

Art & The Outdoors 2025 Schedule

Saturday 2nd – Sunday 3rd August

12 – 4 pm

Drawing Out of Doors

Outdoors Pop-Up Tent

Sketch the world around you with tips from our artists and take inspiration from our life model.

Embossed and Screen Print-Making

Outdoors Pop-Up Tent

Learn how to create beautiful embossed and screen prints and get inspired by the nature and patterns around you.

‘Make Your Mark’ Pop-Up Installation

Outdoors Pop-Up Tent

Show us what the outdoors means to you by designing your very own mini canvas. Your work of art will be added to the pop-up installation in our gallery’s sculpture hall!

Curious Creatures Art Craft

Outdoors Pop-Up Tent

Discover how to create your own curious creature to take home with you.

Quiet Drawing Space

Gallery 1, inside Hugh Lane Gallery

Find all you need to take a relaxing artistic break in a quiet, forest-themed still life drawing space. This is a relaxed space inside the gallery with low lighting. (Children must be accompanied by an adult.)

Quiet Sensory Gallery

Gallery 6, inside Hugh Lane Gallery

Seek sensory activities in our drop-in colourful underwater themed gallery. This is a relaxed space inside the gallery with low lighting. (Children must be accompanied by an adult.)

Outdoor Sensory Space

Enclosed trailer outside the Gallery

Seek time alone surrounded by soft, blue padded walls and floors, bubble units and low colourful lights.

Street Spectacle

Parnell Sq. North

Enjoy a balloon show, face painting, raffles and treat yourself at the Fáilte le Grá café stall.

Face Painting Outdoors

Outdoors Pop-Up Tent

Become a work of art with our fabulous face painters.

Art Trail, Talks and Tours

Info Booth / Gallery Reception

Pick up your free art trail and discover the incredible artworks all throughout Hugh Lane Gallery. Or come along to one of our talks and tours.

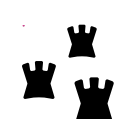
Storyteller

Outdoors Pop-Up Tent

Sharing fantastical tales throughout the day.



**HUGH LANE
GALLERY**



Comhairle Cathrach
Bhaile Átha Cliath
Dublin City Council

Mainstage

Saturday 2nd August



12:15 pm

Botanic String Quartet

Founded by siblings Ciara and Shane Cavanagh in 2018, the Botanic String Quartet is inspired by the wonderful Botanic Gardens in Dublin, which is local to our home and is part of our daily lives. Botanic String Quartet's music collection includes all genres and styles. They play classical music as well as jazz. Ciara and Shane love performing film music and pop, and of course traditional Irish tunes too. From Beethoven to the Beatles, from Miles Davis to Maroon 5 and from Strauss to Sting, botanicstringquartet.com

12:55 pm

Poetry Burst in conjunction with Poetry Ireland - Catherine Ann Cullen

Catherine Ann Cullen was Poetry Ireland's inaugural Poet in Residence and is an award-winning poet, children's writer and songwriter. She is a recipient of the Patrick and Katherine Kavanagh Fellowship, a Bogliasco Foundation Fellowship, and bursaries from the Arts Council of Ireland and the Irish Writers Centre. Her eighth book, Storm Damage, is forthcoming from Dedalus Press in October 2025.

1:15 pm

Dermot Dunne and Ariel Hernandez

Accordion /Guitar Duo. Many concert-goers will remember the duo of Argentinian guitarist and singer Ariel Hernandez with Irish accordionist Dermot Dunne who, between 2003-2010 brought the excitement and passion of Latin music to Irish audiences from the National Concert Hall to Belfast Opera House, Vicar Street, Farmleigh House, the Bray Jazz Festival, Dun Laoghaire Festival of World Cultures and beyond.

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Poetry Burst in conjunction with Poetry Ireland - Nell Regan

Nell Regan is a poet, non-fiction writer and translator whose three collections include Preparing for Spring (Arlen House) and One Still Thing (Enitharmon Press). Awards include Arts Council Literature Bursaries, a Patrick and Katherine Kavanagh Fellowship and she was also a Fellow at the International Writers' Programme, Iowa. Based in Dublin she runs poetry workshops for all ages and is a participant on the Basic Artist Income pilot scheme. See also www.nellregan.com

2:15 pm

Lucie Azconaga and friends – French/Irish Traditional music

Traditional fiddler and singer, Lucie Azconaga (VARO) plays a lively traditional music set encompassing music from all corners of the world. She will be joined by very special guests. VARO are Dublin-based singers and fiddle players Lucie Azconaga (from France) and Consuelo Nerea Breschi (from Italy) who perform Irish traditional songs and tunes with arrangement influences from the Folk, Baroque and Classical traditions, weaving around the melodies with harmonies, drones and counter melody.

