

Exhibition Launch

Thread and Stitches of our Changing Landscape

Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre

Friday 7th July 2023 at 12 noon

Photo gallery

The exhibition 'Threads and Stiches of our Changing Landscape' is a collaboration between the Binevenagh and Coastal Lowlands Landscape Partnership Scheme, Causeway Coast and Glens Museum Services and Conflict Textiles, generously funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund. Opened by the Mayor of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council on Friday, 7th July 2023, the exhibition explores the changing environment and land use in the Binevenagh area.

The Binevenagh landscape is a unique and colourful patchwork of different activity which is the result of both human intervention and environmental changes over thousands of years. This exhibition explores this landscape, the threats and benefits that come with land-use change and highlight initiatives being implemented through partnership with local communities, farmers and organisations which we hope will help restore and improve the environment for future generations.

Included in the exhibition are objects and artefacts, such as old farming tools, postcards and pamphlets from the local museums' collections; the display also includes some objects kindly on loan from members of the public.

The selection of six curated textiles from the Conflict Textiles collection offer an insight into how global communities respond to changes and threats to their environment and landscape and will hopefully inspire visitors to think about how they can take action in their local community.



Objects and textiles on display which relate to bees, pollinators, wildflowers and growing your own.
(Photo: CCGBC Museum Services)



Jim McGreevy (National Lottery Heritage Fund, NI Committee), Graham Thompson (CCGHT), CCGBC Mayor Councillor Steven Callaghan, Grace McAlister (CCGHT). (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Taking a closer look at 'Life with and without bees' by Janet Wilkinson (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Attendees at the exhibition launch (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Clem McCartney chats with Jamie Austin from CCGBC Museum Services (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Agricultural objects on loan from Green Lane Museum. (Photo: CCGBC Museum Services)



Connections being made at the launch (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Grace McAlister, Historic Environment Project Officer with Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust. (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



CCGBC Mayor, Councillor Steven Callaghan launching the exhibition. (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Roberta Bacic (Conflict Textiles curator) explaining the link between the Conflict Textiles collection and the environment. (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Roberta Bacic (Conflict Textiles), Marlene Milner (textile artist), CCGBC Mayor Councillor Steven Callaghan, Grace McAlister (CCGHT Project Officer), Jamie Austin (CCGBC Museum Services) pictured with 'Life with and without Bees', an arpillera by Janet Wilkinson. (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)



Jim McGreevy (National Lottery Heritage Fund, NI Committee) speaking at the launch.



Deborah Stockdale and Marlene Milner (textile artists) standing in front of a textile titled 'Peace with the Earth' created by Marlene. (Photo: McAuley Multimedia Ltd)

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