

ARTFarm 126 Summer Residency



126 Artist-Run Gallery and Sheila Flannagan are pleased to offer residency opportunities to two emerging artists to take place from **15th-30th June 2015** in the rural setting of ARTFarm. The two week concurrent residency is open to two individuals or collectives and includes a contribution to materials and costs of €200 per residency. The successful applicants will be selected by the board of 126. Preference will be given to early to mid-stage artists with experimental contemporary art practice. Set in the townland of Cloonkeen ARTFarm provides emerging artists with a chance for often elusive solitude. Nestled between the 'Mass Rock Pathway' and a 'Lisheen', surrounded by a rural community facing challenges of state-resource reduction, and diversity; ARTFarm presents artists with diverse areas for creative investigation. We're seeking artists who will engage innovatively and sensitively with the local community or investigate the environment surrounding ARTFarm via their practice. Artists are asked submit the below application form and up to 10 images of work (max size: 24MB) to: contact@126.ie by **May 19th 2015**, with the subject line: **ARTFarm Residency 15**. Applications will be assessed under the following criteria: innovative emerging art practice, quality of the application and engagement with the social context or site specificity of ARTFarm. Successful applicants will be notified by **26th May 2015**.

About ARTFarm:

The ARTFarm is an Artist retreat space situated in a remote rural setting in the townland of Cloonkeen, 5km from Newbridge Village in North East County Galway. It is a place of quiet and solitude. It consists of an old style country cottage, separate large studio space and hay-barn. Artfarm aspires to bring artists to this rural area with an aim to increase arts awareness and participation in the region. The long term goal is to navigate towards explorations of Art in a Rural Context, Socially Engaged Art Practice in remote communities, Contemplative Art Practice and Ecologically Sustainable Art Practices.

Art Residencies were first established here in collaboration with 126 Artist-Run Gallery in Galway City in 2013 to give artists the space to completely escape the everyday chaos and totally immerse themselves in their art without distraction.

For information about previous artists in residence at ARTFarm visit:

<http://126.ie/artfarm/>

About 126 Artist-Run Gallery:

Established in 2005, 126 is an artist led organisation integral to the visual arts culture in Galway. Run voluntarily by a board of professional artists, 126 curates and programmes an arts space including a contemporary exhibition programme, talks & workshops, residencies and research projects. Its focus is to support emerging contemporary practices & partnerships, by creating exhibition, commission & development opportunities.

126 was founded on a democratic structure, in which power flows from the membership to the Board of Directors. The Board promotes the ideology of the membership, as laid out in the organisation's aims, through the activities of 126.

For more information about 126 Artist-Run Gallery visit:

<http://126.ie/about/>

Residency Details:

No of Residencies	2
Accommodation	Country cottage (self-catering), Living Area, Double Bedrooms, Kitchen, Bathroom (shower), Solid Fuel, Water and heating, library, world-cinema DVD library.
Tools	Basic Tool Kit
Facilities	800 sq ft. Workshop, studio, 3 bay hay barn, 2 acres outdoor green space.
Application Type	Digital
Selection	By Committee
Duration	2 Weeks
Landline	No
Wifi	No
Pets	Not permitted
Contribution to Materials and Expenses	200 (per residency)
Dates Available	15-30 th June 2015

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