

Bealtaine

CELEBRATING CREATIVITY
IN OLDER AGE

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Message from John O'Donoghue, T.D.

Minister for Arts, Sports and Tourism



I would like to welcome the ninth annual Bealtaine festival 2004, celebrating creativity in older age.

The Bealtaine festival has been extremely successful for nearly a decade in promoting the participation of older people in the arts, and in celebrating the vital contribution of older people to the culture of Ireland.

Bealtaine is probably the largest festival of its kind in the country, involving all the main national arts institutions, most local authority arts offices and local arts centres, as well as public libraries, active retirement and community groups, schools, colleges, and care centres. It is broad in scope, covering all art forms and all the counties in Ireland.

The festival has a strong track record of encouraging quality and development, continuing to grow in size as it builds on previous successes by increasingly bringing together arts and cultural organisations and older people in a variety of ways.

Bealtaine provides access to a wide range of arts for older people, and in so doing, constantly challenges negative images of older age, while promoting the concept of ageing as a time of renewal, growth and, of course, creativity. Bealtaine has also encouraged the emergence of many year-round arts development projects for and by older people.

I would like to congratulate Age & Opportunity and all those who collaborate with them in Bealtaine for their ongoing commitment to involving older people in the arts in a meaningful and empowering way. Bealtaine clearly shows that creativity is lifelong and that we all benefit when all ages are facilitated to participate in the artistic and cultural life of the country.

John O'Donoghue T.D.



Message from Ivor Callely T.D.

Minister of State with responsibility for Services for Older People

I am honoured to be introducing you to the Bealtaine festival 2004.

The Bealtaine Festival celebrates creativity, in all its forms, in older people and features over 550 arts events running throughout the month of May in 26 counties in Ireland.

The Festival has expanded in many ways since its inception in 1996. The audience has grown hugely, the number of events has more than doubled in the past two years, arts and community groups involvement has increased dramatically and the events have become even more creative and original.

Older people in Ireland have been overlooked for too long and the Bealtaine festival reflects the large portion of active older people in Ireland involved in the arts.

The media has contributed to perpetuating false and misleading stereotypes of older people for over 25 years and the reality of the lives of older people must be made common knowledge. For instance, the reality is that, in Ireland only 5% of people over the age of 65 live in institutions, 95% of older people live healthy, independent and socially involved lives. In fact with an average of 81.5 hours of leisure each week, older people are a huge audience for arts and arts-related activities.

The Bealtaine festival caters to this very large portion of Irish adults by offering a wide variety of arts events. The events encourage participation from older people as organisers, facilitators, critics, audience and performers. Older people are involved in every aspect of the arts during the festival.

Bealtaine continues to flourish and develop its unique identity and is truly a resource to be proud of.

I look forward to watching the festival continue to grow and urge everybody to support and promote this inspirational and vital event.

Mr. Ivor Callely T.D.

Foreword from Age & Opportunity



From tiny acorns, mighty oaks grow. This could not be more true than in the case of the Bealtaine festival. For many years now, the national arts institutions and many local arts officers have been very committed to Bealtaine and, indeed, to programmes for older people throughout the year. Within the last two years or so, there has been a marked increase in the participation of local and regional arts centres in Bealtaine simultaneously with the growth of ongoing links between them and their local communities of older people.

At Age & Opportunity we work to promote meaningful participation by older people in a broad range of areas of life. Bealtaine provides opportunities for involvement in the arts by older people as organisers and active participants, as well as exhibitors, performers, audience and critics. The ethos is one of empowerment, with groups planning and organising their own events, and individuals exercising choice and expressing their individuality. It is intended to defy out-of-date and stereotypical notions like – *'you can't teach an old dog new tricks.'* As an older person, I'm very glad to say that you can, and, through Bealtaine, we do!

The Bealtaine programme for 2004 includes over 500 varied events, including an exciting range of workshops, which are such a popular feature of the festival, as well as a series of master classes, which are now an important and growing feature of the festival. This year sees the third year of 'Affairs of the Arts' - the cross arts initiative by the Abbey Theatre, the Irish Film Institute and the Irish Museum of Modern Art, which has proved so successful in previous years. Inside your programme you will find details of the Bealtaine Stories Project. This is an invitation to tell us your impressions and feelings about Bealtaine. We are looking forward to receiving your accounts of Bealtaine and hope to use these submissions in the future to promote the festival.

The Department of Health and Children provides ongoing support to Age & Opportunity, and I would like to take this opportunity to recognise that and to thank them. Finally, Bealtaine is only successful through the commitment and dedication of Bealtaine organisers throughout Ireland. Their passion, commitment and effort is exemplary and their contribution invaluable. I would like to thank everyone who has been involved in organising an event for Bealtaine 2004. Each and every one of you has, in your own way, contributed to the taking down of barriers and the opening up of doors.

