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January-May 2025

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# Spring 2025 Programme

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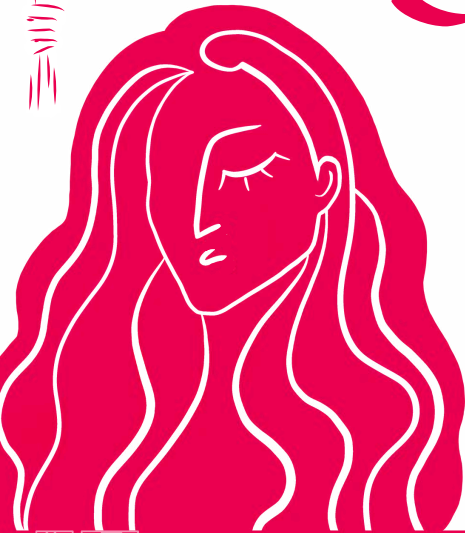


Film

# BRIGID FEST 2025

JANUARY 30th - FEBRUARY 20th

Brigid Fest is a celebration of Brigid's Day, which has its origins in the Celtic festival of Imbolc. This festival symbolises the beginning of spring and honours Brigid, the Celtic goddess of crafts, learning, and fertility. In more recent times, Brigid has come to represent wisdom and strength, and it is these attributes that we aim to celebrate with a whole month of engaging activities.



art exhibitions



musical experiences

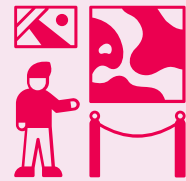


creative workshops

## Súil an Droichead

January 30th-February 20th, FREE

Launching at 7pm on Thursday, January the 30th



## St Brigid and the Brideog Doll

Saturday 1st February – St Brigid's Day

2.00pm – 4.00pm, FREE



## Brigid, Gobnait & Sheela-na-Gig with Edel Meade

Saturday 1st February – St Brigid's Day

7.30pm, €18/€15



## Sheela na Gig Clay Craft

Saturday 8th February

2.00pm – 4.00pm, FREE



## St Gobnait Fake Stained Glass

Saturday 15th February

2.00pm – 4.00pm, FREE



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# January / February



## Súil an Droichead



A collaborative exhibition of paintings and poetry by twin siblings Denis Kelly and Mary Pooley. Inspired by the Brigid 1500 celebrations, It is also an homage to the memory of their mother Bridget. The exhibition consists of seven paintings inspired by the St Brigid's cross motif, playing with perceptions of reality, while complimenting and responding to the poetry on display.

FREE

January 30th-February 20th



## Brigid, Gobnait & Sheela-na-Gig with Edel Meade



Celebrate St. Brigid's Day with an unforgettable evening of songs, stories and reflections from award-winning performing artist and Tipperary woman, Edel Meade. Noted for her stunning voice and mesmerising live performances, Edel will present a rich tapestry of music and anecdotes to honour Brigid, Gobnait and Sheela-na-gig.

€15/18

Saturday 1st February  
7:30pm



## St Brigid and the Brideog Doll with Kay O'Donoghue



Try your hand at creating your own unique Brideog Doll with mixed-media artist, Kay O'Donoghue. Under Kay's guidance, participants will get to work with various materials to create their doll. This includes pieces of material which, according to tradition, will be left out on the eve of St. Brigid's Day to be blessed by the saint as she passes through the night. *Limited capacity, booking required.*

FREE

Saturday 1st February  
2.00pm-4.00pm



## Sheela na Gig Clay Craft with Kay Odonoghue



Join Artist Kay O'Donoghue as she leads this workshop inspired by the figure of Sheela na Gig. Explore our concepts of strength, fertility, sexuality, and female empowerment through the medium of clay. *Limited capacity, booking required.*

**Parental Advisory** – The themes explored in this workshop may not be appropriate for young children and teenagers.

FREE

Saturday, 8th February  
2.00pm – 4.00pm



## St Gobnait Fake Stained Glass with Kay O'Donoghue



Create your very own stained glass inspired artwork ! In this workshop you will take inspiration from the art of Harry Clarke whilst also paying homage to St Gobnait. Participants will create a fake stained glass image on glass with Gobnait's beloved bees as the central theme.

