

Curriculum Vitae
PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: Rhian Foley

WORK EXPERIENCE

• **St Mary's CBS, Mill Park Rd, Killagoley, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.**

23rd of August 2019-Present

Art teacher-14 hours, Irish teacher- 2 hours, Resource and SPHE teacher 5 hours

- Teaching practical art including the new junior cycle specification for visual art to 2nd years, art history and the new assessment changes at leaving cert level to 6th years, teaching art to 4th years and to 5th and 6th LCA.
- Teaching Irish to 2nd years.
- Class tutor to one of the 2nd year class groups.
- Teaching English as a foreign language to a third year student with TEFL qualification.
- Resource teacher for a number of 2nd, 3rd and 5th year students.
- Volunteer as senior and junior Gaelic football manager and volunteer to deliver the BOI Junk Kouture competition in the school, with two groups in regional finals and one group through to 3Arena grand final.
- Co-organised the Christmas variety show and Christmas door competition as part of the school music committee.
- Member of the literacy committee and completed a mural for the 'Read Wall Initiative' in the school and delivered various activities for the 2020 Literacy Week.
- Set up and ran the school's instagram page for the work of the art students.
- Facilitated and attended the art SLAR.
- Facilitated the Creative Engagement Initiative in conjunction with Waterford Walls.
- Meitheal Co-ordinator.

• **State Examinations Commission, Cornamaddy, Athlone, Co. Westmeath**

June-July 2019

Examiner of art

- Examiner for Junior Certificate practical art examinations (higher & ordinary level).
- Examiner for Leaving Certificate art history examinations (ordinary level).

• **Loreto Secondary School, Granges Road, Co. Kilkenny**

8th of April 2019- 31st of May 2019

Art teacher, 11 hours sick leave & 11 hours resource and substitution

- Taught practical art, including the new junior cycle specification for visual art to 1st & 2nd years and taught practical art to 3rd & 4th years.
- Taught two classes of 2nd years and completed their first visual art CBA which was in the design strand.

- Facilitated and attended the art SLAR.
- Resource teacher to a number of junior cycle SEN students and also a substitute for various classes.
- Taught English as a foreign language to a second year student with TEFL qualification.

• **Coláiste an Átha, Kilmuckridge, Gorey, Co. Wexford.**

30th of August 2018- 5th of April 2019

Art teacher, 22 hours (per week) maternity leave

- Head of the art department.
- Taught practical art, including the new junior cycle specification for visual art to 1st years & 2nd years and the new assessment changes at leaving cert level to 6th years.
- Taught practical art to 3rd, 4th years, 5th, 6th and LCA class groups. Taught art history to 5th and 6th year class groups.
- Class tutor to one of the 2nd year class groups.
- Taught two classes of 2nd years and brought them through the first year of visual art CBA which was in the art strand.
- Delivered various extra curricular art projects including the 4th year BOI Junk Kouture Competition which had not delivered in the school before with one group getting through to the regional final.
- Volunteered as a coach to the junior and senior girls' Gaelic football teams as previously, they did not have a girls' football team.
- Member of the school's well being committee, arts' week committee, JCSP committee and delivered various workshops for these weeks in school.
- Applied for the JCSP 'Artist in the Classroom' initiative and was successful in organising this for the school.
- Completed Droichead programme.
- Gaisce 'PAL' to three transition year students who completed their Bronze Award.
- Co-organised the annual school tour to Barcelona and attended the school tour during the Easter holidays.

• **Coláiste Bríde Secondary School, The Shannon, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.**

June 2013, June 2014, June 2015, June 2016, June 2018

Reader, scribe and superintendent for Junior Certificate State Examinations

- Supervised, scribed and/or read in a special examination centre for duration of examinations.

• **St Mary's CBS, Mill Park Rd, Killagoley, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.**

April 2018-May 2018

Substitute art teacher

- Taught practical art, including the new junior cycle specification for visual art to 1st years and the new assessment changes at leaving cert level to 5th years.

- Taught practical art to 2nd, 4th years and 5th /6th year LCA class groups. Taught art history to 5th years.
- Supervised extra classes when teachers were absent.

- **Colaiste Bride Secondary School, The Shannon, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co.Wexford.**
November 2017-April 2018

Student art teacher, part time supervisor & substitute teacher

- Taught practical art, including the new junior cycle specification for visual art to a number of 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th year class groups. Taught art history to a 5th year class group.
- Delivered various extra curricular art projects including the 4th year BOI Junk Kouture Competition, with seven groups getting through to regional finals with three of these groups getting into the grand final.
- Volunteered to tutor, conduct and play with the school orchestra for various performances and carol services.
- Delivered and facilitated a guerrilla gardening school community based project using up-cycling and art to transform the school grounds.

