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This DVD documents the making of the new constitutional court in South Africa, which opened in 2004. Artwork is integral to the architecture and fabric of the new building which also displays about 200 works of art - including tapestries, engravings, sculptures and paintings. Most of the art works were donations from artists, gallery owners and patrons of the arts.

This DVD is an inspirational example of how, with the will to work together and embrace diversity, people can include art in conflict resolution.

"Public buildings normally shut off the outside world. Normally you get swallowed up in the power of the state or corporate entity, but here the building is saying, 'I belong to you, you belong to me' - Justice Albie Sachs

"The Constitutional Court building will stand as a beacon of light, a symbol of hope and celebration....it will ease the memories of suffering inflicted ... it will shine forth as a pledge for all time that South Africa will never return to that abyss. It will stand as an affirmation that South Africa is indeed a better place for all" - Nelson Mandela

The DVD showing will be followed by a discussion with multi-media artist Brian Connolly who has exhibited and performed work across Ireland and internationally. His work often relates to place or context and he has won a range of Public Art Commissions throughout Ireland. He is currently an Associate Lecturer in Sculpture at the University of Ulster at Belfast.

This event is open to everyone and may be of particular interest to community groups, art groups, peace groups, schools and members of the public. Advance booking is recommended.

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