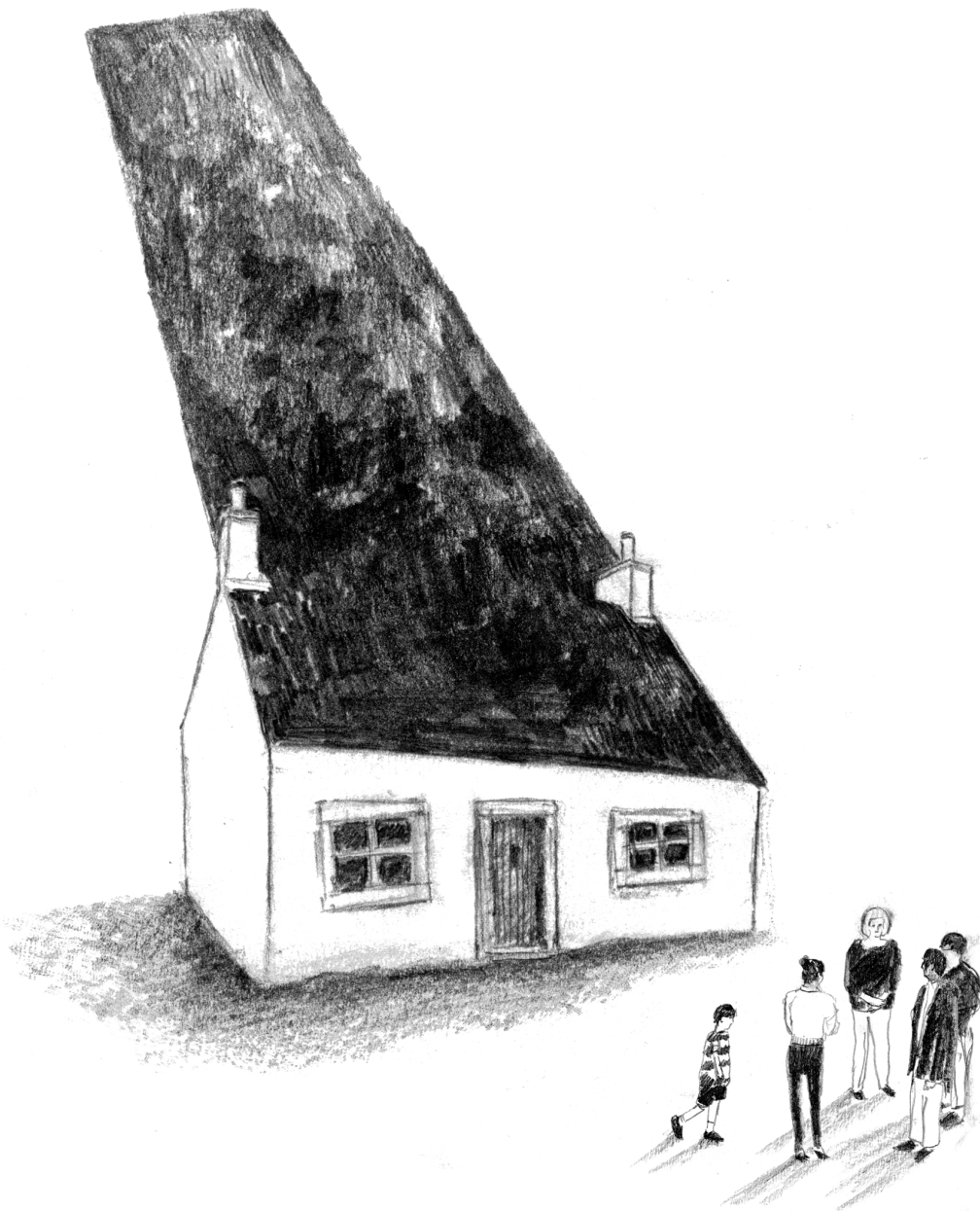


# Art\_Inbetween

A national summit about integrated arts practice in rural regions held  
at The Stove in Dumfries on 25th (+26th) February 2016



