Culture Night Kildare 2017

Programme

Welcome to Kildare's Culture Night and its jam-packed programme of FREE events for the whole family. From tours to workshops, performances, talks and exhibitions there is something for every taste!

Culture Night is the opportunity to engage with the rich arts and culture resources of our country and in County Kildare we have extended the programme to include events on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th, so everyone can get a chance to get involved!

This year, some special projects will shine an extra light on creativity in the county. These projects will be displayed in the main streets of some county’s towns the week before Culture Night, getting the whole community to celebrate arts and culture.

On Friday 22nd of September and the following weekend switch on Culture Night!

CLOCHA RINCE

**Art for All**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 11am, 12pm, 2pm, 3pm

Venue: Clocha Rince Community Library

Email: suzanne.sherry@live.com

Phone: 046 9553428

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

To date, John Carpenter has introduced over 5,000 people to the joys of drawing and painting. Maybe you think you can’t paint, that you are not artistic or maybe you have not painted for a while. Take this opportunity to pick up a brush on Culture Night.

11am: Adult art class; 12pm: Manga drawing workshop for children; 2pm: Poetry Recital with 6th class children, 3pm: winner of a Short Story Competition will be announced. The day will finish with music by local musicians (tbc).

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking

KILCOCK

**Traditional Irish Evening**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Venue: Kilcock Community Library

Email: kilcocklib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 6284403

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Kilcock Library will host a Traditional Evening of Music, Song, Stories and Dance, featuring our local Comhaltas group Craobh Naomh Coca and the Theresa Brayton Heritage Group. Open to all ages; light refreshments will be served.

Symbols:

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

MAYNOOTH

**Russell Library Tours of the Library’s Collection**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 4-7pm (hourly tours, with the last tour starting @ 6pm)

Venue: The Russell Library, South Campus, Maynooth University, Maynooth

Email: Library.Russell@nuim.ie

Phone: 01 708 3890

Website: www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library/collections/russell-library

Fb: NUI Maynooth University Library

Tw: library\_MU

You Tube: LibraryNuim

Blog: //mulibrarytreasures.wordpress.com

This impressive library is home to a unique collection of manuscripts, archives and early printed works and a fine example of Pugin architecture. Join a guided tour of the Russell Library and admire the beautiful work. Make your way to the library early as tours are on a first-come, first-served basis. (Max. 30 per tour).

Symbols:

- Require booking

**Maynooth Castle by Night**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6 – 9.15pm. Last admissions 8.45pm

Venue: Maynooty Castle, Maynooth

Email: maynoothcastle@opw.ie

Phone: 01 628 6744

Website: www.heritageireland.ie

Fb: maynoothcastle

Visit this 12th century stone castle, once the home of the all-powerful Fitzgerald Family, Earls of Kildare. The castle was once the centre of power in Ireland and was also a place of culture and learning. Drop in on Culture Night, view an exhibition on the history of the castle and find out more from the knowledgeable guides!

Symbols:

- Partly Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Partly Outdoor

**National Science and Ecclesiology Museum Maynooth**

Date: Fri 22nd & Sun 24th Sept

Time: Fri 7-10pm, Sun 2-6 pm

Address: St Patricks College, Maynooth

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!!

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Weekend event

**Culture Night Miscellany**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8 – 11pm

Venue: Maynooth Community Library, Main Street, Maynooth

Email: Maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 6285530

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Join us in Maynooth Community Library for a night of miscellany poetry, literature, song and music with a gathering of artists from the local community. Contact the library for further details

Symbols:

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

**Journeys through Vessels**

Date: Sat 23rd & Sun 24th Sept

Time: Sat 7-9 pm open reception & Sun 11am – 3pm

Venue: Geraldine Hall, Leinster Street, Maynooth

Email: clodaghekelly@hotmail.com

Phone: 086 0720631

Website: www.clodaghkellyart.com

'Journeys through Vessels’ is a Visual and Audio Installation which explores Clodagh Kelly's journey and relationship with water. It includes sounds from the sea where the swallows fly in, to the rise of the Liffey in Wicklow and its flow into Kildare, accompanied by drawings.

Life-size figurative paper sculptures protect clay vessels; through which the sound of water will allow the viewer time to sit and contemplate their relationship with water in the renovated Chapel of the Geraldine Hall. In the main hall, the public are invited to collaborate with the artist and to assist in making a series of drawings created around the theme of water.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Weekend event

- Special event

LEIXLIP

**Pop up "Urban Art Gallery”**

Date: Sat 16th to Sat 30th Sept

Location: an unoccupied business space in Leixlip, tbc

Email: info@jamiedunneart.ie

Phone: 087 2100225

Website: www.jamiedunneart.ie

Fb: jamiedunneart

Instagram: jamie\_dunne\_artist

Join Jamie Dunne, a local artist from Leixlip for an exhibition of his recent work including *Time Collection Of Carousels*, *Men at the bar* and other Irish moments characters, local scenes, & Life paintings. A special edition to this exhibition will include original paintings by late Davy Dunne from the Dunne families’ private collection. Two classes from local primary schools will participate through an art competition and entrants and winners will be showcased in the gallery. The gallery will be family-friendly and include a young artist corner. A special, socially inclusive open reception will take place on Culture Night for the local community.

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Special event

**Teddy Bear Sleepover**

Date: Fri 22nd & Sat 23rd Sept

Time: Fri 5.30 – 7pm & Sat 11.30am

Venue: Leixlip Community Library

Email: leixliplib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 6060050

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Susan Boyle will host an evening for children and their favourite cuddly friends including crafts, storytelling and a movie. Afterwards tuck your teddy up for a sleep-over in the library. Come back the next morning for a story time, collect your certificate and see what mischief everyone got up to overnight!

