10B Echlin Street, Dublin 8
Phone: 086-3477423
Email: davidsherry7@hotmail.com
Meeting Venue: Terenure Library, Terenure, Dublin 6
Meetings: Monthly
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling
Group Type: Arts training group, community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Terenure, Dublin 6
“WE ARE”: A group promoting new works in creative writing. We present and read our work in public libraries. We encourage positive comment on our work.

Group Name: Adult Readers’ Group, Finglas
Contact Name: Helen O’Donnell
Address: Finglas Library, Shopping Centre, Jamestown Road, Dublin 11

Phone: 01-8344906
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Monthly - 1st Thursday of every month
Main Activity: Literary
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: A group of adults who meet in the library for reading activities.

Group Name: Grown-Ups and Toddlers’ Group
Contact Name: Helen O’Donnell
Address: Finglas Library, Shopping Centre, Jamestown Road, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8344906
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Thursday 11am during term time
Main Activity: Storytelling/visual arts
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: A group of grown-ups and toddlers that meets in the library. Two facilitators guide the group in engaging in educational play and storytelling.

Group Name: Junior Book Club
Contact Name: Denis O’Shea
Address: Finglas Library, Shopping Centre, Jamestown Road, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8344906
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 3.30pm
Main Activity: Literary
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: A group of children who meet twice monthly to discuss a chosen book.

Group Name: Storytelling for Toddlers
Contact Name: Helen O’Donnell
Address: Finglas Library, Shopping Centre, Jamestown Road, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8344906
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Tuesday 11.30am
Main Activity: Storytelling
Group Type: Youth arts, community arts
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: A group catering for toddlers who must be accompanied by a grown-up. We listen to stories in a fun and educational environment.

Group Name: Ireland Literature Exchange
Contact Name: Sinead Mac Aodha
Address: 25 Denzille Lane, Dublin 2

Phone: 01-6788961
Fax: 01-6625687
Email: sinead@irelandliterature.com
Web: www.irelandliterature.com
Main Activity: Literary
Group Type: International literature promotion agency, resource organisation, languages/ethnic heritage
Locality: Dublin 2 and abroad
“WE ARE”: An organisation promoting the literature of Ireland abroad by offering translation grants and co-organising international “translator and author events”. We also host literary translators in Dublin for periods of up to one month.

Group Name: Dolphins Barn Readers’ Group
Contact Name: Marie Tulie-Daly
Address: Dolphins Barn Library, Dolphins Barn, Dublin 8
Phone: 046-9733004 or 01-4540681 (library)
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Contact above
Main Activity: Literary
Other Activities: Visits to theatre/cinema
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dolphins Barn/Dublin 12
“WE ARE”: A readers’ group catering for the whole community. We love books, reading, talking and listening. We love to learn and are open to all.

Group Name: PS Writers’ Group
Contact Name: Mary Fleming
Address: St Andrew’s Resource Centre, Pearse Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-2855613 or 01-6771930
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Creative writing
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Pearse Street/Dublin 2
“WE ARE”: A group engaging in creative writing with a view to publishing and entering competitions.

Group Name: Irish Writers’ Centre
Address: 19 Parnell Square, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8721302
Fax: 01-8726282
Email: info@writerscentre.ie
Web: www.writerscentre.ie
Main Activity: Literary
Group Type: Resource organisation, venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Countrywide
“WE ARE”: A national resource organisation for literature in Ireland.

Group Name: The James Joyce Centre

Contact Name: Michelle Spain
Address: 35 North Great George's Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8788547
Fax: 01-8788488
Email: info@jamesjoyce.ie
Web: www.jamesjoyce.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Depends on time of year and events taking place
Main Activity: Autumn/spring lecture series, Bloomsday Festival (June) - literary
Group Type: Resource organisation, arts event/festival, cultural centre
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Dublin 1 – city centre
“WE ARE”: A centre dedicated to the promotion of a greater interest in the life and works of James Joyce. We also organise conducted tours of the house and walks through the heartland of Joyce's north inner city.

