

CULTURE NIGHT FRI SEP 18

REVOLVES AROUND YOU



Culture Night Offaly 2015

Friday 18 September 2015

Culture Night is a night of entertainment, discovery and adventure across towns, cities and counties in Ireland. In Offaly there are over 30 FREE events right across the county and much to explore, whether you can attend one event or create your own Culture Night trail, we look forward to seeing you out and about on CULTURE NIGHT. Please note some events require booking.

ÁRAS AN CHONTAE, TULLAMORE STORM IN A TEACUP

OLIVE CUSKELLY AND PAULA FINLAY

TV3's Brian Daly launches a joint exhibition of new works by Offaly artists with work depicting wide open landscapes to the fine bone china of the dresser.

Opening 6:30pm

TULLAMORE LIBRARY CHILDREN'S STORYTELLING

WITH PAUL TIMONEY

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5pm

REBELS & RICH TEA

BY CHRISTIANE O'MAHONY

A rehearsed reading of a new play written by Christiane O'Mahony and directed by Sarah Baxter. Based on witness accounts, Rebels and Rich tea is a fast paced adventure that tells the story of two sisters who join the rebel forces in the GPO on Easter Monday embarking on an adventure that changes their lives forever. This play is a work in progress and audience feedback is welcome.

6.30pm

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION TULLAMORE PIPE DREAMS & MUSIC

Prof. Gerard Gillen introduces the amazing sounds of the Church of Assumption's famous Danish Frobenius Organ along with the Tullamore Classical Music School. There will be an opportunity for some members of the audience to try out the organ under supervision.

6pm

CHARLEVILLE CASTLE RAHAN COMMUNITY PRESENTS INTERNATIONAL MUSIC & DANCE

Jacek Lomejko and friends will entertain with the vibrant sounds of Polish folk music with a touch of classical and jazz alongside Egyptian, Oriental & Indian dance from the Red Embers. Rahan Comhaltas will treat you to the best of Irish Trad.

7.30pm



Jacek
Lomejko





FOUNDATION 15 ARTS FESTIVAL

Tullamore's international contemporary arts festival (Sept 10 – 25) returns with a packed programme of exhibitions, music, theatre and more, for full details see www.foundationartsfestival.com.

Booking essential for F15 Culture Night events: 057 9357400

F15 ARTS TRAIL

A guided walk through Tullamore visiting various pop up locations hosting the exhibitions.

Meet at Kilroy's, High Street | 6.30pm

THE ELEPHANT

Presented by Scripts – Ireland's Playwriting Festival and written by Tullamore native Miriam Smyth, this play focuses our curiosity as two complex characters reveal their deepest secrets. Performed by Pa Ryan (Red Rock) & Angela Ryan Whyte (Winner of the Scripts 2015 'Wild for Wireless' Radio Play Competition)

Kilroy's | 7.30pm

SCALENE DANCE COMPANY

A contemporary dance entitled Contemporary Attractions by four dance artists from Grenoble, France who are presently on a Studiotrade residency programme at Birr Theatre & Arts Centre.

Kilroy's | 8.15pm

TOASTMASTERS FLASH CULTURE

Tullamore Toastmasters take on the 'culture' debate!

Kilroy's | 9pm

OUR NATION'S SONS

BY JOE CASLIN

Ireland's Culture Night Ambassador, Joe Caslin chooses his home town of Tullamore for his latest installation. The façade of Tullamore's Municipal District Office will be transformed with a portrait which makes the statement that we chose not to live in a country where any young man is left behind.

Tullamore Municipal District Office





Clara Musical Society

FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE, CLARA SONGS FROM THE MUSICALS

Clara Musical Society perform from their repertoire of some of the best loved songs from the musicals.

8pm

BALLYCOMMON PROJECT CENTRE CLASSIC CULTURE WITH A TWIST

Enjoy the sounds of Offaly County Council Choir and local musicians and enjoy a taste of foods from around the world.

8pm

INSPIRED CRAFT SHOP, BIRR GET CRAFTY

Glass painting workshop with Linda Kelly. Adults and children welcome.

2pm | Booking Essential: 057 9357400 – Max numbers 12

POETRY READING

BY CORMAC LALLY

Tullamore's Slam Poet reads from some of his work, thought provoking, entertaining and witty.

