



Works from the Studio of **JOHN FFRENCH 1928-2010** Pop-up exhibition 2024

ON NOW at the Kenny Gallery, Galway!

Special Pop-Up Exhibition: Works from the Studio of John ffrench

We are honoured to present a special pop-up exhibition in 2024, celebrating the life and legacy of John ffrench—the man who single-handedly brought colour into Irish ceramics and a distinguished artist with a remarkable international reputation.

About John ffrench:

Born in Dublin in 1928, John ffrench began his artistic journey at the National College of Art and Design and the Istituto Statale D'Arte in Florence. With ancestral roots at Castle ffrench near Ballinasloe, he first showcased his talents in 1948. Over the years, his career flourished, leading to exhibitions in Dublin, Florence, Calcutta, Reykjavik, New York, Frankfurt, and beyond.

John's work spanned the globe, with significant contributions to studios such as Brogi Studio in Florence, Ring Ceramic Studio in Kilkenny, West Bengal Design Studio in Calcutta, and Dolphin Studio in Massachusetts. As a visionary in Irish studio pottery, he founded Arklow Studio Pottery in 1962 and later established his own studio near Kinvara, County Galway.

About the Collection:

Almost 60 pieces, including wall pieces, pots, vessels, bowls, eggs, and an exciting series of framed collage pieces, will be featured in this exhibition. Each piece is available for sale, offering a unique opportunity to acquire works from one of Ireland's most innovative ceramic artists. These works are strong and personal statements, brimming with imagination and movement, and they vividly reflect the artist's extensive travels. John ffrench's bold use of colour transformed Irish ceramics.

This exhibition brings together the final works from his Irish studio, offering a rare glimpse into the creative genius of one of Ireland's most esteemed artists.

From 26th August, 2024, <u>for three weeks only!</u> Kenny Gallery, Liosbán Retail Park, Tuam Road, Galway, H91 N5P8

The exhibition continues until 12th September. Gallery hours: Monday to Saturday, 9:00-17:00. Admission is free and all are welcome.



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