

**the rituals of being not being (vanishing= to die away)**

**M i c h a e l M a y h e w - T U L C A a r t i s t i n r e s i d e n c e**

15 to 23 November 2007 at NUI Galway Art Gallery, Quadrangle Building

Michael Mayhew, artist, will create a project called the rituals of being not being (vanishing= to die away) using stories from live interviews on campus with 25 people regarding persons that have vanished from their lives. Interviewing 5 people per day, he will create a text from these stories and in the evening over 5 evenings, in the gallery, the stories will be written onto his body in ink and then washed off with water from the River Corrib. The water will be collected and poured into a cast of part of his body, then frozen. When the 5 evenings have been completed and the 5 casts filled, the project will finish on Nun's Island where the casts will be defrosted and the contents melted on canvas. 25 words, one from each story, will be tattooed onto his body while this is happening. To set the project in motion there will be a talk by the artist on Thursday 15 November at 6.00pm, in the NUI Galway art gallery, where the artist will be sheared and shaved from the waist up in preparation for the project, while talking.

**Mon 19 – Fri 23 November Daily**

Performance/Listening 12pm -3.45pm

Performance/Writing 6pm – 7.30pm

Those who wish to be interviewed by Michael between Monday November 19 and Friday, November 23, 12pm-3.45pm, can contact Deirdre Lydon at:

[deirdre.lydonnuigalway.ie](http://deirdre.lydonnuigalway.ie) to register or 091 495098.

**Sunday November 25: Nun's Island Studio - performance / melting 3 - 5pm**

<http://www.michaelmayhew.com/>

<http://www.tulca.ie/>

**Visible Work, Invisible Women:  
Women and Work  
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Palagummi Sainath**

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