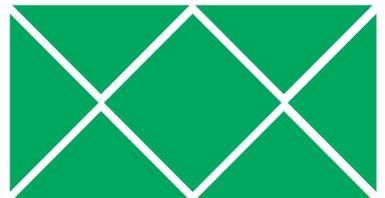


Bring Your Own Chair is a portrait of 12 rural towns in the South-east region led by visual artist Michelle Browne and produced by Workhouse Union.



Bring Your Own Chair



About the project

Bring Your Own Chair is an art project taking place in rural towns and villages across counties Kilkenny, Wexford and Waterford throughout the spring and summer of 2018. As the heart of small towns in Ireland face decline, **Bring Your Own Chair** looks to share collective experiences using public space for community gatherings and actions.

Participating Towns and Villages

Kilmacthomas, An Rinn, Tallow and Passage East (Waterford);
Ballyhack, Taghmon, Bunclody and Courtown (Wexford);
Coan, Goresbridge, Slieverue and Kells (Kilkenny).

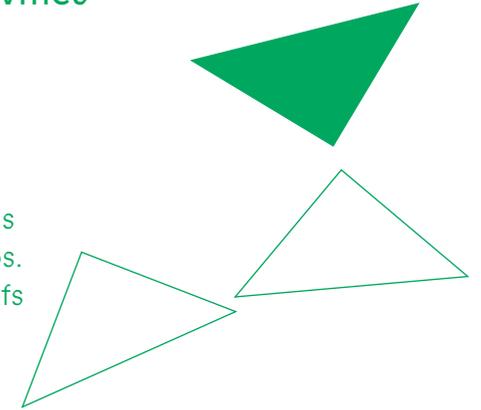


Bring Your Own Chair: Activities

Town Motif

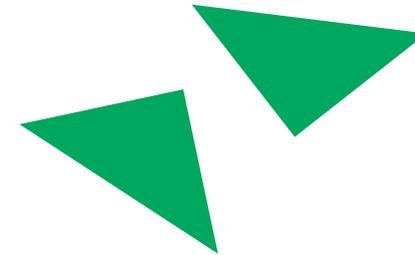
Design Workshop

Artist Paul Bokslag will visit schools in all 12 towns to deliver workshops. Participants will design Town Motifs through paper cuts based on the nature, buildings and heritage of your town.



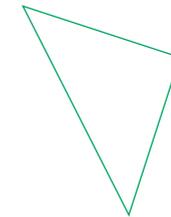
Does Your Chair tell a Story?

Do you have a chair that tells a story? A local antique? An heirloom? A souvenir? Join us to share your story, told through the history of a chair.



Town Visit

Join these workshops and activities to tell stories, gather histories and explore the spaces and places that make up your town.



Town Portraits

Bring Your Own Chair will culminate in 12 portrait events across the 12 participating towns. Full details of the Town Portrait events will be announced through June, July and August – keep an eye out.



About us

Michelle Browne is a visual artist, curator and lecturer based in Dublin. Her works look at what it means to live together and how we organise ourselves in public space. Much of her practice focuses on working with communities of place and interest through participation and performance.

Workhouse Union (based in Callan, Co. Kilkenny) works with artists, designers, architects and craft-makers to develop projects examining housing, civic infrastructure and the commons, engaging people with the spaces and places we live in.

Support

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