

MARINO RAILWAY STATION ART PROJECT



Artist, Helen McLean with collaborators making a butterfly mosaic to be combined into a larger artwork

Participants in the workshops will be provided with all the tools, material and guidance to enable them to co-create a beautiful piece of artwork which will be installed on the walls of the already constructed walkway at Marino Station.



You can see the cardboard templates of the butterflies, in the picture below to the left of Marino sign.



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Marino Railway Station Community Mosaic Project

After initial representations by local residents to Translink that the new access ramp recently installed by Translink detracted significantly from the historical grandeur of Marino Station, a project was conceived, funded by Translink, to produce artwork and signage at the station involving both a professional artist and local community participation.

Artist Helen McLean, born in Hollywood, was commissioned by Translink to create a permanent artwork. Helen is also leading a series of mosaic making workshops to co-create a beautiful and lasting mosaic art piece which will enhance the recently constructed ramp.

Over the last few months Boom! Studios have joined the project in the role of community engagement to work in collaboration with Translink and Helen McLean. They have enlisted the help of children in eight local schools who explored the station's history and shared ideas that have helped shape the final design.

Hollywood Primary School, St Patrick's Primary School, Glencraig Integrated Primary School, Priory Integrated College, Sullivan Upper School, Rockport School, Hollywood Steiner School and Hollywood Steiner Preschool were all involved.

Adults and teenagers (15 and over) are now being given an opportunity to contribute to the project through a series of free community workshops collaboratively creating individual mosaic pieces for the finished piece.

The workshops are entirely free to participants, funded by Ards and North Down Council, delivered by Hollywood Shared Town and lead by local mosaic artist Helen McLean.

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