

Conversations with Nature

Retrospective works - Year 2016

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2016

Main Highlights

Publication of Artbook ‘Conversations with Nature’

**1916-2016 - Centenary - Environmental Garden artworks
Development of ‘The Wayfarers Garden’ from a final poem by
Padraig Pearse**

**Development of ‘ Dialogue with Maritime’ & ‘ Mercy Garden’
installation for Kilrush Primary School**

Represented by:

The Lahinch Art Gallery,

The Kilbaha Gallery

Summer Art Exhibition at the Loophead Summer Hedge School



**1916-2016
Centenary
Celebrations
Official opening of
the
'Wayfarers Garden'
An Environmental
Installation.**

**From a final poem
by
Padraig Pearse
March 16 2016**



‘Dialogue with Maritime’

**An installation created
with the children of 3rd-
4th class at St Senan’s
Primary School, Kilrush**

**Artist in Schools
Residency**





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Artbook Publication 2016

View from the Studio - 2016



ARTWORKS

2016



Wild Atlantic Fishambles - Mixed media on canvas

Private Collection - Vancouver - Canada





Fish Spray & Fish at Play - mixed media on Canvas



Tapestry Vase 1 - Mixed media on Russian linen
Private collection - Co. Waterford





The Old Table Blooms - mixed media on Russian Linen
Private Collector - Co Clare





**The Renaissance Flowers - Mixed media on Russian Linen
Sold by Kilbaha Gallery - Private Collector USA**





Tapestry Vase - Mixed media on paper
Available for purchase



Earth Garden - mixed media on paper
Private collection, Co Kerry





Heaven Scent - mixed media on paper
Private collection, Co Waterford





Lace makers Way - mixed media Russian linen
Private collector - Co. Kerry





Flamenco Flowers - mixed media on paper
Private Collection - Co Cork





The Rockery
Mixed media on paper

Private collection - Co Clare





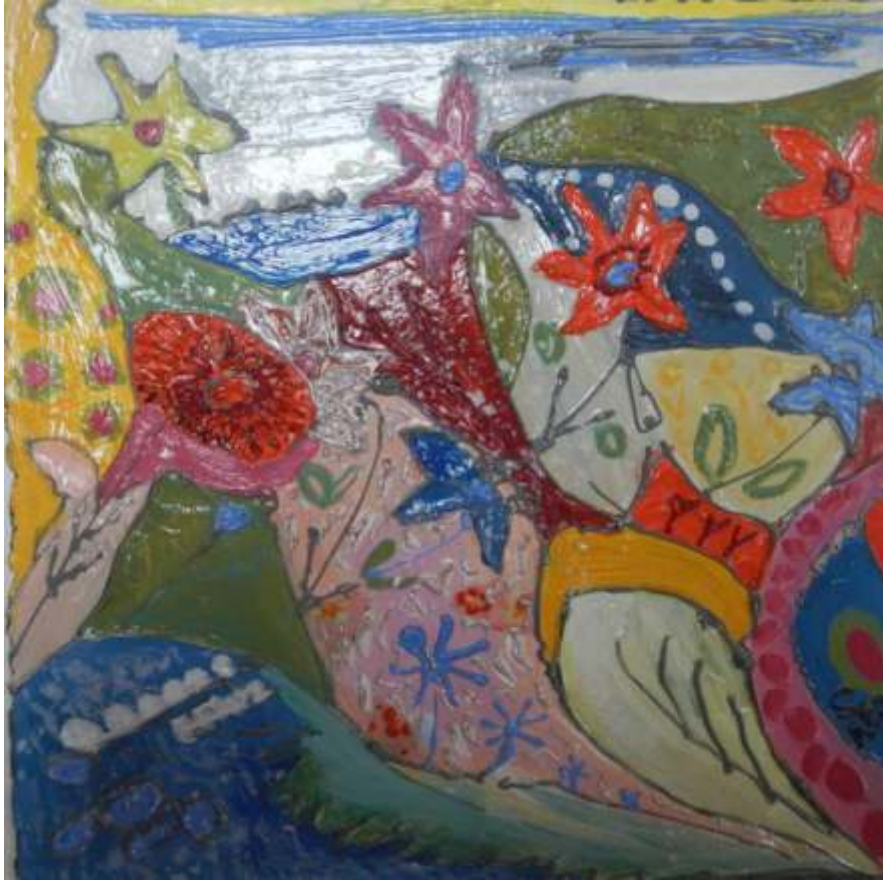
Special commission - mixed media on Russian linen
Private Collection - Co. Clare





Textural Garden - Mixed media on paper
Private collection - Co. Waterford





Freedom Blossoms - mixed media on paper
Sold by Kilbaha Gallery - collector unknown





Floral Tribute to a Blue Sky - Mixed media on paper
Private collector - Co Kerry



Looking back on 2016 in 2020

2016 was an extremely traumatic year, losing my father, my mother and my very supportive sister within 5 months that year.

I really had to push myself, and I feel that I congregated more materials into my artworks that year, like a 'preservation' or 'memory journey' e.g 'The Old Table Blooms' seems to be a reflection on all the floral vases that my mother had placed on our kitchen table over her 90+ years, with deep layers of fibres, botanical materials and other textures.

Even though, it was so traumatic, being in my studio, creating and thinking helped me get through the dark days. Each painting took on a longer journey, and I can't really explain this. Colours were much more softly toned, than the palette I used in 2015.

Working with schools and children, and producing work for the special centenary of 1916, was also uplifting.

It was again traumatic at the end of the year, when a favourite Co. Kerry based collector of mine down through the years, passed away.

So, really, I was glad to see the back of 2016.

Thank you for browsing

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