



President Michael D Higgins, Patron of RADE

QUOTES

"Before RADE I could not read or write and I'd a crack habit. Now I've achieved my Junior Certificate English and a distinction in computers. I no longer use street drugs. I've performed in two films, the Fringe Theatre Festival and for President Michael D. Higgins. My art and wood sculptures have been exhibited throughout Dublin."

Mary, RADE participant

"RADE's innovative programme of combating substance abuse through art introduces addicts to their own genius, their own best selves, it focuses on the buzz that living a positive life can bring, a buzz that is genuine and life enhancing."

President Mary McAleese

"Not alone does it bring story and drama directly to us but it shows, by its very existence, the transforming power of the arts in the lives of those involved. I have not been as moved or as energised in a very long time and I was not alone."

Peter Sheridan, writer

"I have learned more about the personal journey that is addiction from the creative writing at RADE than any medical text."

Dr Fergus McCabe

"The project that is RADE allows the powerful processes of art to work their magic – painting, writing, acting, making in all its forms. RADE puts creativity at the service of personal transformation."

Paula Meehan, poet

"RADE has been proactive in the area in reaching into the world of the Arts to bring about recovery and rehabilitation."

Dr Margaret Bourke



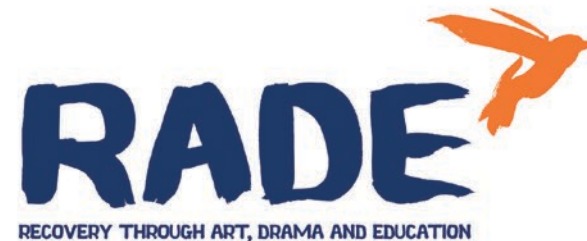
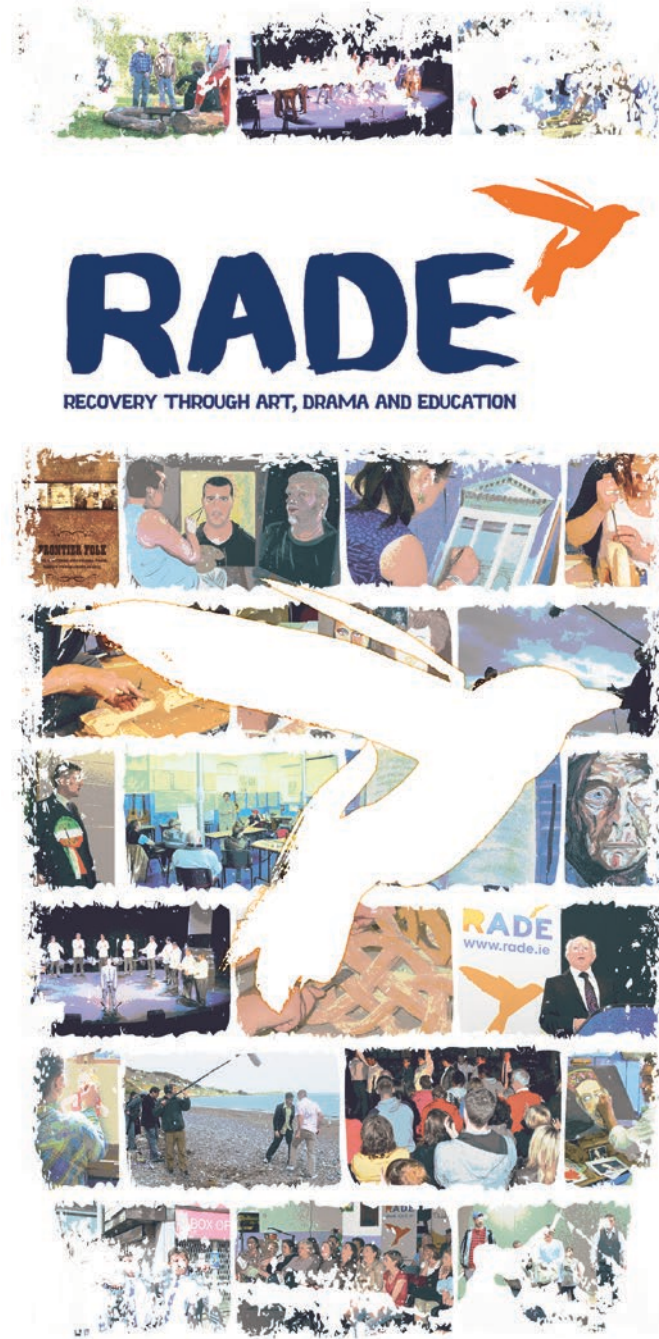
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RADE'S VISION: CREATIVITY IS OPEN TO EVERYONE

RADE'S MISSION: TO ENGAGE DRUG USERS WITH THE ARTS AND THERAPEUTIC SUPPORTS AND TO PROVIDE A PLATFORM FOR THEIR ARTISTIC EXPRESSION

TRAINING WORKSHOPS

RADE is a Day Programme operating from Monday to Friday. Participants engage in various creative and therapeutic workshops developing new skills such as:

TAI CHI – practised daily

DRAMA – theatre games, voice work, improvisation, script reading, acting for film and theatre

CREATIVE WRITING – poetry, short stories, readings, end of year publication

ART – painting, drawing, sculpture, public art exhibitions

RELAPSE PREVENTION – cognitive behavioural skills focusing on changing addictive behaviour



REHABILITATION AND TRAINING SERVICES

RADE have a dedicated Rehab team who work with individual participants developing progression plans.

The services provided are:

- In-house counselling
- Weekly facilitated group meetings and relapse prevention workshops
- Support with clinic, drug related and homeless services
- One to one key-working and care-planning
- Training and Development



EXTERNAL TRAINING

Programme participants have received further FETAC qualifications through external training in literacy, computers, art, acting, beauty therapy, addiction studies, manual handling, safe pass, welding and film studies.

PRESENTATION OF WORK

RADE celebrates participants work with a variety of public performances and exhibitions. These include live theatre productions, art exhibitions, film screenings and readings.

WWW.RADE.IE contains details of all upcoming RADE events or contact us directly.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Nominated for Spirit of the Fringe and Best Off Site Production at the Dublin Fringe Festival
- Short film screenings at Cork, Belfast, Charlie Chaplin and Clones Film Festival
- "Get Stoned" performed at National Drug Conference, Ireland
- Screening of Jack, Jill and the Green Devil at the International Harm Reduction Film Festival
- Winner of 2 Aontas Star Awards for "exceptional contribution to adult education"
- Winner of Dublin City Council Neighborhood Award and Irish Times Living Award