

An Leabhar Mór/ The Great Book of Gaelic

An international celebration of contemporary Celtic culture

Hunt Museum

20 February 20 March 2008

The Great Book is a major contemporary artwork, a 21st century 'Book of Kells', that brings together the work of more than 200 visual artists, poets and calligraphers from Scotland and Ireland. This presentation features 30 works from the travelling exhibition.

An Leabhar Mòr / The Great Book of Gaelic has generated an international touring exhibition of 100 artworks, a book publication, a television documentary, a series of BBC radio programmes, a music CD, a schools pack and an events programme.

<http://www.leabharmor.net/>

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"One of our planet's 6,500 languages becomes extinct every two weeks and the total number of languages is likely to halve in the coming century. Language death is now of global significance and sustaining language diversity will be one of the paramount cultural challenges of the 21st century. If more artists recognise this acceleration in language death as an appropriate subject for literature, drama, music, visual art and as yet uncategorised artforms, then the issue will come alive in the minds of the general public. The Leabhar Mòr is a modest, but significant and optimistic, step in that direction." - Malcolm Maclean

<http://www.archipelago.org/vol7-3/maclean.htm>

The Poems & Artworks

http://www.leabharmor.net/contents_list.html

An Leabhar Mòr - Archipelago Online Exhibition

<http://www.archipelago.org/vol7-3/anleabharmor.htm>

Proiseact nan Ealan / The Gaelic Arts Agency

<http://www.gaelic-arts.com/>

Poetry Ireland / Éigse Éireann

<http://poetryireland.ie/>

Re-Imagining Ireland

<http://www.re-imagining-ireland.org/>

Iomairt Cholm Cille - the Columba Initiative

<http://www.colmcille.net/>