



Eyeballs feature prominently in Kevin Mooney's latest works, on display at Cork's Sternview Gallery

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Art review: Apparition

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The painter Kevin Mooney has hit upon a striking gimmick, which not only gives his work instant recognisability but also causes a perverse attraction the more you look: eyeballs. Four of the five paintings in this show feature them prominently, sometimes floating in abstract space, ominous, foreboding and spooky. Orbs features a disembodied owl stare. In Apparition, the title work, a skull emerges from the brushstrokes with one eyeball and one empty socket. Both are superb. The most ambitious painting, at more than two metres wide, features five ghouls, with teeth bared and hollow orbits, except for the central figure whose eyes are in its chest, or back. It's the artist's

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humour, a sense of premonition, a dose of art history, a handful of sci-fi influences, folk tales and Irish myth. A confident, high-impact show by an artist to watch.

Sternview Gallery at Nash 19, Cork, Mon-Fri 7.30am-4pm, Sat 8.30am-4pm, 021 427 0880

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New works. Market Place, Armagh city

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Abstract oil paintings. Gormley's Fine Art, Mon-Thu 10am-5.30pm

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David Crone

New works. Fenderesky Gallery, Tue-Sat noon-6pm

fendereskygallery.com

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Paintings by Diarmuid O'Ceallacháin and his daughter Noël O'Callaghan. Uillinn, West Cork Arts Centre, Skibbereen, Mon-Sat 10am-4.45pm

westcorkartscentre.com**Ailbhe Ní Bhriain: Inscriptions (One Here Now)**

Film installation. Sirius Arts Centre, Cobh, today & Sat 1pm-5pm, Wed-Fri 10.30am-5pm

siriusartscentre.ie**Along the Western Shore**

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Installation. Triskel, Christchurch, Tue-Sat 10am-4pm

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Civil rights-themed exhibition. Void, Tue-Sat 11am-5pm

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Rachel McBride exhibition. Ards Arts Centre, Newtownards,
Mon-Thu 9am-4.30pm
ardsarts.com

DUBLIN

Curious Creatures: Frans Post and Brazil

Works by 17th century Dutch artist. National Gallery, today
11am-5.30pm, Mon-Sat 9.15am-5.30pm
nationalgallery.ie

A Depicted Horse is not a Critique of a Horse

Liam Gillick exhibition. Kerlin, Fri 10am-5.45pm, Sat 11am-
4.30pm
kerlingallery.com

Field Recording

New works by Sven Anderson and Mit Jai Inn. Rua Red,
Tallaght, Mon-Sat 10am-6pm
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Infrastructures of Now

Including work by Alan Butler, Jessica Foley and Tom O'Dea.
NCAD gallery, Mon-Fri 11am-5pm

ncad.ie/about/gallery

Eoin Mac Lochlainn: Deireadh Fómhair

New work. Olivier Cornet gallery, today & Sat noon-5pm, Tue-Fri 11am-6pm

oliviercornetgallery.com

Maeve McCarthy: Back to the Garden

Paintings. Molesworth Gallery, Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 11am-2pm

molesworthgallery.com

Meanwhile, Rummage, until Combined

First solo exhibition by Eileen O'Sullivan. SO Fine Art Editions, Tue-Thu 10am-5.30pm

sofinearteditions.com

Monir Shahroudy Farmanfarman: Sunset, Sunrise

Farmanfarman retrospective. Imma, today noon-5.30pm, Tue-Fri 11.30am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-5.30pm

imma.ie

The Valiant Adventures of Tawara Toda

Painted handscrolls. Chester Beatty Library, today 1pm-5pm, Tue-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 11am-5pm

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KILKENNY

Martin Healy: The Augury

Multi-media exhibition of new work. Butler, today-Sat 10am-4.30pm

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