Limited capacity, booking required.

Saturday 15th February  
2.00pm-4.00pm

FREE



## Pucked



PUCKED is a fast paced, comedic, theatrical, one-man blockbuster! PUCKED tells the story of the young and ambitious Matty Daly. Immersed in the GAA from birth, Matty has one dream and one dream only, to play on his senior team. When Matty finally gets called up, we join him as he learns the hard way, that playing senior isn't everything it's cracked up to be.

Saturday 15th February  
7.30pm

€15/18



## HeART of Gaza - Children's Art From The Genocide



HeART of Gaza grew out of a WhatsApp exchange of children's drawings between Mohammed Timraz (Gaza) and Féile Butler (Sligo). This exhibition offers an intimate insight into the lived reality of childhood in a genocide, depicting both the horrors and moments of beauty, of fond memories tinged with melancholy, of resilience and defiance, and of hope for the future. Donations encouraged.

FREE

February 21st - March 1st  
Launch 7pm



## HeART of Gaza Workshops



# HeART of Gaza

Workshops are hosted alongside the exhibitions, inviting members of the public to make art in response to HeArt of Gaza. Workshops will be open to the public on 22nd Feb and 1st March. School workshops are facilitated by Féile Butler and are taking place on the 3rd of March. There are two available time slots to book for these workshops, 10am – 12pm, and 1pm – 3pm.



## Immersions – The art of Lake Swims



Edwina Knight presents an exhibition of oil paintings inspired by her experience of swimming in Lough Derg. Each artwork captures the dance of light and colour in the water, reflecting both its serenity and turbulence. The lake is her muse, symbolising the complex emotions we all face. She invites you to connect with nature and enjoy her fun semi abstract paintings. *Meet The Artist - Monday 10th 2.pm-4.pm*

FREE

3rd March - 31st March

“Each canvas is an act of immersion. It is a return to a place where I am simultaneously grounded and free. In translating these swims into oil paintings, I hope to convey the universal solace found in nature’s embrace and the beauty of connecting with a world that exists beyond words.”

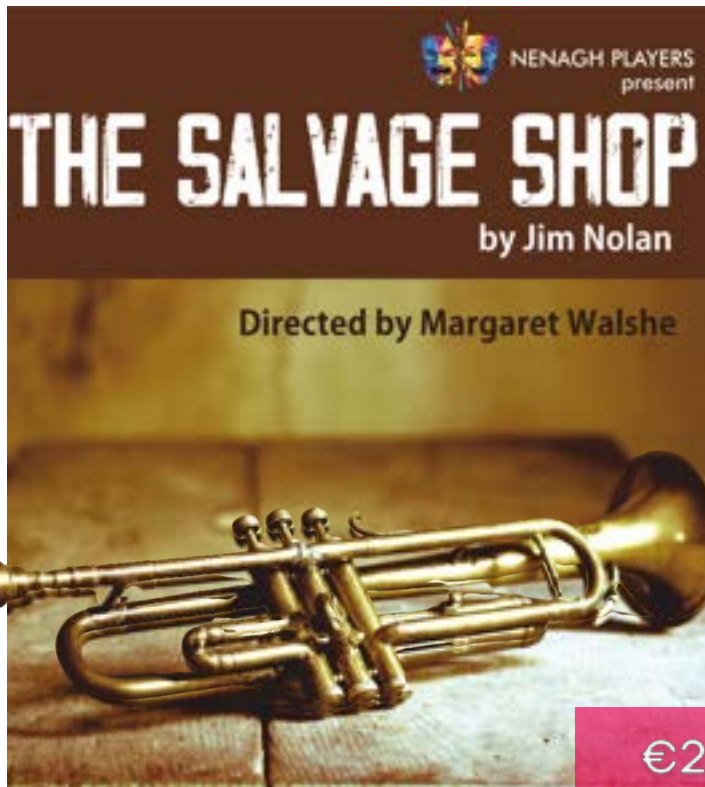




# March



## Nenagh Players Present The Salvage Shop



The Salvage Shop is set in the fictional seaside of Garris. It centres on the strained relationship between Sylvie, an alcoholic bandmaster and opera enthusiast who runs the salvage shop, and his son Eddie, a euphonium player who left the band years ago.

