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## Dublin Live Art Festival 2014

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*Dublin Live Art Festival*

Nestled between the Tiger Dublin Fringe and the forthcoming Dublin Theatre Festival, a new festival has been quietly growing from strength to strength. Now in its third year, the *Dublin Live Art Festival* makes a welcome return today, bringing a steady stream of live and performance art to the city for four, wonderful days in September.

For the *Dublin Live Art Festival 2014*, festival director, Niamh Murphy, has assembled an eclectic mix of international and home grown talents including Zurich based artists' collective *Der Pfeil*, Dublin's own experimental showcase, *Livestock*, curated by the Francis Fay and Eleanor Lawler, and *What's the Body For?* curated by Katerine Nolan, along with workshops by Áine Philips and panel discussions. With many of the principle performances taking place at MART, which under Matthew Nevin and Ciara Scanlon's loving guidance has rapidly become synonymous with excellence and innovation in the arts, the irrepressible Murphy has found a suitable home for the festival this year. With the inclusion of new collaborations with *Art Lot*, and the creation of *StreetLive*, the *Dublin Live Art Festival* also takes live and performance art to the streets.

*Dublin Live Art Festival* is a labour of love for director, Niamh Murphy and head curators, Francis Fay and Eleanor Lawler, that attempts to showcase performance art for, and facilitate discussion

with, a wider public. As Murphy describes it, the *Dublin Live Art Festival* gives “live performance artists a chance to network and build on the thriving live art community working in Ireland, while also making connections with international live art makers.” Equally important, it brings them to the attention of a wider public by providing audiences with opportunities to engage with, experience, and discuss live performance art and its place in contemporary Ireland and beyond.

The *Dublin Live Art Festival 2014* runs from September 24th to September 28th. For information on [events](#) and venues please follow the link below.

<http://www.dublinliveartfestival.com/>



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