



# CALLAN OPEN DOORS

Celebrating Art and Creativity in Callan

21-24 May 2026

## Exhibitions

**VISUAL  
ARTS**

**SWIMMING IN SPACE** by Susanne Horsch | The Powerhouse

Thur 21 from 18.00 - 22.00 | Fri 22 from 11.00 - 19.00 | Sat 23 from 11.00 - 20.00  
Sun 24 from 11.00 - 18.30 | Free event | All Welcome

*Swimming in Space* is an immersive textile environment of accumulated soft sculptures shaped by reflective writing. The work acts as a visual archive of emotions following the liminal time between the end of a relationship and a new beginning. As part of *Swimming in Space*, Susanne invites visitors to contribute to a participatory artwork that will gradually evolve over the course of Callan Open Doors.

Susanne Horsch is a Kilkenny-based installation artist. She primarily works with textiles and soft sculptures, using them as metaphors for weaving together the often-invisible elements of human experience. Susanne recently graduated from Ulster University Belfast with an MFA in Fine Art, and over the past couple of years has exhibited and had residencies at the RHA, Dublin, Butler Gallery and CCA Derry. She has an upcoming solo exhibition at University of Atypical in Belfast.

**VIEWS OF CALLAN** | The Green House Window Gallery, Bridge Street Lower


Thur 21 – Sun 24 May | Free to all passers-by

The *Views of Callan* exhibition will focus on different viewpoints of the local landscape created by artists Martina Rosi (Italy) and Louise Boutant (France) while living and working in Callan.

**LADIES OF SUBSTANCE** by Jan Michelle | KCAT Arts Centre

Thur 21 – Sat 23 May | 10.30 – 16.00 | Free event | All Welcome

Callan-based artist Jan Michelle has been a member of KCAT Arts Centre for over 10 years. Working on paper and canvas with different media, including paint, markers, inks, and glitter, her colourful, expressionistic portraits portray a direct and intimate connection to the subjects, who are often partially obstructed by floral ornamentation or accessories. *Ladies of Substance* is Jan's first solo exhibition.

 **Accessibility and Inclusion** are at the heart of Callan Open Doors. Our central venue, The Powerhouse, is wheelchair accessible, with wheelchair-accessible toilets available for use throughout Callan Open Doors from 11:00 to 16:00.

The following venues that are open to the public through the programme are wheelchair accessible: The Powerhouse, KCAT Arts Centre, Fennelly's of Callan (outdoors), Westcourt Living & Growing (learning space), Kilkenny Steiner School, Keogh's Bar and Bunscoil McAuley Rice (yard).

Please let us know if you have any access needs and how we can support you to participate in any of the events and activities:  
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