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Public Art Programme 2017-2020. O'Mahony. Commissioned by Gaining Ground / Clare County Council Project curated by Anne Mullee with curatorial advisor Deirdre

live music and experimental works. through original recordings, sonic spaces, conversations, interviews, interweaving the relationship between people, place and landscape social histories, cultures, and creativity of this vibrant rural region, producers and invited guests. The project explores the unique interviews, discussions & contributions from over 70 participants, Over 42 hours of programmed broadcasting with talks, audio works,

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descriptions and further details: www.folkradio.ie Please visit the website to see the full broadcast schedule, programme

Nurse with Wound Corofin Dramatic Society Tola Custy From the Bogs of Aughiska Conor McGrady **Áine Philips** Cormac McGinley Dick Cronin **Colin Bunce** Michael Lynch Eamon Doyle Eva Hegarty **Brendan Dunford** RÓAN **Aisling Wheeler** Anne Marie Harrington Harry Jeuken Barry O'Donovan North Clare Writers Group

The X-PO Singers Group

Louise Roseingrave Senan Kileen Sheenagh Franklin Tony Kirby **Colin Johnston** Mick O'Riordan Tess Casasín Ní Shioradáin Deirdre O'Mahony Natalia Beylis Éilís Murphy Tanya Harris Andrew Lambert Fintan MacCoiter **Maeve Collins** Carter Thompson Mako Mihira Sam Jamison Sierra Schaefer Virginia Manning

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FOLK RADIO is a temporary artist-led radio station by Tom Flanagan transmitting from the X-PO in Kilnaboy, Co. Clare. FOLK RADIO is the culmination of an 18 month public art project collaborating with the communities of the X-PO, its volunteers, participants and audiences. FOLK RADIO is commissioned by **Clare County Council / Gaining Ground Public** art programme 2017—2020.



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Programme Schedule

Scheduled programming is repeated from 8 PM — 2 AM, 2 AM — 10 AM, & 10 AM — 2 PM daily. The first week of broadcasting is repeated in full from Monday 10th to Sunday 16th February.



MONDAY, 3 FEB 2020 & MONDAY, 10 FEB 2020 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

2:00 PM

Revolution Radio #1 — The world of experimental radio with Tom Flanagan. Folk Radio artist Flanagan shares a curated sampl the world of experimental radio broadcasting.

3:00 PM

Deirdre O'Mahony, artist and X-PO founder in conversation with Tom Flanagan. Flanagan interviews founder and artist Deirdre O'Mahony about the project, its legacy, and her extensive socially engaged art practice.

5:00 PM

The Other Radio — Folk **Radio in conversation with** Gerry Kavanagh.

Tom Flanagan and shortwave radio and technology enthusiast Gerry Kayanagh explore the hidden world of analogue communication and DIY broadcasting.

6:00 PM

Teanga Beo 1# — le Tess Casasín Ní Shioradáin Clár cainte atá ann le Tess Casasín Ní Shioradáin. Labhraíonn Tess leis an aoíchainteoir, Mick O' Riordan faoi stádas na Gaeilge agus

an tábhacht atá aici inár saolta.

7:00 PM

The X-PO Singers Session. The singers group has been meeting every Monday night for the love of singing and good company in the Irish tradition of the rambling house. This session was recorded in Spring 2019.



TUESDAY, 4 FEB 2020 & TUESDAY, 11 FEB 2020 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

2:00 PM

Burren Reflections #3 Experimental reflections on the landscape of the Burren through sound with students from Burren College of Art. Carter Thompson, Mako Mihira, Sam Jamison, Sierra Schaefer, Virginia Manning. Students from Burren college respond through audio to their

experiences of the Burren and its landscape. **Folk Radio in conversation** with Clare-based artists Conor

McGrady & Áine Phillips of the **Burren College of Art.** Áine Phillips and Conor McGrady of Burren College of Art discuss the unique nature of the College

and its creative community.

3:00 PM

The Mattie Rynne Archive, X-PO exhibition 2007. Audio work by Deirdre O'Mahony This artwork formed part of The Mattie Rynne Archive exhibition held at the X-PO in 2007 exploring the little known intellectual life of rural postmaster Mattie Rynne

4:00 PM **Echoing Resonance**

by Tanya Harris. Last winter solstice Tanya Harris facilitated a live experiment of resonance with her friend Zillah Francais in a Burren cave chamber Resonance describes how frequencies communicate and harmonise with each other

4:30 PM

A Cottage in Kilshanny by Louise Roseingrave. A documentary about the purchase and renovation of a North Clare cottage and the blessings of a move from east coast to west. Louise is a journalist formerly based in Dublin now living in Clare.

