

HOME *from Home*

Irish artists respond to the COVID-19 crisis

Artists: Sara Baume, Tinka Bechert, Martin Boyle, Brian Duggan, James L. Hayes, Kerry Guinan, Eileen Hutton, Julie Merriman, Doireann Ní Ghrioghair, Treasa O'Brien, Julia Pallone, Amanda Rice, Ciara Roche, Kathy Tynan, Mieke Vanmechelen

Curated by Chris Clarke and Fiona Kearney

<http://www.glucksman.org/exhibitions/home-from-home>

The Glucksman is pleased to announce a new online initiative **Home from Home** intended as a way to provide insight into the extraordinary situation of being confined to home during the COVID-19 pandemic. The selected artists were due to present work in the Glucksman this April as part of the exhibition *HOME: Being and belonging in contemporary Ireland* which is now postponed until later this year.

Home from Home provides an artistic view of this unanticipated and unprecedented hiatus. Every Tuesday and Friday from 17 April, the Glucksman will share an individual response on our website alongside additional information on the artist's wider practice. As the weeks go by, the artists will collectively explore the shared challenges of being at home, the frustrations, boredom, anxiety, but also the capacity to reflect, create and connect.

The observations range in tone and media, from Ciara Roche's painterly sketches of domestic space, to Mieke Vanmechelen's creation of a rural environment turned upside down and Sara Baume's homemade souvenirs in a world without tourist travel. Brian Duggan humorously records his own children's cultural ingenuity while Julie Merriman focuses on repetitive cut-and-paste tasks as a means of keeping anxiety at bay. **Home from Home** begins on Friday 17 April with Eileen Hutton's brief video clip of a bumblebee soundtracked by the sounds of her newborn son.

Home from Home captures some of the diverse ways we are all experiencing the current restrictions: the implications of working alongside children and pets, the solitary exploration of the imposed 2km parameter around one's residence, the increased reliance on online networks and applications, a renewed attention to the natural world and the prominence of social distancing in our everyday lives.

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INFORMATION

Home from Home begins on Friday 17 April, with new responses released every Tuesday and Friday throughout April, May and June 2020, and the cumulative works hosted and available for viewing online at <http://www.glucksman.org/exhibitions/home-from-home>

Curator and artist interviews available on request. Please contact c.clarke@ucc.ie to arrange.

The **Glucksman** building may be closed, but the team is online during gallery opening hours with lots of online activities if you want to get creative while you are at home.
<http://www.glucksman.org/exhibitions/creativity-at-home>

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