- **St. Patrick's Special School, Bohreen Hill, Enniscorthy, Co.Wexford.**
September 2017-September 2017

Student art teacher and mentor to two first year undergraduate student art teachers

- Mentored two undergraduate students in their first year of college in NCAD, taught them how to scheme plan and lesson plan, to teach and communicate, delegated work, helped and encouraged them to begin establishing their identities as art teachers.
- Delivered three practical art schemes of work to three special needs classes with moderate, severe and profound learning, physical and intellectual disabilities with an age range of 10-17 years old.
- Organised and facilitated an art exhibition and coffee morning 'Castle on the Hill' showcasing the students' work for their families, friends and community in Enniscorthy Castle.

- **Vodafone, 81North Main Street, Wexford Town, Co.Wexford**
May 2017-September 2017

Sales assistant and phone accessories ambassador

- Customer service, selling of phones, phone packages, broadband and tv while trained on two computer servers: POS and VCONNECT.
- Opened and locked up the shop, including executing all morning and evening paperwork.
- Phone accessories ambassador; was in charge of weekly national orders, stock taking, refunding and returns of faulty equipment.

- **Gorey Community School, Esmonde St, Mill Lands, Gorey, Co. Wexford.**
September 2016-May 2017

Student art teacher and part time supervisor

- Supervised, kept order and control of a class group of students in a safe environment when a teacher was absent.
- Taught practical art and art history to a number of 1st, 2nd and 5th year class groups.
- Volunteered as a coach to the junior cycle students male and female hockey teams.
- Delivered extra curricular projects to different year groups including a video project to 4th years for World Leadership Day and whose video was shown at the conference in Dublin and on RTE News.
- Taught a number of projects and resource classes to students with special educational needs including Down Syndrome, Fragile X Syndrome, Aspergers, Autism, Dyspraxia, Dyslexia, ADD, ADHD and art classes to a JCSP 2nd year group, all of whom were SEN students.

• **Trax, White Mill Road, Wexford Town, Co.Wexford**

November 2009-November 2016

Part time sales assistant during academic year and full time sales assistant during holidays.

- Customer service, queries and gave various advice on a wide range of musical instruments and technical equipment to small children, teenagers and adults.
- Was in charge of national and international orders to different music, book and instrument companies.
- Arrangement of shop and window displays and ensured that the shop both clean and tidy.

EDUCATION

• **P.h.D Candidate 2020-Present**

• **Professional Master of Art and Design Education, 2016-2018**

• **BA (Hons) in Fine Art and Visual Culture, 2013-2016**

- The National College of Art and Design, 100 Thomas Street, Merchant's Quay, Dublin 8

• **Fetac Level 5 Portfolio Preparation Course, (Distinction), 2012-2013**

- Gorey School of Art, Mary Ward Lane, St. Michael's Road, Mill Lands, Gorey, Co.Wexford

• **Leaving Certificate, 2012**

- Loreto Secondary School, Spawell Road, Wexford Town, Co.Wexford

ART EXHIBITIONS

- Exhibited artwork in the 'Change Lab' exhibition, NCAD Gallery, Co.Dublin, 2017.
- Exhibited artwork in the 'Inktober Fest' annual exhibition, Wicklow Town, 2016.
- Exhibited artwork in the NCAD graduate showcase 'Hidden Gems', NCAD, Co.Dublin, 2016.
- Exhibited artwork in the 'Medlar's Press' exhibition, NCAD, Co.Dublin, 2015.
- Exhibited artwork in the 'After All' exhibition, Dinero Fine Arts, Wexford Town, 2015.
- Exhibited artwork in the front window exhibition space, NCAD Gallery, Co.Dublin, 2014.
- Exhibited artwork in the 'Out of Ink' exhibition, Gorey, Co.Wexford.

