

Municipal Gallery of Modern Art: Exhibitions

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1933

Auguste Rodin, 26 June – August 1933 [lent from Musée Rodin by French government] *

1937

Old Dublin Society Exhibition, 21 September – 2 October 1937

1941

James Arthur O'Connor Centenary Exhibition *

1944

Loan Exhibition of Modern Continental Paintings, August 1944 [Friends of the National Collections of Ireland] *

1953

An Tostal

1954

The Printmakers' America, January 1954 [presented by Comhar Cultura Eireann with the cooperation of the United States Information Service] *

Finnish Art

Fifty Drawings by Paul Klee: Collection of Curt Valentin, New York, [exhibition held Institute of Contemporary Arts, London, November - December, 1953 then toured to Hanover, Berlin and Dublin]

1955

Oireachtas Exhibition, 1955

3rd Annual Exhibition of Sculpture, 2 – 22 May 1955 *

1956

4th Annual Exhibition of Sculpture, 7 – 27 May 1956 *

Built in the U.S.A.: Post-War Architecture, 3 – 17 December 1956 [Museum of Modern Art Internationally Circulating Exhibition]

1957

Oireachtas Exhibition, 1957

Paintings from Irish Collections, 20 May – 25 August 1957 *

5th Annual Exhibition of Sculpture, 9 – 29 September 1957 *

1958

Oireachtas Exhibition, 1958

1959

Oireachtas Exhibition, 1959

6th Annual International Exhibition of Sculpture, 25 November – 20 December *

Yeats at the Municipal Gallery *

1960

Oireachtas Exhibition, 1960

*Modern Stained Glass, 1960/62 ? [Arts Council of Great Britain] **

1961

Oireachtas Exhibition, 1961

New Painting 58-61, 1961 [Arts Council of Great Britain] *

Independent Artists, 1961 *

Theatrical Paintings, September 1961

One Man's Meat: First Loan Exhibition of Private Collections of Modern Painting [Basil Goulding Collection], November – December, 1961 *

1962

Oireachtas Exhibition, 1962

German Religious Art, January – February 1962

*Independent Artists, 1962 **

Contemporary Painting from Monaco, 27 February – 27 March 1962 *

Le Navire: Marine Paintings by 80 French Artists of Today, 1 – 31 May 1962 *

Bodkin Irish Collection, 18 June – 15 July 1962 *

Mainie Jellett 1897-1944: A Retrospective Exhibition of Paintings and Drawings, 26 July – 7 October 1962 *

Jack B. Yeats & Stained Glass of England, November – December 1962

1963

Dutch Paintings, January 1963

New Paintings: British, March 1963

German Sculpture After 1950 [German Arts Council exhibition presented by Irish Arts Council in cooperation with German Cultural Institute], April 1963

John Keating Retrospective, May – June 1963

British Painting, July 1963

Irish Houses and Landscapes, August – September 1963

Oireachtas Exhibition, October 1963

Independent Artists, 26 November – 17 December 1963 *

1964

Exhibition of Engravings of the Calcografia Nazionale Italiana presented by the Italian Institute in Dublin, January 1964 *

Tradition in Modern Japanese Production, February 1964 [Arts Council/Córas Tráchtála] *

Independent Artists 1964 *

John Lavery, March 1964

USA Art Now: The Johnson Collection of Contemporary American Paintings [International tour arranged by U S Information Agency], 16 April – 17 May 1964 *

Graphic Art Dublin 1964, 2 July – 1 August 1964 [Arts Council; includes Japanese artists] *

The Friends of the National Collections of Ireland 1924-1964: Exhibition of Works Acquired for the Museums and Galleries of Ireland, August – September 1964 [then Ulster Museum, October – November 1964] *

Oireachtas Exhibition, October – November 1964

The John F. Kennedy Library Exhibit, November 1964 *

Independent Artists, November – December 1964

1965

Irish Mist Exhibition of International Posters, 16 February 1965 *

Francis Bacon, April – May 1965 [also shown at Hamburger Kunstverein, Hamburg, and Moderna Museet, Stockholm] *

Batik Painting, May – June 1965

Paintings and Sculpture (1945-65) from Private Collections in Ireland, 1 – 31 July 1965 *

