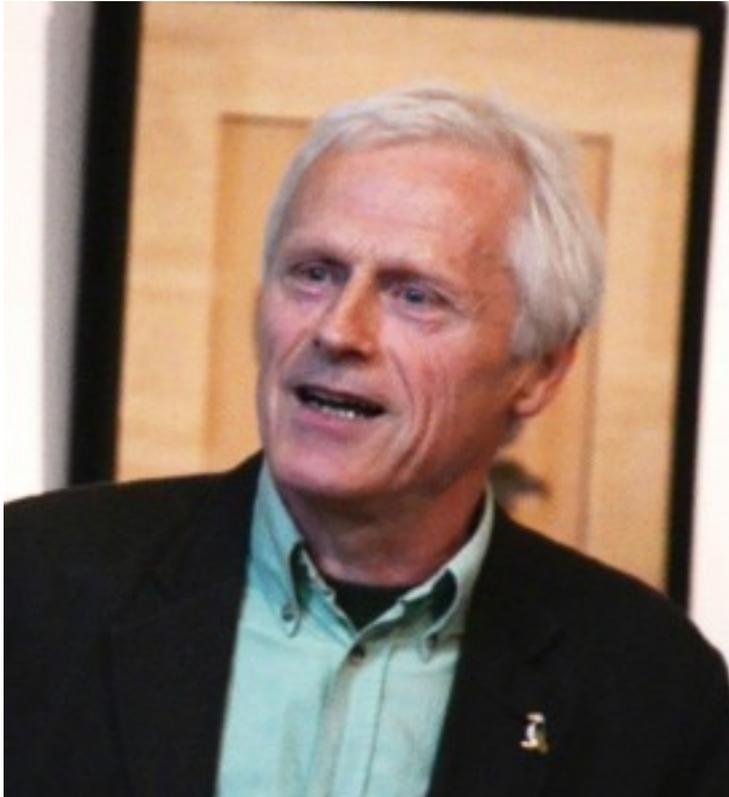


30 hours for Waterford Youth Arts



Edward Denniston, one of the writers involved with 30 Hours for Waterford Youth Arts.

Waterford Youth Arts is bracing itself for a busy 2015 and plans to hold a major fundraiser in Waterford on 31st January, when Waterford's theatrical and creative community come coming together to take part in what promises to be a fun, interesting and entertaining event for a fantastic cause. The event will take place in Garter Lane, providing theatre lovers with a great night of entertainment. The evening will showcase the work of some of the best local adult actors, writers, directors, dancers, choreographers, filmmakers and singers as they get together for this unique event. With directors such as Jim Nolan, Ben Hennessy, Shauna Farrell, Jessica Carri, James Rockett, Vicky Dunphy and Raymond Keane (of Barabbas Theatre) all taking part, there is sure to be an interesting night's theatre on offer. Work will include an original mix of new works including short plays, performances, film, dance, music and song, poetry and all kinds of unexpected characters and creations. Artists will have had just 30 hours to write, rehearse and film their work before getting up in front of the audience!

Participant Gerry Kane comments: "I passionately believe in instilling young people's interest (and maybe even love) of the arts...we must do everything in our power to help and support that task in any way we can". Vinnie O'Shea went on to say: "As an ex member of WYA and an existing member of the board of management I am delighted to be taking part in the 30 hours event. This project is insane!!! But I tell you what, it's a guaranteed nights entertainment and raises funds for a fantastic organisation. Looking forward to 30 hours of mayhem and madness!!"

Waterford Youth Arts provides access to the arts for young people from all over Waterford. Through workshops, classes, small performances, exhibitions and larger productions during the year, young people can find a space here to explore creativity and develop their talents. The organisation has worked with over 10'000 young people since their inception almost 30 years ago. The 30 hours fundraiser is a way for local artists and the community to come together to support the Waterford Youth Arts programme for 2015.