INTERESTS, AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Doctoral Candidate, School of Education, The National College of Art and Design, 100 Thomas Street, Co.Dublin.
- Member of InSEA and published 'A Message in a Bottle' in 'Learning Through Art: International Pictures of Practice', August 2022.
- Friends Resilience Accredited Facilitator for My Friends Youth, Co. Wexford, May 2022.
- Completed Day 3 of the Leaving Cert Art Course, Wexford Education Centre, April 2022.
- Applying for Assistant Principal Posts in Post Primary School, Co. Laois Education Centre, Jan 2022.
- Leading and Teaching in Challenging Situations, Wexford Education Centre, Dec 2021.
- Supporting LGBTI+ Young People, Belong To, Nov 2021.
- Supporting the Mental Health of LGBTI+ Young People, Jigsaw, Nov 2021.
- NCAD Postgraduate Scholarship Award, Co.Dublin, 2021.
- Completed CPD1: Introduction to Junk Kouture, October 2021.
- Completed Leaving Certificate Art: Webinar - Autumn 2021.
- Completed the Gender Equality Matters Train the Trainer Course for Teachers, DCU, Sept-Dec 2020.
- Completed the Managing Dyspraxia in the Classroom Course from Lorraine Lynch Consulting, April 2020.
- Completed the Understanding Dyspraxia Course from Lorraine Lynch Consulting, April 2020.
- Completed the General Learning Difficulties Course from the Institute of Child Education and Psychology, Europe, March-April 2020.
- Completed the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Course for Teachers, DCU, Sept-Dec 2019.
- Completed 20 Various 1 Hour CPD Online Courses (certificates available if necessary), Sanford Inspire, DCU, Sept-Dec 2019.
- ASTI Prize Winner 2018-2019, O'Reilly Hall, UCD, Dublin.
- TEFL 120 Hour Advanced Qualification, The TEFL Institute of Ireland, May 2019.
- TEFL 30 Hour Teaching Online Qualification, The TEFL Institute of Ireland, May 2019.
- Attended a one day 'Mosaic' Workshop, The National Heritage Park, Co. Wexford, May 2019.
- Completed the Junior Cycle for Teachers Visual Art January-March 2019 CPD (Day Two), Wexford Education Centre, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.
- Completed SLAR Facilitator Training in order to deliver the Visual Art SLAR for CBA's, Wexford Education Centre, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, 2019.
- Completed the Droichead Training Workshop and subsequent Droichead Programme, Wexford Education Centre, Enniscorthy, Wexford, 2018-2019.
- Member of the ATAI (Art Teachers' Association of Ireland), 2018/2019.
- Completed the JCT with JCSP Visual Arts Focus Day and co-wrote the revised JCSP statements so that they are in line with the new Framework for Junior Cycle, Kilkenny Education Centre, Kilkenny, 2018.

- Gaisce 'PAL' training in order to implement the Gaisce programme in a school, July 2018, Co.Dublin.
- Completed the Children First E-Learning Programme in March 2018.
- Completed the Junior Cycle for Student Teachers Visual Art, NCAD, 100 Thomas Street, Dublin 8, 2018.
- Completed the Junior Cycle for Teachers Visual Art, January-March 2018 CPD (Day One), Colaiste Bride Secondary School, The Shannon, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co.Wexford.
- Junior Cycle for Teachers Learning Log One, Whole School CPD, Colaiste Bride Secondary School, The Shannon, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co.Wexford, 2018.
- Guest speaker at the 2018 Ubuntu Network Dialogue Day Conference, speaking about my experience of implementing development education art projects in my teaching practice, Co.Cork, 2018.
- Guest speaker at the Student Voice for the New Leaving Certificate Art Specification, NCAD, Dublin, 2017.
- Guest speaker at the IMMA Showcase of Lucian Freud's work, Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin, 2017.
- Guest speaker at the Ubuntu Network Dialogue Day Conference, speaking about my experience of Teacher Education for Sustainable Development, Dublin 2017 (<http://www.ubuntu.ie/our-work/student-teacher-voice.html>).
- Junior Cycle for Teachers Visual Art CPD Day One, Enniscorthy Education Centre, Co. Wexford.
- Volunteer in 'Paws' Dogs Shelter, Paphos, Cyprus, 2013-2016.
- Football captain and vice-captain of the Volunteers ladies team, 2010 and 2013.
- Performed as a flautist in the National Opera House of Ireland, Co. Wexford in 2012 and 2013.
- Performed as a flautist in the National Concert Hall of Ireland, Co. Dublin in 2008, 2010, 2012.
- Prefect and vice prefect in Loreto Secondary School, Co.Wexford in 2007, 2009 and 2012.
- Diploma and bronze award winner with the County Wexford Youth Orchestra at Slovakia's International Youth Music Festival, 2011.
- European Computer Driving Licence (ECDL), 2011.
- Silver Gaisce (President's Award), 2011 and Bronze Gaisce (President's Award), 2010.
- The Irish Society of Autism National Essay Competition Winner, 2011.
- Meitheal Leader in Loreto Secondary School, Wexford, 2010-2011.
- St. Raphael's Garda Credit Union Art Competition, 'Special Merit Winner', 2010.
- Certificate of excellence for outstanding performance in the Reinvent Fashion Show in Griffith College, 2010.
- First prize in the Green School Transition Year Fashion Competition, Wexford, 2010.
- Bronze award winner with the County Wexford Youth Orchestra at the Young Prague International Music Festival, 2009.
- Open Water Diver License (Scuba Diving License) 2009 and Advanced Open Water Diver License (Scuba Diving License) 2010.
- Basketball Captain of Loreto's all Ireland finals' team in 2009 and 2012.
- Awarded 'Gold Plaque' for best in year in Colaiste Sheoisimh, Gaeltacht in 2008 and 2009.

- Awarded 'Gold Fainne' for fluency in the Irish language, 2007.
- Awarded 'Gaelgoir Pin' for fluency in the Irish language, 2006.
- Grades 1-8 of the Associated Board of Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM) examinations in Classical Flute, 2005-2014.
- Member of County Wexford Youth Orchestra, 2006-2013.
- Member of Loreto Secondary School's Hockey Team, 2006-2012.
- Member of Wexford's Swimming Team, 2002-2006.