

## Expression of Interest Form – The art of living with MS

MS Ireland in partnership with Novartis Ireland are delighted to announce that we will hold an art exhibition for World MS Day 2022. The exhibition will invite artists living with MS or their collaborators to visualise MS symptoms and/or experiences through the medium of art (all forms of art will be considered such as painting, photography, sculpture, pottery, video, installation etc.).

Understanding life with MS can be challenging for some people as it can be difficult to fully understand the impact of some of the experiences by those living with MS. Do you think you could represent your MS symptoms and experiences through art?

The judging panel will select a limited number of artworks for the exhibition and each successful finalist will receive a bursary of a maximum of €1,000 to complete their piece. The exhibition will launch in a central Dublin location on week commencing May 28<sup>th</sup> and we would ask all the successful finalists to make themselves available for the launch event on this date\*. We are currently exploring opportunities to tour the exhibition in other locations around Ireland so please bear this in mind when considering your entry. We will also consider existing artworks that you may like to exhibit please share the details with us (including a photo) using the below expression of interest form.

If you would like to let your creativity run wild and show us what you can do – here is what you need to know:

### Key dates:

Close of expressions of interest	14 <sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 12 noon.
Selection of finalists	21 <sup>st</sup> January 2022
Artwork to be submitted by	17 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
Launch event in Dublin	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2022

\*in person launch will take place depending on the COVID restrictions at the time otherwise we will hold a virtual launch

Expression of interest form:

To register please provide the following via email to: [Aoifek@ms-society.ie](mailto:Aoifek@ms-society.ie), (01) 678 1612

Please attached examples of two other pieces you have already created in the same art form or details of any other artistic experience you have.

Please attach a copy of your CV, biography, personal statement or any other information that would support your application.

Artists Details:

Name

Address

Contact number

Email

Proposed artwork form (e.g. painting, photography, sculpture, ceramic, installation, visual, other)

MS Symptom(s) and/or experience(s) you wish to represent

Description of the proposed artwork (min 100 words)

We would like to publicise this event – are you happy to conduct media interviews/photographs

Yes No

Signature

Date

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