Culture Night Kildare 2018

Programme

County Kildare welcomes this new and enriched Culture Night taking place on Friday 21st September, with further events spread across the weekend!

An extended programme of free events that ranges from art to history, from nature to film and theatre to craft, awaits you and offers the opportunity to celebrate the rich arts and culture resources of our county.

This year we showcase new community endeavours highlighting our county’s creativity.

We are delighted that Inni-K, a now well-established presence in Irish music and Eric Donovan, boxer and boxing analyst have accepted our invitation to become Culture Night Kildare Ambassadors 2018.

Come on! Take part to this all-island celebration of arts, heritage and culture.

CLOCHA RINCE

**An Evening of Cultural Delights**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: from 2pm on

Venue Address: Clocha Rince Library

Email: suzanne.sherry@live.com

Phone: 046 9553428

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

Join us in Clocha Rince Library for a day of art, poetry and music. 2pm: Poetry recital and short story competition winner will be announced. 3pm: Children’s art workshop with John Carpenter. 4pm: Adult watercolour art workshop with John Carpenter; evening music with local musicians.

Contact Clocha Rince Library for further programme details

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking

KILCOCK

**Past Traditions of Ireland**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 9.30 -10.30am, 10.45 – 11.45am & 12 – 1pm

Venue Address: Kilcock Community Library, Unit 2 The Lamp, School St.

Email: kilcocklib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 6284403

Website: irishhistorylive.com

An interactive event exploring past traditions, food, fashion, games and lifestyles.

Any period can be experienced and understood with a unique hands-on approach developed over a decade and a half. This event is aimed for 9 – 12 yr olds. This is a closed event for the local schools.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Landscapes and Dreamscapes**

Date: Fri 21st & Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 11am to 4pm and by appointment

Venue Address: Kilcock Art Gallery, School St.

Email: info@kilcockartgallery.ie

Phone: 086 257 8283 01-6287619 086 0869230

Website: www.kilcockartgallery.ie

Facebook: kilcockartgallery

Twitter: @kilcockart

Aidan Flanagan always captivated by the landscape & by the effect of light and shade on the Irish countryside & coastal areas. Hence his love for places such as Achill, Dingle Peninsula, Valentia Island. Now living in Co. Meath, he finds inspiration on walks in Dalgan, Loughcrew, and the Boyne Valley. Marie -Louise Martin divides her time between Dublin and Radicondoli, a small Italian hilltop town, immersed in the surrounding landscape seemingly untouched by 21st century. Her original prints using early Florentine portraits with modern day models are surrounded by embossed “frames” & the landscapes are contained within a woman’s profile, in this way combining two themes.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

MAYNOOTH

**Multi-Cultural Storytime at Maynooth Community Library**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 10 - 10.45am

Venue Address: Maynooth Community Library , Main Street

Email: maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 628 5530

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

A multi cultural themed storytelling session for 2- 5 year olds with stories, songs and rhymes from Ireland and around the world.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Painting for Beginners with Mary Lambert**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 11am-1pm

Venue Address: Maynooth Community Library , Main Street

Email: maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 628 5530

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

Artist Mary Lambert will give a painting for beginners workshop for adults.

Mary Lambert (Hill) grew up in north-west Clare, quite near the Burren and is now based in Dublin. She works in oils and acrylics. Having studied under the tutelage of the great painter Jim Donnelly, she exhibits in Peoples Art on St. Stephens Green and on Merrion Sq. Dublin, on Sundays.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

**Maynooth Castle by Night**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 6 – 9.15pm. Last admissions 8.45pm.

Venue Address: Maynooth Castle

Email: maynoothcastle@opw.ie

Phone: 01 628 6744

Website: www.heritageireland.ie

Facebook: maynoothcastle

Maynooth Castle was once the centre of power in Ireland and a place of culture and learning. Drop in on Culture Night, view an exhibition, meet our enthusiastic and knowledgeable guides and find out more about the history of this fascinating building!

- Wheelchair accessible (partial)

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor (partial)

**From the Provisional Government to Donnelly’s Sausages**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 6 – 8pm

Venue Address: Maynooth Community Library, Main St

Email: bbrady@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 448328 / 01 6285530

Facebook: MffaFilm

Playing with Irish Cinema - Come along to see and hear about some of the film collections that have been made freely available on the Irish Film Institute’s IFI Player. This event is organized to mark the opening by the Irish Film Archive of a repository at Maynooth University to house Ireland’s moving-image heritage. In association with Maynooth Film for All: Film Club

* Wheelchair accessible

**National Science and Ecclesiology Museum Maynooth**

Date: Fri 21st & Sun 23rd Sept

Time: Fri 7-9pm, Sun 2-5 pm

Address: St Patricks College

Email: niall.mckeith@spcm.ie

Tel: 087 9152003

Web: www.maynoothcollege.ie/national-museum-maynooth

Fb: National Science Museum

The museum has the largest collection of scientific instruments in public display in Ireland, mostly associated with Nicholas Callan and most of which were manufactured in Ireland between 1880 and 1920. The second part of the Museum is a collection of ecclesiastical artefacts from the past three centuries. Come to discover this interesting part of our history!!

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**The Country House and the Great War Exhibition**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 4-7pm

Venue Address: Russell Library, Maynooth University

Email: library.bookings@mu.ie

Phone: 01 7083890

Website: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library

Facebook: MaynoothUniLibrary

Twitter: library\_mu

The Country House and the Great War Exhibition, a collaborative effort between the Centre for the Study of Historic Irish Houses and Estates, Maynooth University and the OPW-Maynooth University Archive and Research, will explore the impact of the First World War on the Irish Country House, the surrounding estate and its inhabitants. It draws on material from more than ten country house families and displays material from the archives of Ballindoolin House, Co. Kildare and Airfield, Dundrum.

- Require booking

LEIXLIP

**Traditional Culture at the Barn**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue Address: Wonderful Barn, Barnhall

Email: breda.cody@xerox.com

Phone: 086 2005640

Website: CCELeixlip.com

Facebook: CCE Leixlip

Twitter: @CCELeixlip, Wonderful Barn, Leixlip

On Culture night, members of Leixlip Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann will fill the historical Wonderful Barn with traditional Irish music song and dance, with audience participation in dance. Find out the history of the Barn while you are there. Leixlip Comhaltas is active since 1981.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Outdoor
* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Community Canvas with Exploring Art Studios Amenities Centre, Leixlip**

Date: Sun 23rd Sept

Time: 2-4pm

Venue: Amenities Centre Leixlip

Website: www.leixlipamenities.ie

Facebook: leixlipamenities

‘Community Canvas’ artwork created by members of Leixlip’s community, sharing their personal response to the theme ‘Leixlip its environment, history, societal development and changes’. Adults, Youths and Children are participating, making this an exciting community art project, culminating in a ‘Community Canvas Art Exhibition’ at Exploring Art Studios. Open to the public as part of Culture Weekend 2018.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor

- Special project

CELBRIDGE

**Jabba Jabba Jembe - African Drumming Workshop**

Date: Thur 20th September

Time: 5 – 6pm

Venue Address: Celbridge Community Library

Email: celbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 6272207

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

All the family is welcome at this fun drumming event with David Day from Jabba Jabba Jembe. You will also learn some interesting information about the instruments themselves and all the ways they are used in African society!

