

CV | AlanJames Burns - Visual Artist - (pronouns: they/them)

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Education

- 2023-24 Clore Leadership Fellow - Arts Council of Ireland
- 2014 M.A. Visual Art Practice, Dún Laoghaire Institute of Art Design and Technology, Dublin
- 2008 B.A. Hons. Degree, Fine Art, Dublin Institute of Technology, Dublin
- 2007 Erasmus Scholarship, Hogeschool voor de Kunsten Utrecht, the Netherlands

Solo Exhibitions

- 2025 *Divergently Together, Cavan Town Hall*
- 2024 *Our Place*, Kerry Museum, Ireland (Collaborative project with Dr Sinead McCann & SJOG)
- 2024 *Our Place*, Tallaght Civic Centre Ireland (Collaborative project with Dr Sinead McCann & SJOG)
- 2024 *Augmented Body Altered Mind*, Townhall Cavan, Ireland
- 2024 *Augmented Body Altered Mind*, Garter Lane Arts Centre, Waterford, Ireland
- 2024 *Augmented Body Altered Mind*, Laois, Ireland
- 2024 *Augmented Body Altered Mind*, Áras Éanna, Aran Islands, Ireland
- 2023 *Augmented Body Altered Mind*, Westival Arts Festival, Westport, Mayo
- 2022 *The Waking Walls*, Cloughoughter Castle, Cavan, Ireland
- 2022 *Our Place*, Riverbank Arts Centre, (Collaborative project with Dr Sinead McCann & SJOG)
- 2022 *Augmented Body, Altered Mind*, Carlow Arts Festival, Ireland
- 2022 *Augmented Body, Altered Mind*, The Earth Vision, London
- 2021 *Open Mind Closed System*, Carlow Arts Festival, Ireland
- 2021 *Sound on!*, Headways Arts, UK (Collaborative artwork with Dr Sinead McCann & SJOG)
- 2019 *Entirely hollow aside from the dark, Creswell Crag*, UK
- 2019 *Silicon Synapse*, Fingal, Ireland
- 2019 *Silicon Synapse*, Resonance Festival, Ispra, Milan, Italy
- 2017 *Entirely hollow aside from the dark, Keash Caves*, Tread Softly Festiva, Sligo, Ireland
- 2017 *Entirely hollow aside from the dark, Lickhill Cave*, Skibbberien Arts Festival, Cork Ireland
- 2017 *Entirely hollow aside from the dark, Aillwee Caves*, Clare Heritage Week, Ireland
- 2017 *Entirely hollow aside from the dark, Smugglers Cave*, Co. Dublin
- 2017 *Entirely hollow aside from the dark, Pollnagollum Cave Boho Waterfall*, Co. Fermanagh
- 2016 *Entirely hollow aside from the dark*, Fingal CoCo Public Art Commission, Dublin
- 2013 *He*, The Lab, Dublin
- 2012 *Till the Cows Come Home*, Cavan County Museum, Co. Cavan
- 2010 *To walk in a State of finality than in one of Impermanence*, Exchange Gallery Dublin, Dublin

Curated Exhibitions and Events

- 2024 *Distinct, group exhibition on Disability and Climate Emergency*, Project Arts Centre
- 2024 Disrupt Disability Arts Festival, Dublin & Online
- 2024 Disability Arts Online, UK, Online exhibition and programme of events
- 2023 *Disability, Culture and Climate Change* online international conference
- 2012 *Live Load* by Frank Abruzzese, Ormond Studios
- 2011 *A Progression of Light* by Susan Walsh, Ormond Studio
- 2010 *15x15*, Group Exhibition, Ormond Studios

Performances, Group and Two Person Exhibitions (selected)

