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## Join us for our Final Showcase Event – 2nd June, Roscommon

We are delighted to announce details of our Final Showcase Event happening in Kiltoom, Roscommon on Friday, June 2nd 2017. Creative businesses, development agencies and trainers are invited to join us at this FREE event to celebrate the outcomes of the [www.creativecommunities.how](http://www.creativecommunities.how) project.

[Mairead McGuinness MEP](#) and Vice President of the European Parliament will lead the event where we can network, learn best practice and promote innovation and incubation within the creative industry. Our facilitator for the event is journalist and community champion [Ciaran Mullooly](#).

Attendees will learn from a panel of expert speakers on the fundamentals of running a creative business and nurturing a creative community.

- Inspirational local creative [michellemadethis](#) will share growing her creative business
- Louise Ward [Local Enterprise Office Roscommon](#) and Mena Doherty [Bank of Ireland](#) will tackle Access to Finance
- Micheal Frain - Ballaghaderreen Town Teams will share the efforts to develop Creative Hub in Ballaghaderreen and the challenges and opportunities of same.

Add to this networking, showcasing, refreshments and Meet the Makers – opportunity to meet and view the work of the participants of the Ignite Creative Entrepreneurs Programme, and you be sure to ignite your creative flow.

**CLICK TO BOOK YOUR FREE PLACE AT THE EVENT**



**Armagh Craft Fair 2017** which takes place on **SAT 27 MAY** in the splendid surroundings of The Market Place Theatre & Arts Centre, Armagh.

This quality event offers something for everyone:

**Over 45 High Quality Craft Stalls from across Ireland | Creative Kids Craft Workshops | FREE Craft Demos | Music | Exhibitions | Starbucks Coffees At The Market Place Theatre Coffee Shop**  
Further information can be found [HERE](http://www.marketplacearmagh.com)

**INVITATION TO OUR FINAL EU SHOWCASE**

**CCIC**  
creative communities  
igniting change

**SCHEDULE**

**12noon REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING**  
– meet our partners from Northern Ireland, Poland, Sweden and Ireland who will share their CCIC outputs in their countries.

**1.15pm WELCOME OPENING** by Roscommon LEADER Partnership and Official Launch by **Mairéad McGuinness** MEP and Vice President of the European Parliament.

**1.30pm WHAT CREATIVE COMMUNITIES IGNITING CHANGE HAS ACHIEVED:**

- Toolkit - Our Experience of Building Regional Creativity - **Magdalena Tomczak**, University of Humanities and Economics in Lodz (AHEL) Poland and **Ciaran Cunningham**, Barnbridge District Enterprises, Northern Ireland
- Partnerships and Action Plans: **Martina Earley**, Roscommon LEADER Partnership, Ireland and **Tord Hansson**, Folkuniversitetet, Sweden
- The Irish Creative Communities Partnership – example of one action – Setting up a Local Training Initiative with a creative focus in Ballaghaderreen, **Fiona Kilbane**, Galway Roscommon Education and Training Board

– Launch of the Ignite Creative Entrepreneurs Training Programme **Orla Casey**, Momentum, Ireland and **Canice Hamill**, Canice Consulting, Northern Ireland.

**2.10pm PANEL DISCUSSION**

We will learn from a panel of expert speakers on the fundamentals of running a creative business and nurturing a creative community:

Growing a creative business  
**Michelle Fallon** “MichelleMadeThis”

Access to Finance **Louise Ward**, Head of Enterprise, Local Enterprise Office and **Mena Doherty**, Bank of Ireland

Developing a Creative Hub, challenges and opportunities, **Michael Frain**, Ballaghaderreen Town Teams

**2.55pm CONCLUDING REMARKS**  
**Martina Earley**, Roscommon LEADER Partnership

**NETWORKING, SHOWCASING AND REFRESHMENTS**

**MEET THE MAKERS** – opportunity to meet and view the work of the participants of the Ignite Creative Entrepreneurs Programme, Roscommon.

Join us to celebrate the outcomes of the Creative Communities Igniting Change Project and for creative businesses, development agencies and trainers to network, learn best practice and promote innovation and incubation within the creative industry. Our facilitator for the event is journalist and community champion **Ciaran Mullooly**.

**Friday, June 2nd 2017 at 12 noon**

**Roscommon LEADER Partnership Marquee**, St. Ingids GAA Club, Newpark, Kiltoom, Athlone, Co. Roscommon, N37 WK60

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**RSVP** Amanda Mee Email [amee@rid.ie](mailto:amee@rid.ie) or call 086 046 0046 for more information

This event is an Erasmus+ Strategic Partnership Multiplier Event for the Creative Communities Igniting Change Project

## IGNITE Creative Entrepreneurs – Peer Learning and Networking Group



We encourage all prospective and newly established creative entrepreneurs to join our closed group for creative entrepreneurs. [Click here to request to join the group of shared learning and networking.](#)

Creative Communities Igniting Change has developed an online course that you can complete in a flexible way while you plan the set-up of your own creative business. It was written by experts who are passionate about creativity and the creative industries. It is designed to create a new and effective model for the creative industries, providing training and support within a community environment; one that provides access to vocational education for key target groups but also leads to broader economic innovation and revitalisation.