Eddie seeks reconciliation with his father, invoking the spirit of Luciano Pavarotti to bridge the gap between them.

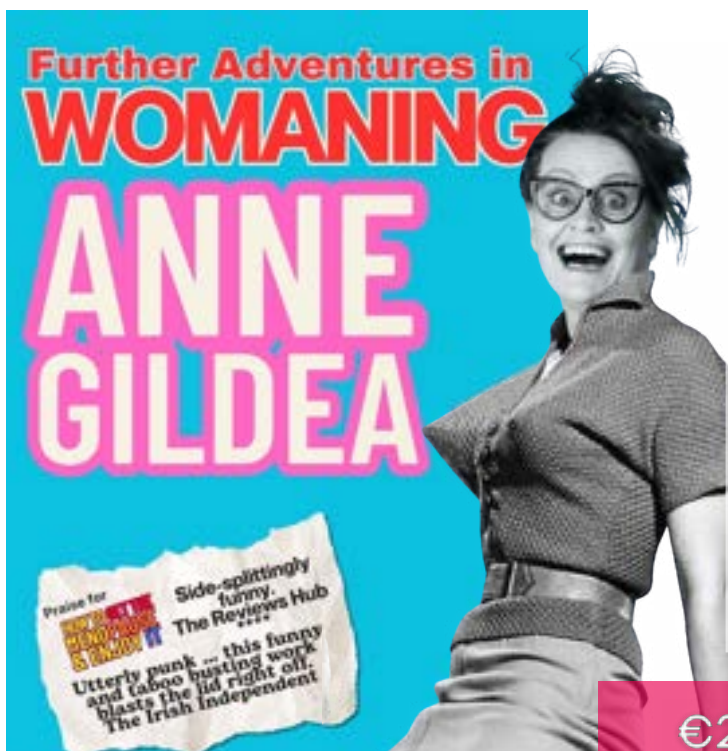
The play explores themes of redemption, forgiveness and the healing power of music within a family and community.

€20

Tuesday 4th March-8th March



## Anne Gildea Further Adventures in Womanin



Join us as Anne explores the world of the feminine, the mammy, the twerky dancer: From 18-hour girdles and Housewives of The Year, to ripped influencer grannies pumping iron on Insta, from The Sunday Drive to The Spa Break, from Angel Delight to Ozempic and back to The Chiffon Scarf Test, Anne weaves a pant-wetting path through a changing half century of womany stuff – And that's just the tip of the Anneburg!

€22

Saturday 22nd March  
8.00pm



"It's tough to capture all the growth and progress in a simple stage show, because what stands out is the strong bonds that formed among the members."

- CALVIN MAGEE, DIRECTOR

The Nenagh Youth Drama Festival is a celebration of the hard work put in by young members of NYT during their 'Introduction to Youth Theatre Programme.' It is a taster of what is to come from the members. This is THEIR festival and they were the driving force behind all the decisions made.

