

PUNCH Performance Art
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MAPPING EUROPE

PLACES/ORTE

DUBLIN, IRELAND

BELFAST, DERRY, NORTHERN IRELAND

DATE/DATUM

17.6.19–24.6.19

REPORT FROM/BERICHT VON

ANDREA SAEMANN & OLIVIA JAKES

OCCASION OF THE TRIP/ANLASS DER REISE

PUNCH EUROVISION | RESEARCH TRAVEL

Travelogue Ireland

Time: 17.–24.6.2019

Travellers: Olivia Jaques, Andrea Saemann

Places visited: Dublin, Belfast, Derry

Andrea Saemann writes:

The visit took place before any Brexit agreement. Linking up Dublin and Belfast by train, meeting artists from both places, made us aware of the two very different systems. In the midst of these differences the artist union succeeded to unit both sides, and works for northern and southern Ireland alike. The Republic contained within itself. Northern Ireland depending on a central government in London that at the moment has not installed any functioning local governmental offices on the island. Therefore, people develop the ability to take on self-responsibility for changes needed and initiate tools for collective actions. The artist run organization for Live Art in Belfast – **Bbeyond** – has developed and performs gatherings since 2002 as well as improvisational practices with its **Performance Monthlys**.

Nigel Rolfe, born on the Isle of Wight and **Alastair MacLennan** from Scotland, both made Ireland the centre of their activity. Rolfe in the South, in Dublin and MacLennan in the North, in Belfast. Rolfe taught at the Royal Academy in London, MacLennan at the University of Ulster in Belfast, where he became a founding member of Bbeyond. They are the most referred to people, when we address Live Art, along with **Áine Philips** from Galway, who edited «Performance Art in Ireland: A History», a possible overview of Performance Art in Ireland, published by LADA – Live Art Development Agency London in 2015. During our stay, **Sandra Johnston** was about to finish the first monographic book on Alastair MacLennan, which should appear by the end of 2019. She and Brian Patterson from Bbeyond were the ones, who linked us up with possible interview partners and took care of us during our stay in a very generous way.

In Dublin and Belfast we met...

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios

Dublin

<https://www.templebargallery.com>

Alan Phelan (artist)

Dublin

holds a three Year Membership Studio (2016-2019) at Temple Bar Gallery + Studios

<http://www.alanphelan.com>



Alan Phelan

Visual Arts Centre

Dublin

<http://www.visualartscentre.ie/>

Fergus Byrne (artist)

Dublin

<http://www.fergusbyrne.ie/>



Fergus Byrne

Pallas Projects/Studios

Dublin

<http://pallasprojects.org/studios>

Michelle Brown (artist & curator)

Dublin

Since 2014 Lecturer in Department of Sculpture and Expanded Practice, National College of Art and Design in Dublin

<http://www.michellebrowne.net>

<https://themothershipproject.wordpress.com>

www.ncad.ie



Michelle Brown

Dominic Thorpe (artist, PhD)

Dublin

<https://dominicthorpe.net>



Elvira Santamaria (artist)

Belfast | Mexico

member of Black Market International and
Bbeyond Belfast

www.elvirasantamariatorres.co.uk

Dominic Thorpe



Sandra Johnston, Elvira Santamaria,
Olivia Jaques

Sandra Johnston (artist, PhD, senior lecturer)

Belfast | New Castle

co-founder and committee member of various
artist-run collectives in Belfast, namely: Catalyst
Art, Bbeyond, Agency; lecturer at Northumbria
University Newcastle

<http://bbeyond.live/sandra-johnston>

<http://bbeyond.live>

www.northumbria.ac.uk

www.catalystarts.org.uk

pure.ulster.ac.uk/en/publications/agency-3



Sandra Johnston

Bbeyond

Belfast

<http://bbeyond.live/about/>

Brian Patterson (artist)

Belfast

administrator & co-ordinator of projects for
Bbeyond, Performance Monthly

<http://bbeyond.live/brian-patterson/>

<http://brianpattersonperformart.blogspot.com>

<http://bbeyond.live/performance-monthly/>



Brian Patterson

Pavana Reid (artist, curator), Belfast | Bergen
Norway

member of Bbeyond and PAB – Performance Art
Bergen

<http://www.facebook.com/PavanaArt>

bbeyond.live/pavana-reid/



James King (artist)

Derry
head of BBDB –Bbeyond Derry Branch
Performance Monthly
bbeyond.live/james-king/