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Weekend event

**Young Filmmakers Showcase**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue: Platform4 Studio, Leixlip Library

Email: ekdoyle@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 448328

Website: www.kildare.ie/artsservice

Facebook: Arts in Co Kildare

Join us in the Platform4 Studio on Culture Night to experience some of the best young filmmaking talent Kildare has to offer. With films from Kildare Young Filmmakers, Kildare Youth Service and from summer projects in North Kildare; this promises to be a great evening’s entertainment. If you are interested in joining a young filmmakers group or setting one up, come along and meet the team that coordinate Kildare County Council's programme

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**Traditional Irish Culture at St Mary’s Church**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue: St Mary’s Church, Main Street, Leixlip, Co. Kildare

Email: info@cceleixlip.com

Phone: 086 2005640

Website: CCELEIXLIP.com

Facebook: cceleixlip

The historic St Mary’s Church, Leixlip is the perfect backdrop for this Culture Night performance by Leixlip, Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann. Comhaltas in Leixlip has been active for 38 years, the performance will be Irish traditional music – song and dancing.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

CELBRIDGE

**Artist Notebook Exhibition**

Date: Sat 16th to Sat 23rd Sept

Location: Main Street, Celbridge

Email: veramcevoy@gmail.com

Phone: 086 2584367

Website: www.veramcevoy.com www.acreproject.com

Fb: vera.mcevoy.7

Vera McEvoy will display her journals in 3 large shop windows in Main Street, Celbridge. All the proposed windows have 24-hour lighting installed so the project would be very visible after dark also. Have a look around to find these original pieces in your local shop!

Symbol:

* Family-friendly
* Special event

**The Performance Corporation 'Expedition'**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Derrybeg Farm, Celbridge (farm entrance opp. Salesian College)

Email: tom@theperformancecorporation.com

Phone: 086 8567094

Website: www.ThePerformanceCorporation.com

Fb: PerformanceCorp

Twitter: PerformanceCorp

Expedition is a theatrical event that transports us 100 years into the future for a thought-provoking and often humorous examination of the impact of climate change. It’s the year 2117 at Derrybeg Farm and a panel of performers, scientists and activists give us their unique take on the 100 years since 2017. The Performance Corporation is a Kildare based award winning site-specific theatre company. A tour of the farm with some trad music will follow afterwards.

Symbols:

- Outdoor

**Ready, Steady, Book**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7-9 pm

Venue: Celbridge Library

Email: celbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 01 627 2207

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Come and join us for an evening of book-tasting. Guests will be 'served' a three course of books that will broaden their literary palate and highlight the range of genres and authors available in the library. Don't forget - BYOB (bring your own book) - a favourite author or series that you would like others to adore!

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

**Expressions 2**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7pm till late

Venue: Kildrought Function Room, beside Celbridge Library

Email: expressionstwo2017@gmail.com

Facebook: Full Stops and Comments Writing Group, Celbridge

A night with something for everyone - Music, Stories, Poetry, Song, Dance, Exhibitions of Art and Photography.

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Maynooth Gospel Choir**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: The Acre Project, Maynooth Rd., Celbridge

Email: events@maynoothgospel.com

Phone: 0876031636

Website: acreproject.com; www.maynoothgospel.com/

Facebook: MaynoothGospel; ACREProjectCelbridge

Twitter: maynoothgospel

This promises to be an evening of fun, soulful and uplifting gospel music. Entertaining people and spreading positivity and feel-good energy for over 10 years, the Maynooth Gospel Choir love what they do and hope to put a little pep in your step. Get up on your feet and clap along to the upbeat numbers, or sit back and enjoy the rich and dynamic harmonies. Happy Culture Night!

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Booking required

**Ar Lorg na Laochra, On the Shoulders of Giants**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm, doors open at 7.30pm

Venue: Hunting Room, Stable Wing

Email: castletownevents@opw.ie (include Culture Night 2017 in the subject heading)

Phone: 01 6288252

Website: www.castletown.ie

Fb: Castletown house & parklands

Twitter: #opw @castletown

A magical evening of music with a duet of two of the most iconic instruments of Ireland: Tiarnan O`Duinnchinn, Uilleann Pipes and Laoise Kelly, Harp. Allocation for tickets will be by lottery

Symbols:

- Require booking

**Dramatization of 'First Confession' by Frank O Connor**

Date: Fri 22nd & Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 8 pm

Venue: Tea Lane Chapel, Church Road, Celbridge

Email: breda.konstantin@iol.ie

Phone: 087 9630719

Website: tealanegraveyard.com

Fb: tealanegraveyard

A trip down memory lane, in a very special setting, with a short dramatization of 'First Confession' performed by fantastic local actors. The evening will also include stories and songs we learned at school. Free parking at Celbridge Abbey Car Park, Clane Road. More details on the Facebook page

Symbols;

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Weekend event

**Creative Notebook – Get Started**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 11am - 2pm

Location: The ACRE, Celbridge

Email: veramcevoy@gmail.com

Phone: 086 2584367

Website: www.veramcevoy.com www.acreproject.com

Fb: vera.mcevoy.7

Join local artist Vera McEvoy for a fun filled, relaxed, imaginative introduction to starting your very own Creative Notebook. You will be introduced to a variety of techniques and skills which can be continued and further explored at home. Individual notebooks are provided. Please book to secure a place. Maximum 12 participants. Adults and children over 14 years of age are welcome to attend. All art materials provided.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible - Yes

- Family-friendly: 14+

- Require booking

- Weekend event

**Culture Night Variety Show at Celbridge Mill Community Centre**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 6.30-9pm

Venue: Celbridge Mill Community Centre

Email: celbridgemillcommunitycentre@gmail.com

Phone: 01 6288556 or John 086 3080528

Website: celbridgemillcommunitycentre.ie

Fb: Celbridge Youth Drama ; gmacademy;

Youtube: Andrey Boldyrev - Daniela Rouse, 1/4 Rumba;