5pm

The Amazing Sporting Zoetrope



BRIDGE HOUSE HOTEL YESTERYEAR TRAD-ITIONS

Tullamore Comhaltas invite you to a night of trad from the past, with a recital of old vinyl recordings followed by a live seisún.

8pm

ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH, BIRR CHILDREN'S CHORAL VOICES

Children of Dromakeenan National School Music Generation Choir will raise your spirits with their beautiful voices.

10.30am (After Mass)



St. Brendan's Church, Birr



BIRR BOXING CLUB, GREEN STREET THE AMAZING SPORTING ZOETROPE

BY CAROLINE CONWAY

Artist Caroline Conway invites you to experience the wonder of early animation, reinterpreted with some present day technology. The lights dim and the Zoetrope begins to revolve, the images blur, a strobe light starts and the images jump to life forming incredible, smooth animations. See the figures come to life in real time, literally in front of your eyes, without the intervention of screen or film.

6-11pm | This installation features strobe lighting.

DEFINITIONS OF THE WORD CULTURE

BY LYNNE HOARE

Artist Lynne Hoare invites all to contribute to a growing exhibition of ideas and interpretations provoked by the word 'culture' in any form at all. What does Culture mean to you?

BIRR THEATRE & ARTS CENTRE

PÚCA PUPPETS PRESENTS

MARY MARY VIKINGS STORYTELLER

Interactive theatre for all the family as Vikings Storyteller Mary Mary delights children and families with an old tale and invites them to respond by drawing or writing their own favourites or to create new characters and stories. Performer Niamh Lawlor of Púca Puppets has extensive experience in interactive storytelling for children.

6pm | Suitable for ages 6+ Booking
Essential: 057 9122911



TIN JUG STUDIO, BIRR OUTSIDE IN

Pop in on your way by to see a collaboration of Gerry Murphy (film projection & sound) and Rosalind Fanning (artist/writer). A surprise awaits for those 'brave' enough to step in! With visual art, text and installations, the perennial questions, "What is 'Art?'" and "What is 'Culture?'" may be met with the simple answer, "Doing what makes you smile."

8pm till late

McINTYRES PUB, SHANNONHARBOUR LOVE IN THE HARBOUR

BY EDDIE ALFORD

Eddie Alford of the Harbour Theatre Company together with local actors presents a rehearsed reading of a new play set against the background of 1916 and World War One. The main character is a WW1 ace from Dublin, who falls in love with the receptionist in The Grand Canal Hotel in Shannon Harbour. He is a Protestant and she is a Catholic and not everybody approves. Followed by audience feedback session.

7pm



SPINNERS ON CASTLE STREET, BIRR OFFLINE FILM FESTIVAL - PROGRAMME LAUNCH

All welcome to the launch of the 6th annual OFFline Film Festival which runs from 7-11 Oct, get a taste for what's in store and plan your festival. RSVP to create@hellocamera.ie or 085 2389416 www.offlinefilmfestival.com

8.30pm

OFFLINE
OFFALY FILM FESTIVAL

**LEAP CASTLE, CLAREEN, BIRR
TRADTASTIC**

Join Seán Ryan, renowned whistle player with his daughter, Irish Dancing Champion, Ciara Callanan Ryan (dance, harp and whistle) in their home for a night of Irish Trad accompanied by All Ireland Fleadh winner Conor Moriarty on button accordion.
8pm | Booking Essential: Max 50 people
057 9357400

**JJ HOUGH'S, BANAGHER
THEATRE VIGNETTES**

Be prepared for an exciting night as the pub becomes a stage where reality and fiction collide showcased by local talent from the Banagher Musical Society with a selection of video and sound installations and some lively music.
9pm

**CHESTNUT BAR, BIRR
COMEDY NIGHT**

Have a 'funny' night with comedians Donal Vaughan (Finalist Leicester Square Theatre New Comedian of the Year 2013), Jonathan Sheehan & Pat McDonagh (NewC Fest 2014) & Ashlee Bentley (Sky Cat Laughs 2013).
9.30pm

Donal Vaughan

**LOUGH BOORA
DISCOVERY PARK
iPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY**

WITH PAUL MOORE

A presentation by Tullamore's Paul Moore who began taking spectacular iPhone images 5 years ago, since then his photos have appeared in publications and exhibitions all over the world and he has been successful in the World Mobile Photography Awards.
8pm | Booking Essential: 057 9357400

Paul Moore
iPhone Photography



Paul Timoney



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3.20pm

EDENDERRY YOUTH CAFÉ SCHOOL OF ROCK

Music Generation's Edenderry Rockers and Mullingar Music Jam will rock your socks off.