5:00 PM Ón dtalamh amach / rooted le Mick O'Riordan agus Tony Kirby. nómrá seo idir Mick Riordan agus Tony Kirby

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WEDNESDAY, 5 FEB 2020 & WEDNESDAY, 12 FEB 2020 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

2:00 PM

The Rinnamona Research Group In Studio — Sean Roche. Francis Whelan, Anne Byrne, Deirdre O'Mahony. Folk Radio hosts The Rinnamona Research Group in conversation about their on-going project. exploring the legacy of The Harvard Irish Mission.

3:00 PM

Burren Reflections #2 **Experimental reflections on** the landscape of the Burren through sound with students from Burren College of Art. Ellen Ferrier, Michael Christie. Letitia Hilll, Shannon castor, Aisling Jelinski, Brittany Baldwin, Samantha Kahn, Herminia Ayala, Joana Alarcão, Duaa Bilbeisi.



X-PO Talk Series #2 An X-PO Kilnaboy field trip Walking in the Magic of Dysert: A guided walk by Dick Cronin. A field recording of the 2019 walk

at Dysert O'Dea Castle with Dick

The Shape of Water by Artist Éilís Murphy A water soundscape of Kilnaboy and its surrounding areas.

4:00 PM

Herding by Artist Éilís Murphy. Recordings of herding calls from local farmers in the Burren. Éilís Murphy is a Corofin based artist and bookbinder. www.eilismurphy.com

4:30 PM

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The Burren Programme with Donal Hogan and Neal Jeuken. Donal Hogan and Neal Jeuken. field workers with The Burren Programme, discuss the unique ecology of the Burren landscape and the radical approaches to farming and conservation being implemented in the region.

5:30 PM

North Clare Writers Group with Louise Roseingrave. A group of local writers who meet regularly in Kilshanny House share examples of their work.

6:00 PM

FRIDAY, 7 FEB 2020 & FRIDAY, 14 FEB 2020 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

2:00 PM

THURSDAY, 6 FEB 2020

Kilnaboy National School

The children of 5th and 6th class

and their principal Ger Connors

based on the National Folklore

at Kilnaboy National School

discuss their class project

Collection of Ireland.

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experiences of the Burren and

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imagery that surrounds Lough

X-PO Field Trip: Heritage Sites

An X-PO field trip In Kilnaboy.

walk led by Francis Whelan and

down by the River Fergus.

Stone, Water & Ice — The

Burren a Landscape Shaped

with Dr Eamonn Doyle, Colin

The trio discuss their work an

the aspects of the region that

unique landscapes in the world

Over the Fence by William

Hederman made field recordings

in his back garden in Corofin,

farm animals, but mostly the

sounds of Corofin GAA Club,

which is just over the fence.

Co. Clare — birds. bees. distant

Over the course of year.

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Bunce & Eva Hegarty.

human story

5:00 PM

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Through Time: In conversation

Inchiquin and Clifden Hill.

its landscape.

The Lake and the Hill

by Senan Killeen.

3.00 PM

3:30 PM

Michael Lynch.

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with the children of 5th

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and 6th Class.

& THURSDAY, 13 FEB 2020

The Peter Rees Archive with Tom Flanagan & Peter Rees. Folk Radio talks with local photographer and former milk truck driver Peter Rees as part of a series of programmes exploring the four archives housed at the X-PO.

3.00 PM Teanga Beo #2 The Language Lives le Mick

O'Riordan. Bhí bean ó Scoil Mhuire in Iarthar Chorcaí faoi agallamh ag Mick O'Riordan don Folk Radio XPO. Tá sé suimiúl go bhfuil Ciorcal Chomhrá cosúil leis an ceann atá ar bun San XPO ag Karen Ní Mhuinneacháin.

4:00 PM

Pollnagollum by Tom Flanagan. This experimental audio work traces a journey through the Burren cave system known as Pollnagollum, the longest known cave system in Ireland. The recordings were made on a day long trek through the cave led by caver Robin Sheen. The work is a meditation on the journey. the silence, and acoustics of the Burren underworld.

4:30 PM

X-PO Talk Series #3 A field recording of the November **An Underground Connection** - Carran to Kilnaboy. This talk is focused on the fascinating Burren underworld, and in particular on the results of

recent water tracing experiments. Bunce. 5:00 PM White Gold in the Parish with Tony Kirby & Peter Rees. Kirby presents this programme

looking back at the story of the

collection of milk ('white gold')

in the days before globalisation.

6:00 PM PJ Curtis — Interview with Folk Radio. Tom Flanagan in conversation with broadcaster, author and music producer. Born in Kilnaboy in the Burren, PJ Curtis is an award-winning broadcaster, record producer, music lecturer and published author. Here he takes us on a iourney through his life and work.

8:30 PM — 11 PM

SATURDAY, 8 FEB 2020 & SATURDAY, 15 FEB 2020 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

FOLK RADIO PUBLIC **OPEN DAY**

On Saturday 8th February the public is invited to join us at the X-PO marguee for a live radio broadcast that will include a panel discussion, interviews and live music.