This showcase highlights the range of activities in the centre - Run of The Mill Theatre, Playacting Arts Academy, Youth Drama, Modern Theatre Dance, Retox Dance Lyrical, Brett School of Irish Dance, Townsend School of Traditional Music, Daniela Roze and Andrey Ballroom Dance, Orla Gildea Speech and Drama and Performing Arts Academy

Symbols:

* Family-friendly
* Weekend event

STRAFFAN

**A Night at the Movies**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8 pm

Venue: Straffan Community Hall

Email: countykildareorchestra@gmail.com

Website: www.countykildareorchestra.webs.com

Fb: CoKildareOrch

Themes from movie favourites including The Mission and James Bond. County Kildare Orchestra is an amateur orchestra based in Kildare. Our mission is to bring music to the widest audience possible. They play several concerts each year and always welcome new members. Their repertoire spans from the Baroque and the Classical, to the Romantics as well as waltzes and polkas.

**Anna Liffey Artists @ Straffan Antiques & Design**

Date: Open Reception Sun 24th Sept; Exhibition running from 12th Sept -1st Oct;

Time: 2pm

Venue: Art Gallery @ Straffan Antiques & Design , Barberstown Cross, Straffan

Email: info@straffanantiques.com

Phone: 01 627 4018

Website: www.straffanantiques.com

Fb: StraffanAntiquesDesgn; Anna-Liffey-Artists-News-Events ; jamiedunneart

Join us to meet the Anna Liffey Artists and celebrate a collection of new work from many of Kildare’s leading creatives who share a variety or practise and mediums including oils, acrylics, watercolour, woodturning and lapidary art (marble) by artists Jamie Dunne, Janet Colgan, Colm Butler, Leo Dalton, Carmel Quinn, Caitriona Moore, David Begg, Fredrick Ball, Rosemary Ledwith, Ciarain O’Briain, Claudia McManus & Paul Dunne.

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Weekend event

**Night at the Museum**

Date: Fri 22nd sept

Time: 5-9pm

Venue: The Steam Museum Straffan

Email: info@steam-museum.ie

Phone: 01 6288412

Fb: The Steam Museum and Lodge Park Walled Garde

The Museum and gardens will be candle lit and we will have music and events for children.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Outdoor

ARDCLOUGH

**Play In A Day!**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 10am-5pm with performance at 8pm

Venue: Ardclough Village Centre

Email: poleary@tcd.ie

Phone: 085 1027035

Fb: ardcloughyouththeatre

Calling all young people aged 10 to 14! Ardclough Youth Theatre will be running a “Play in a Day” workshop. Come and join us in the morning and work creating a play to be performed for friends and family in the evening. Learn acting, movement and dance skills. No experience necessary, just a willingness to try new things and meet new people!

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Weekend event

CLANE

**CPC Community Projects**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 3 - 5 pm

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

Email: info@claneprojectcentre.ie

Phone: 045 861500 / 087 6876026

Website: www.claneprojectcentre.ie

Clane Project Centre ‘Nexus’ is our link with the community for social and cultural and Economic projects.

We invite all to come along to experience what is on offer: Clane Youth Project, Clane CoderDojo Project, Clane Men’s Shed, Clane Craft Club, Children’s Art group, a few surprises, treats and entertainment on the day. Something for all ages.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- family-friendly

**Painting Workshop**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30 – 9 pm

Venue: Clane Library

Email: clanelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 892716

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Local artist Sharon Dunne will facilitate a workshop involving painting in acrylics. The theme for the workshop is Irish cottages. Everyone will go home with their own painting.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Require booking

**Heart Art Magic**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 10 am - 12.30 pm

Venue: Slieve Rua Cottage, Capdoo, Clane

Email: marianegan@eircom.net

Phone: 087 244 3840

Website: ​www.marianegan.ie

Youtube: marianegan1

Heart Art Magic is spontaneous painting. Painting what you are feeling, effortless, freeing, exciting and fun. Exploring what is attempting to unlock and unblock hidden potential.

Symbols:

* Partly Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Weekend event

KILL

**Kill Walk & Talk**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7 pm

Venue: Kill Village

Email: brianfrancis.mccabe@gmail.com

Phone: 087 3513328

Website: www.localhistorykill.com

Kill History Group will lead a walk and talk around the village of Kill, exploring its history and heritage and pointing to its cultural and architectural highlights. The event will be open to the public and will conclude with a cupán tae in the Parish Meeting Room

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Outdoor

RATHANGAN

**Artistic Fun with Fabric by kids from Creative Sewing, Rathangan**

Date: Sat 2nd – Mon 25th Sept

Venue: Rathangan shops’ windows

Email: aideen.cross@gmail.com

Phone: 086 8325694

Web: www.aideencrossdesigns.com

Facebook: Creative Sewing

A selection of quilts made by the children at Creative Sewing will be displayed in the local shops’ windows. These quilts have been handmade by children aged 7-12 yrs, who are full of creativity and imagination and so awesome that they have won awards!

Symbols:

* Family-friendly
* Special event

**An Eye for Music / Ag mothú agus ag líoníocht le Ceol**

Date: Thur 21st & Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6.30pm – 8pm

Venue: Rathangan Library

Email: [rathanganlib@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:rathanganlib@kildarecoco.ie) ; monicadebath@eircom.net

Phone: 045 528078 / 086 3496793

Website: www.kildare.ie/library ; monicadebath.wix.com/monicadebath

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

The universal language of music will come alive in a collaborative exhibition around music and song. Children aged 5 to 12 are invited to create an artwork in response to music. This event will take place in the library gallery. Fáilte do ghaeilge!

