

**PRESS RELEASE**  
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**TASK Print Sale in aid of Susie Long Hospice Fund**

The T.A.S.K. (Training and Support Kilkenny) Creativity Department has just opened their new print exhibition and sale at Loughboy Library, with all proceeds going to the Susie Long Hospice Fund. Prints will be on display for three weeks until October 14<sup>th</sup> and, as printing workshops will continue in the Creativity Arts Department, the artists will continue to produce new works which will be added to the collection every few days.

This sale builds on the success of the first venture by TASK last May, which saw an enthusiastic group of students take on the challenge of producing prints for their first exhibition and sale. Each student produced a series of individual prints, which they then sold for EUR10.00 each to raise much needed funds for the Susie Long Hospice Fund. Hundreds of people attended the event over the course of the day, and were amazed with the quality and diversity of the prints.

Úna Brennan, Creative Arts Facilitator at T.A.S.K., said “Due to the success of our last print sale, we decided to do it again, but on a larger scale. With the sale running for almost three weeks, we hope that more people will make an effort to go and see the work and support a great cause.”

Úna feels that the printing process is great for people who are just beginning to explore creative techniques. “The preparation, cutting and hand printing methods associated with block printing allow for great exploration and good studio ethic. With each run of prints, confidence grows and skills improve. With prints costing only EUR10.00, it’s a recession-proof way of purchasing an original print, or even an early Christmas gift! More importantly all proceeds go to the Susie Long Hospice Fund.”

Sonya Lanigan, Chairperson of the Susie Long Hospice Fund, added “This is a wonderful project within our community. It is tremendously heartening to witness the great work being done by the TASK group and their generosity of spirit in donating all proceeds to the Susie Long Hospice Fund, which seeks to build a hospice for the people of Kilkenny and Carlow. We are very grateful to Una and all her team at TASK for their creativity and generosity”.

The TASK sale continues at Loughboy Library, Kilkenny until October 14<sup>th</sup>. Further information from [www.susielonghospice.com](http://www.susielonghospice.com)