Group Name: Donnycarney Writers Group
Contact Name: Liz
Address: Donnycarney Community and Youth Centre, Collins Avenue East, Donnycarney, Dublin 5
Phone: 01-8314494
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly - Mondays 10.30am - 1.00pm
Main Activity: Writing
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Donnycarney
“WE ARE”: A group in the Donnycarney area that is open to everyone who has a general interest in writing or creating text.

Group Name: Pobal Chluain Tarbh
Contact Name: Úna Uí Lachtnáin
Address: 5 Seafield Avenue, Clontarf, Baile Atha Cliath 3
Phone: 01-8332134 or 086-8511830
Meeting Venue: Clontarf GAA Club and parish halls in Clontarf area
Meetings: Monthly plus other events
Main Activity: Literary, Irish language
Group Type: Languages/ethnic heritage, arts event/festival
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Clontarf
“WE ARE”: An Irish language organisation which uses different events to promote interest in and use of the Irish Language. We organise a week long cultural festival “Eigse Chluain Tarbh” in October; monthly conversation meetings; sales of Irish language cards and books; outings etc.

Group Name: Chapelizod Heritage Society
Contact Name: Anne Fagan (Chairperson)
Address: Weir View, Martin's Row, Chapelizod, Dublin 20
Phone: 01-6268702
Meeting Venue: Numerous venues including Donore Harriers R.C., The Bandroom and local hotels.
Meetings: Monthly – 1st Wednesday of every month
Main Activity: Literary, film/video/photo

Group Type: Voluntary heritage society
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Chapelizod
“WE ARE”: A group whose committee meets once a month. We arrange various lectures and events on local history including the literary history of James Joyce, Sheridan Le Fanu, Lord Northcliffe (the newspaper magnate), WM Letts, Maurice Walsh etc. We also hold an extensive collection of 19th and 20th century photographs. We are currently carrying out research for a book on Chapelizod.

Group Name: Ciorcal Comhra Gaeilge
Contact Name: Colm Mac Domhnall
Address: 9 Bothar Ceann Coradh, Baile Atha Cliath 3
Phone: 01-8331567
Email: c.mcdonald@oceanfree.net
Meeting Venue: Raheny Library, Raheny, Dublin 5
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling/poetry
Group Type: Languages/ethnic heritage
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Raheny
“WE ARE”: An Irish speaking circle. Ta geall is fiche duine ar an rolla againn (de gnath bionn 8-10 i lathair gach seachtain).

Group Name: Whitefriar Area Community Council
Contact Name: Brendan Dowling
Address: The Base, 74C Mercer House, Mercer Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 087-2940735
Email: community@iol.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Various book clubs at various times (contact number above)
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling/poetry
Group Type: Community arts (adult and youth)
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Whitefriar Street
“WE ARE”: A number of groups, meeting to discuss selected books. Included are an adults’ book club, a young people’s book club, and “rhymes and rhythms” (nursery rhymes for children) group.

Group Name: Trinity Writers’ Group
Contact Name: Eddie Phillips
Address: 7 Verbena Grove, Sutton, Dublin 13
Phone: 086-8767284
Meeting Venue: Donaghmede Library, Donaghmede Shopping Centre, Dublin 13
Meetings: Monthly – 1st Thursday at 6.30pm
Main Activity: Literary/writing/poetry
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Donaghmede
“WE ARE”: A writers’ group. We have been welcoming the literary minded and embryonic writer to Donaghmede Shopping Centre library since our establishment in 1991. We have published three books of poetry and prose. Our meetings consist of workshops and readings.

Group Name: Dubliners Literary Circle

Contact Name: Desmond O'Malley
Address: 35 Sillogue Gardens, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8627595 or 087-9497541
Email: desmond@dublin@hotmail.com
Meeting Venue: Central Hotel, Exchequer Street, Dublin 2
Main Activity: Readings and discussions of the writings of Irish and Anglo-Irish writers
Group Type: Community/voluntary arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin
"WE ARE": A group that meets regularly to discuss all aspects of Ireland's literary history. We read from various authors and organise occasional literary outings etc.