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Pre-event

**SEWING is FUN for ALL AGES**

Date: Fri 22nd & Sat 23rd Sept

Time: Fri 4.30-6pm – Sat 12-1pm

Venue: Aideen Cross Studio, Main St, Rathangan

Email: aideen.cross@gmail.com

Phone: 086 8325694

Web: www.aideencrossdesigns.com

Facebook: Aideen Cross Bridal Designer; Creative Sewing

Join us for a morning or evening of Creative Sewing. If you are aged 7yrs or older, drop in and enjoy sewing projects such as sparkle purses, hair bows and much more. We will also be exhibiting students work from throughout the year and award winning quilts too. All fabrics and machines supplied.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family friendly
* Weekend event

**Two Habitats, Shared History, New Beginnings – Unearthing the Connection between the Grand Canal in Allenwood and the Bog of Allen**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 5-8pm

Venue: Bog of Allen Nature Centre, Lullymore, Rathangan

E-mail: bogs@ipcc.ie

Website: www.ipcc.ie

Facebook: IPCC.ie

All are welcome to attend the Bog of Allen Nature Centre for a talk on the connections between the Grand Canal and the Bog of Allen. This is a project that took place in Summer 2017 with the support of Waterways Ireland and explores the cultural and shared history between these two features within the landscape of Kildare.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Partly Outdoor

SALLINS

**Art Exhibition**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Venue: The Grange Café, Sallins

Email: info@sharonfidgeon.com

Come along and see some of our beautiful art on the walls of The Grange Café.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Weekend event

**Seoladh Oifigiúil Fhéile na Sollán / Official Launch of Féile na Sollán – Sallins TradFest**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30 – 8pm

Venue: Bridgewater Inn, Na Solláin / Sallins

Email: eolas@feilenasollan.com

Phone: 087 2249756

Website: www.feilenasollan.com

Fb: feilenasollan,

Twitter: sultnasollan

Seoladh oifigiúil an cheiliúrtha bliantúil deireadh seachtaine de cheol traidisiúnta, teanga agus cultúr na hÉireann. Bíonn sé ar siúl in áiteanna éagsúla sna Solláin idir 6 agus 8 Deireadh Fómhair, 2017.

Official launch of our annual weekend celebration of Irish trad music, language and culture which takes place in a variety of venues from Fri 6th - Sun 8th October, 2017.

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

LOGOs: Culture Night logo Irish, Foras na gaelige, logo version 1

**Seoladh leabhair, Cillian ag comhaireamh, ag Siobhain Grogan**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue: Bridgewater Inn, na Solláin

Email: eolas@coislife.ie

Phone: 01 2190223

Website: www.coislife.ie agus www.sultnasollan.ie

Twitter: siobhaingrogan; CoisLife; sultnasollan.ie

Seoladh leabhair nua do pháistí, ‘Cillian ag comhaireamh’ leis an údar áitiúil, Siobhain Grogan. Tá fáilte roimh ionadaí Dhaidí na Nollag teacht ann chun cóip shínithe a fháil do dhuine speisialta.

The launch of Coislife’s new children’s book, ‘Cillian ag comhaireamh’, by local author, Siobhain Grogan. Santa is welcome to send a representative to acquire a signed copy for someone special.

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

LOGOs: Culture Night logo Irish, Foras na gaelige, logo version 1

**Seisiún Ceoil / Trad session**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 9pm

Venue: Bridgewater Inn, Na Solláin / Sallins

Email: eolas@sultnasollan.ie

Phone: 087 2249756

Website: www.sultnasollan.ie

Facebook: sultnasollan

Twitter: sultnasollan

Seisiún ceoil le grúpaí áitiúla, Sult agus Fonn Nua. Fáilte roimh cheoltóirí agus roimh amhránaithe eile. Fáilte roimh Ghaeilge chomh maith.

Trad session with local groups, Sult and Fonn Nua. Musicians and singers welcome. Why not try out your cúpla focal too.

Symbols:

* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

LOGOs: Culture Night logo Irish, Foras na gaelige, logo version 1

NAAS

**Encouraging health and fitness within our community**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Time: All day

Venue: K-LEISURE, New Caragh Road, Naas

Email: naas@kildareleisure.ie

Phone: 045 881655

Website: www. kildareleisure.ie

Fb: kildareleisure

Instagram: kildareleisure

Please join the team at K-Leisure to celebrate Culture Weekend by popping in for a complementary swim or gym session in any of our 3 sites. Over 16’s only.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

- Weekend event

**Little Stories Little Prints: The Story Behind the Stories**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 1-2pm

Venue: Áras Chill Dara, Naas

Email: [lrussell@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:lrussell@kildarecoco.ie)

Web [www.littlestorieslittleprints.com](http://www.littlestorieslittleprints.com)

Join project curator and printmaker Pamela De Bri on a tour of the acclaimed exhibition that toured throughout Ireland last year. Commissioned by Kildare County Council as part of its 1916 commemorative programme, the works are now on permanent display in Áras and will continue to be a source of inspiration for Kildare’s Decade of Commemorations programme.

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

Date: Fri 22nd and Sat 23rd Sept

Time: Fri 9am-7pm and Sat 12-2pm

Venue: Tuckmill Gallery, Dublin Road, Naas

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 paint and draw with 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.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Weekend event

**Exhibition & Hands-on Demonstration**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 4.30- 5.30 pm

Venue: Las Rada Restaurant, New Row, Naas

Email: element15textile@gmail.com

Phone: 087 7473233; 086 0854932

Website: www.element15.ie

Facebook: element15

element15 is a collective of contemporary textile artists. Their common passion is textiles-working with fabric, silk, thread, wool fibre, paper, stitch, print and mixed media to create intricate and interesting art work. Their aim is to explore the complexity of textile art, to establish its potential as an art form in its own right and to exhibit work. Come and view the exhibition and get an insight into textile art with the artists.