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Pre-event

**Flute and Harp Concert**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Entrance Hall, Castletown House

Email: castletownmusic@opw.ie

Phone: 01 6288252

Website: www.castletown.ie

Facebook: @castletownhouse

Join Karin Leitner on flute, and Teresa O'Donnell on harp, for an evening of Lyric FM favourites, romantic film music, heart warming Irish melodies and Karin's own compositions. Karin is a world renowned Concert Flautist, both as a soloist and chamber musician. Dublin-based Teresa has appeared on stage with Andrea Bocelli, Katherine Jenkins and The Chieftains.

Kindly sponsored by The Austrian Embassy Dublin.

* Wheelchair accessible

**Universal Basic Income in Ireland: Learning from the Manitoba Experience**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Derrybeg Farm, Moortown, Maynooth Road

Email: membership@derrybegfarm.ie

Phone: 087 2445358

Website: www.derrybegfarm.ie

Facebook: derrybegfarm

Twitter: @DerrybegFarm

Derrybeg Farm will host a talk and discussion about universal basic income (UBI)and how it could apply in Ireland. A UBI ensures that every legal resident has a small income from cradle to grave, regardless of work status. This can have beneficial effects across society and economy, including support for creativity, diversity and all forms of artistic and cultural work. A farm members, Jay Stuart, will then talk about a real-life basic income project that took place in the Canadian province of Manitoba during the 1970s/ All are welcome for a lively discussion.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**The Maynooth Gospel Choir in Concert**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue Address: Celbridge Manor hotel, Clane Road

Email: info@maynoothgospel.com

Phone: 085 787 1814

Website: www.maynoothgospel.com

Facebook: MaynoothGospel

Twitter: MaynoothGospel

Youtube: MaynoothGospelChoir

Founded in 2007, Maynooth Gospel Choir has been entertaining people ever since. Trying to place the Choir in one slot is virtually impossible. They are adaptable and creative, with dynamic melodies and rich harmonies - from the spiritualist hymns of the American South, to the glory days of Motown all the way up to present day hits. Every performance is infectiously enthusiastic and will touch your soul, lift your spirit and maybe take your breath away!

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**On Your Doorstep: Celebrating Community Involvement in Culture**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue Address: Maunsell Chapel Tay Lane

Phone: 087 9630719

Facebook: tealanegraveyard

Members of the farming community, local drama groups, local choir and schools will be invited to actively participate in a Culture Night experience, hosted by Tea Lane Graveyard committee. The event will include an evening of 'Irish Melodies' by Mary Conroy, a short dramatization of 'First Confession', a performance by a local choir and an uilleann piper, with a good sprinkling of the Irish Language.

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

- Special project

**Culture Night Variety Show**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 6.30pm

Venue Address: The Mill, Celbridge Community Centre, Main Street, Celbridge

Email: celbridgemillcommunitycentre@gmail.com

Phone: 01 6288556

Website: www.celbridgemillcommunitycentre.ie

Facebook: Celbridge Mill

Live Performances from our many clubs and groups singing, dancing and entertaining! Special screening of local short film ‘The Home Coming’ directed by Chris Mc Morrow, 1st Prize winner at the recent Irish Film Institute awards. Performers include Play Acting School of Speech & Drama, Performing Art Academy, Run of the Mill Theatre, Celbridge Youth Drama, Brett School of Irish Dancing, Townsend School of Traditional Music

* Family-friendly

STRAFFAN

**Night at the Museum**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 5-9pm

Venue: The Steam Museum

Email: info@steam-museum.ie

Phone: 01 6288412

Fb: The Steam Museum and Lodge Park Walled Garden

The Museum and gardens will have a few surprises for the whole family.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor

**Classy Classics with County Kildare Orchestra**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8 to 9pm

Venue: Straffan Community Hall

Email: countykildareorchestra@gmail.com

Website: www.countykildareorchestra.webs.com

Facebook: CoKildareOrch

A rollercoaster ride through the classics, from heart-wrenching despair to overwhelming joy, this concert is sure to inspire!

* Family-friendly

**Alibi**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm to 10pm

Venue Address: Steam Museum, Lodge Park, Castledillon Lower

Email: markdurkan@gmail.com

Phone: 087 9405302

Website: www.markdurkan.com

Facebook: darkmurkan

Alibi is a live action roleplay experience, where participants roleplay a character for a period of time, interacting with other people who are doing the same thing to express the conditions of a constructed reality. Participants will workshop the creation of a series of characters and relationships to explore a fictional narrative set in the Teahouse of the Steam Museum.

* Require booking
* Special project

ARDCLOUGH

**An Evening With A Rose**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Ardclough Village Centre

Email: ardcloughYT@gmail.com

Phone: 085 1027035

Facebook: ardcloughyouththeatre

A night of spoken word poetry, storytelling, music and performance hosted by Ardclough Drama Group. Starring a selection of local poets, performers and artists of all ages. Free refreshments after the event.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

- Special project

CLANE

**The Cara Orphanage** (1865-1894)

Date: Thur 20th Sept

Time: 7.30pm

Venue Address: Clane Library, The Woods

Email: clanelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 892716

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

A Church of Ireland rector, Samuel George Cotton was convicted on three occasions of ill-treating children under his control in Caragh Orphanage, earning him two prison sentences and heavy fines. His name lives on in the memory of locals, prompting curiosity in an outsider who lived in Robertstown for 35 years. The deconsecrated church, opposite Mondello Park, home to yellow bins and heavy machinery, fuels a story which is worth investigating. A presentation with local images connected to the case will be given by Mary Conliffe who completed a Masters in Local History on the subject.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Pre-event

**Clane Project Centre ‘Community Projects at NEXUS’**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 2.30 - 4.30pm

Venue Address: Clane Project Centre, ‘Nexus’ Prosperous Road

Email: info@claneprojectcentre.ie; marie@claneprojectcentre.ie

Phone: 045 861500 087 6876026 086 2453830

Website: www.claneprojectcentre.ie

Facebook: Clane Project Centre

Clane Project Centre ‘Nexus’ is the link with the community for Social & Cultural and Economic projects.

They invite all to come along to experience what is on offer in Clane. Showcasing: Clane Youth Project, Clane CoderDojo Project, Clane Men’s Shed, Clane Craft Club, Brian Duffy School of Music, with a few surprises, treats and entertainment on the day. Something for all ages. Drop in and take a look at our premises and enjoy the evening at our community hub.

- Wheelchair accessible

- family-friendly

**Knitting & Crochet workshop**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7.30pm

Venue Address: Slieve Rua , Capdoo

Email: marianegan@eircom.net

Phone: 087 2443840

Website: www.marianegan.ie

An ideal opportunity to learn the basics or improve your skills of knitting & crochet, known to create a sense of achievement and relaxation. It may also help to relieve pain, may alleviate symptoms of anxiety and depression, and improve fine motor skills. All materials supplied if you do not have your own.

