



2021

# ANNUAL REPORT

FINGLAS YOUTH  
RESOURCE CENTRE

*A CENTRE WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE HEARD, VALUED AND SUPPORTED IN REACHING THEIR FULL POTENTIAL.*

*THE FINGLAS YOUTH RESOURCE CENTRE STRIVES TO EMPOWER YOUNG PEOPLE BY PROVIDING THEM WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW AND BECOME POSITIVE ACTIVE CITIZENS IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITY.*



**Finglas**  
YOUTH RESOURCE CENTRE CLG



# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE TEAM



*For me a massive highlight for 2021 was the success of our summer programme and our reengagement of young people after a difficult covid lockdown. It was great to get young people back out again and enjoying themselves and all young people really appreciated linking back in with youth workers.*

Cian



*During the summer project in 2021, we engaged a group of very high support young women on a weekly basis, we have worked with these young people for a number of years but this piece of work was very special as we probably knew this would be the last summer these young women would engage with us on a weekly/consistent basis, they got to enjoy experiences and memories, they probably wouldn't have had otherwise. These young people still engage but far more sporadically, however their relationship with the service over the years has encouraged them to know they can still come to us when they need support or in times of crisis.*

Nickey



*Last March 2021 we engaged a group of 10 young people aged 14+ and Youth work staff in a charity fundraising challenge. The fundraising campaign the young people were running was a challenge consisting of participants running, jogging or walking 203 km (the equivalent of following the county border of Dublin all the way round) over the 31 days in March. This was a challenge to support the physical and mental wellbeing of young people that are taking part in a period in which has been impacted by the Covid 19 pandemic and the restrictions in which accompanied it.*

*The fundraiser was for the "Hear me out" Youth counselling project and as a result of the young people completing this challenge they managed to raise €3000. This money has not only contributed to young people in the community having additional opportunities to engage in the counselling service but it has also provided a greater level of awareness of the "Hear me Out" Youth counselling service and this has made a real positive contribution to young people of whom have and need to access it.*

Daniel

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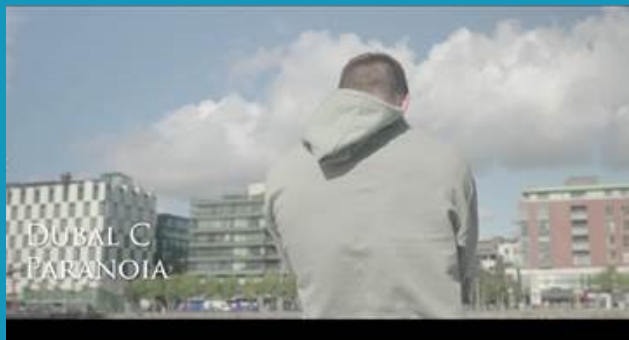
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## ***Stem awards:***

***We won two awards at creative Techfest a national Stem event run by Kinia***

- 1. The Sustainable Superhero category our group built a wind turbine to generate electricity using recycled parts.***
- 2. For Organisation of the Year.***



## ***Music Projects:***

***Shaun Samra spoke on RTE 2fm about his award for Techspacer of the year 2020 and the impact it has had for him. Shaun highlighted the support he receives from the centre and how he uses the studio to record his music.***

***Throughout the year we worked closely with the CDYSB 'restricted Mic' and our music group submitted music videos which went out on RTE 2xm. While we were unable to host any live concerts our musicians still had the opportunity to develop Cian Carey was given the opportunity to record a song and video at Windmill Lane studios. The video was than broadcast as part of the creative Techfest 2021 Festival***

Mick





### **THE TRAVELLER YOUTH PROJECT**

*The TYP started in September 2021 as a Saturday pilot programme to reengage young travellers from all sites in the area, we increased traveller engagement by 52 young people reaching young people and family's from 2/3 of sites and establishing engagement with new young people and family's previously not engaged in the service, we also engaged a junior group from Avilla who are children of young people from the first Traveller project, making this our first intergenerational project. The project is very positive and has already engaged young people in a Traveller awareness project and culminated in a residential enjoyed by 10 young Travellers. This was hugely enjoyed by young people and staff alike*

Val

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*The highlight for me this year was the Funding we received for the LGBTI+ Project. This funding allowed us to be able to do so many different things; Training professional in the area around LGBTI+ Pronouns , fears and concerns around the language. We did workshops with the young people and gave different packs to professionals and young people. We had a webinar for professionals and parents, we had a young person speak about their experiences and a parent of an LGBTI+ young person speak as well. We did a big celebrate in the youth centre for professionals and parents and young people from the LGBT+ GROUPS The young people made a video of coming out stories , which had a huge impact on everyone as their was things we did not know much about. This project was brilliant!*