Symbols:

* Family-friendly

**Naas Library's Edible Art Extravaganza!**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: from 5pm

Venue: Naas Community Library

Email: naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 879111

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Get your creative juices flowing with Naas Library's Edible Art Competition. Come along on Culture Night to vote for your favourite entry on display. If you would like to create your own edible masterpiece contact Naas Library for an entry form and rules. Enjoy some Irish dancing and music from local schools on the night.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking to enter art competition
* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Textile and Ceramic Art Exhibition**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 5- 9pm. Reception at 7pm.

Venue: Naas Town Hall

Email: evasib2@gmail.com

Phone: 086 8694840

Website: www.iwa.ie

Fb: irishwheelchairassociation/

Irish Wheelchair Association is proud to present a group exhibition of Textiles and Ceramics, by BTEI students from the John Sullivan Centre in Clane. The centre provides a service to people with physical disabilities living in the North Kildare Area.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**Josephine Hardimam Art Studio and Gallery**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Time: Fri 5- 9pm; Sat & Sun 1-5pm

Venue: Art Studio and Gallery, Punchestown, Naas

Email: josephinehardiman@gmail.com

Phone: 045 866708; 086 2452765

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

Facebook: Josephine Hardiman Artist and Calligrapher

Twitter: johardiman

Exhibition of new work, demonstrations in Watercolour Painting, Drawing with Pastels. See 'The Book of Kildare, Josephine’s original ongoing body of work in Celtic Calligraphy and Illumination.

Symbols:

* Family friendly
* Weekend event

**Chinese Tea Ceremony with Lara & Hong Wei Shi**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 5 - 6pm

Venue: Book & Cup, Barker & Jones, Naas

Phone: 087 183 1432 (Lara)

Experience a Chinese Tea Ceremony with practitioners of Chinese Medicine Hong Wei Shi and Lara. Learn about the use of teas for health benefits. Taste various teas served from traditional Chinese tea pots and cups. Connect Community are made up of intercultural & intergenerational group of people, from local business, self-employed, retired, job seekers and students. They share information and mentor each other to reach their potential in life!

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family Friendly
* Booking required

**Jesters Comedy @ PS Roasters**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7 & 8.30 pm

Venue: PS Coffee Roasters, Sallins Road, Naas

Email: funnynaas@hotmail.com

Phone: 087 2381282

Website: www.pscoffeeroasters.ie

Fb: jesterscomedy ; pscoffeeroasters

Some Kildare comics back from Edinburgh being funny! Twice. The gig will happen twice at 19:00 & 20:30. It will last an hour with 4 or 5 comics from Kildare being amusing.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking on Eventbrite

**Life Drawing**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7 – 9pm

Venue: Abbey Bridge Studios

Email: info@sharonfidgeon.com

This will be a life drawing class where a model will pose for numerous sketches and the public can take part. Materials will be provided for drawing, or alternatively, people can watch as others draw. There will be a number of easels set up with materials supplied for the public to take part. There will be an artist/teacher on hand to give some help if required. Come and try your hand at drawing.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking

**Sean Nós Dancing/ Set Dancing/ Ceol ó Kileel Eadestown Comhaltas Pop up Gaeltacht**

Date: Fri 22nd & Sat 23rd Sept

Time: Fri 7.30pm & Sat 12 noon

Venue: Alice’s Restaurant, 5 Moat Mall, Naas

Email: info@alicesrestaurant.ie

Phone: 045 88227 / 087 8073779

Website: www.alicesrestaurant.ie

Facebook: alicesrestaurant

Their very own jig gig ar an Ardán @ Alice’s Restaurant. Enjoy a display of Sean Nós and Set Dancing to the accompaniment of both live Irish Traditional music and CD’s. “The Caller” will invite audience participation in dancing Sets. Alice’s Restaurant will be open on Friday evening and as usual on Saturday. Bígí linn, bain úsaid as do chúpla focal mas mian leat. Beigh cupán tae, cáca milis, sport agus craic againn ag Alice’s Restaurant on this Culture Weekend.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Partly Outdoor

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

- Weekend event

**SoulWorks Naas**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8-10pm

Venue: 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. All in a safe supportive environment. Contact us if you’d like to perform, or if you just want to listen simply come along!

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

**Victor’s Dung by Seamus O’Rourke**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue: The Moat Theatre

Phone: 045 88 30 30

The Moat Club presents ‘Victor’s Dung’ by Seamus O’Rourke, directed by Padraic Doyle.

This play is set in a farmyard complete with its own dung heap, outdoor toilet and poor broadband reception. It’s a tale of a crude vulgar abrupt un p.c. farmer called Victor Maguire who gets a surprise one Friday morning. The audience is then taken on a hilarious whirlwind journey through Victor’s life of loss, unfulfilled dreams and fading religious beliefs meeting up with many strange characters along the way.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

**Crafty Upcycling at Abbeybridge Studios**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 11am -12.30pm

Venue: Abbeybridge, Naas

Email: info@sharonfidgeon.com

Following such great success at this event last year, we are back with more crafty fun at Abbeybridge Studios. Come along, play with paint and colour recycled bits and pieces and see what magic you can create!

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Weekend event

**Lean on Me**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 12noon

Venue: CBS Boys School, Naas

Email: [carolanncourtney@kwaras.ie](mailto:carolanncourtney@kwaras.ie)

Three of Co. Kildare’s most interesting choral groups lean on each other to create an intergenerational sound some 100 voices strong. Anam Youth Choir, Past Times Community Choir and Voices of Spring Community Choir will take you through their most popular songs, featuring hits from Bing Crosby, Dean Martin, The Beatles and Coldplay. This family friendly, wheelchair accessible event is not to be missed!

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Weekend event

**KILDARE PLAYDAY**

Date: Sat 23rd 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

Families can join in the afternoon of fun and games in the administrative headquarters of Kildare County Council. There’s so much to choose from - magic shows, ceramic and recycling workshops, nature tables, fairy doors, sport and illustration, circus and music, bouncy castles, medieval pouch making and more! This year we have a dedicated Sensory Zone for children with special needs or who prefer a more relaxed environment.

