

# **ART, FAITH AND PEACE**

## **THE BOGSIDE ARTISTS: THE STORY BEHIND**

### **THE MURALS**

With artists Tom Kelly, Kevin Hasson and William Kelly  
and philosopher of art Dr Adrienne Chaplin

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 8, 2015**

**DIVERSECITY**

**12-14 THE DIAMOND**

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A unique opportunity to learn about the story of faith and  
hope behind the city's well-known - but often little  
understood - Bogside murals

Participants can attend some or all of the sessions  
(see over)

This is a free event, but for catering purposes please  
register at

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- 12:30 Light lunch
- 1:00-2:00 **Art, Faith and Healing:** Adrienne Chaplin in conversation with Tom Kelly. Tom will talk about the role of faith in his work, and the potential of art and storytelling to promote healing and peace
- 2:45-4:45 **Walking Tour of *The People's Gallery*.** This tour will provide a unique opportunity to see the work of the Bogside Artists and discuss the purpose and implications of their work
- 5:30-6:30 **Meet the Bogside Artists: Questions & Answers**
- 6:30 Light evening meal
- 7:30-9:00 **Art, Faith and Truth:** A talk by Adrienne Chaplin with responses from the Bogside Artists followed by open discussion. Adrienne will explore how the murals, and other art throughout the ages, can disclose truth beyond words

**Tom Kelly** is one of the three Bogside Artists who painted the internationally acclaimed murals in the Bogside, officially called *The People's Gallery*. Tom is a committed Christian who also leads the Wellspring Christian Community in the Bogside in Derry.

**Adrienne Dengerink Chaplin (PhD)** is an independent philosopher of art based in Cambridge. She studied philosophical aesthetics in Amsterdam and taught for eight years at the Institute for Christian Studies, an independent graduate school in Toronto. She is a regular speaker and co-author of the book *Art and Soul: Signposts for Christians in the Arts*.

**Kevin Hasson** is a painter.

**William Kelly** is a painter and writer.

"We strongly recommend this day as an opportunity for both citizens of Derry-Londonderry and visitors to gain a fresh insight into a distinctive gallery of art, unique to this city, which is recognised internationally but maybe less so locally."

**Bishop Ken and Mrs Mary Good (Church of Ireland)**

"Events like these are to be encouraged locally and beyond. This one will help further the building of better community relations locally by providing the opportunity to explore healing and truth in the context of faith and art."

**Bishop Donal McKeown (Catholic)**

"I cannot imagine a world without Art or the Artist. May all who attend interact with one another gaining fresh understanding, renewed faith and healing together."

**Rt. Rev. Rob Craig (Presbyterian)**