

## *Creative Generations* Education Programme 2013

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### TEMPLE BAR GALLERY + STUDIOS AND MASON HAYES & CURRAN LAUNCH ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAMME 'CREATIVE GENERATIONS'

Temple Bar Gallery+ Studios (TBG+S), in partnership with Mason Hayes & Curran, launched their Arts in Education Programme in St. Patrick's Primary School, Ringsend with a workshop by Japanese artist Atsushi Kaga. The programme aims to provide access to contemporary art and foster a sense of ownership of the gallery among young people and their communities in Ringsend. The programme forms part of a year-long collaboration between TBG+S, the gallery and artists' studios complex located in Dublin's Temple Bar, and Irish law firm, Mason Hayes & Curran to celebrate the gallery's 30th anniversary celebrations.

'Creative Generations' is devised and overseen by independent arts educator Jean Mann will take place throughout the duration of 2013 and will include:

#### **Schools Programme in 2013:**

- School tours of TBG+S exhibitions and Studio Visits with professional artists, Alan Butler and Damien Flood.
- Artist-In-Schools workshops with Japanese artist Atsushi Kaga and Barbara Knezevic
- Family Day Event at Mason Hayes & Curran, Barrow Street, Dublin 4
- Facilitated Tours of the Mason Hayes & Curran Contemporary Art Collection
- Exhibition of two Primary School workshops with TBG+S artists.
- Young Curators Project
- A panel of young people from Ringsend Technical Institute, aged 12-18, will be taught the process behind the art installations and exhibitions and will curate a section of the exhibition of the Mason Hayes & Curran Collection for November-Christmas 2013.

TBG+S was one of the first initiatives founded by artists in Ireland, it was first established by a group of artists and administrators in 1983 and was instrumental in establishing Temple Bar's reputation as a place for cultural activities, contributing to its regeneration as Dublin's Cultural Quarter in the early 1990's. Mason Hayes & Curran's consistent support of the visual arts has taken many forms over the years and through this partnership with Temple Bar Gallery + Studios, the firm seeks to consolidate its commitment to fostering the vibrancy of the arts in Ireland.

Clare Power Director of TBG +S said "This is an exciting year for us, the gallery and studios have been in the city centre for 30 years and in that period it has seen and been instrumental to huge changes in the area. This year we hope that by inviting young people into studios, by showing them how artists work, how installations and exhibitions are created that they will have a sense of ownership of their local galleries and foster an appreciation for art they can carry through to the future."

Declan Moylan, International Chairman of Mason Hayes & Curran said “Art should be accessible to everyone, especially local communities. TBG+S have always welcomed the people of the city inside its doors and because of that attitude it has very much been a part of Dublin. As partners to TBG+S in its 30th year we are excited that we can now work with them to bring this a step further, the Arts in Education programme brings art into schools and into communities, we hope the project activities will broaden children's horizons and expectations by exposing them to new experiences and by giving them opportunities to develop their talents and explore possibilities for the future. It is significant that after 30 years TBG+S is seeking a new generation to be part of their story, and Mason Hayes & Curran is proud to have been able to make this happen”



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TBG+S works with a variety of schools, universities and community groups. If your group would be interested in taking a tour of TBG+S exhibitions or studios please contact [rayne@templebargallery.com](mailto:rayne@templebargallery.com)