

BLOCK T

Presents



LINK CULTUREFEST

25th – 27th May 2012

For immediate release

BLOCK T is proud to present **LINK CULTUREFEST**, a weekend festival that aims to showcase and celebrate the culture, art and people that make up the diverse community that exists in Smithfield and its surrounding areas. Between the 25th and the 27th of May **LINK CULTUREFEST** will host a series of events for the public, participating artists and curators. The three day programme will feature **Art Exhibitions, Live Concerts, Open Studios, Artist Talks, Live Street Art, Outdoor Screenings** and **Performances**. This year's festival will bring together a number of creative enterprises located between Stoneybatter and Capel St. The festival will be hosted in up to 20 different buildings around these areas, encompassing the gallery and studio spaces of participating organisations, as well as breathing life into a number of vacant properties.

We are delighted to welcome two international partners, **Château de Servières** in Marseille and **Castelo d'lf** in Lisbon from which eighteen selected artists will be hosted by locally based artists and studio spaces in Dublin. This project will focus on developing a model for a continuing transnational exchange programme. **LINK CULTUREFEST** will facilitate a dialogue between art spaces and professionals in the area, with the purpose of developing lasting national and international relationships across the cultural field.

BLOCK T presents **LINK CULTUREFEST** with a number of partners that have been integral in the establishment of a thriving cultural and creative community in the area. These friends include **The Joinery, New Art Studios, d.ploy/bio.space 033, The Complex, Market Studios, Supafast Building, Ormond Studios, Brunswick Mill Studios, Flatpack Studios, The Chancery Studios, The Visual Arts Centre, The Little Green St. Gallery** and **Loom Studios**.

LINK CULTUREFEST is a **BLOCK T** initiative. **BLOCK T** is a multi-disciplinary creative organisation located in Smithfield.

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