



**ART** LIVE ONLINE  
**H**OUSE  
**2023**



**ANNUAL FUNDRAISING  
ART AUCTION FOR OUTHOUSE  
LGBTQ+ CENTRE**

**SATURDAY 4TH & SUNDAY 5TH  
NOVEMBER, 2023**



**Outhouse LGBTQ+ Centre is delighted to welcome back everybody to Arthouse, our annual fundraising art auction - a timed online auction of some of the best established and emerging artists in Ireland and beyond.**

## ABOUT ARTHOUSE

Arthouse began four years ago to raise funds for the reopening of the centre after the Covid-19 pandemic, and it has been a vital lifeline for Outhouse in the years since to ensure we can continue creating a space for all in our LGBTQ+ communities to feel safe, seen, and celebrated, ensuring no one is left behind.

Since 1997, Outhouse has been a vibrant and safe space for LGBTQ+ people, communities, and organisations to connect, access support, campaign for rights, and experience culture. We provide a welcoming drop-in space, a community café, social and cultural events, support and advocacy services, a queer library, a theatre, meeting spaces, and much more. Your donations and fundraising efforts will enable Outhouse to keep our doors open to support the growing needs of our beautifully diverse LGBTQ+ communities.

Safe and welcoming spaces are needed now more than ever, with a notable increase in violence against the LGBTQ+ community, a rise in transphobic and homophobic rhetoric across the media and online, and the disproportionate impact of issues like homelessness, poverty, and access to physical and mental healthcare on our community.

We continue to be humbled and grateful for the extraordinary generosity of so many artists like you who have contributed to making the Arthouse a success. We would not be here today without the remarkable support of these artists, the buyers, and our wider community. We strive to put every euro raised through Arthouse into the areas where they can have the greatest impact. You can learn more about our roadmap for the future [here](#).

We know the artistic community in Ireland has been affected by the cost of living crisis, and an artist incurs many expenses in creating a piece of artwork. Arthouse will continue to offer the opportunity for all contributing artists to avail of up to 50% of the hammer price for their artworks and will provide other commission options also. Some artists have expressed a wish to fully donate their artwork to Outhouse, for which we are so thankful. As always, our core belief is that we must all rally together and support one another.

Already confirmed artists for this year include:

Eamon Colman, Blaise Smith RHA, Tom Climent, Bridget Flannery, Yoko Akino, Maser, Mary Fitzgerald, Leah Beggs, John Fitzsimons, Lee Welch, Neil Dunne, James Rooney, Martin McCann, Leah Hewson, Francis Fay, Martin Byrne, Adrienne Boyle, Daniel McKeon, Derval Freeman, Shane O'Driscoll, Padhraig Nolan, Sarah Wilson, Hazel Coonagh, Maurice Reidy, Duc Pham, Linda Quinlan, Emma Stroude, Zsolt Basti, Megan Burns, and many more...

# SAVE THE DATE

Arthouse, like last year, will be a timed online art auction running over 2 days on **Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th November.**

Add to calendar:

[Google](#) | [Outlook](#) | [Yahoo](#)

Information and updates will be available at: [www.outhouse.ie/arthouse](http://www.outhouse.ie/arthouse)

## PARTICIPATING IN ARTHOUSE

If you would like to express an interest in participating in Arthouse 2023 by submitting an artwork, please complete [this short form](#) (*less than 1 minute*) or email our team at: [artauction@outhouse.ie](mailto:artauction@outhouse.ie)

## YOUR ARTWORK

Artwork can include paintings, photography, mixed media, textiles, and other 2D forms of art. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept 3D artworks such as sculptures\*, or artwork in digital formats such as NFTs.

Most sizes of artwork are welcome, although no more than 150cm x 150cm is preferable. We accept both framed and unframed artwork. If your artwork in the auction is framed, please photograph it in the frame for the purpose of the auction.

Please be assured that your artwork will be handled with great care and respect by our team.

*\*If you would like to contribute 3D artwork, please get in touch with our team at: [artauction@outhouse.ie](mailto:artauction@outhouse.ie)*

## SUBMISSION DETAILS

The deadline for artwork submissions is **Friday, 6th October, 2023.**

You can submit your artwork at the link below. Please review the [submission form](#) to ensure you know what is required ahead of the submission deadline.

Please note that we can accept **no more** than four (4) pieces or lots of artwork per artist.

### Uploading Artwork Images

- You can add up to 4 images of your artwork. Image 1 should be your main showcase image.
- Please name your artwork using your name and artwork title.  
e.g. ArtistName-ArtworkTitle-1.png, ArtistName-ArtworkTitle-2.png and so on.
- Each image should be no more than 3MB.
- Please keep your image to a maximum pixel height and/or width of 1200px.
- File extensions allowed: .jpg, .jpeg, .gif, .png

# EXHIBITING

Outhouse will exhibit a limited number of artworks in the centre. If you are interested in having your piece exhibited in the weeks prior to the auction, please select that option on the artwork submission form.

Outhouse LGBTQ+ Centre is visited by over 55,000 people each year. Exhibiting in our space is a great opportunity for your art to be visible to members of the LGBTQ+ community in the greater Dublin area.

Please note that there is limited space for exhibiting artwork in our centre, and while we would love to showcase every piece from the auction, it will not be possible to do so.

## HOW THE AUCTION WORKS

Arthouse 2023 will operate as a timed online art auction and will run on an auction platform used by thousands of professional auction houses worldwide to ensure a smooth experience for artists and buyers alike.

