

Will O'Kane

Born 1979 Co. Mayo

Lives and works in Ennis, Co. Clare, Ireland

Exhibitions

2025

The Collector's Journey, Boyle arts Festival, King House, Curated by Paul McKenna

195th RHA Annual Exhibition, Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin

Summer Show, Ennistymon Courthouse Gallery

Portraits, Custom House Gallery Westport, (solo exhibition)

2024

Visual Presence, Boyle arts Festival, King House, Curated by Paul McKenna

Hermione Exhibition, Alexandra College Dublin,

2023

Ballinglen 1st Biennial, Ballinglen Museum of Art, Ballycastle

193rd RHA Annual Exhibition, Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin

Summer of Love, Ennistymon Courthouse Gallery

2022

Figurative Seven, Courthouse Gallery Ennistymon, Curated by Simon Fennessey Corcoran

On the 35th of May, one has to be prepared for anything, Glor Ennis, Curated by Moran Been-Noon

Summer Show, Ennistymon Courthouse Gallery

Cairde Visual, Sligo Arts Festival Visual Art

2021

Soliloquy, Test installation with Engage Art Studios' Summer Weekly Showcase

Lightning Bolts of Ordinary Things, Two Person Show with Kaye Maahs, Glor Ennis

The Way That We Went, Ballinglen Museum of Art, Curated by Anne Mullee

2020

Winter Open, Courthouse Gallery Ennistymon

2019

Legacy, Boyle arts Festival, King House, Curated by Paul McKenna

189th RHA Annual Exhibition, Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin

Spring Show, Greenacres, Wexford

2018

Zurich Portrait Prize, National Gallery of Ireland

Teeth Stronger Than Diamond, Ennistymon Courthouse Gallery,

Hermione Exhibition, Alexandra College Dublin, Curated by Aisling Prior

2017

187th Royal Hibernian Academy Annual Exhibition, Invited Artist

Curator's Choice, Hunt Museum Limerick

Hermione Exhibition, Alexandra College Dublin

2016

VUE Art Fair, The Cross Gallery, RHA Dublin

The Wilderness Within, Parnell Street Ennis

Kathleen Lynn, Insider on the Outside, Curated by Catherine Marshall, Mayo Collaborative Arts, Ballina Arts Centre, 2016

186th Royal Hibernian Academy Annual Exhibition, 2016

2015

Sift, Curated project by John Busher & Trudi van der Elsen, The Institute Enniscorthy,

Inside Out, Open Submission Show selected by Mary Conlon, Glor Gallery Co. Clare

185th Royal Hibernian Annual Exhibition, Dublin

2014

Winter Show, Talbot Gallery, Dublin

Winter Show, Custom House Gallery, Westport

Octagon/Ochtagón, Site Specific installation as part of 'Blink', Westport Arts Festival

Three men in a Pea Green Boat, Damer House, Roscrea

Belonging, Group Show Selected by P.J. O'Connell, Source Arts Centre, Thurles

Mean/Appendices Custom House Gallery, Westport (Solo Show)

2013

Furniture Pop-Up Gallery Selskar, Wexford (Organiser)

Claremorris Open Exhibition 2013 Curated by Andrew Wilson

Something Recalled, selected by Helen Carey, Glor Ennis

183rd Royal Hibernian Academy Annual Exhibition, Dublin

126 6th Annual Members' Show, Selected by Katherine Waugh, 126 Gallery Galway

2012

Horizon Sprawl, curated by Stephanie Bertrand, Ormston House

Undertow, Curated Project by Aideen Barry and Alice Maher The Lab

2011

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Claremorris Open Exhibition, Curated by Chris Hammond 2011

181st Royal Hibernian Academy Annual Exhibition, Dublin

Two Person Show, Ennistymon Courthouse Gallery

2010

To Have no Fault or Stain on Thee, The Couch Gallery, Cork, (Solo Show)

Davy Portrait Awards 2010, Naughton Gallery Belfast/Farmleigh Dublin/Fota House Cork

2009

Presentiment, Linenhall Arts Centre (Solo Show)

Control Group, The Couch Gallery (Solo Show)

2008

Hexis, Mise Arts Space, Barna Galway

We Can Always Turn Ballina Arts Centre (Solo Show)

Bogota 08 at Esto No Es Una Galeria - Colombia

Two Person Show with Andi McGarry Ennistymon Courthouse Gallery

Artist Residency Show Sim House -Iceland

2007

City of Strangers, Tulca Visual Arts Festival curated by Aideen Barry & Louise Manifold, Galway

2005

Summer and Winter Group Shows. Customs House Gallery - Westport

Emerging Artist's Exhibition Atrium Gallery Longford

Education

2003 Honours Degree Fine Art, GMIT

2012 Post-Graduate Diploma in Art & Design Education, NCAD

Grant Awards:

Agility Award 2023, Arts Council of Ireland

Travel Award 2008, Arts Council of Ireland

Articles/Press

Irish Arts Review, Autumn 2023, RHA 200 Years, by Aidan Dunne

Sunday Times (Irish Edition), October 2018, 'Zurich Portrait Prize Shows Changing Face of The Arts', by Cristin Leach

Irish Times March 2018 'An Artistic Experience Crafted for the Modern Mind'— Hermione Exhibition, by Aidan Dunne

Visual Artists Newsheet June 2016, Kathleen Lynn, Insider on the Outside Review by Áine Philips

Irish Times April 2016 'Mayo Show Puts Kathleen Lynn back in the Frame' – Kathleen Lynn, Insider on the Outside by Aidan Dunne

Sunday Times Culture June 2015, 'Widen the Circle', RHA Annual, by Cristin Leach

Irish Times May 2015, RHA Annual Exhibition, review, by Aidan Dunne

The Ticket Take Five, August 2014, 3 men in a pea green boat, by Aidan Dunne

Talks

Notes on Regional Painting, University of Aberdeen Arts and Culture Programme 2021