Group Name: Ilac Central Library
Contact Name: Geraldine O'Brien
Address: Open Learning Centre, Central Library I.L.A.C, Ilac Centre, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8734333
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Open Monday to Saturday
Main Activity: Youth activities include storytelling, parent and toddler group and junior book club. Adult activities include: Page Turners Book Club, Talking Book Club, D.A.L.C Book Club, Wannabe Writers, language and computer courses and conversation exchanges.
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: City centre
"WE ARE": A city centre library providing a broad range of literary activities.

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Group Name: Pearse Area Recreational Centre Community Educational Programme
Contact Name: Anne Larkin
Address: Pearse Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6771859
Fax: 01-6771859
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Cookery
Group Type: Community arts group

Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Pearse Street

Group Name: Pearse House Recreation Centre
Contact Name: Jenny Sheridan
Address: Pearse Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-8335356 or 086-3637072
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: Aromatherapy
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Pearse Street
“WE ARE”: A group learning how to use essential oils safely and effectively at home. Massage techniques for family and friends included.

Group Name: Arts & Disability Ireland
Contact Name: Pdraig Naughton
Address: 10-11 Earl Street South, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4736600
Email: adi@artsincontext.com
Meeting Venue: No fixed venue - “project by project” basis
Main Activity: Engages in all forms of arts activities including dance, painting, theatre/drama and visual arts
Group Type: Resource organisation
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Based in Dublin but operates nationally
“WE ARE”: Arts & Disability Ireland is striving to promote the engagement of people in the arts at the highest level.

Group Name: O’Reilly Theatre
Contact Name: Mary Hickson
Address: Belvedere College, Great Denmark Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8586644
Fax: 01-8744374
Email: info@oreillytheatre.com
Web: www.oreillytheatre.com
Main Activity: Dance/movement, music/voice/choir/band
Locality: North city centre
“WE ARE”: O’Reilly Theatre is a multi-disciplinary arts venue.

Group Name: Bulfin Youth Club
Contact Name: Jimmy Hendrick
Address: 67 Goldenbridge Avenue, Inchicore, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4539916
Meeting Venue: Bulfin Estate Residence Association Hall, Connolly Avenue, Inchicore, Dublin 8
Meetings: Weekly from September to June
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Inchicore
“WE ARE”: A youth drama club and a photography club. Enter drama

competitions and do street theatre. Two photography exhibitions every year.

Group Name: City Artsquad
Contact Name: Fiona Clarke
Address: Liberties College, Bull Alley Street, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4547026
Fax: 01-4547026
Email: cityartsquad@hotmail.com
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Main Activity: Crafts/textiles, painting/drawing, visual arts/sculpture
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Greater Dublin area
“WE ARE”: A community employment scheme whose objective is to provide an arts service to the community and help participants move into employment.

Group Name: RADE
Contact Name: Sinead McGrath
Address: OLV Building, Cathedral View Court, (Off) New Street, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4548733
Email: rade@iolfree.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Daily
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media, literary/writing/storytelling/poetry, painting/drawing, theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Arts group for people with special needs, recovery through arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Dublin 8 (south central)
“WE ARE”: RADE (Recovery Through Art, Drama and Education). All of our participants have been affected by drug use. It’s our aim to engage our group in arts activities.

Group Name: BUSINESS2ARTS
Contact Name: Rowena Neville
Address: 44 East Essex Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6725336
Fax: 01-6725373
Email: rowena@business2arts.ie
Web: www.business2arts.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Not applicable
Main Activity: Consultancy
Group Type: Resource organisation, Business Council for Arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Nationwide
“WE ARE”: B2A is the Business Council for the Arts. Its mission is to foster creative relationships between the business and arts communities.

