



## **switch 2012 : 8 Days of Contemporary Video Art from 8 International Artists**

### ***Walking Tours of Nenagh with an Eye to Art and a View of the past.***

**Nenagh, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2012** – *switch*, Nenagh's unique, weeklong annual cultural event will take place from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2012. Now in its fourth year, this free event, presenting the works of eight international artists, will run daily from twilight to midnight.

Visitors to Nenagh can expect to see shop-fronts and spaces throughout the town transformed by projected film and video artworks, created by a wide array of artists from around the globe.

*switch* will be launched on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm from the Ormond Hotel Bar, Kenyon Street, Nenagh. The launch will immediately be followed by a walking tour, leaving at 6.45pm. The tour will take approximately ninety minutes .

*switch* is organised in partnership with the Arts Office and co-funded by North Tipperary County Council and The Arts Council. This year *switch* is also receiving support from the Mid West Regional Authority and the EU INNOVATE project to develop aspects of the exhibition including the walking tour and a masterclass in film and video led by international artist Mark Neville.

Co-founders and organisers of *switch*, artists Triona Ryan and Harald Turek pay a special thanks to local shop-owners who have supported *switch* by loaning their premises for the duration.

“ *switch* is an inspiring way to explore Nenagh and walking tours will look at the history of this event, alongside historic and contemporary images of Nenagh, says Triona.

“ It is also a fascinating way to see contemporary works in moving image. The whole event is designed to appeal to everyone, not just those interested in art, with the walking tours happening in a relaxed and convivial way,” concluded Harald.

The full programme of timings, dates and locations for *switch* 2012 is now available by visiting the website at [www.s-w-i-t-c-h.org](http://www.s-w-i-t-c-h.org). The walking tours are free, however, it is advisable to book in advance as places are limited. Places can be booked by texting name and tour-date Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> or Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> of February to 087 777 7123 or by emailing [switch.information@gmail.com](mailto:switch.information@gmail.com).

A map with the locations and information of artworks can be downloaded from [www.s-w-i-t-c-h.org](http://www.s-w-i-t-c-h.org).

Members of the public can pick up *switch*'s yellow catalogue, detailing the event and artists, from the Arts Office at The Civic Offices, Nenagh Arts Centre and Nenagh Library from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2012.