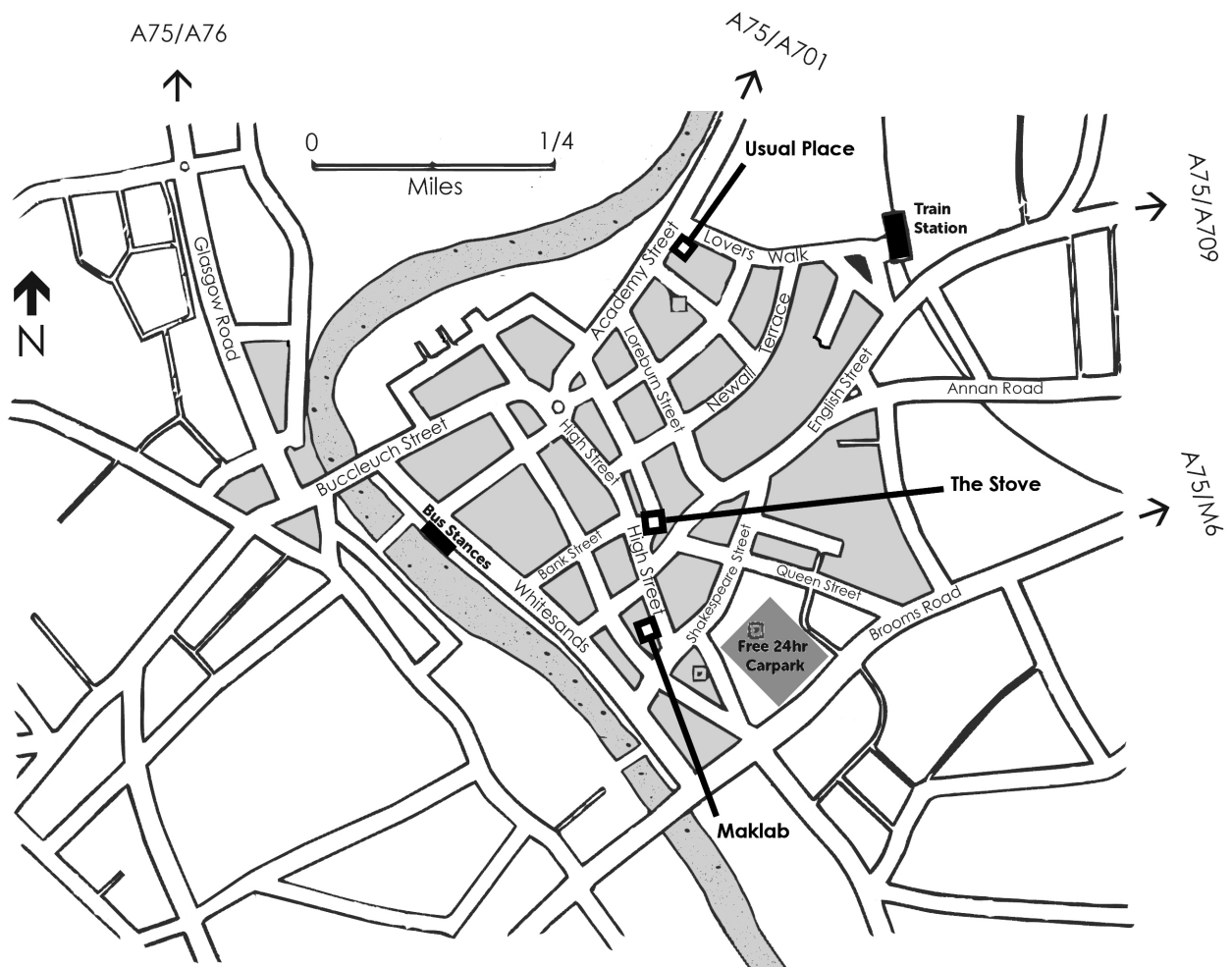
Towns, villages and other rural\* places provide a different challenge for artists and arts organisations. By necessity, the arts in rural regions often operate in an innovative, integrated and inbetween way – with the arts acting as a bridge between other forces at work in a place. In understanding the present and future value of the arts in society, there is a need to recognise, re-articulate and explore the distinctiveness of the contemporary rural arts scene. Art\_Inbetween is an arts-led summit for people working in smaller places to come together to share experience, knowledge and dreams in a creative and useful environment.

- **Art as Activism – what are the best strategies to affect change in society?**
- **Getting new things started in rural contexts – since when did everything start in cities?**
- **New thinking about structures for the way things are run. Is there no one in charge any more?**
- **Hinterlands, Nodes, Distance - should we redefine the rural narrative?**
- **Can socially-engaged art be good art? How can its impacts be measured?**
- **What on earth does a 'Cultural High Street' look like?**

\* This event offers no definition of rural. Art\_Inbetween is centred on listening and being listened to and we hope new discussions and definitions will be shaped by sharing everyone's personal experience.

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