

Orla Mc Hardy

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EDUCATION

2023- present	LEAK (Leitrim Experimental Animation Kollektive) Facilitating monthly meet ups & workshops
2020 - present	Kuva, Uniarts, Helsinki, Finland Doctoral Programme in Fine Arts
2009 - 2011	School of the Art Institute of Chicago, USA MFA, Dept. Film, Video, New Media & Animation
2003 - 2007	National Film School, IADT, Dublin, Ireland BA (Hons.) Animation
2006 - 2007	The Organic Centre, Rossinver, Ireland Certificate in Organic Horticulture
1994 - 1996	Northumbria University, Newcastle, UK (Completed 2 years BA Fine Art – Sculpture)

WORK EXPERIENCE

2023- present	VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY , Richmond, VA, USA Affiliate Faculty (unpaid position) Department of Kinetic Imaging & Sound Arts
2013-2023	VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY , Richmond, VA, USA Associate Professor, Dept. of Kinetic Imaging & Sound Arts
2021-2022	UNIARTS , Helsinki, Finland Doctoral Assistant, Kuva, Doctoral Programme
2018-2023	VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY , Richmond, VA, USA Graduate program director, Dept. of Kinetic Imaging & Sound Arts
2011-2012	DEPAUL UNIVERSITY , Chicago, IL, USA Adjunct Faculty, Dept. of Animation, School of Cinema & Interactive Media
2011-2012	THE CHICAGO ACADEMY FOR THE ARTS , Chicago, IL, USA Animation Instructor, Department of Media Arts
2007	DIGITAL SKILLS INSTRUCTOR- SOUTH AREA YOUTH SERVICE , Dublin, Ireland Teaching digital skills to inner city teenagers

SOLO SHOWS & SCREENINGS

2020/2021	<i>Goodnight</i> , aemi online (featured film Dec/20-Jan/21, on-line curated moving image platform)
2020	<i>No Common Sentence</i> , Missing Observer Studies (featured film Aug- Sep, on-line curated moving image platform)
2020	Featured artist of the month, <i>Edge of the Frame</i> , on-line blog
2019	<i>Nitefeedz</i> , RHA, Dublin
2015	<i>For the Hills</i> , Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny, Ireland
2012	<i>The Beacon Line</i> , The Dock, Carrick-on-Shannon, Ireland

SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

2023	<i>Environment, Data, Contamination</i> , Uniarts, Helsinki Biennial, Finland <i>hashtag WIP</i> , Roscommon Arts Centre, Ireland
2022	<i>Made X NW</i> , <i>The Dock</i> , <i>Carrick on Shannon</i> , Ireland <i>Video City Program</i> , Basel, Switzerland
2021	<i>Return to Disintegration – Periodical Review 11</i> , Pallas Projects, Dublin
2020	<i>The eye can see things the arm cannot reach</i> , Like a Little Disaster, Italy <i>*migrated online because of Covid</i>
2015	<i>Years of Pilgrimage</i> , Glebe Gallery, Donegal, Ireland <i>Artists' Collections</i> , Regional Cultural Centre, Letterkenny, Ireland <i>Typemotion: Type as Image in Motion</i> , National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts (NTMoFA), Taichung, Taiwan
2014	<i>Motivational Deficit</i> , Crawford Art Gallery, Cork, Ireland <i>Typemotion: Type as Image in Motion</i> , National Gallery of Art, Vilnius, Lithuania <i>Typemotion: Type as Image in Motion</i> , FACT Liverpool, Liverpool, UK <i>Developers</i> , w/Alice Lyons, Roscommon Arts Centre, Boyle, Ireland <i>Towards a Dialogue of the Possible</i> , Mermaid Arts Centre, Bray, Ireland
2013	<i>SCHRIFTFILM/ Script films - Script as a moving image</i> , ZKM, Karlsruhe, Germany
2011	<i>let it be a confession of faith</i> , MFA Thesis Show, Sullivan Galleries, SAIC, Chicago, USA
2010	<i>Films selected from Zebra Film Festival</i> , Kunsttempel, Kassel, Germany <i>Exothermia & Shadow Play</i> , The (Con)Temporary Art Space, Chicago, USA

2009	<i>The Polish Language</i> , Higher Bridges Gallery, Enniskillen, N. Ireland <i>Ritual Flux 51</i> , Birr Arts Festival, Birr, Ireland <i>Alter/native</i> , Boyle Arts Festival, Boyle, Ireland <i>Love</i> , The Dock, Carrick-on-Shannon, Ireland
AWARDS & GRANTS	
2023	VISUAL ART BURSARY AWARD Irish Arts Council, Ireland
2021	VCUarts FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA FILM BURSARY AWARD Irish Arts Council, Ireland VISUAL ARTS PROJECT AWARD (STRAND 1) Irish Arts Council, Ireland
2020	VCUarts FACULTY RESEARCH REASSIGNMENT Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA RECOMMENDATION FOR TENURE, SCHOOL OF THE ARTS, VCU Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
2018	VCUarts FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA BEST EXPERIMENTAL FILM Kinodot Experimental Film Festival, St Petersburg, USSR <i>Where is Eva Hipsey?</i> (International Juried) BEST ESSAY FILM Film, Video and Poetry Society Film Festival, LA, USA <i>Where is Eva Hipsey?</i> (International Juried)
2017	VCUarts FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA FILM PROJECT AWARD Irish Arts Council, Ireland
2013	BEST COMMUNITY ANIMATION <i>town</i> , Blackrock Animation Festival, Ireland SPECIAL MENTION - SHORT DOCUMENTARY CATEGORY <i>town</i> , Galway Film Fleadh, Ireland FRAMEWORKS FUNDING AWARD Irish Arts Council, Irish Film Board, RTÉ (national broadcaster), Ireland HONORABLE MENTION <i>town</i> , Chicago Irish Film Festival, USA
2012	FILM PROJECT AWARD Irish Arts Council, Ireland
2010	IFTA NOMINEE - BEST ANIMATION <i>The Polish Language</i> , Irish Film & Television Awards) Ireland SPECIAL MENTION <i>The Polish Language</i> , Expresión En Corto International Film Festival, Mexico