- 2024-25 *Phantom Vision, Light Art Museum, Budapest*
- 2024 *Waves of Change, 2 person project with Karolina Slup*, An Tobar and Mull Theatre, Scotland
- 2022 *Salon Fliciks*, Irish Composers Collective, Dublin
- 2021 *Sound On!* Smashing Times Dublin Arts and Human Rights Festival
- 2019 *Resonance*, Bozar, Brussels

2018 *Sea Change*, Curated by Oonagh Young, Lexicon Gallery, Dublin
 2015 *Those who swim (in) the forest*, Y-Gallery, Tartu, Estonia
 2015 Performance, MoKS, Mooste, Estonia
 2015 *Developing practices*, Curated by Trans art, Travelling group exhibition, Co. Cavan
 2015 *MEx15 Symposium & Exhibition*, Maynooth, Co. Kildare
 2014 *Stone Soup*, with Basic Space in association with Ormston House, Limerick
 2014 *Six Degrees*, Curated by Naomi Sex, IMMA, Dublin
 2014 *How does the group function* Screening event, LUX13, London
 2014 Screening event MOKS, Estonia
 2014 *5 Years*, Ormond Studios
 2013 *Workshop on the perception of thought*, Temple Bar Gallery + Studios, Dublin
 2013 *At the level of entity*, Cube Space, The LAB, Dublin
 2013 *Envelope*, Two-person exhibition, Ballina Arts Centre, Co. Mayo
 2012 *Miracle on Crofton Road Street, Drawing Project, Dun Laoghaire*
 2012 *Watching the river flow*, Centro de Artes Visuais, Portugal
 2012 *Dublin Live Art Festival*, Dublin
 2012 *4.3.12*, Performance art festival, Block T, Dublin
 2011 *Claremorris Open*, Claremorris
 2011 LiveStock, Market Studios, Dublin
 2011 Live@8, Bar 8, Galway
 2010 *The Potential of Vacancy*, Curated by Sinead McCann, Dún Laoghaire, Dublin
 2010 *Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann*, Cavan
 2010 15x15 group exhibition Ormond Studio
 2009 *Speaking in Riddles* Screening, Mid Ulster Film Festival, Co. Tyrone, Northern Ireland
 2009 Art Trail, Basement Project Space Cork
 2009 *Generation*, A Project Brand New at Project Art Center
 2008 *E'3 film competition*, Prix Europa Festival, Berlin
 2008 *Rose Project Winners*, The Red Stables, Dublin City Council, Dublin
 2008 Fine Art Graduate Exhibition, D.I.T, Portland Row, Dublin1
 2008 *What's Behind Your Eye?* Screening, Elysium Gallery, Swansea, UK
 2007 *What's Behind Your Eye?* The Lab, Dublin City Council, Dublin
 2007 *The Forest Of The fallen Moon*, Broadstone XL, Dublin
 2006 *All Shock Up*, TULCA Arts Festival, Galway
 2006 *Rose Project World AID's Day Exhibition*, The Lab, Dublin
 2006 *Principals*, Wesleyan Arts Centre, Cavan
 2006 *Vending Machine Project*, Dublin Fringe Festival
 2006 *Cotillion*, Crow Gallery, Dublin
 2006 Carrick Gallery group show, Carrickmacross, Monaghan

Teaching/ Lecturing/ Facilitation (selected)

Recurring Guest lecture since 2018: ARC, Dún Laoghaire Institute of Art Design and Technology, Dublin
 2018 Space and Sound Workshop, with Dublin Culture Connects, Dublin
 2018 Guest lecture: Dún Laoghaire Institute of Art Design and Technology, IADT, Dublin
 2016-19 The Kings Hospital School, Palmerstown, Dublin
 2016 Guest lecture: Dublin Institute of Technology, DIT, Dublin
 2013-17 Centre For Talented Youth, Dublin City University, Dublin
 2012-17 Dublin and Dun Laoghaire Education and Training Board, Dublin
 2012 Artist Talk with 4th year National College of Art and Design students, Dublin
 2010-13 Kilmainhamwood Centre, Art Services, Co. Meath

