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New Exhibition of Paintings and Ceramic Sculptures in Gallery Zozimus, Francis Street dublin 8

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DERMOT O'HARA

Dermot O' Hara comes from Ballinrobe in Co. Mayo but has lived in Boyle, Co. Roscommon for over twenty years. Having worked for a financial organization for a number of years, he took early retirement in 1997 and now concentrates on his art. In a relatively short period he has had considerable success. In addition to exhibiting in many joint exhibitions he has held very successful solo exhibitions all over Ireland, including several shows in Boyle, Tullamore, Wexford, Sligo and Galway

His paintings evoke a reaction from the viewer through the use of atmosphere, mood, colour and composition. He is also noted for the variety of his subject matter which includes very picturesque landscapes, volatile and moody seascapes, still life work reminiscent of old masters and he is currently concentrating on his abstract work. Not only is his work popular throughout Ireland but paintings are in private collections in the U.K., Germany, France, Italy, Turkey, U.S.A. and Australia. This is Dermot's first exhibition in Dublin

IVAN PANOV

Ivan Panov was born in Bulgaria, where he studied art , specialising in Ceramic Sculpture

Ivan has been creating beautiful ceramic sculptures for over 20 years and having moved to Prague twelve years ago to set up a studio, now passing on his knowledge as he teaches ceramics to students from all over Europe in this studio. He teaches all ceramic techniques from the thrown variety to the hand built, the various methods of glazing, decorating and of course, slip casting....

Ivan has developed his own artistic style with delicate matt pastel colours and rich red glazes. His work covers a myriad subjects, from day to day ceramics to huge murals, incorporating a very clever usage of antique metal furniture handles to teapot lids, platter handles and legs. He also makes sculptures of human beings, animals, figures from history, (Adam and Eve) and large ceramic garden sculptures

Ivan has been commissioned to create many artistic pieces such as ceramic panels of birds, airplanes for a fountain in Abu Dhabi and also map of the Arabian Gulf made to look as though from ancient times (more than 50 m2 in size).

Ivan has taken part in many exhibitions in Sofia in his native Bulgaria, and also both the Czech and Slovak Republics. He currently lives in Prague with his wife and two daughters.

The exhibition will be officially opened by Raconteur and Author Mr. Tony Hickey