Irish Architectural Drawings, September 1965

Oireachtas Exhibition, October 1965

Independent Artists, 17 November – 5 December 1965 *

1966

Elizabeth Rivers Memorial Exhibition, March – April 1966 *

Independent Artists, March 1966 *

Cuimhneachán 1916: Taispeántas Ealaíne I gComóradh Éirí Amach na Cásca, 1916, 12 April – 24 May 1966 *

Young Irish Artists Foundation, June – July 1966

Open Painting Exhibition, July 1966 [Ulster Museum, 6 May – 18 June 1966]

Oireachtas Exhibition, October 1966

Louis Le Brocqy, November – December 1966

Hayter [retrospective exhibition of graphic work by S.W. Hayter], 20 December 1966 – 18 January 1967 [Arts Council] *

1967

Modern European Architecture, February 1967

Dutch Contemporary Art in Ireland, 8 February – 8 March 1967 [sponsored by Dutch government]*

Independent Artists, April 1967

Dutch Graphic Art, May 1967

Exhibition of Drawing and Watercolour in France since Matisse, 3 – 27 June 1967 [presented by Musée d'Art Moderne and French Embassy] *

Chinese Ceramics 10th – 17th Century, 2 – 22 September [from private collections in Ireland presented by Arts Council] *

Oireachtas Exhibition, November – December 1967

Ulster Society of Women Artists, 7 – 21 November 1967 *

The Butlin Foundation for Young Irish Artists, November – December 1967 [shown Mosney, Dublin, Belfast, Cork]

1968

Independent Artists, May 1968

Mary Swanzy: Retrospective Exhibition of Paintings, 6 – 29 June 1968 *

Oireachtas Exhibition, July – August 1968

Da-da, November 1968

56 Group Wales 1968: an exhibition of work by Contemporary Welsh Artists, 15 November – 1 December 1968 [Arts Council] *

Irish – Dutch Exhibition, December 1968

1969

Contemporary Hangings Exhibition, 7 – 26 January 1969 [sponsored by Irish Countrywomen's Institute with support of Arts Council] *

Irish Mist Exhibition of International Posters, 19 – 30 March 1969 *

Charles Lamb RHA 1893-1964: A Memorial Exhibition, 1 – 27 April 1969 *

Independent Artists '69, 6 – 25 May 1969 *

Kiyoko Kusuda, June 1969

Oireachtas Exhibition, July – August 1969

Guarnieri, August – September 1969

Exhibition of Graphics Works by Italian Contemporary Artists, 22 November – 6 December 1969 [works on loan from Marlborough Galleria d'Arte, Rome; sponsored by Italian Cultural Institute] *

1970

Käthe Kollwitz, April 1970

Archipenko, October – November 1970

1971

Derek Hill, January – February 1971

Three Trends in Contemporary French Art, 26 February – 28 March 1971 [organised under auspices of the Republic of France by Association Française d'Action Artistique, and presented by the French Embassy and Arts Council] *

Modern Irish Painting, April 1971

Celtic Triangle: An exhibition of works by young artists from Ireland, Scotland and Wales, 16 April – 9 May 1971 (Arts Council exhibition; also Crawford Art Gallery, May – June) *

Luciano Guarnieri: Skies of Ireland, July – August 1971

The Irish Imagination 1959-71, 23 October – 31 December 1971 [in association with Rosc '71] *

1972

Hap Grieshaber: Colour Woodcuts, March – April 1972 [Institut fur Auslandsbeziehungen Stuttgart exhibitions; in cooperation with Crawford Art Gallery and German Embassy] *

Jack B. Yeats and his Family, April – May 1972

The Gordon Lambert Collection, 26 May – 25 June 1972 (an Arts Council exhibition) *

Italian Contemporary Art, June – July 1972

Alcoa Exhibition, September – October 1972

Independent Artists, November 1972

Arthur Boyd, December 1972

1973

Gerard Dillon Retrospective, January 1973

Paintings from Stores on View, April 1973

Modern Graphics from a Private Collection, May – June 1973

Aos 'Og, August 1973

George Grosz, October 1973

C.I.A.S. Works, November – December 1973

1974

Arts Council of Northern Ireland Exhibition, January 1974

Friends of the National Collections of Ireland: Sarah Purser (50th Anniversary exhibition), February-March 1974

