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## **OUT OF THE BLUE TO SHOWCASE ART FROM EDINBURGH'S POLISH DIASPORA**

Leading arts organisation unveils exhibition of work by Polish artists living in Edinburgh at The Out of the Blue Drill Hall this month

In a pioneering move, Out of the Blue today unveiled plans for the first ever major exhibition of artwork by Edinburgh-based Polish artists.

*This Is a Time for Dreaming* features work by 12 émigré artists inspired by their adopted home and opens at The Out of the Blue Drill Hall in Leith's Dalmeny Street on October 5.

The show is open most days until October 20.

Exhibition organiser Emila Sosnowska explains *"The exhibition's aim is to reflect the vibrant community of people of different backgrounds and experience who are linked to Edinburgh. Each artist's personal investigation and intense perception of the city resulted in works that allow us to see our city from a different viewpoint."*

The show includes works in a variety of different mediums including photography, painting, video installation, performance and animation.

Other artists featured in the exhibition are from as far afield as Zimbabwe, Denmark and Sweden.

The news underlines Out of the Blue's commitment to making art accessible to everyone by working at a local, national and international level.

Out of the Blue has staged a string of cosmopolitan exhibitions and events at the Leith-based multi-arts centre including recent exhibitions of textiles by Indian artist Ekta Kaul and Bollywood film posters from the Edinburgh Indian Association.

Out of the Blue Coordinator Rob Hoon comments *"Since its earliest days at an old bus station in New Street, Out of the Blue has always been international in its reach with arts projects spanning the globe. With our new permanent base at The Out of the Blue Drill Hall, the organisation can now bring the benefits of that experience to everyone."*

### **This Is a Time for Dreaming**

**October 5 to 20 (not Sundays or October 13)**

**The Out of the Blue Drill Hall, 36 Dalmeny Street Edinburgh EH6 8RG.**

**Free admission**

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