**TICKETS €5**

**SUNDAY 16TH**

**MARCH**



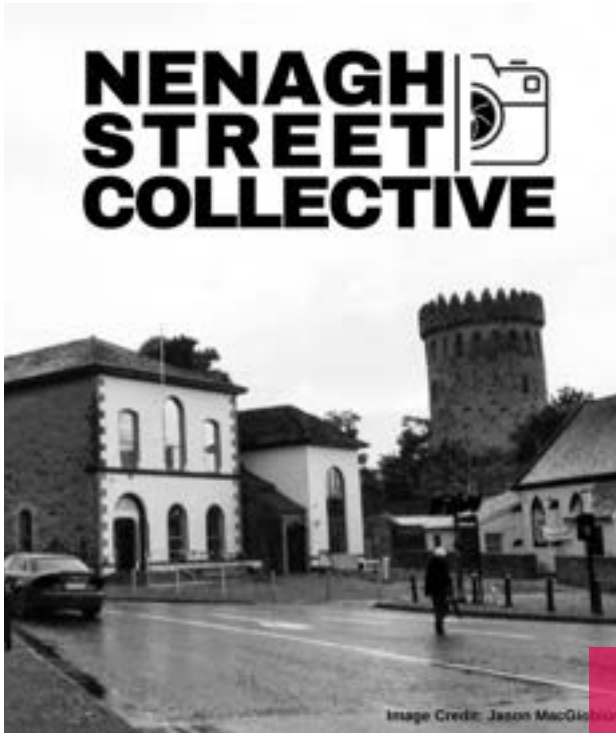
**3PM**

DIRECTOR : CALVIN MAGEE

ASSISTANT : GERRY BALL



## A Sense of Place: In Our Hearts and Minds



Explore the profound connection between place and self through the lens of the Nenagh Street Collective. Their evocative photography transforms familiar spaces into vessels of memory and emotion. Each photograph acts as a doorway into the emotional life of places that echo with comfort, nostalgia, and belonging that make spaces more than just locations. These are the places where stories unfold, where histories are made, and where identities are shaped.

FREE

Tuesday 1st April - 30th April



## Your Happiness Is A Gift with Amanda and Melanie Grace



Join sisters Amanda Grace & Mel Gillespie—daughters of Ireland's late beloved comedian Brendan Grace—for an unforgettable night of candid conversations, laughter & inspiration. Your Happiness Is a Gift explores the power of self-care, boundaries & breaking free from societal expectations, offering a fresh perspective on living authentically in midlife. Don't miss this heartfelt & empowering event filled with connection, reflection, humour & charm

€20

Thursday 3rd April  
8.00pm



## Modern Calligraphy for Beginners



We are delighted to be able to offer this new workshop on Modern Calligraphy for Beginners. A fresh and contemporary approach to the age old skill of beautiful writing. During this workshop you will be introduced to the joys of writing with dip nib and ink by learning the basic techniques, letter forms and how to compose words and phrases.

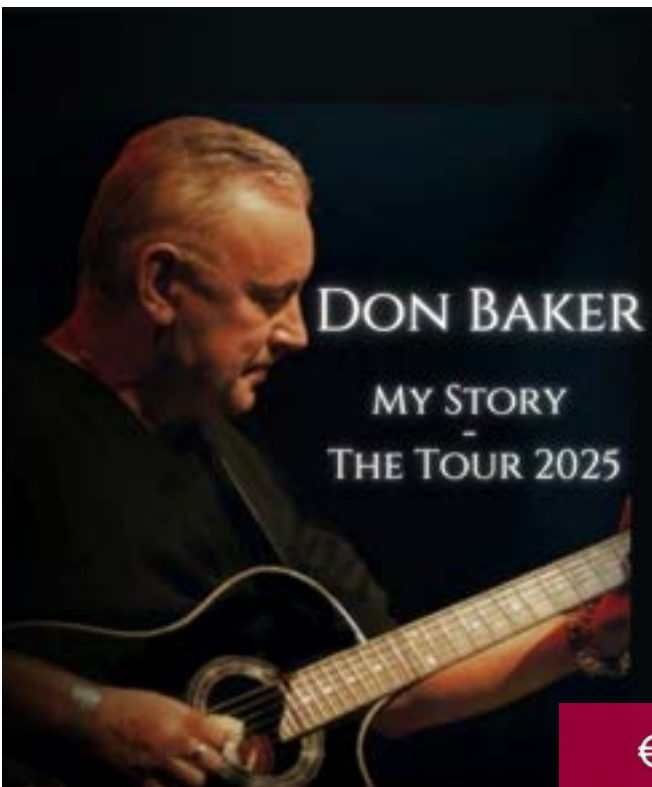
The workshop fee includes a kit of all you need for the class and to continue practicing at home.