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Poetry Burst in conjunction with Poetry Ireland - Chiamaka Enyi-Amadi

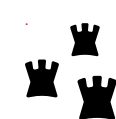
Born in Lagos, Nigeria, Chiamaka Enyi-Amadi is a poet, performer, editor, educator and arts facilitator based in Dublin. She was a commissioned poet on the Poetry as Commemoration project run by the Irish Poetry Reading Archive in UCD under the Decade of Centenaries 2012-2023 programme. In 2019, she was awarded the Access Cúirt bursary by Poetry Ireland and the Cúirt International Festival of Literature. Her poetry film was screened as part of the ongoing Words at Wilton Park programme and was selected as an official entry to the 2022 Bloomsday Film Festival.

3:15 pm

Mariachi San Patricio – Dublin/Mexican Mariachi Band

Founded in 2011, Mariachi San Patricio has been proudly celebrating the vibrant tradition of mariachi music in Ireland for over a decade. The band takes its name from the St. Patrick's Battalion, an Irish regiment that fought for Mexico in the Mexican-American War of 1846-1848, symbolising the deep cultural connection between Mexico and Ireland. As Ireland's only full mariachi ensemble, Mariachi San Patricio embodies this unique blend of traditions, bringing the soulful gritos of Jalisco to the Emerald Isle.

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Poetry Burst in conjunction with Poetry Ireland - Ola Majekodunmi

Ola Majekodunmi was born in Lagos, Nigeria and raised in Dublin, Ireland. She is a broadcaster, writer, Gaeilgeoir, creative producer and workshop facilitator. She's produced and spoken/performed at literary events such as San Patrizio Livorno Festival, IASIL Conference, Dublin International Literature Festival, Cúirt International Festival of Literature, West Cork Literary Festival and Irish Writers Centre. Majekodunmi has performed her poems at home in Ireland and internationally in Italy and Egypt.

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Art Talks and Tours

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Noon

Sketching Tour

Meet at Reception, numbers limited.

Get creative and explore fabulous artworks through discussion and drawing during this sketching tour led by one of our artists.

1:00 pm

Lunchtime Talk: Capturing Contemporary Life

Gallery 18 Lectures Space, first floor.

Discover more about artists such as Walter Osborne, John Lavery and French Impressionist artists including Berthe Morisot who were inspired to move out of their studios and paint *en plein air* or out of doors to capture contemporary life both urban and rural during this illustrated art talk with Dr Anne Cormican.

2:30 pm

Guided Tour: Highlights of the Hugh Lane Gallery Collection

Meeting at Reception on the ground floor

From magnificent stained glass by artists including Harry Clarke, Evie Hone and Wilhelmina Geddes to Francis Bacon's studio, join Dr Anne Cormican on this guided tour delving into artworks from the collection.

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Lunchtime Talk: Irish Artists and France

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This illustrated talk with Yseult O'Driscoll will discuss the fascinating lure of France for 19th and 20th century Irish artists including Nathaniel Hone, Frank O'Meara, Sarah Purser, Roderic O'Connor and more.

2:15 pm

Sunday Public Tour: Visual Thinking Strategies

Join us on Sundays at 2.15pm for a guided tour exploring our collection and temporary exhibitions. This week we will host a Visual Thinking Strategies tour (VTS)! All ages are welcome to participate, where you will explore the gallery with a VTS facilitator. VTS encourages slow looking and dialogue based on what we can see in an image.

2:30 pm

Guided Tour: Highlights Tour

Meeting at Reception on the ground floor.

Join Yseult O'Driscoll on a guided tour exploring highlights of the Hugh Lane Gallery's collection and temporary exhibition, Ailbhe Ní Bhriains' 'The Dream Pool Intervals'.

All Day

Art Trail at the Hugh Lane Gallery (self-directed)

Meeting at Reception on the ground floor

Available from the HLG Reception or download the Art Trail here: [Art Trail Final](#)

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