



Kennys Bookshop & Art Gallery

Exhibitions Schedule | Summer 2026



Kennys' has its foundation in books, established as a bookshop in Galway in 1940 - however, we have also exhibited visual art from the very beginning.

The Kenny Gallery was formally established as the first commercial art gallery in the West of Ireland over 50 years ago, and we host solo and group exhibitions each year, and we actively promote emerging talent. Over the years we have showcased the work of emerging Irish artists, many of whom have become household names - the works of Jack Yeats, Paul Henry, Sean Keating, George Campbell, Louis le Brocquy, Andy Warhol, Salvador Dalí, Sidney Nolan and many others have hung on the walls of Kennys.

Cover image: Ailbhe Courtney, Neon, Acrylic on Canvas, 50x50cm, which will appear in the Summer Show, from 29 May

Various Artists – Summer Show | 29 May – 7 July 2026

One of the gallery's major annual group exhibitions, the Summer Show brings together a diverse selection of work by artists from Ireland and abroad, including painting, sculpture and graphics. Participating artists include Mario Sughì (aka nerosunero), Lola Donoghue, Leah Beggs and Éadaín Madigan, together with Josephine Geaney and Ailbhe Courtney, who will be showing with the gallery for the first time.

The exhibition opens on Friday, 29 May and continues until 7 July 2026 at the Kenny Gallery, Liosbán, Galway.

EXHIBITION 13 July – 18 August 2026 | TO BE ANNOUNCED, 7 MAY

Jerry Marjoram (1936–2024) – From the Artist's Studio | 21 August – 22 September 2026

The Kenny Gallery will present a posthumous exhibition of the final paintings of Irish landscape painter Jerry Marjoram. Born in Dublin's Liberties in 1936, Marjoram developed a lifelong commitment to landscape painting, with the West of Ireland, particularly Connemara, becoming central to his work.

His paintings reflect decades of close observation of bog, river and coastal landscapes.

This exhibition brings together a selection of works that stand as a testament to an artist whose paintings continue to resonate with those who know and love the Irish landscape.



Mario Sughì (aka nerosunero), Julia and Her Friends (2023) #1913A, work on paper mounted on dibond, 34.35x50cm

Various Artists

Summer Show

29 May – 7 July 2026 | The Kenny Gallery, Galway

One of our major annual group exhibitions, the **Summer Show** will feature a vibrant and diverse selection of work by artists from Ireland, the UK, Germany and the US. With an exciting mix of styles and media — including painting, sculpture, graphics and more — there is something to appeal to every taste.

Among the artists invited to exhibit are **Mario Sughì (aka nerosunero)**, **Lola Donoghue**, **Leah Beggs** and **Éadaín Madigan**, together with **Josephine Geaney** and **Ailbhe Courtney**, who will be showing with the gallery for the first time.

All works will be available for sale, with a wide range of prices to suit every budget, offering excellent opportunities for both established collectors and those acquiring their first piece.

The exhibition opens on **Friday, 29 May** at the **Kenny Gallery**, Liosbán, Galway City continues until 7 July. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Éadaín Madigan, *Enchanted Forest*, oil, 40x80cm



EXHIBITION 13 July - 18 August 2026

TO BE ANNOUNCED, 7 MAY



Jerry Marjoram, Galway Hookers, Acrylic on Canvas Board, 12x18in

Jerry Marjoram, 1936–2024

From the Artist's Studio

21 August – 22 September 2026 | The Kenny Gallery, Galway

The Kenny Gallery has the honour to present a posthumous exhibition of the final paintings of Jerry Marjoram, opening on 21 August at our Galway city gallery.

Born in Dublin's Liberties in 1936, Marjoram developed his love of painting under the guidance of Maurice McGonigal and Seán Keating at the College of Art. From those early years grew a lifelong commitment to landscape painting, and a body of work that found its way into homes and collections throughout Ireland and beyond.

Over time, the West of Ireland, and particularly Connemara, became central to his practice. Its boglands, rivers, mountains and coastal waters offered an enduring source of inspiration. He returned to these places again and again, observing patiently and painting steadily, building a visual record of the landscape that is both familiar and deeply personal.