€65

Tuesday 8th April  
11.00am - 1.30pm



## Don Baker – My Story



This is Don's first Solo Tour where he will share tales of 55 years On the Road, Life in the Inner City, his love of The Blues and of the Harmonica, Stories of his working with Jim Sheridan, Daniel Day Lewis, Sinéad O'Connor and more. Together with the story of his songs on Harmonica and Guitar, this is a tour not to be missed. The legendary performances by this consummate entertainer have engaged, enchanted and charmed audiences for more than 55 years!

€30

Saturday 12th April  
8.00pm



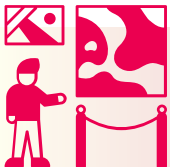
## Butterfly In The Storm



Gary Scully, Butterfly in the Storm, returns to the NAC with his unique fusion of the genres. After last year's full house and night of controlled mayhem, this is a night not to be missed. A night of Storytelling, Comedy, Spoken Word, Live Music, Videography and outright divilment! YouTube channel: Butterfly in the Storm

€10

Saturday 26th April  
7.00pm



## Mythic Nature



In this exhibition, artist Kerry Acheson invites the viewer to immerse themselves in a world where Celtic mythology, nature and imagination intertwine. Featuring a diverse array of techniques and vibrant themes, this captivating showcase allows you to see a diversity in visual creativity. Some pieces representing the beauty of nature, the profound depth of Mythology mixed with the artists imagination.

FREE

Thursday May 1st - May 31st



## Kendal Mountain Cinematic Tour 2025: A Night Of Adventure Films



Join us on a cinematic journey through the world's most breathtaking landscapes with a selection of award winning films showcasing the year's most daring feats of courage and tales of human resilience. Whether you're a seasoned explorer or simply someone who appreciates the majesty of nature, this tour promises to ignite your sense of adventure and leave you with a renewed appreciation for the planet we call home.

€15/18

Friday 16th May  
7.00pm



## Niall 'Bressie' Breslin – Where Is My Mind? Live Podcast



WHERE IS MY MIND is an incredible live show laced with creativity and fascinating conversations. Niall engages in generative in-depth explorations with exciting guests to reveal the unvarnished truth of, and hope for, the human condition.

Expect songs, stories, and exciting special guests.

€32

Saturday 24th May



First Friday of every month, 10am

## Artists Coffee Meet Up



Calling all artists working and living in North Tipperary. The coffee meetup is an opportunity to meet other artists in the area, connect and share ideas in a relaxed and informal setting. It is also an opportunity to meet with the Artistic Director and find out more about how we support artists in the region.



Instagram :  
[@nenaghstreetcollective](#)  
[#nenaghstreetcollective](#)

First Tuesday of every month, 6:30pm

## The Nenagh Street Collective



Are you passionate about capturing moments, exploring new angles, and sharing your love for photography? We invite you to join our photography meet-up, where shutterbugs of all levels can come together to exchange ideas, learn from each other, and simply indulge in the joy of photography. Our meetings are relaxed and the vibe is friendly. All are welcome!



Last Tuesday of every month, 7pm

## LGBTQ+ Meet Up



LGBTQ community meet-ups provide safe and inclusive space for connection and celebration with mutual support and a sense of belonging. Join us for engaging discussions and fun activities such as game nights, hikes, coffee catch ups and much more!



## CLASSES at NAC



Did you know that there is a diverse range of classes happening at NAC? Including yoga, tai chi, pilates, dance, drama and much more? These classes provide a sanctuary for individuals seeking balance, flexibility, and mindfulness in the heart of Nenagh. Check our website [www.nenagharts.com/classes/](http://www.nenagharts.com/classes/) for more details or contact reception at [reception@nenagharts.com](mailto:reception@nenagharts.com), 067 34400



**Nenagh Youth Theatre** has been the resident youth theatre at Nenagh Arts Centre since 2009. Our focus is on creating a fun and innovative approach to theatre, challenging attitudes across the arts by offering weekly professionally led theatre workshops and high quality arts experiences for young people aged 12-18. This year Nenagh Youth Theatre is running two programmes that will take place every Saturday:

For more info contact [nyt@nenagharts.com](mailto:nyt@nenagharts.com)