Group Name: Cabra CDP
Contact Name: Paul Farrell
Address: c/o Naomh Fionbarra GAA Club, Fassagh Avenue, Cabra, Dublin 7

Phone: 085-1519972
Meeting Venue: Various community centres
Meetings: Various times in response to community's needs
Main Activity: Circus/street entertainment, literary/writing/storytelling/poetry, visual arts/sculpture
Group Type: Community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Cabra, Dublin 7
"WE ARE": A community development project which works with various groups in the community; both young people and older people. We try to enhance the lives of people in the community and the community itself.

Group Name: Breaking Ground
Contact Name: Aisling Prior (Curator)
Address: Percent for Art Programme, Ballymun Regeneration Ltd, Axis Centre, Main Street, Ballymun, Dublin 9
Phone: 01-8832112
Email: info@breakingground.ie
Web: www.breakingground.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Not applicable
Main Activity: Painting/drawing, visual arts/sculpture
Group Type: Arts training group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Ballymun
"WE ARE": A body which coordinates artists to carry out various art projects as part of the Ballymun Regeneration Scheme. We are currently on phase 2 of a "commissioning process" which involves arts education, awareness and training initiatives.

Group Name: "FACE OFF" - Young Women's Resource Centre Youth Group
Contact Name: Natasha Wilson
Address: 438 Sillogue Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8623500
Fax: 01-8623502
Email: natashawilson@uwantmail.com
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Twice weekly - Wednesday pm and Friday evening
Main Activity: Painting/drawing, theatre/drama/puppetry
Group Type: Youth arts group
Recruiting: Contact number above
Locality: Ballymun
"WE ARE": A pregnancy prevention programme for 13-17 year olds at risk. We discuss developmental issues through creative activities including art, drama and dance.

Group Name: CITYARTS
Contact Name: Ed Carroll
Address: The Basement, 46 Merrion Square, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6394608
Fax: 01-6393995
Email: ed@cityarts.ie
Web: www.cityarts.ie

Main Activity: Dance/movement, film/video/photo/new media, music/voice/choir/band, theatre/drama/puppetry, visual arts/sculpture
Group Type: Youth arts, arts event/festival, community arts, professional arts
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Throughout the city
“WE ARE”: CITYARTS, formerly City Arts Centre is committed to enabling participatory arts.

Group Name: Common Ground
Contact Name: Siobhan Geoghegan
Address: ISFC, 10 Grattan Crescent, Inchicore, Dublin 8
Phone: 01-4531861
Fax: 01-4531862
Email: commong@indigo.ie
Meeting Venue: Various community venues
Main Activity: All arts activities from circus to theatre to visual arts
Group Type: Arts development organisation
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Canal Communities, Rialto, Bluebell, Inchicore
“WE ARE”: An arts development organisation. Our vision is of a community with creativity at its heart, where art matters, where people are enriched and where artists work.

Group Name: Forum For Arts
Contact Name: Patrick Kavanagh
Address: Basement 10, Sillogue Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11
Phone: 087-6680394
Meeting Venue: “The Cave” (same as above)
Meetings: It’s a drop-in centre most days
Main Activity: Film/video/photo/new media, literary/writing/storytelling/poetry, painting/drawing, visual arts/sculpture
Group Type: Community arts group, members’ exhibitions
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballymun, Dublin 11
“WE ARE”: A group for established artists or those wishing to establish or practice. Our policy is to be active locally and influence arts decisions.

Group Name: The Ark
Contact Name: Reception Desk
Address: The Ark Cultural Centre for Children, 11a Eustace Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6707788
Fax: 01-6707758
Email: boxoffice@ark.ie
Web: www.ark.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Programmes all year round
Main Activity: An extensive range of children’s arts activities
Group Type: Venue/arts centre, children’s cultural centre
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Temple Bar
“WE ARE”: A cultural centre for children’s programmes. We promote and host cultural work which is by children, for children and about children.

Group Name: Rathgar Active Retirement Association
Contact Name: Lily Carolan (Secretary)
Address: 52 Grosvenor Road, Rathgar, Dublin 6
Phone: 01- 4976931
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Twice weekly (Tuesday and Friday)
Main Activity: Painting/drawing, sports, cards, Scrabble
Group Type: Older people's arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Rathgar
"WE ARE": An active retirement association which includes in its activities painting, drawing, flower arranging etc. On the second Tuesday of each month we have a talk for example on wildlife or history. We arrange group outings to the theatre, art galleries and visit gardens and places of interest, usually by coach.