Artist talks (Selected)

2024 *Basic Talks*, Hugh Lane.
 2024 *Neurodiversity in the Arts*, Cavan Arts Festival

- 2024 Arts and Disability Connect Scheme 10 year anniversary, Keynote address
- 2024 Art of Change, Climate Action Workshops for young people
- 2023 Create's National Networking Day
- 2023 Equinox Theatre Symposium, Project Arts Centre
- 2023 Caoineadh Dulra, Aughakillymaude Centre, Northern Ireland
- 2023 In conversation with Aoibheann Greenan, Pallas Projects/Studios, Beta Festival
- 2023 *Festival Makers Conference*, Organised by Arts Council of Ireland Festivals Team
- 2022 *This Must Be The Place*, RHA, Ireland
- 2017 *Sounds in Space*, University of Derby, UK
- 2017 *Sounding out the Sound*, Dublin Institute of Technology, Dublin
- 2017 *Dublin Gallery Weekend*, Ulster Bank Grafton Street, Dublin
- 2015 *Those who journey (in) the forest* symposium, MoKS, Mooste, Estonia
- 2014 MoKS, Mooste, Estonia
- 2013 *HE* exhibition, The Lab, Dublin
- 2013 *The Workers Café*, Temple Bar Gallery + Studios, Dublin
- 2012 Three artist talks with Cow House Studios Summer Programme at Ormond Studios, Dublin
- 2009 CYLAND Media Arts Lab, St. Petersburg, Russia

Bibliography: Catalogues, Texts and Reviews (selected)

- 2023 Review: Harrison Taylor, *A Rock in the Wind*, Contemporary Lynx, 30 Jan
- 2022 Review: Ania Mokrzycka, Insight: 'Augmented Body, Altered Mind' Clot Mag 27 Dec
- 2022 Opinion piece: Neurodiversity could be a powerful tool to help re-shape the world- theJournal.ie
- 2020 Interviewer: Beulah Ezeugo, Science Gallery Dublin Instagram Live
- 2019 Interviewer: Maura Walsh, The Arts Show, Near Fm, 6th Dec
- 2019 Interviewer: Rony Robinson, Afternoon Show BBC Radio Sheffield, 30th July
- 2019 Interviewer: Andy Whittaker, Breakfast Show, BBC Radio Nottingham, 20th Aug.
- 2019 Annie Carpenter, 'Interview: AlanJames Burns' , *The London Magazine*, 29th Aug.
- 2019 Dominika Tylcz, 'Immersive Unearthing', *Contemporary Lynx*, 7 Sep.
- 2019 Martin Kennedy, 'AlanJames Burns: 'I'm embedding the cave with an assumed consciousness that is Mother Earth', *Studio International*, 12 September 2019.
- 2018 Interviewer: Rob Lawrence, Inspirational Creatives, Podcast, 2018
- 2017 Interviewer: Eleanor Flegg & Luke Clancy, Culture File, RTE Lyric FM, 11th & 15th Sept
- 2017 Interviewer: Lorcan Clancy RTE Arena, *RTE Radio 1*, 2nd Aug, (segment from 52:30)
- 2017 Gemma Tipton, 'Sheep thrills and earthy pleasures: this week's art highlights', *The Irish Times*, 17th July
- 2017 Cristin Leach, 'Bringing Cave Art into the Modern World', *RTÉ*, 18th July
- 2017 Maeve Heslin, 'An artist is hosting installations in some of Ireland's most well-known caves this summer', *Lonely Planet*, 20th July
- 20017 Aoife Barry, 'Something very unusual is going to happen in caves around Ireland this summer', *The Journal*
- 2017 Scott Rouch, 'Dublin According to the Man Putting Art in Irish Caves', *wheretraveller.com*
- 2017 'SEE THIS', Saturday Weekend supplement, *Irish Examiner*, 22 July
- 2017 Celine Naughton, Beating the creative Drum as the 'hidden people' emerge', *Irish Independent*, 29 July
- 2017 Q&A with AlanJames Burns, Entirely hollow aside from the dark, *No More Workhorse*, 31 July
- 2017 'Number 1 on the Roadmap', *Totally Dublin* September Issue
- 2015 Niamh Fahy, 'Those Who Swim (in) The Forest' Review, *authors website*
- 2015 Andri Ksenofontov, 'Those Who Swim (in) The Forest' Review, *Sirp*, Estonia
- 2015 John Graham, 'Six Degrees' Review, *Shower of Kunst*
- 2013 Joanna Laws, '*HE* Exhibition text' commissioned by Sheena Barrett
- 2013 Sean O'Sullivan '*At the level of entity* Exhibition text' commissioned by Emer Lynch
- 2012 'Exhibition review' *Anglo Celt Newspaper*, Cavan
- 2011 'Catalogue of reviews', Exchange Gallery Dublin

