

Uplands

at Dunamaise Arts Centre, Portlaoise
Mairin Kelly, Tom Joyce and Andy Mason



Andy Mason is a photographer who lives in the foothills of the Slieve Blooms. Landscape has been for him an ever changing and fascinating subject, leading to a personal exploration of and reaction to his surroundings, and to the combination and interaction of form, light and weather. *'The photographs are not necessarily depicting a particular place but rather a moment in time when the different elements work together to create a unique synergy.'*

Tom Joyce lives in Glenbarrow, near the village of Rosenallis, on the northern slopes of the Slieve Bloom Mountains. His life is heavily influenced by this mountain environment and his exploration of its moorlands, forests and river valleys provide the inspiration for much of his artwork.

Máirín Kelly. Based in the Slieve Aughty's of east Clare, Máirín Kelly's art practice is informed by man's interaction with the natural environment. Kelly often uses the physical elements of the site in making her paintings and drawings, including peat and plantlife. In this attempt to engage directly with the subject matter, the boundary between art and nature is blurred.

‘Uplands, an exhibition exploring the physical landscapes of the Irish uplands through painting, photography and installation.

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