Poetry with Material, 19 March – 19 April 1974 [Commissioned by the Foreign Office of the Federal Republic of Germany with assistance of Institute for Foreign Cultural Relations, Stuttgart and Municipal Art Gallery Recklinghausen] *

Alice Berger Hammerschlag Trust Award Winners, May – June 1974

Irish Directions of the 70's, 28 June – 28 July 1974 [previously at Ulster Museum; subsequently toured to 11 destinations in USA] *

Joseph Beuys: The Secret Block for a Secret Person in Ireland, September-October 1974 [touring exhibition: also Oxford, Edinburgh, Belfast] *

Children's Art Exhibition [Dept. of Education – Miss Kenna], November 1974

Nano Reid: A Retrospective Exhibition, 27 November – 31 December 1974 [shown at Ulster Museum, 1975; presented by Arts Council/ACNI] *

1975

Ernst Barlach, February, 1975

An Taisce, April, 1975

Water Colour Society of Ireland 121st Exhibition, 10 – 22 June 1975 *

Listowel Graphics, July 1975

Aspects 75: Exhibition of Contemporary Yugoslav Art, November – December 1975 *[previously at the Fruit Market Gallery and the Richard Demarco Gallery, Edinburgh]

1976

Elements of Landscape, January – February 1976

Colin Middleton, 9 March – 3 April 1976 [An Arts Council of Northern Ireland and An Chomhairle Ealaíon Exhibition; previously shown at Ulster Museum] *

Naïve Painting [Federal Republic of Germany], April 1976

Facets – Finland (Ten Artists of Last Ten Years), May 1976

Gerda Frömel Retrospective, June 1976 *

Graphic Studio Dublin Retrospective Exhibition 1961-1976, 7 – 28 July 1976 *

Watercolour Society, September 1976

Recent Acquisitions, October 1976

All Ireland Crafts Exhibition, November – December 1976

1977

Kernoff: The Harry Kernoff Memorial Exhibition, 14 December 1976 – 30 January 1977 *

Watercolour Society, May 1977

An t-Oireachtas, June 1977

Rosc International Exhibition, October 1977 *

Independent Artists, December 1977

1978

[Floors being renewed in Exhibition rooms, January – April 1978]

Watercolour Society, 6 – 24 June 1978

Louis le Brocquy: Studies Towards an Image of James Joyce, June – July 1978 [touring exhibition: Genova, Zurich, London, Belfast, Dublin, NY, Montreal, Toronto] *

Oireachtas, September 1978

All for Hecuba: An Exhibition to Mark the Golden Jubilee of the Edwards Mac Liammóir Partnership and of the Gate Theatre 1928-1978, 4 October – 2 November 1978 [souvenir catalogue edited by Richard Pine] *

Independent Artists, November 1978

1979

Italian Exhibition, March 1979

John Berryman in Dublin, April 1979

Watercolour Society, May 1979

The Year of the Child, July 1979

Independent Artists, 1 – 30 November 1979 *

1980

Exhibition of 19th C. & 20th C. Drawings and Watercolours (Per Collection), April 1980

Watercolour Society, June 1980

Irish Art A.I.C.A., August – September 1980

1981

Exhibition of 20 Spanish Contemporary Painters, February – March 1981

an t-Oireachtas Exhibition, June – July 1981

Exhibition of Drawings, Watercolours and Oils by Jack B. Yeats [pictures from stores], July – September 1981

Cecil King Retrospective, October – November 1981*

Rodin and his Contemporaries, November 1981 – February 1982

1982

Selections of Acquisitions for 1981: Prints from Permanent Collection, April – May 1982

C.I.A.S. 1962–1982, May – August 1982

Independent Artists, August – September 1982

Deborah Brown Retrospective, 5 October – 7 November 1982*

1983

Restoration Work in Progress, April – June 1983

Christopher Pratt: Paintings, Drawings, Prints, June – July 1983 [touring exhibition: organised by Canadian Cultural Centre Gallery, London] *

1984

Duilio Cambellotti, January – February 1984

The City's Art – the Original 1908 Collection, November – December 1984

1985

Roy Johnston: Paintings, Drawings, Sculptures 1965-1985, 19 April – 19 May 1985 [an ACNI exhibition, previously Arts Council Gallery, Belfast] *