* Family-friendly
* Require booking

**Heart Art Magic workshop**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 10 am

Venue Address: Slieve Rua Cottage, Capdoo

Email: marianegan@eircom.net

Phone: 087 2443840

Website: www.marianegan.ie

Facebook: Heart Art Magic

Meditation and Art combined. Painting what you are feeling. A very relaxing and enjoyable way to spend a couple of hours with a sense of achievement and a ‘picture’ of what your subconscious is attempting to show you. Such activity may help to relieve stress levels, decrease anxiety and increase confidence.

* Family-friendly
* Require booking

**Jesters @ PS Coffee Roasters**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 7 and 8:30 pm sharp

Venue Address: PS COFFEE ROASTERS Yew Tree Square, Unit 1B The Grange, Prosperous Rd

Email: funnynaas@hotmail.com

Phone: 087 2381282

Website: pscoffeeroasters.ie

Facebook: pscoffeeroasters

Two hour-long comedy gigs with Irish comics just back from Edinburgh. A laugh a minute!

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

**Oil Painting Workshop**

Date: Sun 23rd Sept

Time: 10.30 am

Venue Address: Slieve Rua Cottage, Capdoo

Email: marianegan@eircom.net

Phone: 087 2443840

Website: www.marianegan.ie

Facebook: Heart Art Magic

Complete an oil painting in a couple of hours. A step by step process which is easy, enjoyable and fun when you see what you can create. If you have never painted before and wondered if you could, then this workshop is for you. Go home with a completed painting and a great sense of achievement. All materials necessary are supplied.

* Family-friendly
* Require booking

**Culture & Crafts**

Date: Sun 23rd Sept

Time: 1-5pm

Venue Address: Florence & Milly Craft Studio

Email: events@florenceandmilly.com

Phone: 045 838675

Website: www.florenceandmilly.com/store

Facebook: florenceandmilly

Twitter: FlorenceMilly

Instagram: florencenmilly

Youtube: Florence And Milly

Come along to Florence & Milly's Craft Studio, with free entry. No experience required. Culture and Craft stands from local artists and creatives in the community. Enjoy the Coffee Bar, with Face painting, Pottery Painting and Pottery Wheel Demonstrations.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking

KILL

**Kill Walk & Talk**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Kill village

Email: brianfrancis.mccabe@gmail.com

Phone: 087 3513328

Website: localhistorykill.com

This popular event will consist of a walk and talk around the village of Kill, conducted by members of Kill History Group. The history and heritage of the village will be explored, pointing to its cultural and architectural highlights. The event will be free, open to the general public and will conclude with a cup of tea in the Parish Meeting Room

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor

RATHANGAN

**Who Else Lives Here? / Cé Eile a Chónaíonn Anseo?**

Date: Thur 20th Sept

Time:6.45 – 8 pm

Venue Address: Rathangan Community Library

Email: monicadebath@eircom.net / rathanganlib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: Monica 0863496793 / Library 045 528078

Website: monicadebath.wix.com/monicadebath

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Rath Studio and Rathangan Library bring together Children, their families and friends to respond to ‘CREATIVE RATHANGAN’s slide show of fishing and bug hunting. Young artists will work with visual artist Monica de Bath to create drawings and colourful images of fish, bugs and imaginary creatures. Accompanying adults can also be creative! Fáilte do ghaeilge

- Wheelchair

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

- Pre-event

**'Long Summer Days' at Creative Sewing**

Date: Fri 21st & Sat 22nd Sept

Time: Fri 4-5.30 pm - Sat 12-1pm

Venue address: Aideen Cross Design Studio, Main st.

Email: aideen.cross@gmail.com

Phone: 086 8325694

Website: www.aideencrossdesigns.com

Face book: creative Sewing aideen cross

Youtube: creative Sewing aideen cross

Aideen Cross (designer) runs Creative Sewing classes for kids 7-15yrs who love to create. Pop along for a sewing workshop, where the kids will design & create all things summer related in fabric. Try their hands at hand and machine sewing and see how much fun it all can be. Students winning quilts and other sewing projects are on exhibition too.

* Wheel chair accessible
* Family friendly

**The Moon - How We Would be Lost Without It**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8.30pm

Venue Address: Bog of Allen Nature Centre, Lullymore

Email: bogs@ipcc.ie

Phone: 045 860133

Website: www.ipcc.ie

Facebook: IPCC

Youtube: ConservationPeatland

Twitter: PeatlandConserv

Join Terry Moseley, a lifelong astronomer at the Bog of Allen Nature Centre for a fascinating talk and night sky observation of the moon. Terry will explore the moon in culture and literature, and whether, why, when and how we will ever colonise the moon.

- Wheelchair accessible

 - Family-friendly

- Outdoor (Partial)

SALLINS

**Seisiúin Ceol agus Amhránaíocht le Sult na Sollán**

Date: Dé hAoine, 21 Meán Fómhair / Fri 21st Sept

Time: 9.30 – 11pm

Venue Address: Bridgewater Inn

Email: eolas@sultnasollan.ie

Phone: 087 1834406

Website: www.sultnasollan.ie/index.html

Facebook: sultnasollan

Twitter: sultnasollan

Beidh grúpaí ceoil áitiúla Sult, Fonn Nua agus Sult Óg ag seinm ceol agus beidh amhránaíocht as Gaeilge agus Béarla don Oíche Chultúir / Local traditional music groups Sult, Fonn Nua and Sult Óg will play, and local singers will provide a repertoire of traditional Irish and contemporary songs

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge / Irish language dimension

NAAS

**Exploring Gratitude**

Date: Fri 21st & Sat 22nd Sept

Time: Fri 9am-5pm & Sat 9am-9pm

Venue Address: McAuley Place, Nas na Riogh Housing Association, Sallins Road

Phone: 089 9823888

Email: artbeatireland@gmail.com

Website: mcauleyplace.ie, artbeat.ie

Facebook: McAuley Place / Artbeat.ie

Twitter: McAuley\_Place

Instagram: artbeatireland

Cathy O'Brien, an expressive arts facilitator, has collaborated with the residents, staff and volunteers of McAuley Place in the weeks before Culture Night. McAuley Place is a gathering of residences, centres, people and initiatives with the collective purpose of situating older people to the heart of a vibrant community. Their work incorporates movements, imagery and the creation of gratitude visual arts pieces using mixed media and wording. These pieces along with documentation of the process will be on display over Culture Night Weekend.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Special project

**Exhibition by local artists and painting demonstration with Eugene Conway**

Date: Fri 21 and Sat 22 Sept

Time: open till 7pm and Sat 12-2pm

Venue Address: Tuckmill Gallery, Dublin Road

Email: Tuckmillgallery14@gmail.com

Phone: 045 879761

Tuckmill Gallery will stay open until late on Friday night, while on Saturday people will be able to see a demo by Eugene Conway, one of Ireland’s most well-known landscape artist. Conway’s detail and use of colour ensure his paintings are breath-taking in their realism, while their stillness, peace and honesty portray the true nature and beauty of Ireland.