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

Symbols:

-Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Partly Outdoor

- Weekend event

**Culture Night Big Sing**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 3-4pm

Venue: Duck & Cup, The Moat Theatre, Abbey Lane, Naas

Youtube: Eric & John Sing For Fun at the Duck and Cup Café, Naas

Join community singers Eric Hanlon and John O’Neill in a family friendly afternoon sing-song. Lyrics and song sheets will be provided. You will be guided through glorious, joyful renditions of well-known popular songs, old and new. Suitable for all levels, from regular choral singers to those who save their voices for the shower. Laughter guaranteed. Singing is nature’s best anti-depressant, come along and lift your spirits as well as your voices. Connect Community are made up of intercultural & intergenerational group of people.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family friendly
* Weekend event

**'Nowhere's Child' – Kari Rosvall Reflects**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 5.15 pm

Venue: Naas Library, Harbour View, Naas

Email: gerhealion.act@gmail.com – for event information only

Phone: Event Organiser: Gerard Healion 085 1126631

Tickets & Venue Information: Naas Library 045 879111

Kari Rosvall was adopted at 3-years old and grew up in Malexander, Sweden. At 17 she discovered that she had been born in Norway in 1944 and in 2008, that she was a Lebensborn Child, a product of Hitler and Himmler's 'Spring of Life' programme. As “part of humanity's darkest secret”, Kari is a Lebensborn Survivor and has, with Naomi Linehan, written her life-story in 'Nowhere's Child'. Kildare Culture Night is indeed fortunate that Kari, as an Irish citizen, bravely speaks to us now about her lived experience.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly: younger people with an accompanying adult

- Require booking

- Weekend event

**Musical “ Love Never Dies” (Movie) by Andrew Lloyd Webber**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 7.30 pm

Venue: Arts & Culture Centre, McAuley Place, Sallins Road, Naas

Email: hello@mcauleyplace.ie

Phone: 045 897833; 087 0997323

Website: www.mcauleyplace.ie

f: mcauleyplace;

t: mcauleyplace

The ultimate love story continues in Andrew Lloyd Webber’s *Love Never Dies*, the spellbinding sequel to The Phantom of the Opera. The year is 1907. It is 10 years after his disappearance from the Paris Opera House and the Phantom has escaped to a new life in New York where he lives amongst the screaming joy rides and freak shows of Coney Island. In this new, electrically charged world, he has finally found a place for his music to soar, but he has never stopped yearning for his one true love and musical protégée, Christine Daaé.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Weekend event

**Paul Linehan - Tenor**

Date: Sun 24th Sept

Time: 2-3pm

Venue: Naas General Hospital - Main Concourse

Email: bernadette.jackson1@hse.ie

Phone: 045 849944; 087 1225907

A Cork native, Paul has performed throughout the country-from The Waterfront Belfast and Cork Opera House to The National Concert Hall. He has also performed in the U.S., UK, the Czech Republic, France and Syria. Paul is a former winner of the Tenor Solo Competition at the Feis Ceoil and he toured for two years with “The Master Tenors”. His repertoire includes arias from the Grand Operas, operetta, sacred music and songs from musical theatre, as well as popular drawing-room ballads and songs from the Irish tradition.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

- Weekend event

NEWBRIDGE

**Art Exhibition by Eilis Kavanagh**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Venue: Ubh Coffee Shop, 2 Georges Street, Newbridge

Email: eiliskavart95@gmail.com

Phone: 086 0885256

Website: www.eiliskavagh.com

Fb: eiliskavanaghart

Eilis Kavanagh is an emerging landscape artist based in Hawkfield, Newbridge. Her work is inspired not only by the beauty of the local countryside and bog land but also by her many visits to the West of Ireland. Her collection is a personal response to the scenes she encounters.

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Weekend event

**Encouraging health and fitness within our community**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Time: All day

Venue: K-LEISURE, Station road, Newbridge

Email: info@newbridgesportcentre.ie

Phone: 045 433663

Website: www. kildareleisure.ie

Fb: kildareleisure

Instagram: kildareleisure

Please join the team at K-Leisure to celebrate Culture Weekend by popping in for a complementary swim or gym session in any of our 3 sites. Over 16’s only.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

- Weekend event

**Ballroom for Everyone!**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7 – 8pm

Venue: DanceTones Studios, Newbridge

Email: dancetones@eircom.net

Phone: 086 8315468

Website: [www.dancetones.org](http://www.dancetones.org)

Facebook: dancetones

Instagram: dancetones-studio

A class suitable for all ages to be introduced to the style and elegance of ballroom dancing. Learn the basics of the beautiful slow waltz, or the bounce action of the samba, get into a lively jive, have fun with all the family.

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**Be-Longing @ Riverbank Arts Centre**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue: Riverbank Arts Centre, The McKenna Gallery, Main Street, Newbridge

Website: www.riverbank.ie

FB: riverbankartscentre

You are invited to the launch of a solo exhibition *Be-Longing* by Marta Golubowska, recipient of Kildare County Council Arts Centre Emerging Artist Award 2016.

The project 'Be-Longing' is a result of feelings of alienation and isolation that she has experienced as a result of moving away from the country of her birth. She is particularly interested in the links between identity and people’s homes, their community and their language and how the boundaries of identity are altered when your affiliation with these fundamental elements is fractured.

Her artwork is primarily collaborative and involves shared experiences with the people around her.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly

**Bernard Fitzpatrick and Band at the Whitewater**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30 – 8.30pm

Venue: Whitewater Shopping Centre, Newbridge

Email: btfitzpatrick@eircom.net

Phone: 087 29 30 419

Website: www.whitewatersc.ie

Fb: bernardfitzpatrickmusic

Youtube: The Summer Sun by Bernard Fitzpatrick

Twitter: bernardfitz

Bernard Fitzpatrick and Band will play an original set of songs whose influences vary from Irish trad and European acoustic music to gypsy jazz. This is a truly international Newbridge-based band: its’ members coming from Ireland, Slovakia and Spain… and this certainly comes through in the music!