# Need To Hire A Room

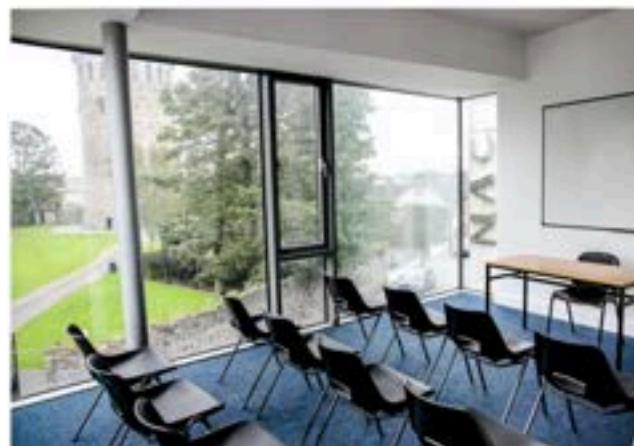
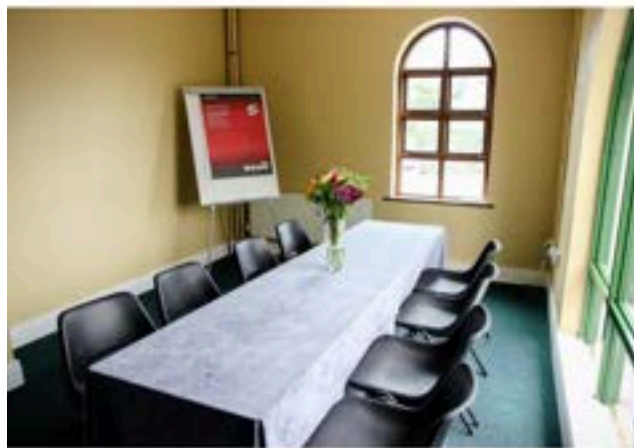
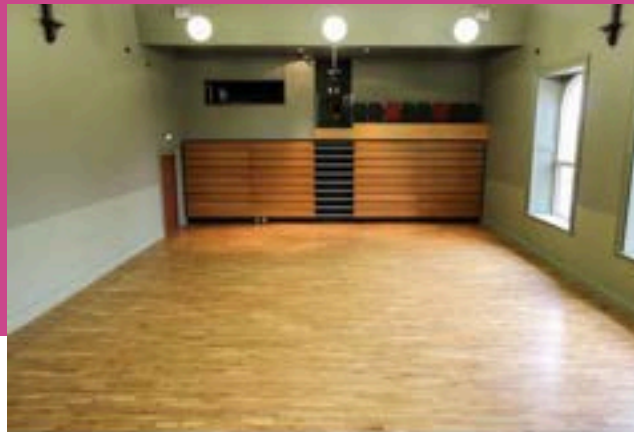
Nenagh Arts Centre is a striking historical venue situated in the heart of Nenagh's Cultural Quarter on Banba Square

With a Theatre, a Studio and various other rooms for hire, it is ideal for meetings, running classes or hosting events.