- Wheelchair accessible

**More People, More Active, More Often**

Date: Fri 21st, Sat 22nd & Sun 23rd Sept

Venue Address: K Leisure Naas, New Caragh Road

Email: naas@kildareleisure.ie

Phone: 045 881655

Website: kildareleisure.ie

K Leisure Naas is inviting you to a series of free events:

Friday 21st: Free Child and Adult Swim – between 1pm and 3:30pm; Free Adult Gym– 1-4pm

Healthy Eating Talk 7:30pm. Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd: Child Free Swim 1-5:30pm; Adult Free Gym & Swim 1-5:30pm

Limited spaces.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Connecting Generations: Through Technology & Conversation**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 2-3pm

Venue: Naas Care of The Aged, Naas Day Centre, Newbridge Rd

Phone: 087 7473233/ 045 979386

Two generations coming together in a day care setting, to record and share life experiences of present and past times, to explore lost traditions, what are our values? What are the views of Ireland of the past and present? What advice to give and receive? What are the dreams and opportunities that the future holds for the young and old? Come along to this Afternoon Chat with Tea.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family Friendly
* Require Booking
* Special project

**Josephine Hardiman Art Studio and Gallery**

Date: Fri 21st, Sat 22nd, Sun 23rd Sept

Time: Fri 5-8pm, Sat & Sun 2-5pm

Venue Address: Art Studio and Gallery, Punchestown

Email: josephinehardiman@gmail.com

Phone: 045 866708/ 086 2452765

Website: www.etsy.com/.ie/shop/JosephineHardiman

Facebook: Josephine Hardiman Artist and Calligrapher

Instagram: Josephine Hardiman Artist

Twitter: @johardiman

Visit and talk with Josephine at her Studio and Gallery to view her unique Art in Watercolours, Drawing and Calligraphy. See ongoing demonstrations of work in progress of The Book of Kildare. Original Art and Archival Pigment Prints and new series of Book of Kildare Cards and Art Cards will be on show.

* Family friendly

**William Trevor: His Life and Works**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Naas Library, Harbour View, Naas

Email: naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: Naas Library = 045 879111

Website: www.kildare.ie/Library/Library/NaasLibrary

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter:@kildarelibrary

Join us for a talk on the life and works of the great novelist and short story writer William Trevor.

The talk will be presented by Dolores Mac Kenna, author of the critical biography ‘William Trevor: The Writer and his Work’, and considered one of the foremost authorities on the writer. Dolores is a lecturer, critic and broadcaster and has written on a wide range of Irish writers.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Require booking

**Art from the Garden**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7-9pm

Venue Address: Naas Town Hall, Main Street

Email: eileen.obrien@iwa.ie

Phone: 045 861346 (Eileen Mobile 0876426254)

Website: John Sullivan Centre Group/Community/Schools Project

The John Sullivan Centre (IWA), Clane are holding an exhibition of work inspired by their summer long Citizen Scientist Project in their biodiversity garden and in the locality. This project was a cross spectrum into the creative arts and linked with the Art/Computer/Community Groups to research, sketch and explore the creative elements of the local flora and fauna sighted and learn more about biodiversity and our living heritage.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly

**Jesters @ PS Coffee Roasters**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7 and 8.30pm sharp

Venue Address: PS Coffee Roasters Unit 1, Poplar Square

Email: funnynaas@hotmail.com

Phone: 087 2381282

Website: pscoffeeroasters.ie

Facebook: pscoffeeroasters

Two comedy gigs of an hour each with Irish comics just back from Edinburgh

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

**Open Rehearsal with Nas Na Ri Singers**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7.30 pm

Venue Address: St David’s Church (C.O.I.), Main Street

Email: nasnarisingers@gmail.com

Website: www.nasnarisingers.ie

Facebook: Nas Na Ri Singers

YouTube: Nás na Rí Singers

The rehearsal is open to all ages and they will take a popular piece of choral music and invite audience members to join with the choir in learning and then singing through the piece. No previous experience is necessary and the evening will culminate with a performance of the newly learnt piece. There will be opportunities afterwards for interested singers to audition at the end of the rehearsal.

- Wheelchair accessible (Partial)

- Family-friendly

**Interactive Video Games**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Venue Address: Rahasker Room (Upstairs), McAuley Place Community Centre

Email: smeatond417@gmail.com

Phone: 083 8886446

Facebook: Build a Guild

Connect Community Group organise and run alternative and inspirational non-profit events offering opportunities for integration of organisations, local business, self-employed, job seekers and retired people living and working within our community. They believe in connecting people to people, helping them to meet their needs and reach their potential. Build A Guild offers interactive play through video games for a fun and laid back Culture Night activity. Come along and play on an Xbox One with a selection of easy games suitable for all levels. (+18)

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

**Candlelight Yoga**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8 – 9pm

Venue Address: Fairgreen Holistic Clinic, 33 South Main Street

Email: lauramcgarr@yahoo.co.uk

Phone: 087 696 3235 (after 4pm)

Facebook: yogaforallkildare

Connect Community believe in connecting people to people, helping them to meet their needs and reach their potential. Candlelight yoga uses gentle movement with restorative yoga poses. The candlelight creates a calming, relaxing ambiance allowing the student to go deeper into poses and surrender and let go.

- Require booking

**SoulWorks Naas**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8-10pm

Venue Address: Naas Presbyterian Church (opposite Town Hall)

Email: proctormz@yahoo.co.uk

Phone: 045 884908 / 085 8069156

Facebook: SoulWorksNaas

Vimeo: soulworksnaas

SoulWorks is a monthly open-mic music gig for teens and young adults. The event offers young people a great opportunity to listen to live music, and to perform if you would like to. And all in a safe supportive environment. Contact them if you’d like to perform, or if you just want to listen, simply come along!

* Wheelchair accessible

**Moat Club One Act**

Date: Fri 21st & Sat 22nd Sept

Time: Fri 8pm, Sat 3pm

Venue Address: The Moat Theatre, Abbey Street

Email: boxoffice@moattheatre.com

Phone: 045 883030

Website: www.moattheatre.com

Facebook: themoattheatre

Twitter: moattheatre

Instagram: theatremoat

What's Left of the Flag. In this tense drama about two Mossad agents in Dublin to carry out a mission, the men must ask themselves how far they are prepared to go for the cause. Written by Jimmy Murphy directed by John Lennon.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**Yin Yoga**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 10 – 11 am

Venue Address: Fairgreen Holistic Clinic, 33 South Main Street

Email: metimeyogajr@gmail.com

Phone: 089 2012749

Facebook: Me Time Yoga & Polarity Therapy

Connect Community Group believe in connecting people to people, helping them to meet their needs and reach their potential. Yin yoga is based on Chinese Meridian Theory. It’s a non-muscular practice - meaning that they are not going to engage muscles, but rather the opposite - they’ll soften the muscles and will allow the gravity to do the work, promotes calm and a relaxed state of mind. It’s definitely worth giving a go!