Group Name: Whitefriar/Aungier Area Community Council
Contact Name: Brigid Ruane
Address: 74c Mercer House, Mercer Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 087-2940735
Email: community@iol.ie
Meeting Venue: The Base (same as above)
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: An extensive range of arts activities including: dance, film, literary, music and painting
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Whitefriar/Aungier Street area
"WE ARE": A group that runs a series of ongoing courses, workshops and activity groups for members of our community in the Whitefriar/Aungier Street area.

Group Name: Tromcheile Ltd
Contact Name: Angela Morgan
Address: c/o CDC Bunratty Drive, Coolock, Dublin 17
Phone: 01-8477957 or 087-1374814
Fax: 01-8477957
Email: tromcheileltd@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Daily
Main Activity: Variety of arts activities including: crafts, dance/movement and painting.
Group Type: Youth arts group, community arts
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Coolock/Raheny
"WE ARE": A community employment project and have 28 participants with us at present. We facilitate art/crafts activities for primary school children.

Group Name: Age & Opportunity
Contact Name: The Secretary
Address: Marino Institute of Education, Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9

Phone: 01-8057709
Email: ageandop@mie.ie
Web: www.olderinireland.ie
Meeting Venue: Various venues used from time to time for individual events
Meetings: Not applicable
Main Activity: Bealtaine Arts Festival which celebrates creativity in older age
Group Type: All art forms included in "Bealtaine"
Recruiting: Not applicable
Locality: Nationally
"WE ARE": A group coordinating Bealtaine, the national arts festival celebrating creativity in older age, which runs each May.

Group Name: Ballymun Community Arts Factory
Contact Name: Stewart Dowie
Address: 304 Balcurris Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8579280
Fax: 01-8427659
Email: braveart@eircom.net
Meeting Venue: Same as above plus various other venues depending on project
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: All arts activities including circus/street entertainment, painting, visual arts
Group Type: Encompasses all types
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballymun/Finglas
"WE ARE": A training and community support service. Age restricted up to 22 but with older voluntary engagements.

Group Name: Blue Drum
Contact Name: Gillian Keogan
Address: The Outreach Centre, Clonshaugh Drive, Priorswood, Dublin 17
Phone: 01-8771446
Fax: 01-8479392
Email: info@bluedrum.ie
Web: www.bluedrum.ie
Main Activity: All art forms
Group Type: Community arts group
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Nationwide but based in Coolock
"WE ARE": An arts specialist support agency and provide support in creative methodologies to community groups and family resource centres.

Group Name: IntroArt
Contact Name: Anthony Newsome
Address: Abbey House, 15-17 Abbey Street Upper, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8727930
Fax: 01-8727065
Email: introart@iol.ie
Web: www.introart.com
Main Activity: All art forms
Group Type: Disability arts services, arts group for people with special needs
Recruiting: Not applicable
Locality: Nationwide
"WE ARE": A registered charity working to promote, support and train people into quality mainstream arts services.

Group Name: Pavee Point Travellers' Centre
Contact Name: Brendan O'Caolain
Address: 46 North Great Charles Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8780255
Fax: 01-8742626
Email: culture@pavee.iol.ie
Web: www.paveepoint.ie
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Open daily
Main Activity: All arts activities including crafts, film, literary and poetry
Group Type: Culture and heritage group, resource organisation, community arts group
Recruiting: Not recruiting members
Locality: Dublin wide
"WE ARE": A traveller culture heritage group working in the area of traditional traveller cultural practice and contemporary re-interpretation of this.