Artworks will be divided into two separate auctions, either Day 1 or Day 2 of the live auction. All artwork will be listed on the online auction platform for 2 weeks, and buyers will be able to place bids from that time until the final bids at the end of the live auction. Final bids will start at:

- 3:00 PM on Saturday 4th November, and;
- 3:00 PM on Sunday 5th November.

Although the timed auction starts to close at 3:00 PM, it will take 1 minute per lot to close from the first lot onwards. You can bid right up until the final lot closes.

The auction will be accessible online at: [www.auction.outhouse.ie](http://www.auction.outhouse.ie) or via the free app, available on the [App Store](#) (for iOS) and [Google Play](#) (for Android).

## PRICING & RESERVES

### **Art Pricing:**

When submitting your artwork, you will be asked to set a low estimate/guide price and a high estimate/guide price which will be shown on the auction page.

Please add a realistic guide range for your artwork. Estimates give the price range you believe your artwork is reasonably likely to sell for.

### **Reserves:**

A Reserve price is the minimum amount you are willing to sell your art for. The highest bid must be equal to or higher than the reserve price for your art to sell.

If you expect a certain minimum sale price for your art, please add a reserve price. We advise that your Reserve Price is 50% - 75% of your low estimate/guide price. Reserve Prices will be hidden from all bidders. Please be advised that if you set a reserve price and it is not met, your artwork will not be sold.

## IMPORTANT:

The deadline to change the reserve price for your artwork is **Wednesday, 1st November**.

After this date, all reserve prices will be locked in the auction platform and can no longer be altered. If you are unsure about the reserves process, please contact our team at: [artauction@outhouse.ie](mailto:artauction@outhouse.ie)

## Artist Commission

We offer the option for artists to receive up to 50% of the hammer price for their artworks. If you would like to give more, there will be a number of other commission options available on the submission form. Thank you so much for your generous donation - we truly appreciate it.

# PACKAGING & DELIVERY

When submitting your artwork, you will be asked to select a preferred option for packaging and delivery of your artwork to the buyer:

- Give the artwork to Outhouse to manage packaging and delivery
- Package and deliver the artwork yourself

Outhouse has a small postage fund (made possible with the help of a buyer's premium) set aside to cover these costs. We will reimburse the artist for all reasonably incurred costs for delivery. Please see our [delivery estimate guide](#) to understand reasonable fees for shipping. If you are unsure which option is best for you, we are happy to discuss it with you directly. Please contact us at: [artauction@outhouse.ie](mailto:artauction@outhouse.ie) and we will get in touch.

## Option 1. Giving the artwork to Outhouse for packaging and delivery:

You can either drop your artwork into Outhouse directly or deliver it via courier by no later than Friday, 20th October. The address is:

Outhouse LGBTQ+ Centre,  
105 Capel Street,  
Dublin 1  
D01 R290

We ask that you package your artwork carefully with bubble wrap to avoid any damage before we repackage it. We also ask that the artwork is properly labelled with the name of the artist and artwork clearly visible and securely attached.

If you foresee any difficulties with delivering the artwork, please get in touch with our team at: [artauction@outhouse.ie](mailto:artauction@outhouse.ie) to discuss possible workarounds (e.g. collection of the artwork).

## Option 2. Packaging and delivering the artwork yourself:

If you wish to handle your own artwork by posting or delivering it directly to the buyer, please consider the following guidelines:

1. *Wrap the artwork in glassine or acid-free tissue paper, and secure it with masking tape.*
2. *Wrap it in a layer of bubble wrap and, if available, place cardboard or foam corner protectors at each corner.*
3. *Add corrugated cardboard padding to both sides of the artwork before either: placing it in a stiffened cardboard envelope, or; wrapping it in stretch film wrap.*
4. *Affix the postage address and the return address clearly and securely to the package.*

We recommend that delivery be handled by a trusted courier service or via [An Post](#) using registered post with tracking and insurance.

## GETTING PAID

All artists who have opted to receive a commission for the sale of their work and/or submitted receipts to be reimbursed for delivery costs will be paid **30 days from the receipt of a valid invoice**, submitted to: [finance@outhouse.ie](mailto:finance@outhouse.ie)

When sending an invoice, please ensure it includes:

- Name
- Date
- Address
- Bank account details
- Description of work

If you wish, you can make a copy our [Arthouse invoice template](#) and edit it. Please ensure you remove any placeholder content and only include your details before submitting.

## UNSOLD ITEMS

Like previous years, we will be promoting the Arthouse 2023 auction as much as we can to make it a success for both Outhouse and the artists taking part.

Our aim is to sell every item of artwork for as much as we can, but we also ask that you keep your guide price and reserve price reasonable so that hopefully we will have no unsold artwork in the auction. If setting a reserve price, we suggest that it is 50% to 75% of your Low Estimate. If you have dropped your artwork into Outhouse but it doesn't sell, we will liaise with you to return it.

# SPONSORSHIP

We are currently seeking a headline sponsor for Arthouse 2023 to support the costs of running a fundraiser of this scale and ensure its success for both Outhouse and participating artists. Outhouse is committed to ensuring that fundraising activities are carried out in an ethical manner, and as such, partnership with a headline sponsor will adhere to Outhouse's [Ethical Fundraising & Gift Acceptance Policy](#).

# QUERIES

If you have questions about any aspect of the auction, please contact: [artauction@outhouse.ie](mailto:artauction@outhouse.ie)