- Require booking

**Discover Craniosacral Therapy**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 11.30am – 12.30 pm

Venue Address: Rahasker Room (Upstairs), McCauley Place Community Centre

Email: fairgreenclinic@gmail.com

Phone: (045) 898243

Facebook: Fairgreen Holistic Clinic

Instagram: Fairgreen Clinic

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Craniosacral therapy is a gentle, hands on method of evaluating and enhancing the function of the body’s natural healing process. CST is used while treating health issues such as: migranes/headaches, chronic neck pain, colic/reflux, autism, A.D.H.D., anxiety & depression and post surgery disfunction plus other health issues. Suitable for people of all ages including pregnant women and new born babies.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**Almost A Cappella**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 12noon

Venue Address: CBS Secondary School

Email: sharmurphy@gmail.com

Phone: Sharon on 087 6273765

Facebook: PastTimesCommunityChoir; voicesofspringchoir; ANAM Girls Youth Choir

Building on the success of their collaboration for Culture Night 2017, Anam Girls’ Youth Choir of Kill, Past Times Community Choir of Naas and Voices of Spring Community Choir of Celbridge come together once again to blend their voices in song. Expect A Cappella delights, show pieces and above all, lots of fun!

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly

**KILDARE PLAYDAY**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 12-5pm

Address: Áras Chill Dara, Naas

Phone: Parks Section Kildare County Council 045-980538

Website: Kildare.ie/countycouncil

Fb: Kildare County Council

A family fun day packed with indoor and outdoor activities will welcome you at Kildare County Council’s administrative headquarters. The list includes magic shows, craft and recycling workshops, dinos and pet farm, sport and music, circus and storytelling, bouncy castles, baby room and much more! ASD Friendly, fully accessible Sensory and Quiet Rooms can be found on Level 0. Mobiloo Ireland available at Entry Point.

If you can’t make it on the day though, don’t worry, there are lots of playgrounds and parks right across the county. Check the list and find the one closest to you.

Parks and Playgrounds:

Maynooth, Harbour Field

Leixlip, Leilxip Amenity Centre

Celbridge, Willowbrook Park

Celbridge, St John of God

Clane, Sallins Road

Kilcock, Bawnogues

Kildare Town, Lourdesville

Newbridge, Sports Centre

Newbridge, Rosconnell

Newbridge, Adult Gym Liffey Park

Moone, Moone Village

Monasterevin, Westend Street

Kilcullen, Kilcullen Community Centre

Rathangan, Tannery Park

Rathangan Adult Gym St Patricks Park

St. Laurences GAA Old Grange

Suncroft, Suncroft Community Centre

Naas, Monread, Monread Park

Naas, Caragh Road

Naas, Ballycane

Athy, The Peoples Park

Athy, Castle Park

Athy, Skatepark Meeting Lane

Ellistown - Ellistown GAA Grounds

Kill- Kill GAA Grounds

Nurney- Nurney Village

Timahoe - Community Field

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor (Partial)

**Kinesiology – Talk & Demo for Inner Healing**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 1 – 2pm

Venue Address: Rathasker Room (Upstairs), McCauley Place Community Centre

Email: amandab.kin@gmail.com

Phone: 085 7133902

Facebook: @amandasclinic

Instagram: amandasclinic

Connect Community Group believe in connecting people to people, helping them to meet their needs and reach their potential. Kinesiology can get to the root cause of symptoms and imbalances through muscle testing. It uses techniques based on Chinese acupuncture meridians. The main element in Kinesiology is the understanding that the body knows how to heal itself.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**Polarity Therapy**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 2.15 – 3.15 pm

Venue Address: Rathasker Room (Upstairs) McAuley Place Community Centre

Email: metimeyogajr@gmail.com

Phone: 089 2012749

Facebook: Me Time Yoga & Polarity Therapy

Polarity Therapy works with body energy through therapeutic body work. Stress release, deep relaxation, minor aches and pains relief, re-vitalisation and energy increase – these are only some of the benefits of Polarity Therapy. Why should you try it? Because regardless of whether you believe in this “energy stuff” or not – it works! But don’t take this word for it, come and see me to make up your own mind! Supported by Connect Community Group

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**Big Sing**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 3 -4 pm

Venue Address: Duck & Cup, Moat Theatre Cafe

Email: erichan59@gmail.com

Phone: 086 8295237 (after 6pm)

Connect Community Group believe in connecting people to people, helping them to meet their needs and reach their potential.

Do you sing in the shower/kitchen/car? If so join community musicians Eric and John and croon away the afternoon. They’ll be singing famous songs from the 50’s, 60’s, and 70’s. Come along for an afternoon of fun and great singing. All welcome.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**Yoga Therapy**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm

Venue Address: Rathasker Room (upstairs), McAuley Place Community Centre

Email: lauramcgarr@yahoo.co.uk

Phone: 087 696 3235 (after 4pm)

Facebook: yogaforallkildare

 Connect Community Group believe in connecting people to people, helping them to meet their needs and reach their potential.

Yoga as a therapy for movement and relaxation. Come and experience breath work and learn simple chair yoga poses.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**‘What In The World?' – Peadar King Reflects**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 5.15 pm

Venue Address: Naas Library, Harbour View

Email: naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: Event Organiser: Gerard Healion = 085-1126631

 Tickets & Venue Information: Naas Library = 045 879111

Website: www.kildare.ie/Library/Library/NaasLibrary

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

Peadar King is best known as producer, filmmaker and presenter of the TV global affairs series, ‘What in the World’. In 2013, Peadar published a book of the same title – it is essential reading for truth-seekers and those interested in people’s lived experiences in some of the world’s most neglected, exploited and oppressed communities. Peadar will speak about war and its impact and he will also screen excerpts from his various documentaries. Adult and Young Adults are welcome.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Require booking

**Madam Butterfly**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: The Arts and Culture Centre, McAuley Place

Email: hello@mcauleyplace.ie

Phone: 045 897833

Website: www.mcauleyplace.ie

Facebook: McAuleyPlace

Twitter: @Mcauley\_Place

Madam Butterfly the musical; a young Japanese geisha clings to the belief that her arrangement with a visiting American naval officer is a loving and permanent marriage, played on a large screen in our atmospheric Arts and Culture Centre. A detailed synopsis of the musical read in advance by a renowned appreciator of fine music, Mr Peter Fullam with further explanations of the musical during the interval and at the conclusion. This is an event for all the family to attend whether you enjoy Opera or not.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking

**Bat Watch**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30pm

Venue Address: Assemble at steps of Naas library, Naas Harbour

Email: kildarebatgroup@gmail.com

Website: www.batconservationireland.org/events

Social Networks: BCI facebook

Come join the Kildare Bat Group to watch and listen to bats, wrap up warmly, children must be accompanied by an adult, no dogs please. Event is weather dependant

* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Outdoor

**Kilcullen Gospel Choir @ Naas Hospital**

Date: Sun 23rd Sept

Time: 2-3pm

Venue Address: Naas General Hospital – Main Concourse

Email: bernadette.jackson1@hse.ie

Phone: 087 1225907

Kilcullen Gospel Choir. The choir was formed in 2014, has 50 members and is currently under the directorship of Lorraine Nolan. The choir has performed with many artists including Patrick Hyland, Mundy, Rob Strong and Liam O Maonlai.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Free Zumba event @ Monread Community Centre**

Date: Sun 23rd Sept

Time: 4-6pm

Venue Address: Monread Community Centre

Phone: 045 883030

Website: [www.moattheatre.com](http://www.moattheatre.com)

Facebook: ZumbaNaas; zumbainkill; zctopzumba

A pop in Zumba event! They have joined all the Zumba Crews from Kildare together under one roof! All they need is for you to turn up and try it out. You can come for the full 2 hours or just pop in an give it a go.