2010 AlanJames Burns 'CYLAND Residency Review', *Visual Artists Ireland News Sheet*, Jan
2008 'The Lab Gallery Catalogue', 40 Exhibitions, 2006-2008, Dublin

Residencies (selected)

2023 IPUT / RHA Residency, Ireland
2023 Insight Centre, Dublin City University, Ireland
2023 Riverbank Arts Centre, Ireland
2023 iCRAG and University of Galway residency at sea aboard the Celtic Explorer
2021 Hermes Artes Visuais, São Paulo, Brazil
2020 *Rapid Residency*, Science Gallery Dublin
2020 Media Production Residency, Flax Arts Studios, Belfast
2018 *The Performance Corporation SPACE Programme*, Tyrone Guthrie, Annaaghmakerrig
2018 *Resonance Summer School*, European Commission, Ispra, Italy
2017-20 *Residential Studio Award 2017 – 2020*, Fire Station Artists' Studios, Dublin
2016 *Summer Studio Residency*, Dublin School of Creative Arts, D.I.T, Dublin
2015 *Resort Residency*, Fingal County Council, Dublin
2014 MOKS, Mooste, Estonia
2014 *Stone Soup Residency*, with Basic Space in association with Ormston House, Limerick
2012 *Digital Media Residency Award*, Fire Station Artists' Studios, Dublin
2012 *Irish Artist Residency*, The Red Stables, Dublin
2011 Cow House Studios, Co. Wexford
2011 Exchange Gallery Dublin, Dublin
2009 *Cyland Media Arts Lab*, National Centre for Contemporary Art, St. Petersburg, Russia
2009 Basement Project Space, Cork, Ireland

Awards (selected)

2024 Arts Council of Ireland Visual Arts Project Award
2024 Rethink Ireland Disability Participation Fund for Our Place
2024 Rethink Ireland Disability Participation Fund for Disrupt Disability Arts Festival
2023-24 *Cloire Leader Fellowship*, funded by Arts Council Ireland
2023 *Accenture Digital Innovation in Art Bursary*, Business to Arts Ireland
2023 Dublin City Council, Project Award for Disrupt Disability Arts Festival
2023 Arts Council of Ireland, Festival Investment Scheme for Disrupt Disability Arts Festival
2023 Arts Council of Ireland Visual Arts Bursary Award
2023 Creative Climate Action, Creative Ireland
2023 Arts Council of Ireland Visual Arts Project Award
2023 Co-operation with Northern Ireland Scheme - with Cavan Arts Office

