

# South Dublin Arts Consultation

Looking Forward to a New Strategy  
2011 - 2015



- Focus group events
- ongoing on-line presence:  
<http://SouthDublinArtsConsultation.blogspot.com>
  - Invitation to make a submission
  - Schedule of consultations
  - Position papers
  - Outcomes of all Focus Group events
- Arts Consultation Seminar
- Closing date for submissions: 10th October 2010.

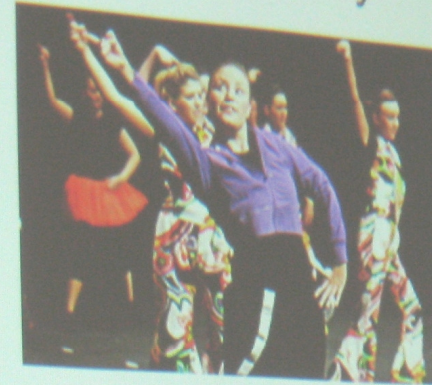
## Participation

- 100 participants have shared their views
- 43 of these are artists, 16 arts participants, and 26 identify as administrators / other service professionals facilitating arts practice.
- The focus groups were established and promoted in partnership with key stakeholders such as AMNCH Tallaght, and the Arts and Disability Partnership. As such had variety of aims and have served multiple purposes.

## Artist Focus Group Outcomes

- to encourage the villages of Clondalkin, Lucan and the rural centres to host artists network meetings;
- to devise and programme local Arts Festivals or Community Arts Festivals, showcasing and inviting in new and more established practitioners to engage with the local communities.
- The need to network artists at a very local level;

Programmes in schools  
have been a major part of the Dance Residency



Activities have been focused on:

- dance training,
- developing knowledge of dance as an art-form
- connecting dance with subjects on the curriculum.



## **Priorities for a future focus in Youth Arts**

- Access to high quality arts experiences with professional artists.
- Opportunities for artistic development for young artists of all disciplines.
- Development of local arts clubs/workspaces appropriate to young people.
- Communication / regular information about arts events
- Opportunities to share ideas across artforms, communities and cultural backgrounds.

## Arts in Health

- Advocacy
- Developing Role for Arts and Health Centre @ AMHT
- Recognise that arts and health offers both benefits and opportunities for health professionals and staff in healthcare settings.
- Cultural entitlement
- Arts and Health & mainstream education
- Integrating Creative Art Therapies
- Supporting Arts In Health professional development





## Benefits of Consultation Process for Arts Office

- Challenge old relationships between communities and the Arts Office
- raise new ideas and frameworks for thinking
- Has provided a substantial body of research
- Facilitate the initiation of at least a one new network
- Advances the role of the Arts Office in communicating, promoting and advocating on behalf of the arts, artists and arts organisations
- brought to the attention of a wider public a discussion on cultural entitlement – of the entitlement of every citizen to access, to participate in and to indulge in their own cultural life and that of the wider community.

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