Its dancing & fitness & a stress reliever all in one!

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Special project

NEWBRIDGE

**Pop up Gallery/ Studio space**

Date: Fri 21st to Sun 23rd Sept

Time: tbc

Venue address: tbc

Email: kildareartcollective@gmail.com

Facebook: Kildare Art Collective

Instagram: Kildare Art Collective

Kildare Art Collective will be creating a curated pop up Artist Studio and Gallery in a vacant space in Newbridge. The public will be invited to participate in viewing the open artist studios and see demonstrations of the artists’ work. The Gallery will be open to the public from Friday evening through to Sunday evening.

* Special project

**Suiwer Dulra**

Date: Fri 21st (until October 2nd)

Time: Fri 2 to 5pm & 7 to 9pm;

Venue Address: Newbridge library, Athgarvan Road

Email: kellybodill@gmail.com

Phone: 089 2462073

Website: sweetpeaweddingweb.wixsite.com/kellybodill

Suiwer, meaning “Pure" in Afrikaans and Dulra, meaning “Nature" in Gaeilge, this exhibition of original oil paintings by Kelly Bodill has influences from both South Africa and Ireland. After immigrating to Ireland over a year ago, the artist finds new inspiration from the beautiful Irish countryside, but half her heart is still on the African Plains.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Pinhole Camera Photography exhibition for Culture Night/Weekend**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 5 to 7pm

Venue Address: Unit 10, Charlotte Mall

Email: cathy.power@kys.ie

Phone: 087 1210054

Website: www.kys.ie

Facebook: KYS News Bulleting

Snapchat: KYS News Bulleting

Over the months leading up to Culture Night, the participants will learn the concept of pinhole photography through making pinhole cameras. The exposure and development process will be done without the use of a dark room, creating digital images from short and long term exposures. The resulting images will be exhibited along with the pinhole cameras created during the project. This work will be showcased in the Newbridge Youth Project Centre which will be open to the community for Culture Night.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension
* Special project

**Live Life, Love Dance @ DanceTones Studios**

Date: Fri 21st and Sat 22nd Sept

Time: Fri 5 – 7pm, Sat 11am – 1pm

Venue Address: DanceTones Studios, Newbridge Industrial Estate

Email: dancetones@eircom.net

Phone: 086 8315468

Website: www.dancetones.org

Facebook: dancetones

Instagram: Dance Tones

Dance class for the very young to the mature at heart! Open to people whom have never danced before but would love to learn. Also great for those whom know a few steps and would like to learn more choreography. Dance classes involve Ballroom, Latin, Salsa, Bokwa, Hip Hop, and even a bit of contemporary. Learn some steps from some of the popular musicals. Have fun, and come and join our dance family for a couple of hours, maybe stay for more….. 😊

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**Kildare Youth Theatre Open Night**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7 to 8.30pm

Venue Address: 1 Main Street

Email: info@crookedhouse.ie

Phone: 087 2759420

Website: www.kildareyouththeatre.com

If you are aged 14 to 19 and interested in drama, come along to a free workshop at Kildare Youth Theatre.

* Family-friendly

**Kildare Youth Theatre presents Karamazoo by Philip Ridley**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue address: Car Park, Riverbank Arts Centre

Phone: 045 448319

Website: [www.riverbank.ie](http://www.riverbank.ie)

Facebook: riverbankartscentre

Twitter: riverbankarts

Karamazoo is a 25 minute monologue for a young performer written in 2003 by London writer Philip Ridley. It is one of the most perfect pieces of writing for a young actor, combining fresh story-telling and comic characterisation that slowly reveals an unflinching critique of a failed social policy through the savage grief of a teenager struggling to cope with the death of a parent.

There is a female version, performed by Hannah Power (in Crooked House – above Johnson’s) and a male version performed by Joe Brown (Riverbank Arts Centre carpark), directed by Peter Hussey.

**An Evening of Culture and Music with Newbridge Community Library**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Newbridge Library, Athgarvan Road

Email: newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 448353

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: Kildare County Library Service or Newbridge Gospel Choir

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

All welcome to come along to Newbridge Library to listen to the ever popular Newbridge Gospel Choir perform some of their popular songs. All welcome!

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**Kurt Cobain: Montage of Heck**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue address: Riverbank Arts Centre, Main Street

Phone: 045 448319

Website: [www.riverbank.ie](http://www.riverbank.ie)

Facebook: riverbankartscentre

Twitter: riverbankarts

Filmmaker Brett Morgen uses material from the Cobains' personal archives in an in-depth examination of the Nirvana frontman's childhood, music career and untimely death. Cert 16+

* Wheelchair accessible

**Eilis Kavangh exhibition**

Date: Fri 21st Sept to Sat 6th Oct

Time: Launch on Fri at 8.45pm

Venue Address: UBH Café, 2-4 Georges Street, W12 HW13

Email: eiliskavart95@gmail.com

Phone: Eilis – 086 0885256

Website: www.eiliskavanagh.com

Facebook: ubhcafe; Eilis Kavanagh Artist

Eilis is an emerging artist based in Newbridge. Her work is inspired not only by the beauty of the local countryside and bogland’s but also by her many visits around Ireland & other countries. Her collection is a personal response to the scenes she encounters. This event will take place in conjunction with “Bernard Fitzpatrick and Band in concert”

* Family-friendly

**Bernard Fitzpatrick and Band in concert**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 9 to 10pm

Venue: UBH Café, 2-4 Georges Street, W12 HW13

Email: azucenadublin@gmail.com

Phone: 087 969 8558

Facebook: bernardfitzpatrickmusic; ubhcafe

YouTube: Bernard Fitzpatrick

After the success of their participation last year, a local songwriter, musicians and an artist have joined forces to bring a taste of the local multicultural talent to the public. Bernard Fitzpatrick & Band is made up of Slovak gypsy, Spanish, Venezuelan and Irish musicians. This diversity is integral to Bernard’s work, where one can appreciate Irish, gypsy jazz, Spanish and L. American influences.

* Family-friendly

**Origami Workshops in Newbridge Library**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 2.30-3.10pm (Children, 8-12 Years Old) & 3.45-4.10pm (Adults)

Venue Address: Newbridge Community Library, Athgarvan Road

Email: newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 448353

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: Kildare County Library

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

Akiko Kidokoro is facilitating two workshops on the traditional Japanese art of paper folding (origami)

 - Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**POP UP ART Exhibition- A collaboration of local community Artists, Music and Business**

Date: Sun 23rd Sept

Time: 10 am to 5pm

Venue: Newbridge Town Hall

Email: eiliskavart95@gmail.ie

Phone: 086 0885256

Website: www.eiliskavanagh.com

Facebook: Eilis Kavanagh Artist

A collaboration of local artists within the community will come together to showcase and market their work at a “POP UP ART EXHIBITION” in the historic venue of Newbridge Town Hall. Ubh Café will facilitate catering by providing teas and coffees for sale on the day.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Special Project

THE CURRAGH

**60 Years of Defence Forces Peacekeeping Operations**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 5-9pm

Venue Address: United Nations Training School Ireland, Curragh Camp

Email: untsi@defenceforces.ie

Phone: 045 44 5170

Website: www.military.ie

Facebook: Irish Defence Forces

A lecture on the history of the Defence Forces 60 Years of UN Peacekeeping Duty by the staff of the Defence Forces UN Training School. The lecture will be repeated on the hour from 17.00 to 21.00.