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

**European Tales - Stories of Strong Children**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 11.30 - 12.15pm

Venue: Newbridge Community Library

Email: newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 448353

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Every culture has them, stories of children who save the day. In this storytelling session, German storyteller Simone from StoryGate will draw on mythology, folklore and modern children’s books to enchant her young audience.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Weekend Event

**Bat Watch**

Date: Sat 23rd Sept

Time: 7.20pm sunset

Venue: Newbridge Linear Park

Email: Kidarebatgroup@gmail.com

Website: www.batconservationireland.org

Facebook: BCI event

Come join them for a walk along the Liffey in Linear Park at sunset where they hope to listen to and see bats in flight along the river. Please wrap up warmly, children must be accompanied by an adult. No dogs please! This is weather dependant.

Symbols:

* Family-friendly
* Require booking
* Outdoor
* Weekend event

THE CURRAGH

**Acoustic Pipes**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue: Curragh Family Resource Centre

Email: angelacurraghpridefrc@gmail.com

Phone: 045 456883

Facebook - Curragh Family Resource Centre

Twitter: curraghfamilyresourcecentre

A musical session combining acoustic guitar and bag pipes to create a wonderful sound and musical experience.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

KILDARE

**Going to the Fair**

Date: Mon 18th to Sun 24th Sept

Venue: The Market Square Kildare Town

Email: mur\_chu@hotmail.com

Phone: 087 6462528

Website: willowwonder.net

FB willowwonder

Twitter: willowwonder

Beth Murphy will install a temporary willow sculpture on the Market Square Kildare Town, one of the oldest market towns in Ireland. Her piece entitled “Going to the Fair” will be made from willow and ash and other natural materials using ancient weaving techniques. It will represent a woman taking a pig to the local fair.

Symbols:

* Special Event

**Heart of Oak**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 12 noon

Location: St Brigit’s Square, Kildare Town

Email: [Lrussell@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:Lrussell@kildarecoco.ie)

Tel: 045-448318

In 2016, Irish Businesses Against Litter (IBAL) named Kildare as Ireland’s cleanest town. To mark the occasion, IBAL made a sculpture award to the town. We are delighted to launch Culture Night Kildare with the unveiling of the commissioned sculpture ‘Heart of Oak’, a marble artwork by Kilcullen artist Noel Scullion’. Noel also created the well-known ‘Spear’ at the Dun Ailinne Commemorative Park, Nicholstown and ‘The Magician’ in Kilcullen.

**Crimson & Clover**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Location: Kildare Heritage Centre

Email: kellybodill@gmail.com

Phone: 089 246 2073

Website: https://sweetpeaweddingweb.wixsite.com/kellybodill

A comparison of South Africa (Crimson) and Ireland (Clover), Landscapes, animals, birds and flowers, through this exhibition of Kelly Bodhill’s works.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Weekend event

**Pottery workshops “Play with Clay”**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6pm

Venue: Teach Dara Family Centre, Kildare Town

Email: aniasceramics@gmail.com

Phone: 087 1243134

Website: www.aniasceramics.com

Fb: aniasceramics

Over a one hour session, participants will learn the basic of ceramics and will get feeling of clay. You will experiment with tools to create picture from your imagination. A sensory treat!

Symbols:

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Partly Outdoor

**“The Secret of Kells” - Family Film Night @ Kildare Town Library**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Kildare Town Library, Claregate Street, Kildare Town

Email: kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 520235

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

Magic and mythology, light and darkness, good and evil are balanced in this enchanting tale of Brendan, Brother Aidan and the Vikings. A visually beautiful animated film from Directors Tomm Moore and Nora Twomey with voice cast of Brendan Gleeson, Evan McGuire, Mick Lally and Christen Mooney.

Symbols:

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

**Step Out of the Box**

Date: Sun 24th Sept

Time: 3pm

Venue: The Grove Studio, Kildare town

Email: joaniescraft@gmail.com

Phone: 087 2434041

Website: www.thegrovestudio.weebly.com

Fb: The Grove Studio

Come along and enjoy a relaxing, creative and magical workshop of mindful art and sound at The Grove Studio, located just outside Kildare Town.

Joanie Murphy is a community art facilitator, Shamanic Practitioner, Shamanic Councillor, Sound Therapist and has being working in this area for many years. Joanie runs monthly workshops in mindfulness classes and sound circles. Joanie also has a great love for the natural world and facilitates creative workshops in this area.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

- Weekend event

MONASTEREVIN

**An Illustrated Talk on Count John McCormack**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7pm

Venue: Monasterevin Library, Watermill Place, Monasterevin

Email: monasterevinlib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 045 529329

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: @kildarelibrary

An illustrated talk by Pat Lonergan on Count John McCormack, the famous tenor, who lived in Moore Abbey, Monasterevin 1925 to 1937.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

BALLYMORE EUSTACE

**PUTTIN ON THE RITZ ♬**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue: Band Hall, Ballymore Eustace

Email: wolfetoneband@gmail.com

Phone: 086 4037235 / 085 8017718

Website: ballymoreband.com

Facebook: BallymoreBand

Twitter: BallymoreBand

A fun-filled musical experience for all the family. Join award winning Ballymore Eustace Concert Band for an evening of entertainment that will include favourites new & old, from the classics to the movies.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

BALLITORE

**More Than Ernest’s Sister: The Life of Eleanor Hope Shackleton. A talk by Sharon Greene.**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7 pm

Venue: Ballitore Library & Quaker Museum

Email: ballitorelib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 059 8623344

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

One of the Antarctic explorer's adoring eight sisters, Eleanor shared more than initials with her famous brother. Training as a paediatric nurse and midwife at the beginning of the 20th century, the story of her long career shows the extent of her humanity, concern for others under her care and endurance in difficult circumstances.