For further information or a tour of the venue contact on **06734400**

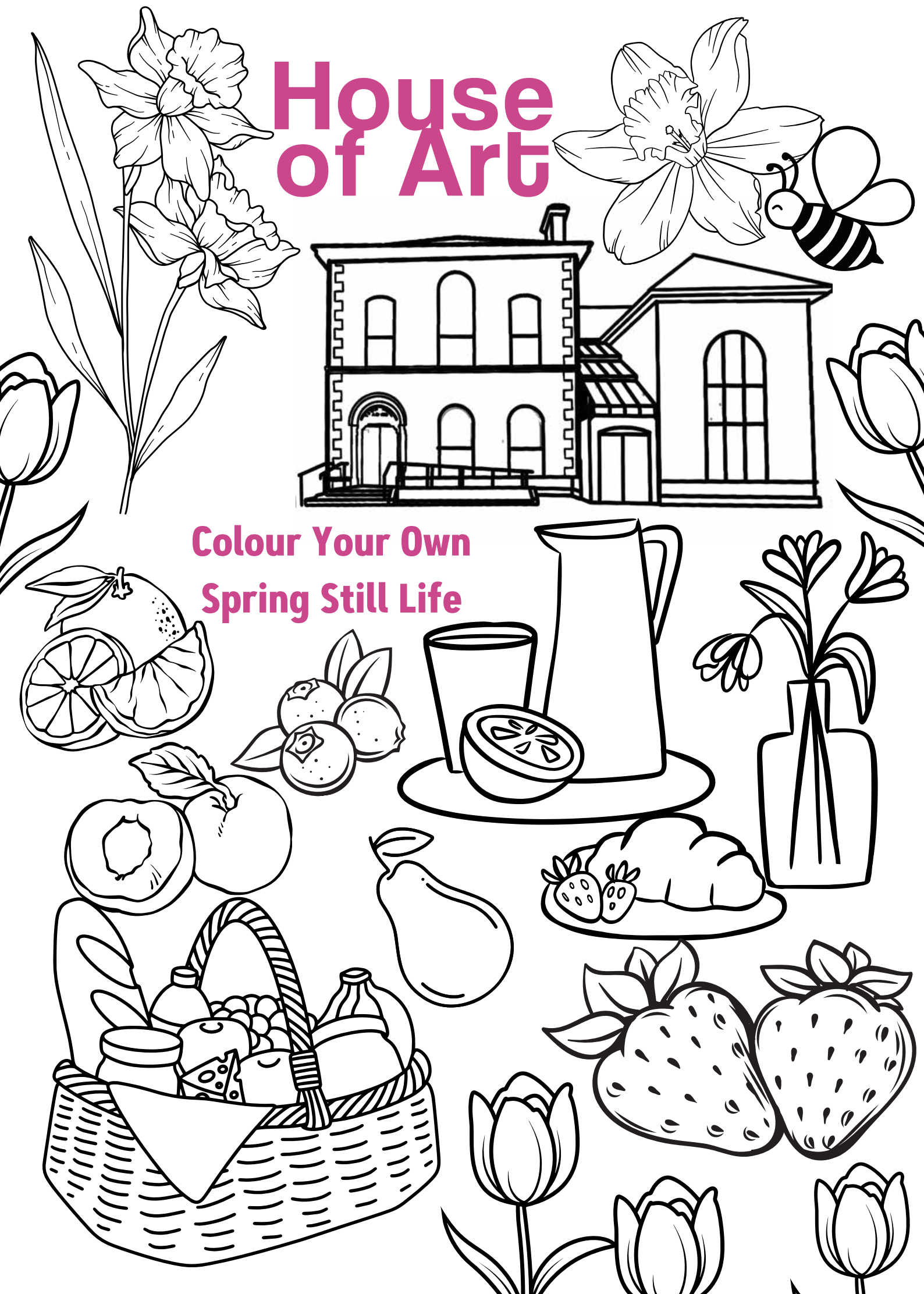
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# House of Art



## Colour Your Own Spring Still Life



## Disabled Access

Please tell us when booking if you have any special requirements and we will do our very best to facilitate you. Wheelchair spaces are available in the theatre and must be allocated at the time of booking.

## Refund policy

Tickets cannot be exchanged or refunded unless an event is cancelled.

## Concession Policy

Concessions are available to students, under 18's, the unemployed and senior citizens on certain shows. A discount of 10% is available for groups of ten or more to certain productions. (Please check with the Box Office at time of booking). Please contact [reception@nenagharts.com](mailto:reception@nenagharts.com) for more information.

## Cancellation Policy

Should an event be cancelled, you will be offered a full refund. In relation to tickets purchased online, in the event of a cancellation please allow 5 – 7 days for the refund to appear in your account.

## Latecomer's Policy

Nenagh Arts Centre endeavours to limit disturbances to fellow audience members and artists at all times. Latecomers may only be admitted if there is a suitable break in the performance and this may not be possible once the performance has started. This is at the discretion of the front of house manager.

## Children Policy

All children, including infants (under 2), must have a ticket for a seat to comply with fire regulations. The ticket is complimentary, please advise box office at time of booking.

# Contact



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