* Family-friendly

**Curragh Camp 1918 Armistice Commemoration - Public Art Mural Launch**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Curragh Camp

Website: www.paulwoodsart.com

Official unveiling of a public art commemorative mural by artist Paul Woods, supported by Kildare County Council, Creative Ireland and the Irish Defence Forces. The mural will commemorate the Irish soldiers who fought and died in the First World War. 2018 highlights the 100th anniversary of the end of the conflict, with particular emphasis being placed on the Armistice celebrations taking place in November 2018.

Paul Woods is an Irish artist who graduated from Limerick School of Art and Design with a BA in fine art painting and NUI Maynooth with MA in Military History and Strategic Studies. Paul has travelled and researched extensively on the subject matter of war and conflict, from battlefields in Europe, Asia and North America, Auschwitz in Poland to the Kwai River in Thailand.

* Special project

**Drums, Bagpipes and Guitar**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: 1 Griffith Road, Curragh Camp

Email: angelacurragpridefrc@gmail.com

Phone: 045 456883

Website: www.curraghfrc.ie

Facebook:curraghfamilyresourcecentre

Working together with our children’s drumming group and St. Brigids Pipe band the Curragh will carry out a musical performance where the acoustic guitar is brought together with the pipe band and the drums to play some wonderful eclectic music.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor

- Special project

KILDARE

**Hip Hop Culture with Vicky Barry's School of Dance**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Venue Address: Kildare Town Library

Email: kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 520235

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter:@kildarelibrary

Experience Hip Hop Culture and the joy of movement with Vicky Barry’s School of Dance at Kildare Town Library

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Kildare Area Flash Mob**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 3.45pm

Venue address: secret venue in Kildare town

Email: emmastrain2015@gmail.com

Phone: 086 3427182

Facebook: youthspacekildare

Instagram: the\_hive\_youth\_hubkildare

This collaborative project will be brought to you by two emerging artists one with a background in dance, the other in performance and supervised under the guidance of a drama teacher, volunteers from The Hive Hub and using the outreach programme from the Gaiety School of Acting.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor

- Special project

**The Art of Nature Workshop**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 6-8 pm

Venue Address: Irish National Stud

Email: studio@candella.ie

Phone: 087 7676111

Website: www.candella.ie

Instagram: ania\_necelkruppa ; candellaireland

Collaboration between Ania's Ceramics and Candella Ireland to promote local artist and local heritage.

They would like to invite you to a 2 hour workshop where you can design your own natural art collage and make your own natural bar of soap. Let's capture Irish summer together.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Outdoor

**Launch of an Exhibition of the work of visual artist, Gill Berry**

Date: Fri 21st Sept (runs till 5th Oct)

Time: 6.30-9 pm

Venue Address: Kildare Town Library

Email: marhaba.publication@gmail.com

Phone: 086-0523452 (Kevin)

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter:@kildarelibrary

Gill Berry, a native of Kildare, produced a vast body of work during her lifetime. Her paintings represent a magical realism forged from meticulous research of the human condition and the diversity of cultures both past and present. Gill presents us with a mysterious and secret world and invites us to share her sense of wonder.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly

**Terry Norman: Live at Square II, Another Night of Comedy and Coffee**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7 to 8pm & 9 to 10pm

Venue Address: Square - Speciality Coffee Bar & Retail Space, 3 Market Square

Email: kildare@squarecoffee.ie

Phone: 045 542 161

Website: www.squarecoffee.ie

Facebook: squarekildare

Instagram: squarecoffee

Having toured the United States and the United Kingdom, Kildare Town's own Terry Norman returns to Square - half a year removed from two-sold out performances at the venue - with an all-new hour of stand-up to show us just how a little travel has broadened his mind.

-Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

**DE BRUIR: Leather Studio & Workshop Display**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 10am – 5pm

Venue Address: Monasterevin Road

Email: info@deBruir.com

Phone: 087 6182290

Website: www.deBruir.com

Facebook: deBruir

Instagram: deBruir

The DE BRUIR workshop designs and makes a collection of leather Travel Bags and accessories. Master-craftsman Garvan de Bruir will be demonstrating some leather-working skills throughout the weekend as he handmakes his award-winning leather bags.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

KILCULLEN

**Launch of The Flight of the Wren, a novel by Kildare author Orla McAlinden**

Date: Wed 19th Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Woodbine Books, Lower Main St

Email: orlamcalindenauthor@gmail.com

Phone: 045 482777

Website: www.orlamcalinden.com www.woodbinebooks.ie

Facebook: WoodbineBooksIreland; orlamcalindenauthor

Be the first to hear Kildare author, Orla McAlinden (author of The Accidental Wife) reading from her CD Lewis-award-winning novel, The Flight of the Wren. The novel is set on the Curragh during the Great Famine, and features real Kildare women who were transported to van Diemen’s Land during this period. The book will be officially launched at this free event. Light refreshments served.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Pre-event

**1798: The Local Story**

Date: Fri 21st

Time: 7 pm

Venue Address: Kilcullen Community Library

Email: kilcullenlib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 482193

The Battle of Old Kilcullen on May 24th 1798 was one of the first engagements of the 1798 rebellion with around 200 insurgents mobilising in the old hill top churchyard. General Dundas, headquartered in nearby Castlemartin, mustered a combined force of about 120 infantry, cavalry and dragoons to disperse these rebels. The engagement and its aftermath are the subject of our Culture Night presentation in song and story by local artistes.

- Wheelchair accessible

BALLYMORE EUSTACE

**Ceol agas Caint♬**

Date: Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Band Hall, Ballymore Eustace

Email: wolfetoneband@gmail.com

Phone: 086 4037235

Website: ballymoreband.com

Facebook: BallymoreBand

Twitter: @BallymoreBand

A concert celebrating local musical talent and the launch of ‘Ag Caint Lé Chéile' a new Irish Language initiative to get the local community talking together ‘as Gaeilge’! The Irish group 'Ag Caint Lé Chéile' is using Culture Night to officially launch its existing weekly Irish Language Group meeting. The group also have plans to present the concert mostly through the Irish language, while showcasing its work to date and unveiling plans for the future of the group.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension
* Special project

BALLITORE

**“Calf Old Woman” Kathleen Shackleton: Artist, Illustrator, Arctic Traveller & Blackfoot Indian – A Talk by Dr. Sharon Greene**

Date: Fri 21 Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue Address: Ballitore Library & Quaker Museum, Mary Leadbeater House

Email: ballitorelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 059 8623344

Website: Kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

Kathleen Shackleton, one of the Antarctic explorer's adoring eight sisters, had no less interesting a life than her famous brother. Her travels brought her from the new Czech Republic to Arctic Canada and her career as a successful portrait artist allowed her to meet everyone from Heads of State and industry to factory workers and indigenous communities. Despite all this, Kathleen died in relative obscurity and her achievements have never been celebrated in her birthplace of Ireland.