1987

Women Artists in Ireland 1940-1975

1988

Millennium Exhibition [Collection] *

1989

Frank O'Meara [also Crawford Art Gallery, Cork]

Critics' Choice *

1990

1991

Irish Art and Modernism, 20 September – 10 November 1991 *

Berlin, 6 March – 16 June 1991 *

Maurice MacGonigal, 12 July – 25 August 1991

Paul and Grace Henry, 26 November-31 December 1991 *

1992

On Y Va, 28 May – 21 June 1992

Ernest Hayes RHA

See Through Art – Sculpture Society of Ireland

Contemporary Irish Art Society Exhibition, 4 February – 8 March 1992

Amanda Ralph

Catherine Lynch

1993

Images and Insights [Collection], 26 November 1993 – 27 March 1994 *

Theophile Alexandre Steinlen, 31 March – 2 May 1993 *

Edward and Nancy Kienholz: The Merry-Go-World or Begat by Chance and the Wonder Horse Trigger,
29 May – 20 October 1996 *

1994

Michael Mulcahy: Do-Gong, 7 July – 21 August 1994 *

A Kaleidoscopic Pilgrimage [10 artists; in association with Tyrone Guthrie Arts Centre]

Norwegian Prints

Peter Pringle: Coming From Within

1995

Michael Warren: *Simple Measure*, 11 October – 11 November *

Henri Hayden: *A Retrospective*, 10th November 1994-22nd January 1995 *

Impressionism in Britain and Ireland, 2 June – 30 July 1995 *

1996

America's Eye: *Irish Paintings from the Collection of Brian P. Burns*, 19 June – 25 August 1996 *

Aki Kuroda: *Metamorphosis*

Roderic O'Connor: *Vision and Expression* *

Patrick O'Reilly – *A Silent Scream*, December 1996 *

T. P. Flanagan, 14 March – 5 May 1996 *

Sean Scully: *Works on Paper*

Hazel, Lady Lavery: *Society and Politics*, 18 September – 3 November 1996 *

1997

Charles Cullen: *A Retrospective* *

Art of Navigation: *Ian Joyce and Oona Hyland*, 15 August – 26 October 1997 *

Elements: *Austrian Paintings since 1980*, 13 November 1996 – 12 January 1997 *

Ramus, 30 April – 30 May 1997 *

Kim en Joong*

Maggi Hambling: *A Statue for Oscar Wilde*

Anne Madden: *Trajectories 1995-1997*, November 1997 *

1998

Janet Mullarney: *The Perfect Family*, November 1998 *

M.A. Fine Art Degree Show (NCAD),

Brigid Ganly, *

Return to Sender: *Mark McCaffrey and Annie Mulroney*, 16 – 29 January 1998 *

Rita Duffy: **Banquet**, 12 February – 5 April 1998 *

Alice Maher: **Knot**, summer 1998 *

John Kindness: **The Museum of the Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly**

1999

Catherine Owens, 17 June – 1 August 1999 *

Michael Wilson: **The Tuileries Incident**, 20 October – 12 December 1999 *

Pony Kids: Perry Ogden,

Tidal Erotics: Vivienne Roche and John Buckley, 20 October – 12 December 1999 *

2000

Aloysius O'Kelly: **Re-Orientations**, 25 November 1999 – 30 January 2000 *

Francis Bacon in Dublin, 1 June – 31 August 2000 *

Brian Maguire: **Inside Out**, 26 January – 26 March 2000 *

2001

Opening Francis Bacon Studio, 23 May 2001

Perry Ogden: **7 Reece Mews** *

NCAD MA Show, 2001

2002

Patrick Scott: **Retrospective**, 7 February – 28 April 2002 *

Sean Shanahan: **Vidar**, 26 September 2002 – 5 January 2003 *

2003

Walter Osborne: **Centenary Exhibition**, 11 June – 14 September 2003

Laura Gannon: **Wordsong**, March – May 2003

NCAD Graduate Show, 2003

Elizabeth Magill, September – November 2003

Anne Madden: **Recent Paintings** *

2004

Brian Duggan: **During the Meanwhile**, 3 February – 3 March 2005

2005

Clarke & McDevitt Presents, 15 April – 19 June 2005 *

Pallas: **Offside**, 1 June – 30 June 2005 *

2006

Patrick Ireland/Brian O'Doherty: **Beyond the White Cube**, 5 May – 27 August 2006 [then shown at Grey Art Gallery, New York, April 17–July 14, 2007] *

