

Saoirse EHD Douglas Street Mural Launch

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Mother's Tongue

Project

Saoirse Ethnic Hands on Deck was formed in 2020, born from the weekly Coffee Mornings for migrant mothers at the Cork Migrant Centre.

The Mother's Tongue project started back in September 2021 when the members of Saoirse EHD embarked on a collaborative project bringing together mothers from over 20 countries to highlight the shared wisdom of motherhood. It included psychology focus groups on motherhood and the creation of the first Mother's Tongue design collection of hand-crafted tote bags using sustainable materials featuring motherly sayings in Arabic, Swahili, Albanian, Nigerian Pidgin, and English.

The Mural

On July 1st 2022 Saoirse EHD, Cork Migrant Centre, and Nano Nagle Place officially launched the unveiling of the Mother's Tongue mural on Douglas Street with Deputy Lord Mayor Cllr Sean Martin and Cllr Mary Rose Desmond in attendance.

The mural created by artist Holly Pereira quotes poet, writer and civil rights activist Maya Angelou, "To describe my mother would be to write about a hurricane in its perfect power." It can be found on the front plaza of Nano Nagle Place, just look up!

Media

To learn more about the project and Saoirse Ethnic Hands on Deck, you can check out the following:

[Cork project celebrates mothers' sayings from all over the world \(echolive.ie\)](#)

[Saoirse - Ethnic Hands on Deck \(saoirse-ehd.ie\)](#)

[Video from the Event](#)