Visual Dialogues

North Tipperary Arts Office and the North Tipperary VEC present a 6 week series of artist talks each Wednesday in the Regional Arts Centre, the Source, Thurles, Co. Tipperary. The Visual Dialogues is an educational collaboration between the North Tipperary County Council Arts Office and North Tipperary VEC, to explore and promote the role, place and understanding of the Visual Arts within the everyday and is supported by the Arts Council.

With over 67% of the North Tipperary population living in a rural location emphasis in this series is on exploring the role of arts in a rural context. We are currently inviting artists from a variety of backgrounds and working contexts, which have an aspect of the rural as part of who they are and/or the work that they do, to participate in this discussion series.
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Our Artist in Residence, Fiona Woods initiated her residency and the 2007 Spring Series on February 21st 2007 - an event titled WHAT NOW? Art, the rural context and climate change.

This weeks' Spring 2007 Visual Dialogues - Artist Talk Series takes place on February 28th at 7.30pm,

Titled *A Rural Lexicon, and Recent Works* by Mari-Aymone Djeribi and Dominic Stevens

Djeribi makes artist's books, installations, objects and sourdough bread. She founded her publishing company mermaid turbulence in 1993. Her work appears in a number of international public collections, most notably the Tate gallery Artists Book Collection, UK and Centre National D'Art George Pompidou, Paris, France.

Stevens is an award winning architect. His work has been published internationally and, more importantly he hopes that it has improved the lives of the people that commissioned it. He represented Ireland at the 2006 Venice Architecture Biennale.

Having moved to Leitrim in 1999, they built a timber and strawbale house and they farm just under five acres, keeping goats, ducks, chickens and trees. They will be discussing their practice and how it has been redefined by their rural habitat.

Djeribi is currently working on a film "local hands", and Stevens is about to publish his second book, "Rural".

A rural Lexicon could be described as a manifesto for addressing the rural

• March 7th at 7.30 pm by Aideen Barry, Performance & Multi media Artist & VAI Representative

• March 14th- Christine Mackey - Visual artist/ Multidisciplinary

• March 21st - Shane Cullen - Visual Artist- Installation/text

• March 28th- Aileen Lambert & Michael Fortune – Interdisciplinary Artists

The Spring Series is currently being programmed to take place each Wednesday in March at 7.30pm in the Source Arts Centre in Thurles.

The events will be free and all are welcome.

If you want to receive the Arts Newsletter for events every 3 months send an email to artsoffice@northtippcoco.ie