6pm



BALLYBRITTAN CASTLE, EDENDERRY

PIANO RECITAL

BY DEARBHAILE O'DONNELL

Renowned pianist Dr. Dearbhaile O'Donnell was a student of John O'Connor and studied at the Royal Irish Academy of Music. She holds a performer's diploma from the Royal College of Music in London and won RTÉ's "Musician of the Future" competition. Dearbhaile will perform works by Hayden, Field and Schubert.

7.30pm | Booking Essential 057
9357400 - Max 30



LARKINS LOUNGE, EDENDERRY STORYTELLING FOR ADULTS & ASK THE AUTHOR

Three established local authors, Geraldine O'Neill, Alan McIntyre and Hugh Flanagan invite you to listen to some very different stories and readings. Followed by a Q&A session on publishing your own work

8pm

BALLYBRYAN NATIONAL SCHOOL, RHODE CULTURE NIGHT SEISÚN

Rhode Comhaltas invite you to a night of Irish music, dancing and song.

8pm

TULLAMORE AND EDENDERRY RANDOM ACTS OF POETRY

Be on the look-out for the Tullamore Rhymers Club who will surprise you with some acts of guerilla poetry around Tullamore and Edenderry.

3-6pm



GALLERY REVIVAL, MONEYGALL POETRY, MUSIC & MORE

Drop by the gallery for some impromptu spoken word, a song and a dance and some friends.

6pm -11pm

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VENUE	EVENT	TIME
Áras an Chontae, Tullamore	Olive Cuskelly & Paula Finlay	6.30pm
Tullamore Library	Children's Storytelling with Paul Timoney	5pm
	Rebels & Rich Tea by Christiane O'Mahony	6:30pm
Church of the Assumption, Tullamore	Pipe Dreams & Music	6pm
Charleville Castle	Rahan Community presents International Music & Dance	7.30pm
Kilroy's, High Street	F15 Arts Trail	6.30pm
	The Elephant	7.30pm
	Scalene Dance Company	8.15pm
	Toastmasters Flash Culture	9pm
Tullamore Municipal District Office	Our Nations Sons by Joe Caslin	All Day
Friends Meeting House, Clara	Songs from the Musicals	8pm
Ballycommon Project Centre	Classic Culture with a Twist	8pm
Bridge House Hotel	Yesteryear Trad-itions	8pm
St. Brendan's Church, Birr	Children's Choral Voices	10.30am
Inspired Craft Shop, Birr	Get Crafty	2pm
	Poetry Reading by Cormac Lally	5pm
Birr Boxing Club, Green Street	The Amazing Sporting Zoetrope by Caroline Conway	6 - 11pm
	Definitions of the Word Culture by Lynne Hoare	6 - 11pm
Birr Theatre & Arts Centre	Púca Puppets presents Mary Mary Vikings Storyteller	6pm
Tin Jug Studio, Birr	Outside In	8pm till late
McIntyre's Pub, Shannonharbour	Love in the Harbour by Eddie Alford	7pm
Spinners, Birr	Offline Film Festival - Programme Launch	8.30pm
Leap Castle, Clareen, Birr	Tradtastic	8pm
Lough Boora Discovery Park	iPhone Photography with Paul Moore	8pm
JJ Hough's, Banagher	Theatre Vignettes	9pm
Chestnut Bar, Birr	Comedy Night	9.30pm
Edenderry Library	Children's Storytelling with Paul Timoney	3.20pm
Edenderry Youth Café	School of Rock	6pm
Ballybrittan Castle, Edenderry	Piano Recital by Dr. Dearbhaile O'Donnell	7.30pm
Larkins Lounge, Edenderry	Storytelling for Adults & Ask the Author	8pm
Ballybryan National School, Rhode	Culture Night Seisún	8pm
Tullamore and Edenderry	Random Acts of Poetry	3-6pm
Gallery Revival, Moneygall	Poetry, Music & More	6 - 11pm



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