


EALTA / Flock

A Collaboration between visual artist Rachel Doolin and Cork Community Art Link



EALTA (flock) is a project conceived by artist Rachel Doolin in response to and anticipation of Cork Community Artlink's St. Patrick's Day installation, which has been inspired by the legend of the Goddess Clíodhna, Patron of Cork and the healing melody of her three other-worldly songbirds

Cork Community Artlink along with Little Bird Babble artist Rachel Doolin invites all members of the public, children and adults alike to join their virtual FLOCK! Participants will be invited to find a suitable outdoor spot to create an EARTHBIRD. These curious beasts full of whimsy and wonder will be dotted all over Cork City and County and beyond!

Made entirely from found organic matter, an EARTHBIRD is a symbol of hope, healing, togetherness and care. It is a symbol to be discovered and bring a smile to a passer-by.

HOW TO MAKE AN

EARTHBIRD



Earthbirds should be created from found natural materials that will naturally biodegrade or be swept away by the elements over time. Please do not use rubbish or plastics to create your Earthbird. However if you do come across litter while foraging for materials for your Earthbird, maybe you might consider putting it in a nearby bin. The earth will thank you!

Find a nearby green space, a front garden or a public park.

Bring an empty paper bag, a small box or basket.

Explore and gather various natural items that you find along your journey. Nature provides an abundance of beautiful materials to create Earthbirds with. Items such as fallen leaves can make beautiful coloured bird wings. Small twigs can work for bird legs and acorns, and berries for bird eyes!



Create your Earthbird using the natural materials you have found along your journey. You can layer all of the different items you have gathered. Begin by creating a beak, then head, body, wings and legs!

Community

Join our virtual FLOCK! Don't forget to take a picture of your Earthbird before it is reclaimed by nature. Send us your photo's and join our online community of Earthbirds to spread your message of hope, healing and togetherness.