2022 Kildare Creative Ireland Bursary Award with Sinead McCann and collaborators from SJOG
2022 IPUT / RHA Studio Residency Award
2022 Create Artist in Community Award with Sinead McCann and collaborators from SJOG
2022 Culture Ireland Travel Award for Augmented Body, Altered Mind, The Earth Vision, London
2022 Arts Council England National Lottery Award
2022 Arts Council of Ireland Traditional Arts Project Award
2022 Arts Council of Ireland Agility Award
2022 Arts Council of Ireland Touring Award
2022 Arts Council of Ireland Visual Arts Project Award
2022 Platform 31 Award
2022 Disability Arts Online Media Take Over
2022 Create Artist in Community Award
2022 Creative Ireland Traveller Wellbeing Award - with Pavee Point
2021 Co-operation with Northern Ireland Scheme - with Cavan Arts Office
2021 Culture Night Award, Cavan Arts
2021 Arts and Disability Connect Project Award

2021 Arts Council of Ireland Commissioning Grant - with Carlow Arts Festival
 2021 Irish Hospice Foundation Seed Grant
 2021 Kildare Creative Ireland Award - with Sinead McCann
 2021 Arts Council of Ireland Visual Arts Bursary Award
 2021 Arts Council of Ireland Visual Arts Project Award
 2020 Arts Council of Ireland Agility Award
 2020 Culture Ireland Award - with Sinead McCann for Sound On! at Headway Arts UK
 2019 Professional Development Award, Cavan Arts
 2019 Creative Cavan Grant
 2019 Create Artist in the Community Scheme - with Saint John Of God
 2019 Arts Council of Ireland Engaging with Architecture Award
 2019 National Lottery Award, Arts Council Of England
 2018 Arts Act Grant, Cavan County Council
 2018 Culture Ireland Travel Award for Entirely Hollow Aside From The Dark at Creswell Crags UK.
 2018 Travel and Training Award, Arts Council of Ireland
 Arts Council Of Ireland, Visual Arts Bursary Award
 Open Call Making Great Art Award, Arts Council of Ireland
 2018 EUCIDA Travel Grant
 2017 Touring and Dissemination of Work, Arts Council of Ireland
 2017 North/South Co-Operation Award, Ireland - with Fermanagh and Omagh District Council
 2017 Creative Ireland Award, Sligo County Council
 2017 Creative Ireland Award, Cavan C. Council
 2017 Creative Ireland Award, Clare C. Council
 2016 Arts Act Grant, Cavan County Council
 2014 Developing Creative Practice Across Borders, The Leonardo Programme, EU
 2014 Arts Act Grant, Cavan County Council
 2012 Fire Station Artist Studio Digital Media Residency Award
 2011 Irish Artist Red Stables Residential Studio Award, Dublin City Council
 2011 Arts Act Grant, Cavan County Council
 2009 Travel and Training Award, Arts Council of Ireland
 2009 Arts Act Grant, Cavan County Council
 2006 Rose Project Award, Rose Project, Dublin

Commissions (selected)

2023 *The Waking Walls, Cavan Arts Office*
 2022 *Augmented Body, Altered Mind*; Carlow Arts Festival supported by Arts Council Of Ireland Commissioning Grant and Arts and Disability Ireland.
 2021 *Open Mind, Closed System, Carlow Arts Festival Commission*
 2019 *European Commission SciArt Commission, Joint Research Center, Ispra, Italy.*
 2018 *Fingal County Council Public Art Commission, Swords, Co. Dublin*
 2016 *Fingal County Council Public Art Commission, Portrane, Co. Dublin*
 2010 *Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann, Video Commission, distributed by Cavan Arts Office*
 2008 *E'3 Film* European League of Institute of the Arts

Collections

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Other Roles

Director and Founding Member of Disrupt Disability Arts Festival 2022- ongoing
 Board Member Irish Artist Film Index 2017-2020
 Co-Director and a managing member of Ormond Studios Dublin 2010-2011
 Committee member & Digital Manager Richmond Road Studios Digital Manager 2015-2017
 Organising Committee Member on Fleadh 2010 arts event programme
 Intern at Four Gallery Dublin 2010

Member of Node, an Independent learning group 2010

Awarded Digital Creator certificate by IADT and British Computer Society June 2009.