



Christine Mackey

Christine Mackey undertook an intriguing assignment for the Sideways Walking and Art Festival in Belgium in August 2012. She carried a portable laboratory come studio to undertake a study of invasive plants along the Sideways route through semi-rural semi-suburban Flanders. Working with two botanists she selected and catalogued a number of plants, concurrently recording her journey through video, still and sound recording instruments, to produce a multi-media installation in a barn in Turnhout.

Notes from the podcast interview by Andrew Stuck: Recorded on site at Turnhout in September 2012. 16' 06" 7.5MB and published in September 2013 on <http://www.talkingwalking.net>

Christine Mackey's multi-media installation for Sideways Walking & Art Festival in Belgium in 2012 was called ***Ecological Dispersals*** - the migratory patterns of plants.

Sideways Walking & Art Festival: <http://www.tragewegen.be/nl/about>

Ecological Dispersals - on Christine's website: <http://www.christinemackey.com/ecological.html>

Video by Claudia Catellana: <http://vimeo.com/51701957>

Gertz (a local botanist) and Christine used the same book but in different languages: Collins Wildflower book: <http://www.amazon.co.uk/Flowers-Britain-Northern-Europe-Collins/dp/0002200627>

Candlestick plant: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Senna_alata

Tansy: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tansy>

Politics of Seeds - an earlier project by Christine: http://papervisualart.com/?page_id=8877

Who influences Christine's thinking around art and ecology:

Bruno La Tour: <http://www.bruno-latour.fr/>

Michel de Certeau: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Practice_of_Everyday_Life

Christine is interested in work that creates an activity.

Daide Tidoni - sound knows no boundaries: <http://www.davidetidoni.name/about/>

In her mobile studio, Christine has a Polaroid printer: http://www.polaroid.co.uk/shop/Polaroid_GL10_Instant_Mobile_Printer.html

Canon Digital still camera

A GPS camera

A mini video camera for which Christine wore a chest brace to keep it stable.

Digital pen and sketch book: <http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLAC9ABBDB6EE7F2FF>

Christine has undertaken two other projects specifically focussed on walking:

Riverwork - in Sligo <http://www.christinemackey.com/riverworks.html>

Study of Field - in Dublin <http://www.christinemackey.com/yearinthefield.html>

Christine consulted books from the ***Walking Library*** - hear about that from this interview with Deirdre Heddon: <http://www.talkingwalking.net/deirdre-heddon-talking-walking/>

Christine Mackey recommends these walks:

1. In Sligo up to Queen Maeve's grave near Strandhill

http://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/ShowUserReviews-g186635-d216739-r134501571-Knocknarea-Sligo_County_Sligo_Western_Ireland.html

2. Walk to get lost - don't keep to a straight line but walk in a loop...