Because it was written by creative people for creative people, we believe makes it an incredibly intriguing and insightful course, one that will hopefully encourage you to pursue your own creative start-up or career in the creative industries.



Home [Learning Portal](#) [Course Information](#) [Course Overview](#)

### Create with the heart; build with the mind.

Criss Jami

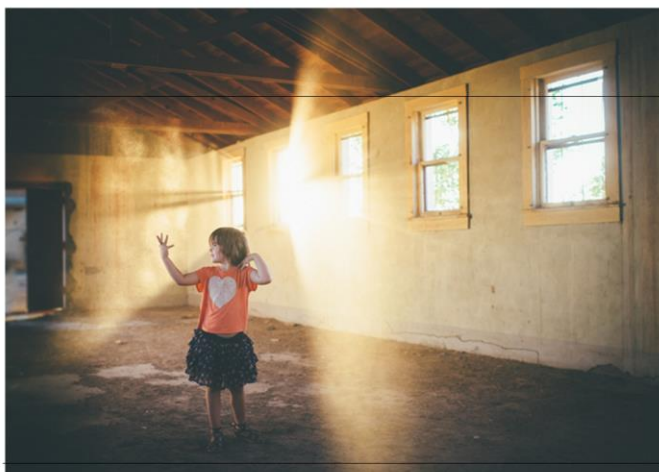
**01** Creating possibilities,  
why a creative career?

**02** Different business models  
& emerging trends

**03** Your creative business strategy:  
getting started

To live a creative life,  
we must lose our fear of being wrong.

Joseph Chilton Pearce



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## IGNITE Creative Entpreneuers IRELAND - MEET one of our participants Caroline King of Carolinen Gaelic Linen

Caroline King is a designer maker and founder of Carolinen Gaelic Linen. She is very passionate about Irish Linen. Her work combines this traditional Irish fabric with silk, antique and/or vintage lace into a bespoke designed range for discerning customers who wish to purchase a special Irish gift - individually made, with love and attention.



Since completing the IGNITE Creative Entrepreneurs Training Course, Caroline's business has turned been fast tracked.

*"I found the help and guidance and practical advice from the IGNITE Creative Entrepreneurs to be invaluable. I gained the confidence in developing my business plan and the vision I needed to develop my product and business."*

Connect with Caroline and follow her progress as her business further develops...

Website: [www.gaeliclinen.com/](http://www.gaeliclinen.com/)

Online Shop: [www.etsy.com/ie/shop/GaelicLinen16](http://www.etsy.com/ie/shop/GaelicLinen16)

Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/GaelicLinen/](http://www.facebook.com/GaelicLinen/)

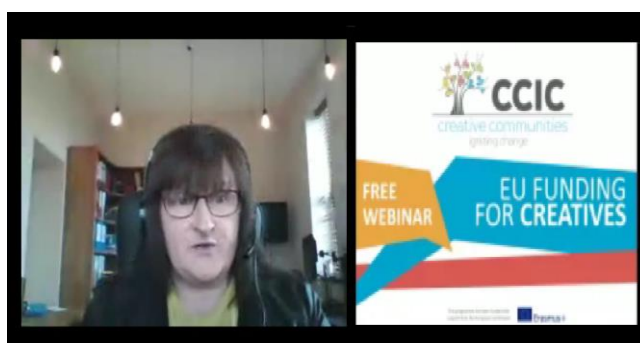
Twitter: [www.twitter.com/Irishlinen15](http://www.twitter.com/Irishlinen15)

## EU Funding For Careers – recorded FREE webinar

The webinar will be of interest to creative organisations who want to find out more about EU funding opportunities. It gives an overview of the key EU programmes and allows you to explore specific funding strands in more detail:

- Top Tips in Making a Funding Application
- [Creative Europe](#)
- [EU Erasmus+ Programmes](#)
- Crowd funding platforms specialising in creative sector

Orla Casey, Momentum delivered the webinar in February to 18 creative entrepreneurs from Ireland, UK ad Poland. Webinars are excellent learning tools as not only can you deliver content to a live audience, you can also then share a recording of the webinar to extend the learning circle even further! And that's exactly what we are doing today.



[Click to watch webinar recording](#)

## A reminder...What is CCIC?

Creative Communities Igniting Change (CCIC) is an Erasmus+ funded project which aims to create entrepreneurial opportunities in the creative sector as a stepping stone to entrepreneurship.



At the same time, it will establish creative incubators in communities which will provide training and workspace for these emerging creative entrepreneurs.

## Who is involved?

Led by [Roscommon Leader Partnership](#), the Creative Communities Igniting Change project brings together partners from Northern Ireland [Banbridge District Council](#) and [Canice Consulting](#), Sweden ([Folkuniversitetet in Skåne län](#)), Poland ([Northern Chamber of Commerce, Szczecin](#) and [University of Humanities and Economics, Łódź](#) and Irish partners [Momentum](#).



Project partners pictured at the kick off meeting in Roscommon

Get Involved with CCIC and follow our progress!

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