

# THE WEIGHT OF LIGHT

PAT HARRIS

16 November - 8 December 2018



Taylor Galleries is proud to present *The Weight of Light*, a solo exhibition of paintings by Pat Harris. The show opens with a Private View from 6-8pm on Thursday 15 November 2018 and continues till 8 December 2018.

The show is accompanied by an Artist's Talk and walk-through of the exhibition on Friday 23 November at 1pm. No booking required, all welcome. An eponymous illustrated, limited-edition publication, including a new text by the artist, will be available from the gallery during the run of the exhibition.

*The Weight of Light* includes oil paintings of the coastal landscape surrounding the artist's studio in the West of Ireland, a series of small, individual flower pictures and two landscape drawings in charcoal. Writing about this new body of work, Harris describes his process and says his paintings are:

*about the particular and the universal. They draw their inspiration from the coastline of Carrowteige and Kilgalligan in North Mayo, from its rocks, stacks and headland. But also from small flowers that I brought into my studio. They are built up in layers, over time, in some cases weeks, in others months, in a few cases a year or more.*

*They are an attempt not just to paint a rock, a stack or flower but also the space and time they occupy, the light that makes them visible.*

Born in Dublin in 1953, Pat Harris studied at the National College of Art & Design from 1973 to 1978 and at the National Higher Institute of Fine Art Antwerp, graduating in 1981. In 2008 he was awarded a PhD in Fine Art by the University of Antwerp. He has exhibited widely in Europe with numerous solo shows in Ireland, Belgium and London. He is a member of Aosdána and an Associate Member of the Royal Hibernian Academy (ARHA). Harris' work is represented in many private and public collections in Ireland and abroad, including The Arts Council / An Chomhairle Ealaíon, IMMA, Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane, UCD, St. Patrick's Hospital, the Language Centre of Ireland, AIB, AXA and the University of Antwerp.

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