Symbols:

- Require booking

**Craft Workshops; Floral Corsage, Mono Printing, Embroidery & Felt Art**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8-9pm

Venue: Crookstown Craft Village, Crookstown, Ballitore, Athy

Email: crookstowncrafts@gmail.com

Phone: 086 0657801

Website: crookstowncraftvillage.com

Facebook: Crookstown Crafts; Avril’s Flowere; Corina Fitzgibbon Art; Liadain Butler

Enjoy an evening with some of Kildare’s finest craftspeople. Create a beautiful, floral corsage in Avril’s Florist Studio or design your own mono prints under the expert tuition of Corina Fitzgibbon, print artist. Fashion a colourful felt piece with knitwear designer, Liadain Butler or learn the basic embroidery stitches from Joy and marvel at her stunning creations. Each participant will create their own art piece. At the end of the evening, relax in the tranquil surroundings of the Craft Village as refreshments will be provided.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

**Film: Ballitore – A Glance Through Time**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 9pm

Venue: Case’s Bar & Harp Bar

Email: jonlaw136@gmail.com

Phone: 0852054869

Ballitore is a small village just off the M9 motorway in South Kildare. A townsland rich in history and culture, from the settlement of the Quakers in the late 1600’s to today’s way of modern living. This film looks at Ballitore and seeks to explore it’s history, it’s more recent history and of course a possible future for the village.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

MOONE

**Green Man Workshop**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6-7.30pm

Venue: Croi Anu Creative Centre, Moone

Email: info@croianu.ie

Phone: 087 8381933

Website: www.croianu.ie

Facebook: croi anu

Green Man and Green Woman love the earth and are always kind to the planet. In this workshop, Croi Anu explores the characters of Green Man and Woman through games and creative exercises and makes versions of them in recycled mixed media. They will also try to find their words and have a “Green Chant”. An evening of green fun art making. This workshop is for children 6+ and parents to enjoy and create together

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Require booking

ATHY

**Athy ISL Festival**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Time: tbc

Venue: Fri Athy Library, Sat Bradburys Restaurant, Sun Jetty area

Email: [Athysignandsign@gmail.com](mailto:Athysignandsign@gmail.com)

Phone: Aiden McHugh 087 7854812 Maggie Owens 0879105987

Facebook: Athy Sign Language

Athy Irish Sign Language festival will start on Culture Night Weekend.

There will be flash mobs, puppet shows, posters, projections, tours and signs in ISL and the big SING AND SIGN ALONG SOCIAL event on the Sunday. Join them for an exceptional insight into Irish Sign Language world.

Symbols:

* Family-friendly
* Partly Outdoor
* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension
* Special event

**Encouraging health and fitness within our community**

Date: Fri 22nd to Sun 24th Sept

Time: All day

Venue: K-LEISURE, Greenhill, Athy

Email: athy@kildareleisure.ie

Phone: 059 8641522

Website: www. kildareleisure.ie

Fb: kildareleisure

Instagram: kildareleisure

Please join the team at K-Leisure to celebrate Culture Weekend by popping in for a complementary swim or gym session in any of our 3 sites. Over 16’s only.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Require booking

- Weekend event

**Cooking Up A Delicious Storm**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6-8pm

Venue: 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, drink & or beverage) from across the world, with prizes! The challenge is a pre-registered aspect of the programme: 7-9yrs: cold food; 10-12 yr old: hot or cold; 13-15years old: hot or cold; 16-18years old hot and cold; Adult: hot and cold (include Mums & Dads). Participants to bring ingredients with stove provided. Women’s Integrated Network (WIN), Athy: Empowering Women for positive integration through quality information provision, training, skills/ knowledge acquisition, potential development and social networking.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* family-friendly
* Require booking
* Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension Yes

**Come and Warm the Cockles of your Heart with Music, Song and Story in the Old Town Hall, Athy**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Athy Library, Emily Square, Athy

Email: athylib@kildarecoco.ie

Phone: 059 8631144

Website: www.kildare.ie/library

Facebook: KildareCountyLibraryService

Twitter: kildarelibrary

Athy Library is delighted to host an evening of Music, Songs and Stories, performed by some of Athy’s best musicians, singers and truly gifted storytellers. A tasty treat to finish off the evening.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Require booking

**100 years of Cinema**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 8pm

Venue: Athy College, Monasterevin rd Athy

Email: athyfilmclub@gmail.com

Facebook. Athy film club

Two classics which will be starring an icon of the early silent era.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair access
* Family-friendly: 15s with adult

**C Circus K Open Day**

Date: Fri 22nd Sept

Time: 6-8pm

Venue: Arts Centre, Wood Stock St., Athy

Email: Johnny@StreetTheatreIreland.com

Phone: 087 2281645

Website: www.CcircusK.com

Fb: C-Circus-K

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. Come experience this taste of circus skills!

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Include Gaeilge/Irish language dimension

**Introduction to Military Genealogy, Tracing an Athy Military Ancestor**

Date: Sun 24th Sept

Time: 2.30 pm

Venue: Athy Heritage Centre-Museum

Email: athyheritage@eircom.net

Phone: 059 8633075

Website: www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie

Facebook: athyheritage.centre

Twitter: athyheritage

Introduction to the military genealogy records.

Symbols:

* Wheelchair accessible
* Family-friendly
* Weekend event

**African Drumming Workshop with Dave Day**

Date: Sun 24th Spet

Time: 4pm

Venue: Athy Arts Centre, Woodstock Street, Athy

Phone: 087 2761156

Website: www.athycommunityartscentre.com

Come along for an African Drumming Session with David Day. Suitable for all ages.

Symbols:

- Wheelchair accessible

- Family-friendly

- Booking required

- Weekend event

**For further information on Culture Night Kildare**

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