Group Name: St Mary's Hospital Arts Group
Contact Name: Catherine Lawlor
Address: Activity Department, St Mary's Hospital, Phoenix Park, Dublin 20
Phone: 01-6778132
Fax: 01-6250450
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Weekly
Main Activity: A range of activities including dance, music, painting and drama
Group Type: Older people's arts group, arts group for people with special needs
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Chapelizod
"WE ARE": A ward in a 322 bed hospital caring for older people. We have a drama group, four art groups, yoga group, choral group and movement groups based in different units. Access to and participation in these groups enhances our patients' lives, provides a creative learning environment and encourages interaction, communication and general involvement.

Group Name: United Arts Club
Contact Name: Margo Banks
Address: 3 Upper Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-6611411
Fax: 01-6617292
Email: office@dublinarts.com
Web: www.dublinarts.com
Open: Daily
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling/poetry, theatre/drama/puppetry, visual arts
Other Activities: Private arts club
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Fitzwilliam Street
"WE ARE": A group founded in 1907 providing a centre for people interested in painting, drama, literature, music and good conversation. Also serves as a social club and winter dining venue.

Group Name: Finglas Historical Society
Contact Name: Anthony Smullen
Address: Finglas Library, Shopping Centre, Jamestown Road, Dublin 11
Phone: 01-8344906
Meeting Venue: Same as above
Meetings: Last Monday of every month 7.30pm
Main Activity: Literary/writing
Group Type: Heritage
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Finglas
“WE ARE”: A group interested in local history in the Finglas area. We organise outings to places of historical interest in Dublin and sometimes exhibitions.

Group Name: Chester Beatty Library
Contact Name: Jenny Siung
Address: Chester Beatty Library, Dublin Castle, Dublin 2
Phone: 01-4070750
Fax: 01-4070760
Email: info@cbl.ie
Web: www.cbl.ie
Venue Address: Same as above
Main Activity: Museum
Group Type: National cultural institution
Locality: Dublin city
“WE ARE”: A national cultural institution which runs a public programme including lectures, workshops and other activities.

Group Name: Ballymun ICA Guild
Contact Name: Mary Finlay
Address: 113 Iveragh Road, Gaeltacht Park, Whitehall, Dublin 9
Phone: 01-8378409
Meeting Venue: St Michael’s Special School, Ballymun Road
Meetings: Twice monthly
Main Activity: Literary/writing/storytelling/poetry, painting/drawing, crafts/textiles
Group Type: Older people’s arts group
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Beaumont/Santry/Ballymun/Whitehall
“WE ARE”: A writers’ group/book club. We write and produce plays for competitions. We also have a craft section that designs and makes a range of items including clothes and wall hangings. Our art section engages in sketching classes, also oils and acrylics.

Contact: Valerie Bowe
Address: 8-9 Henrietta Street, Dublin 1
Phone: 01-8874129 or 01-8874114
Fax: 01-8723486
Email: vbowe@stvincentstrust.ie
Web: www.stvincentstrust.ie
Meeting Venue: St Vincent’s Trust, 8-9 Henrietta Street
Meetings: Weekly - Thursday 2pm - 4pm
Main Activity: Photography, sewing, salsa dancing, music, drumming, drama, flower arranging
Other Activities: Personal development
Group Type: Community arts, venue/arts centre

Recruiting: Courses usually begin every September. Contact above for brochure or enrolment information.
Locality: Dublin 1
“WE ARE”: A centre for adult education and personal development. We provide a wide and extensive range of arts and drama activities. Classes usually take place weekly.

Group Name: The Base
Contact Name: Gudmund Krogsrud
Address: 1st Floor, Ballyfermot Community Civic Centre, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10
Phone: 01-6207135
Email: gudmund@thebase.ie
Web: www.thebase.ie
Meeting Venue: Various
Meetings: Several groups meet weekly
Main Activity: Arts activities including dance, painting, theatre, drama and visual arts
Group Type: Venue/arts centre
Recruiting: Currently recruiting members
Locality: Ballyfermot
“WE ARE”: A group catering for various activities and art forms. Our age group spans from 0-25 yrs but the main age range is 6-9 yrs. We will have a new facility from early 2007, which will include a “black box” theatre, recording suite and new media suite.