The Studio, 1 December 2006 – 25 February 2007 *

2007

Louis le Brocquy and his Masters: **Early Heroes, Later Homage**, 14 February – 30 March 2007 *

Tacita Dean, 22 March 2007 – 17 June 2007 *

Ellen Gallagher – **Coral Cities**, 28 September 2007 – 13 January 2008 *

Adam Chodzko: **M-PATH**, 16 November 2007 – 13 January 2008 *

2008

Julian Opie: **Walking on O'Connell Street**, 20 January 2008 – 25 October 2008

Mark Francis: **Pulse**, 20 January 2008 – 28 February 2008 *

Dorothy Cross (**The Golden Bough**), 5 March 2008 – 28 May 2008

Unique Act: **Frederic Matys Thurstz, Sean Scully, Carmengloria Morales, Seán Shanahan and Ruth Root**, 11 March 2008 – 25 May 2008 *

Hugh Lane **100 Years** [Collection], 26 June 2008 – 31 December 2008 *

Other Men's Flowers, 26 July 2008 – 28 September 2008

Fergus Martin, 11 October 2008 – 11 January 2009 *

The Green Room Project, 21 October – 11 November 2008 *

Now's the Time, 6 November 2008 – 8 February 2009 *

Garrett Phelan (**The Golden Bough**), 25 October 2008 – 1 February 2009 *

2009

Grace Weir (The Golden Bough), 26 February 2009 – 24 May 2009 *

Yinka Shonibare, 26 February 2009 – 30 August 2009

Frequency: Mark Garry, Hayley Tompkins, Pádraig Timoney, 26 February 2009 – 17 May 2009

The Collection Revealed: Nathaniel Hone [Collection], 24 February 2009 – *

The Quick and the Dead: Patrick Graham, Patrick Hall, Timothy Hawkesworth, Brian Maguire, 29 May 2009 – 27 September 2010 *

The Collection Revealed: Cubism [Collection], 11 June – 20 September 2009 *

Brian Duggan (The Golden Bough), 13 June 2009 – 13 September 2009 *

Corban Walker (The Golden Bough), 30 September 2009 – 17 January 2010 *

Francis Bacon: A Terrible Beauty, 28 October 2009 – 7 March 2010 *

2010

Katie Holten (The Golden Bough), 28 January 2010 – 2 April 2010 *

Ellsworth Kelly: Drawings 1954-62, 17 March 2010 – 20 June 2010

The Collection Revealed: The Perceptive Eye: Artists Observing Artists [Collection], 13 April 2010 – 20 June 2010 *

Niamh McCann (The Golden Bough), 30 April 2010 – 18 July 2010 *

Sir John Lavery: Passion and Politics, 15 July 2010 – 31 October 2010 *

Ronnie Hughes (The Golden Bough), 5 August 2010 – 25 October 2010 *

Gavin Murphy (The Golden Bough), 4 November 2010 – 16 January 2011 *

Richard Tuttle: Triumphs, 19 November 2010 – 10 April 2011 *

2011

William McKeown (The Golden Bough), 3 February 2011 – 1 May 2011 *

of de Blacam and Meagher, 4 March 2011 – 3 April 2011 [Ireland's participation at the 12th International Architecture Exhibition La Biennale di Venezia, 2010]

Hugh Lane and his Artists [Collection], 19 May 2011 – 7 August 2011

Women of Substance [Collection], 19 May 2011 – 7 August 2011

Sean Shanahan (The Golden Bough), 19 May 2011 – 21 August 2011 *

Tim Robinson (*The Golden Bough*), 5 September 2011- 22 January 2012 *

Willie Doherty: *DISTURBANCE*, 5 September 2011 – 15 January 2012 *

Civil Rights etc.: Rita Donagh and Richard Hamilton, 5 September 2011 – 15 January 2012 *

John Deakin [Collection]

