

## PRESS RELEASE

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### ARTLINKS ANNOUNCES SUCCESSFUL BURSARY AWARD APPLICANTS IN CARLOW

Carlow Local Authorities Arts Office through their ArtLinks programme are delighted to announce the names of those artists who have been successful in attaining a Bursary Award under the ArtLinks programme for 2014.

The Arts Office of Carlow County Council is committed to providing assistance to professional and emerging artists, across artform, to develop their creative practice and has awarded support to artists in 2014 for professional development. The successful Bursary Awards applicants from Carlow are:

David Collier, Carlow Town	Music Composition
Angela Keogh, Bagenalstown	Literature
John MacKenna, Bagenalstown	Literature
Rosalind Murray, Carlow	Visual Arts

Speaking earlier this week Sinéad Dowling, Carlow Arts Officer stated, 'Carlow Local Authorities Arts Office is delighted to be in a position to continue to offer Bursary Awards to local artists as part of the ArtLinks programme. These Awards make a substantial difference for artists living and working in the county to develop themselves and their artistic practice. We look forward to watching their development and seeing the fruits of their artistic labour in the future.'

'We are also delighted to be announcing next month our mentorship programme which sees professional practitioners working alongside local artists to offer invaluable support and advice. And we are also currently developing a suite of new training programmes for artists as a result of widely consulting with artists around what their

current needs are, these will be announced also next Month on our website

[www.artlinks.ie](http://www.artlinks.ie)'. Sinead said.

ArtLinks is supported by the four Local County Councils of Arts Officers for Carlow, Kilkenny, Waterford and Wexford and the Arts Council / An Chomhairle Ealaíon.

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