Dr Sharon Greene, an archaeologist who specialises in the early medieval period and editor of Archaeology Ireland magazine, grew up close to the birthplace of the renowned Antarctic explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton in Kilkea, Co Kildare. A couple of years ago she began researching the lives of all the girls in this fascinating family whose own stories have been overshadowed by their famous brother.

- Require booking

**A Night of Crafts and Music**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7-9pm

Venue Address: Crookstown Craft Village, Crookstown

Phone: 086 0657801

Website: crookstowncraftvillage.com

Facebook: Crookstown Craft Village

Instagram: crookstowncrafts, Avril’s Flowers, Fleur Millinery, Al’s Banjos

Enjoy an evening of crafting with some of Kildare’s finest craftspeople. Learn the art of decoupage in Avril’s Florist’s Studio or design your own monoprints under the expert tuition of Corina Fitzgibbon, Print Artist. Or why not try your hand at the basic embroidery stitches from Joy and see some of her stunning creations? Each participant will create their own art piece. Or just watch and marvel at milliner, Julie (from Fleur Millinery), creating one of her inimitable designs. Stroll into Al’s Banjo’s in his studio where he hand-makes and reconstructs musical instruments. He will also play a tune or two. At the end of the evening, relax in the tranquil surroundings of the Craft Village as refreshments will be provided while our musicians will entertain you.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**Deadlines and More Deadlines!**

Date: Fri 21st and Sat 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue Address: The Meeting House

Email: grieseyouththeatre99@gmail.com

Phone: 087 7528398

Website: grieseyouththeatre.com

Facebook: Griese Youth Theatre

Griese Youth Theatre present Forty-Five Minutes by Anya Reiss, a play about exam deadlines, hopes and fears.

Followed by a post show discussion and study tips!

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Special project

ATHY

**Let’s Clay Together**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 12 to 4pm

Venue Address: Athy Wheelchair Association, Woodstock North

Email: Martagolubowska@gmail.com

Phone: Marta Golubowska 087 125 9596 (artist) IWA Catherine Doyle 059 863 8529

Website: www.fourhandsart.com , www.iwa.ie

Facebook: Fourhandsart

In this highly participatory and inclusive event, the Artist Marta Golubowska would facilitate ceramic workshops leading to an event where the members of Irish Wheelchair Association will share their passion and expertise of ceramics with the wider community. Come along to participate in a set of masterclasses run by members of IWA. In the four weeks leading to the event the group will be creating works, that will be showcased on the day. Tea and coffee provided.

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Special project

**Dramatherapy for Children 8 -12 year olds and for adults**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 3-4pm children, 4.15 to 5.15 pm adults

Venue Address: Athy Community Arts Centre, Woodstock Street

Email: athyarts@gmail.com

Phone: 087 0576713

Website: www.athycommunityartscentre.com

Facebook: athyarts

Twitter: #athyarts

Dramatherapy uses storytelling, symbolic play, puppets, masks, music and art-making in a therapeutic space to facilitate healthy change and development in children and adults of all ages and abilities. Dramatherapy can take place in group or individual sessions. No experience or interest in drama is required. Join Claire Haworth, local dramatherapist for this interactive taster session. Take time to immerse yourself in your own personal creativity to help understand and express your emotions.

Explore imaginative play and emotional expression in a safe and non-competitive environment. Maximum of 8 in the group.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Circus Class Open Evening**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 6-8pm

Venue Address: Athy Community Arts Centre, Wood Stock St.

Email: Johnny@StreetTheatreIreland.com

Phone: 087 2281645

Facebook: C-Circus-K

Website: www.CcircusK.com

C Circus K is Community Circus in Kildare. They teach Circus Skills such as Juggling, Stilt Walking, Wire Walking, Plate Spinning and much more, to children and adults age 9 and up. They meet Thursday evenings 6.30-8pm in Athy.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Cooking Up A Delicious Storm**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 6-8pm

Venue Address: Athy

Email: gloriousgod2004@yahoo.co.uk

Phone: 085 1426012

Website: www.womensintegratednetwork-win-athy.org

 ‘Cooking Up A Delicious Storm’ provides the opportunity to showcase varied specialities (food or beverage) from across the world. The challenge is a pre-registered aspect of the programme and in five categories: 1] 8-10yrs old: cold food, 2] 11-13yrs old: hot or cold, 3] 14-16yrs old: hot or cold, 4] 17-19yrs old hot and cold & 5] 20yrs old and above: hot and cold (include Mums & Dads)

\*All registered for the challenge have to bring what they wish to cook while WIN provides space,

cooking stove etc and one prize each for the 5 categories\*. Women’s Integrated Network (WIN): Empowering Women for positive integration through quality information provision, training, skills / knowledge acquisition, potential development and social networking.

- Wheelchair accessible

- family-friendly

- Require booking (the challenge)

**Embracing ISL & Puppetry**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: tbc

Venue Address: Athy Library

Email: singandsign@gmail.com

Facebook: Athy Sing Sign Club

Twitter: @athysingsign

In advance of the upcoming Irish Sign Language festival, a special event will take place in Athy Library. Come along to this Sing & Sign Performance, with puppets!

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Made of Athy, a celebration of Athy in Song and Verse**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue Address: Athy Library

Email: Upkildare@gmail.com

Phone: 045 980555

Website: www.kildare.ie/Library/Library/AthyLibrary

In an all-star celebration of the town of Athy, its singers, songwriters, musicians and writers come together for this one night only spectacular. This event is really not to be missed from the famous to the infamous, they will all be there.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Treasure of Athy**

Date: Sun 23rd Sept

Time: 1-3 pm

Venue Address: Athy Heritage Centre Museum, (Shackleton Museum) Emily Square

Email: athyheritage@eircom.net

Phone: 059 8633075

Website: www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie www.shackletonmuseum.com

Facebook: athyheritage.centre

Twitter: @athyheritage

Telling a story through objects – this is a chance for people to get some information on an object that has sentimental value to them and can also tell us a bit about the past – objects do not have to be hundreds of years old to tell a story so please drop in and talk to the experts that will be in the Museum on the day to answer any questions.

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

CASTLEDERMOT

**Painting Masterclass with Pat Maher**

Date: Fri 21st Sept

Time: 7-9pm

Venue Address: Castledermot Library

Email: castledermotlib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 059 91 44483 (Jan)

Following last year's very popular Art Workshop, we are pleased to invite popular artist Pat Maher to come back and demonstrate more techniques with acrylic and oil paints on Culture Night. All are welcome - you don't need to be a member! This event is suitable for any level of skill, from the complete beginner to those who have painted for many years - everyone will find some tips to help you bring new freshness and life to your paintings.

* Booking advisable

**For further information on Culture Night Kildare**

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Facebook: Arts in Co Kildare

Tw: @ArtsInCoKildare #LoveCulture

This brochure in a large text format is available to download on [www.kildare.ie/culturenight](http://www.kildare.ie/culturenight) or calling the number 045 448328.

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