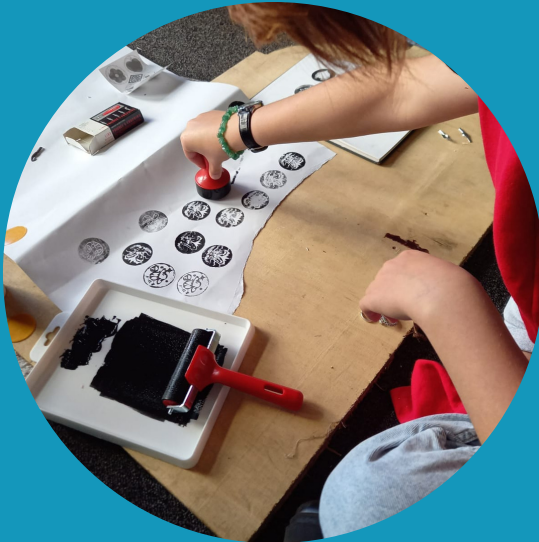
Bernie



### *The Junior leaders Group*

*This group began in September 2021, young people who need support to build their confidence were identified by staff and asked to join a leadership programme, the programme has focused on knowledge, how groups work. young people getting to know new things through research and experiential learning, they now have knowledge they did not have before. Skills based learning where young people learned through experience, new skills such as team games and street games and how to work together, young people are currently taking part in First Aid skills. Also, the development of personal qualities such as equality, acceptance, and support for each other. Young people are developing their social skills on a continuing basis and are preparing to run community programmes in the summer.*

Val



FYRC ART PROJECT With artist  
Michelle McCormack

## Zine Project Days

Friday 8th October 16:30-18:30  
All O.U.T. Groups

Saturday 9th October 15:00-19:00  
All O.U.T. Groups

We're nearly there!  
On these days we will get to meet Michelle in person for some practical workshops in zine and printmaking. This is a great opportunity to create something as individuals and as a group!

*One of my highlights of 2021 was getting to work with an LGBTI+ artist on a project with the LGBTI+ support groups to create zines through print making and collage. The group really enjoyed the facilitation from the artist and they have continued making zines even after the project. We got the funding for the project through NYCI's Explorer Youth Arts funding - this meant we could work with a professional artist and get new supplies for the art room to do the project. It was great to see the young people explore their identity through creative expression and art in a safe a supportive space.*

Ciara



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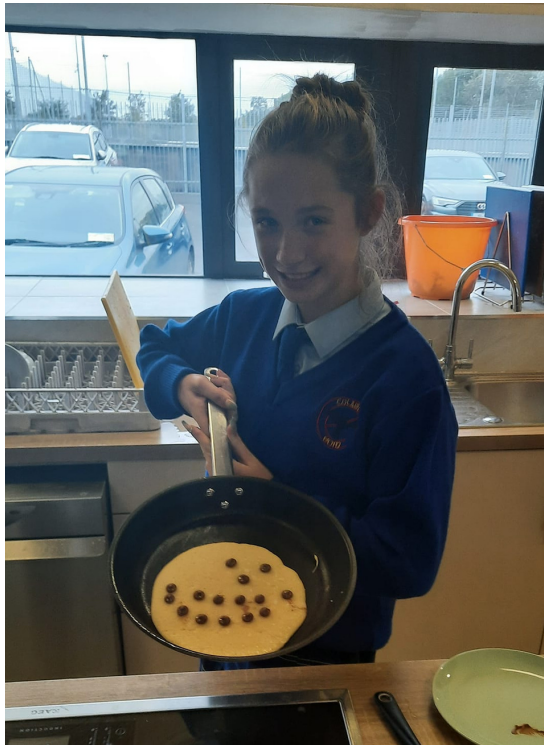


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## **MUSIC PROJECTS**

**AFTERSCHOOL'S GROUPS**

**TRAVELLER YOUTH PROJECT**

**SUMMER PROGRAMME**

**SPORTS LEADERSHIP**

**JUNIOR LEADERS**

**LGBTI+ PROJECT**

**CV & CAREER SUPPORT**

**YOUTH ARTS**

**SESH PROGRAMME**

**STEAM PROJECTS**