

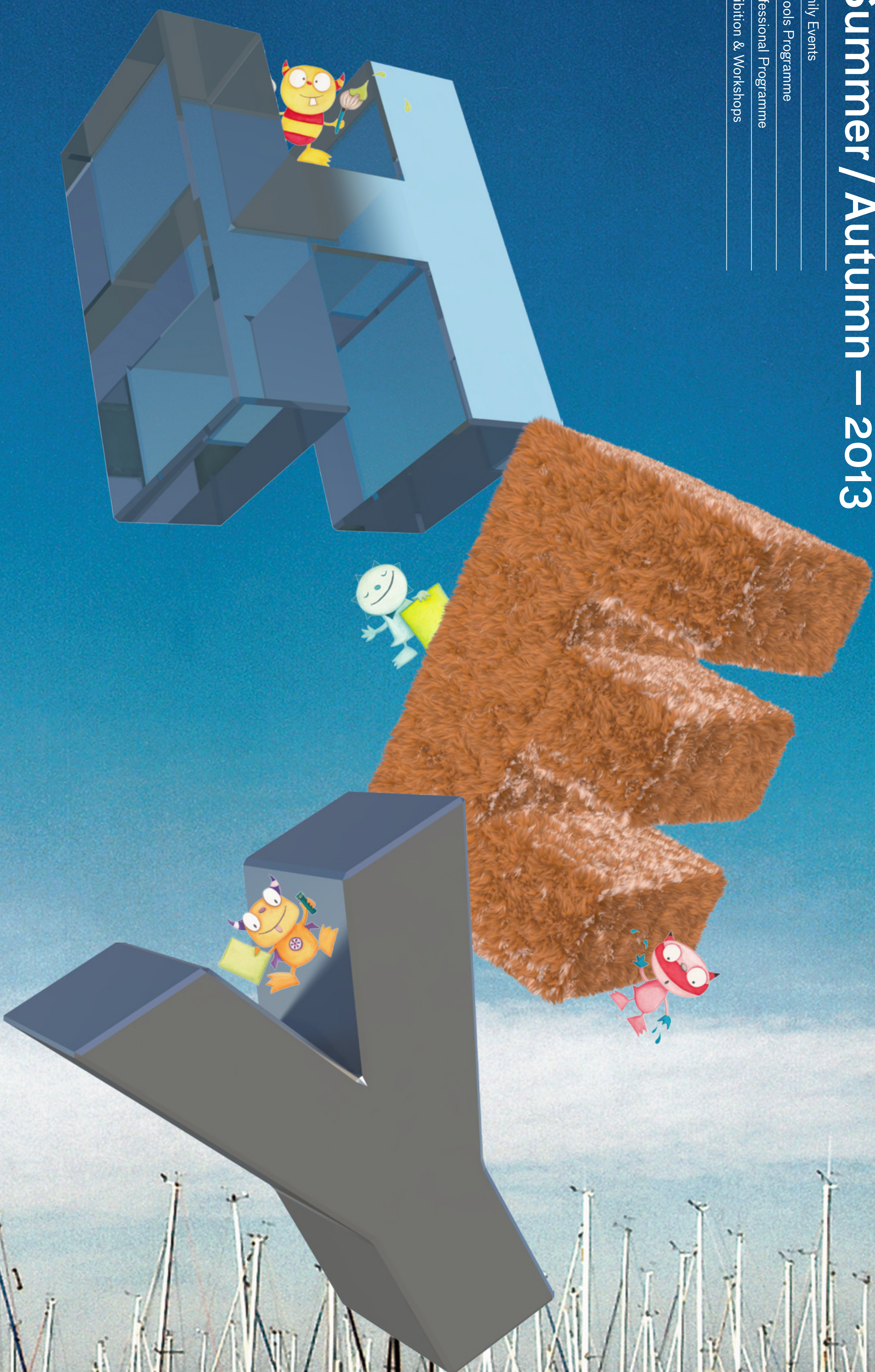
Fingal's Year of Illustration Summer/Autumn – 2013

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Fingal County Council’s Arts Office, Children’s Books Ireland (CBI) and Laureate na nÓg Niamh Sharkey present [Fingal’s Year of Illustration 2013](#). This collaboration will see a series of events throughout Fingal in 2013 where children can flex their creative abilities in a wide range of workshops, monster drawing sessions and other arts activities in schools, community centre’s and venues across Fingal.

In May 2012, Niamh Sharkey was inaugurated as Ireland’s second Laureate a nÓg. Niamh is the first illustrator and picturebook maker to be recognised with this prestigious honour. To celebrate Niamh’s achievement and to connect illustration with audiences in Fingal, where Niamh lives and works, CBI and Fingal Arts Office are working together to present this year long programme of events. Participants will have an opportunity to take part in a variety of events devised and delivered by exceptional artists in an atmosphere of creativity. There is something for all ages and all artistic levels. Fingal’s Year of Illustration is kindly funded by Fingal County Council, Children’s Books Ireland with additional support from the Arts Council of Ireland.