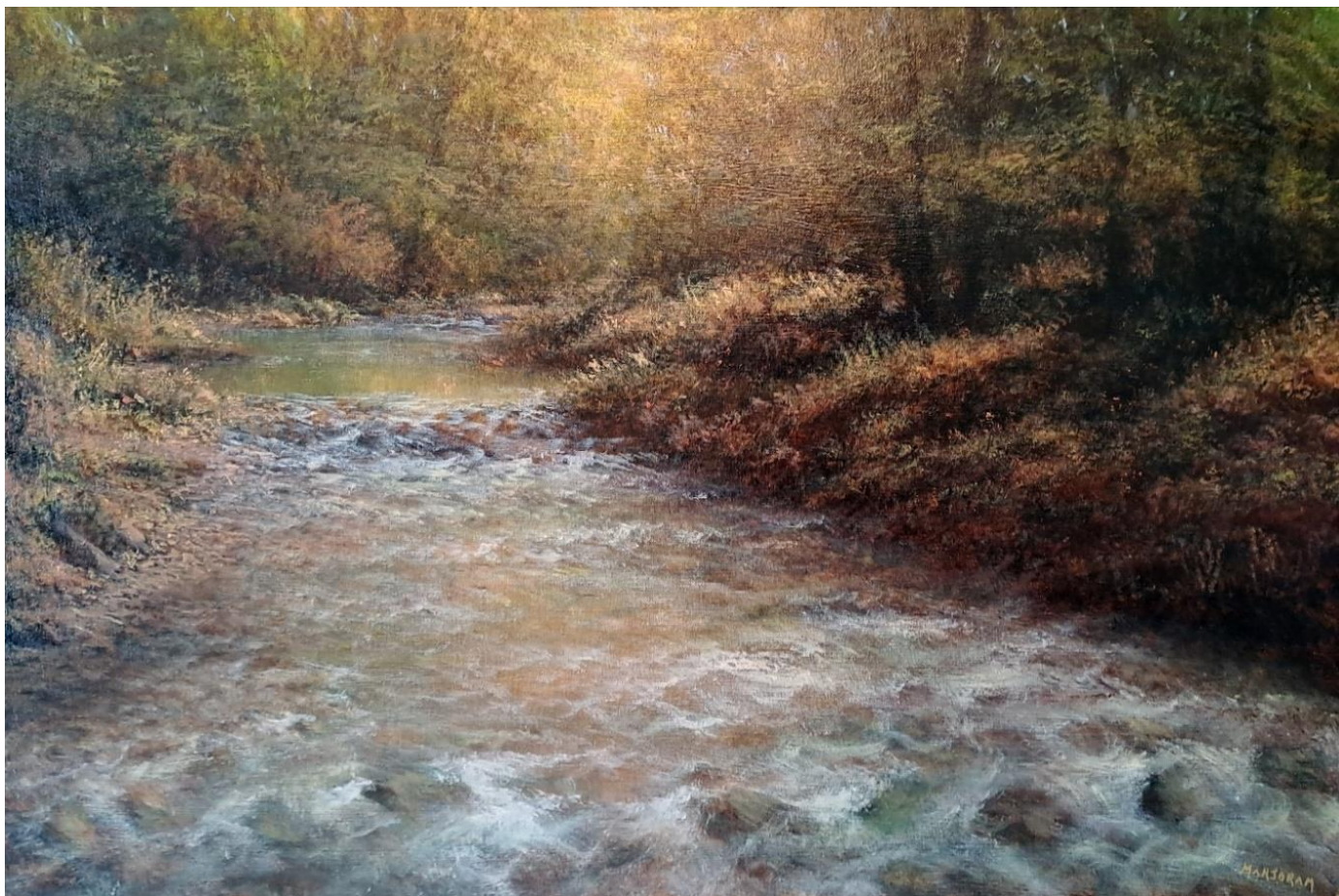
This exhibition marks a return of Jerry's work to the gallery following his death in 2024. It brings together a wide selection of paintings that reflect the breadth of his vision, from the quiet stillness of bog and river to the movement of sea and sky. Together, they stand as a testament to a painter who remained faithful to his subject and to the simple discipline of looking closely at the world around him, then reimagining it in paint.

We are proud to share this collection once more and to celebrate the life and work of an artist whose paintings continue to resonate with those who know and love the Irish landscape.

The exhibition opens on **Friday, 21 August** and continues until 22 September 2026. Admission is free, and all are welcome.



Jerry Marjoram at the Kenny Gallery, 2013



Jerry Marjoram, Forest River, Acrylic on Canvas, 20x30in

Coming up at Kennys, Autumn 2026:

25 September – 27 October | **Croí**

Group show, works in paint, glass, textiles and ceramics

by Vivienne Bogan, Kathrynna Cushieri, Nicola Henley and Jane Seymour

30 October, through January 2027 | **Winter Show**

Various Artists

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