2012

Barry Flanagan – *Silâns*, 22 February – 10 June 2012

Sleepwalkers: *Walker and Walker*, 22 February – 10 June 2012

Sleepwalkers: *Production as Process*, 19 June 2012 – 30 April 2013 *

Sleepwalkers: *Jesse Jones – The Trilogy of Dust*, 5 July – 7 October 2012

Revolutionary States: *Home Rule and Modern Ireland*, 24 May – 21 October 2012 [Collection] *

Lawrence Carroll: *In the world I live*, 9 November 2012 – 10 February 2013 [subsequently toured to Casal Solleric, Mallorca] *

Sleepwalkers: *Clodagh Emoe : The Closing of Mystical Anarchism*, 18 October 2012 – 13 January 2013 *

Into the Light: The Arts Council – 60 Years of Supporting the Arts, 28 November 2012 – 24 February 2013 *

2013

Sean Scully: *Doric*, 28 March 2013 – 9 June 2013 *

Jonathan Cummins: *When I Leave These Landings*, 18 April 2013 – 2 June 2013

Changing States: *Contemporary Irish Art & Francis Bacon's Studio*, BOZAR: Centre for Fine Arts, Brussels, 28 February – 19 May 2013, in collaboration with IMMA [Collection/Offsite] *

Sleepwalkers: *Lee Welch – Two exercises in awareness and observation*, 10 July – 29 September 2013 *

Sleepwalkers: *Sean Lynch – A blow-by-blow account of stone carving in Oxford*, 10 July – 29 September 2013 *

Dublin Divided: *September 1913*, 26 September 2013 – 2 February 2014 [Collection] *

Sleepwalkers: *Jim Ricks: Bubblewrap Game: Hugh Lane*, 31 October 2013 – 19 January 2014 *

2014

Sleepwalkers: *Gavin Murphy – In Art We Are Poor Citizens*, 20 February – 25 May 2014 *

Eva Rothschild, 23 May – 21 September 2014 *

A Modern Panarion, 19 June – 7 September 2014 [Derek Jarman, Gunilla Klingberg, Bea McMahon, Richard Proffitt, Garrett Phelan, Dorje De Burgh] *

Efforts and Ideals: Prints from the First World War, 24 September 2014 – 31 May 2015 [Collection] *

Phoenix Rising: Art and Civic Imagination, 6 November 2014 – 29 March 2015 [Stephen Brandes, Mark Clare, Cliona Harmey, Vagabond Reviews, Stéphanie Nava and Mary-Ruth Walsh]

2015

Sir Hugh Lane 1875-1915: Dublin's Legacy and Loss, 30 April – 4 October 2015 [Collection]

Declan Clarke: Wreckage in May, 30 April – 4 October 2015

Stephen McKenna: Perspectives of Europe 1980-2014, 22 July – 4 October 2015 *

2016

Julie Merriman: Revisions, 5 January – 10 April 2016 *

Jesse Jones: NO MORE FUN AND GAMES, 11 February – 26 June 2016 *

The Artist as Witness [Collection], 11 February – 2 October 2016

High Treason: Roger Casement, 10 March – 2 October 2016 *

Alan Phelan: Our Kind, 10 March – 2 October 2016

Liam Gillick: What's What in the Mirror, 28 April – 25 September 2016 *

The Best of Decades [Collection], 31 May – 4 September 2016

Sven Augustijnen: The Metronome Bursts of Automatic Fire Seep through the Dawn Mist like Muffled Drums and We Know It for What It Is, 8 September 2016 – 22 January 2017 *

Michael Kane: ...Modality of the Visible, 20 October 2016 – 15 January 2017 *

2017

Eugeen Van Mieghem: Port Life, 9 February – 11 June 2017 *

Frank O'Meara and Irish Artists Abroad [Collection]

Anne Madden: Colours of the Wind – Ariadne's Thread, 1 June – 10 September 2017 *

The Ocean After Nature, 7 September 2017 – 7 January 2018 [Travelling exhibition curated by Alaina Claire Feldman and produced by Independent Curators International (ICI), New York] *

Eithne Jordan: Tableau, 19 October 2017 – 14 January 2018 *

2018

Amanda Dunsmore: Keeper, 10 April – 22 July 2018 *

Rachel McLean: Just be yourself!, 31 May – 16 September 2018

Doireann O'Malley: Prototypes, 22 June – 30 September 2018

Niamh McCann, 4 October 2018 – 6 January 2019