2:00 PM

Panel Discussion — Claiming the Sonic Spectrum: Perspectives on the sonic landscape, broadcasting and community. With Katie Moylan, Deirdre O'Mahony, Tom Flanagan, Tony Kirby, Sven Anderson, and Natalia Beylis. The panel presents practice across a spectrum of sound, community practice and its relationship to the landscape. They pose the questions; In th age of digital media, internet broadcasting and mass communication how can radio utilise the sonic space as a vibrant place for experimentation and unique cultural and community expression? C

3:30 PM

Live Music — Sheenagh Franklin in conversation with RÓAN. With stories of life, love, loss and reflections on society, the band draw from the the roots of their respective cultures while bringing folk music in a new direction.

4:30 PM

Tom Flanagan, Deirdre O'Mahony & Guests. O'Mahony and the X-PO Mapping group discuss the launch of their new website for the project while artist Claire McLoughlin discusses her work (installed at X-PO for this event).

5:30 PM The Whistling Gate with

Natalia Beylis. A look into the influence of place on sound through interviews with Clare born and based musicians, including contributions from Tola Custy, Branwen, & From The Bogs of Aughiska.

7:00 PM

Soundscape Ecology & The **Bernie Krause Project with** Colin Johnston & Guests. Johnston explores the work of

SUNDAY, 9 FEBRUARY 2020 & SUNDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2020 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

2:00 PM

The X-PO Mapping Group with Deirdre O'Mahony, Francis Whelan and Sean Whelan. Deirdre O'Mahony, Francis Whelan and Sean Whelan discuss the extensive work of the X-PO Mapping Group over the past 11 years. During that time the Group has traced the history of human occupancy as shown on maps, in documents and in the ruins of houses, 'cabhails' and castles of Kilnaboy Parish and its 51 townlands.

3.00 PM

Bringing Old Time music back to Clare with Andrew Lambert.

Music aficionado Andrew Lambert of Kilfenora explores the links between Irish music and Old Time American music.

3:30 PM

The Stone Goddess — Radio Drama. A story by PJ Curtis from his collection The Music of Ghosts (Old Forge Books). An original drama first Broadcast on Clare FM in November 1997. © PJ Curtis.

4:30 PM

First Citizens Speak by Deirdre O'Mahony. An audio work extracted from the film First Citizens Speak by artist Deirdre O'Mahony (2016).

5:30 PM

On Yer Bike with Fintan MacCoiter, Noel Cusack, Joe Collins.

The presenters discuss the amazing feat of two Newquay men who, back in 1952, took a trip to Lourdes on their bikes. The programme includes the half hour radio documentary Trip to Lourdes by Fintan MacCoitir.

7:00 PM

Revolution Radio #2 — The world of experimental radio with Tom Flanagan. Flanagan shares a curated sampling of the world of experimental radio broadcasting. Expect to hear some of the most unusual sounds ever broadcast on Irish radio. This programme is also the final live broadcast of the Folk Radio project and Tom will have quests and contributors in studio reflecting

on the project.

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6:00 PM

Baoith lena chlann.

The Art and Music of Branwen Tom Flanagan In conversation with experimental folk musician and artist Branwen Kavanagh. In this interview the pair discuss the work, inspirations and processes of the 'experimental

7:00 PM

folk' artist.

The Corofin Dramatic Society Folk radio in conversation with Corofin Dramatic Society Director John Clancy and cast of the Society's fortho production of Skirmishes Catherine Hayes discuss t world of amateur drama and perform segments from the upcoming show.

6:00 PM Wired Women with Maeve Collins. Wired Women introduces feminism simply, through music and song

7:00 PM

Planet B with William Hederman Hederman hosts a discussion with four Clare people passionate about the environment

A conversation on alternative living in the Burren with Tom Flanagan & Colin Johnston. Johnston lives in Cooloorta, a small townland set in the foothills of Mullaghmore. Colin was one of the first in a movement of people who from the 1970's on choose to migrate to the Burren as a space for alternative and sustainable living.

The Burren Triangle:

7:00 PM

Nurse With Wound. In this special broadcast for Folk Radio we premiere a new work by artist and sonic adventurer Steve Stapleton a Burren resident. The only constant member for the past 30 years of experimental, avant garde band Nurse With Wound. Stapleton is often seen as a pioneer of the British industrial and experimental music scene

X-PO Open Mic Night — LIVE hosted by Mick O'Riordan. Join us for this new monthly gathering of experienced and up and coming music, song and spoken word talent from North Clare, promising an eclectic evening at the X-PO. For its

edition we are going live on F and online from 8.30pm as par of the Folk Radio

electronic music pioneers Paul Beaver and Bernie Krause and Krause's move into archiving and analysing the soundscape profiles of natural ecosystems.



Additional Talks & Podcasts available online at www.mixcloud.com/X_POFolkRadio/