Pavana Reid



James King

On Swiss Performance Art Networks– Talk
Belfast

a presentation of PANCH – the performance art
network Switzerland at Bbeyond Belfast



Brian Patterson, Elaine McGinn, Rainer Pagel,
Olivia Jaques, Andrea Saemann

Performance Monthly – Collective Action

an open invitation to artists to perform at a given
place for a given time on the basis of
improvisation, organised by Bbeyond in and
around Belfast, and by the Bbeyond Derry
Branch in Derry



Olivia Jaques participating at
2 Performance Monthlys in Derry and in Belfast

Giant's Causeway

a world heritage site on the north coast of Northern Ireland



Jordan Hutchings, Andrea Saemann, Olivia Jaques, Brian Patterson

Nigel Rolfe (artist)

Dublin | London

former lecturer at the Royal College of Art in London

<https://www.rte.ie/culture/2018/1119/1011947-performance-artist-nigel-rolfe-to-open-cross-border-brexit-show/>

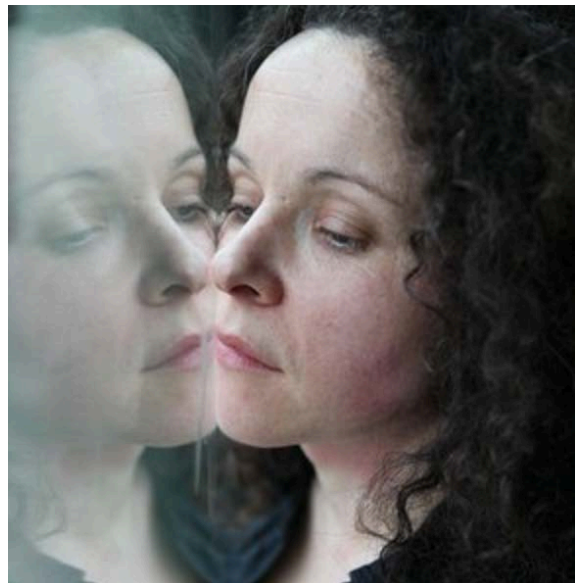


Nigel Rolfe

Paula Fitzsimons (artist)

Dublin

<https://paulafitzsimons.com/#/>



Paula Fitzsimons

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PEOPLE/LEUTE

- Olivia Jaques, artist, Wien, Austria
- Andrea Saemann, artist, Basel, Switzerland: https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Andrea_Saemann
- Alan Phelan, artist, Dublin, Ireland: <http://www.alanphelan.com>
- Fergus Byrne, artist, Dublin, Ireland: <http://www.fergusbyrne.ie/>
- Michelle Brown, artist & curator, Dublin, Ireland: <http://www.michellebrowne.net>
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- Dominic Thorpe, artist, PhD, Dublin, Ireland: <https://dominicthorpe.net>
- Elvira Santamaria, artist, Belfast | Mexico: www.elvirasantamariatorres.co.uk
- Sandra Johnston, artist, PhD, lecturer, Belfast | New Castle: bbeyond.live/sandra-johnston
- Brian Patterson, artist, Belfast, Northern Ireland: <http://bbeyond.live/brian-patterson/>,
<http://brianpattersonperformart.blogspot.com>, <http://bbeyond.live/performance-monthly/>
- Pavana Reid, artist & curator, Belfast | Bergen Norway:
<http://www.facebook.com/PavanaArt>, bbeyond.live/pavana-reid/
- James King, artist, Derry, Northern Ireland: bbeyond.live/james-king/
- Nigel Rolfe, artist, Dublin | London: <https://www.rte.ie/culture/2018/1119/1011947-performance-artist-nigel-rolfe-to-open-cross-border-brexit-show/>
- Paula Fitzsimons, artist, Dublin, Ireland: <https://paulafitzsimons.com/#/>

FESTIVALS/PROJECTS/PLACES

- Temple Bar Gallery + Studios, Dublin, Ireland: <https://www.templebargallery.com>
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- Pallas Projects/Studios, Dublin, Ireland: <http://pallasprojects.org/studios>
- Bbeyond, Belfast, Northern Ireland: <http://bbeyond.live/about/>
- Catalyst Art, Belfast, Northern Ireland: www.catalystarts.org.uk
- Northumbria University, New Castle/UK: www.northumbria.ac.uk
- Agency, Belfast, Northern Ireland: pure.ulster.ac.uk/en/publications/agency-3
- PAB – Performance Art Bergen, Norway: www.performanceartbergen.no