Sunday, July 28
— Farmleigh House

10.30—12.00 MONSTER DOODLE FOR UNDER 6S
Illustrator Marie-Louise Fitzpatrick will be on hand to help you create a whole family of fun monsters. Join the creator of [There and I’m a Tiger Too!](#) and take part in a huge monster doodle to create a massive artwork! **This Monster Doodle is suitable for children under the age of 6 and their parents/guardians.**

10.30—16.00 THE PICTURE BOOK TREASURE HUNT
What is your favourite picturebook? [Where the Wild Things Are?](#) [A Bit Lost?](#) Pick up a picturebook treasure hunt trail and enjoy discovering the clues throughout the grounds of Farmleigh House. Maybe you’ll discover a Gruffalo or a Very Hungry Caterpillar! **The Picturebook Treasure Hunt is suitable for all members of the family.**

11.00—15.00 THE DROP-IN BOOK CLINIC WITH BOOK DOCTORS DAVID MAYBURY & KIM HARTE
Looking for a new series to delve into? Feeling uninspired by your bookshelves at home? Do you need a prescription for an exciting new read? Then pop along to the Book Clinic! Parents and children are invited to drop in for an informal chat with one of Children’s Books Ireland’s friendly panel of Book Doctors, who are ready to offer the best advice for the young readers in your family. There’ll also be impromptu readings, games, plus plenty of arts and crafts along the way! **The Book Clinic is a drop-in event and is suitable for all members of the family.**

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Schools Programme
During 2013, four professional illustrators will lead long term residencies with four schools. Each residency will be developed by the professional illustrator together with the teachers and will seek to enhance participating student’s creative understanding and confidence. Over an average of eight visits, students, teacher and illustrator will work together to explore the art of illustration and to create their own artwork. Based on agreed themes, the groups may work together towards exhibition or they may choose to focus on process alone. The residencies will be based within the host schools and school participation for these events has been arranged locally.

Early Years Programme
Working in partnership with the early childcare community and building on previous early years arts programmes in Fingal such as [Now We Are Ready to Start](#), a year of illustration will include two residencies within an early childhood setting. Using picturebooks as the primary stimulus, artist and children together will explore colour, shape and texture in illustration. These programmes will be based in community centres are aimed at 18 months—4 yrs.

Saturday, August 24
— Malahide Castle

10.30—12.00 MONSTER DOODLE FOR UNDER 6S
Laureate na nÓg Niamh Sharkey will be on hand to help you create a whole family of fun monsters. Join the creator of [I’m a Happy Hugglewug](#) and [On the Road with Mavis and Marge](#) and take part in a huge monster doodle to create a massive artwork! **This Monster Doodle is suitable for children under the age of 6 and their parents/guardians.**

10.30—16.00 THE PICTURE BOOK TREASURE HUNT
What is your favourite picturebook? [Where the Wild Things Are?](#) [A Bit Lost?](#) Pick up a picturebook treasure hunt trail and enjoy discovering the clues throughout the grounds of Malahide Castle. Maybe you’ll discover a Gruffalo or a Very Hungry Caterpillar! **The Picturebook Treasure Hunt is suitable for all members of the family.**

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Professional Programme
Artist in Residence Graphic Studio Dublin — Autumn 2013
As part of an ongoing commitment to professional artists Fingal County Council & Children’s Books Ireland are offering a fine art print residency at Graphic Studio Dublin. This residency will be offered to one emerging or established illustrator and/or picture book maker. This opportunity is part of [Fingal Year of Illustration 2013](#) commitment to promote the practice of illustrators and picturebook makers. The month long residency in Autumn 2013 will provide an ideal environment for the development of creative practice and an opportunity to network with other artists.

Illustration Inc. seminar at Malahide Castle and Gardens, Co Dublin — Autumn 2013
Conceived for a professional audience with an interest in design and illustration, this day long event will feature both Irish and international speakers. The seminar will discuss contemporary issues and opportunities for illustrators across a wide range of sectors including publishing, licensing, technology and animation.

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— Draíocht

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September 6—October 5, 2013 — Draíocht
PICTIÚR EXHIBITION Pictiúr, an exciting new exhibition of some of Ireland’s leading children’s books illustrators has been curated by Laureate na nÓg Niamh Sharkey. Following an extensive European tour, [Pictiúr](#) will have its Irish premiere in Draíocht this Autumn running from 6 September to 5 October 2013. [Pictiúr](#) includes illustrations by Lily Bernard, Alan Clarke, Michael Emberley, Tatyana Feeney, Marie-Louise Fitzpatrick, Adrienne Geoghegan, Olivia Golden, Chris Houghton, Paul Howard, Oliver Jeffers, Anita Jeram, Chris Judge, PJ Lynch, Oisín McGann, Mary Murphy, Donough O’Malley, Niamh Sharkey, Steve Simpson, Kevin Waldron, Olwyn Whelan and Andrew Whitson.
In response the exhibition schools will have the opportunity to engage in a series of ‘Focus On’ workshop from Monday 23–Friday 27 September. Students will be encouraged to express their opinion on the exhibition, develop their critical thought and creatively respond using a wide range of medium.
Workshops are free to attend although booking is essential, tel Draíocht Box Office on 01 885 2622/Max 30 students.

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