

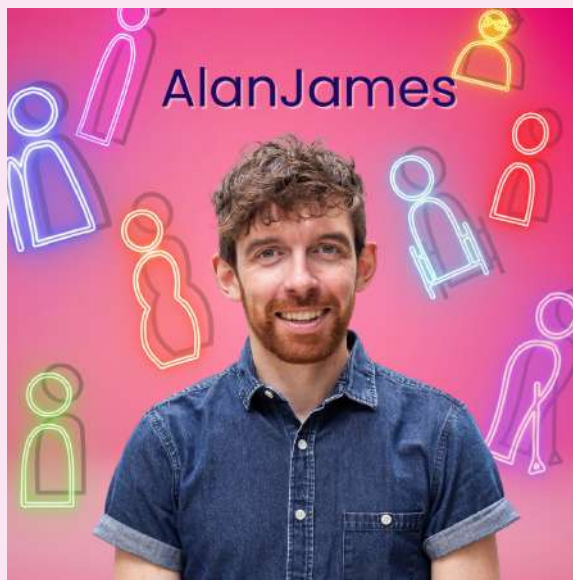
Meet the Our Place Artists



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Our Place Lead Artists



AlanJames Burns

Alan is an artist and festival maker, who creates interactive projects with other people. Their work often takes place in public spaces and focuses on disability, climate change, and making society more inclusive and accessible.



Sinéad McCann

Sinéad is an artist, researcher, and teacher who works with communities and organisations to explore social inequality and improve people's lives. She collaborates with many different groups and bases her work on people's real experiences.

Our Place Leaders



Patrick Fitzgerald

Patrick has been part of Our Place as a participant, co-designer and now a leader with Carlow Arts Festival. It has given him new opportunities and experience, and he is proud of its impact. He loves his job because he inspires people and helps them believe in themselves.



Tony Davis

Tony is an Our Place Leader. Through the project he learned about different types of art and now feels confident sharing that knowledge as a leader. Tony loves working on Our Place because it has given him more confidence to talk about his rights, meet new people and express himself through art.

Our Place Co-Designers



Andrew Shanley

Andrew is really into sports and loves soccer. He is a Co-Designer on Our Place, the most successful project he has worked on. He is really enjoying being part of it and is excited about the exhibition.



Chantelle Meaney

Chantelle likes playing basketball and enjoys painting, including diamond painting. She is a co-designer on Our Place, her first time working on a project like this. She enjoys meeting new people and sharing updates with the group.

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Ciara Brennan

Ciara is from near Arles in Laois. She enjoys going for walks with her sister-in-law. She loves music and is a fan of One Direction. She enjoys working on Our Place and finds it fun to be part of.



Stephanie Canavan

Stephanie is from Graiguecullen. She loves making jewellery and art. She enjoys singing and is a big fan of Lilo & Stitch, especially Stitch because he's so fluffy. She is excited for the Our Place exhibition and thinks it will be epic.



Aidan Collins

Aidan is from Old Leighlin in Carlow, and enjoys bowling, basketball, and athletics through his Special Olympics club. He likes going for walks outside in the fresh air, and enjoys going to restaurants or getting a takeaway. Aidan has enjoyed recording himself on the microphone with Our Place.



Gary Craig

Gary loves doing sports and enjoys watching movies and going to the cinema. His favourite film is Fast & Furious. He really enjoys being part of Our Place, finding it very enjoyable, and says it has given him new experiences and helped him learn things he hasn't done before.



Jordan Foley

Jordan loves bowling and going to the cinema. He enjoys being outside and going for walks. Jordan loves getting the bus by himself, especially to go to Delta where he gets to see his friends. Jordan enjoys his job working in the kitchen in Teagasc.



Jack Kelly

Jack loves making art. He makes t-shirts and creates paintings, often of animals like horses. He plays the banjo and enjoys making music, and he is a fan of Luke Kelly.



Michelle Kenny

Michelle loves bowling and represented Ireland at the Special Olympics in Berlin, where she won a bronze medal. It was a very proud moment for her, and she will never forget her family and friends welcoming her home at the airport. She also enjoys her job in Specsavers.



Racquel Kent

Racquel enjoys spending time with her friends in Delta, going shopping, and bowling. She loves looking after all her nephews, who know Auntie Racquel will usually say yes when they ask for chocolate biscuits. She has enjoyed working on Our Place because it is exciting and different and gives her the chance to meet new people.



Paulius Maciulis

Paulius lives in Graiguecullen and loves going for walks outside. He is a big Formula 1 fan and a big highlight of last year for him was visiting the Mercedes-Benz Museum in Germany. Paulius also enjoys playing basketball with the Special Olympics Club and watching Liverpool play. He enjoyed being part of the Our Place project and recording sounds.



Pauric Moran

Pauric loves comedy and watching funny things. He enjoys watching random YouTube videos. He likes making people laugh and making people happy.



Jamie Murnane

Jamie is from Graiguecullen. He has been bowling for over 20 years and this year has qualified to represent Leinster at the Special Olympics Ireland Games. He is turning 30 next year and is planning to have a big party.



Catherine O'Neill

Catherine is from Bilboa, Carlow. She enjoys going for walks with her dog Max, who is one year old. This is her first time working on an art project like this, and she is enjoying being involved in so many different things. She also really likes her job working in Tesco.



Jonathon O'Regan

Jonathon is from Carlow. He enjoys art and likes making cards, as well as painting and creating collages. He also enjoys woodwork and making different projects. He likes playing bocchia and loves Sundays as he plays basketball.



Philip Rowan

Philip is from Laois. He is involved with football in Killeshin and is part of the management team for the senior and Junior B teams. He sometimes helps out with training and says it is a good team. He works in the MSD warehouse and enjoys it.



Adam Williamson

Adam is from Ballickmoyler. He is very interested in Irish history and enjoys visiting different places around Ireland and the world. He loves films and Lego.