Enjoy Bealtaine 2004!

Mamo McDonald, Honorary President of Age & Opportunity

Carlow

Care Centres

Tullow Day Care Centre

Arts and Crafts Exhibition

Needlework, paintings, and other craft work

Venue: Tullow Day Care Centre, The Shroughan, Tullow, Co. Carlow

Date: Sunday 16th May 2004

Time: 2 - 6 pm

Contact: Marian Doyle, Tel: 059 915 1833

Cost: Free, open to the public

Cavan

Arts

Cavan County Council Arts Office

The Artists of Cavan Town and Cathedral

Artist and Lecturer Diane Copperwhite talks on artists Imogen Stuart and Thomas Clarke

Venue: Cavan Town Cathedral and Presbytery, Cavan Town, Co. Cavan

Date: Saturday 8th May 2004

Time: 12 noon for Imogen Stuart and 2.30 pm for Thomas Clarke

Cost: Free, open to the public

Architects of Cavan County

A coach tour of Cavan's architectural sites and a retrospective on the work of William Hague, Richard Cassells and the Bellamont House in Cootehill

Date: Saturday 15th May 2004

Time: 2 - 6 pm with lunch included

Cost: €5, booking required

Contact: Rhonda Tidey, Tel: 049 436 5977

The Wesleyan Chapel Arts & Cultural Centre

Celebrating Our Townlands

A talk on the meaning of townlands and placenames. This will be followed by a discussion on Bealtaine customs, with traditional music and maypole dancing

Venue: Wesleyan Chapel Arts & Cultural Centre, Adelaide Row, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan

Date: Saturday 22nd May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Contact: Niamh Smyth, Tel: 042 966 6666

Cost: €5, open to the public

Public Libraries

Bailieborough Library

Venue: Bailieborough Library, Market Street, Cavan

China Painting, Stained Glass Painting and Jewellery Making with Máire Egan

Date: Tuesday 11th, Thursday 13th, and Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cootehill Library and Arts Centre

Venue: Cootehill Library and Arts Centre, Bridge Street, Cootehill, Co. Cavan

Acrylic Painting with Ricki Van De Berg

Demonstration and classes in painting with acrylics

Date: Tuesday 18th and 25th May and Thursday 3rd June 2004

Time: 2 - 4 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

China and Jewellery Craft with Máire Egan

Opportunity to learn about china painting and stained glass jewellery in this series of classes

Date: Tuesday 4th, Thursday 6th and Monday 10th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

For both events contact: Sinead Rice
Tel: 049 555 9873

Painting with Acrylics with Ricki Van de Berg

Date: Friday 21st, 28th May and 4th June 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Contact: Fiona Burke, Tel: 042 966 5779

Cost: Free, open to the public

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Community Connections

Older than Who?

A sketch performed by older people highlighting negative attitudes

Venue: Community Development Project, Killcarney, Blacklion, Co. Cavan

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Brenda Whitley, Tel: 071 985 3380

Cost: Free, open to the public

Positive Age Cavan

Arts and Crafts Display

A social afternoon with a display of arts and crafts and performing arts and refreshments

Venue: St. Marys Hospital, Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 2pm

Contact: Brenda Whitley, Tel: 071 985 3380

Cost: Free, open to the public

For details contact: Maisie Smith, Tel: 049 436 0433

Cost: Free, open to the public

Kilnaleck Social Services

Arts and Crafts and Variety Entertainment

An entertainment session with two other community groups

Venue: Lakeside Manor, Virginia Rd, Kilnaleck, Co. Cavan

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 3 – 4 pm

Cavan Centre for Social Gain

Visual Arts Class Display

Venue: St. Felim's Complex, Cavan Town, Co. Cavan

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Contact: Maisie Smith, Tel: 049 436 0433

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Cross Border Link Up

A get together with a local centre in Tyrone for fun and laughter, dance and music

Venue: Realtog Centre, Main street, Kilnaleck, Co. Cavan

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Maureen Keady, Tel: 049 433 6311

Cost: Free, open to the public

Clare

Arts

Clare County Council Arts Office

The Best of Irish Concert (Music Network)

Traditional Irish music concert with tin whistle player Gavin Whelan

Venue: Russell Cultural Centre, Doolin, Co. Clare

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Siobhán Mulcahy, Tel: 065 684 6267

Cost: €10 or €7 (special Bealtaine price), open to the public

Irish Chamber Orchestra

May Music in Clare

Music Workshops for older people in libraries throughout County Clare to celebrate Bealtaine, the festival of creativity in older age

Venue: Kilrush Library, Kilrush, Co. Clare

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: Morning

Venue: Kilkee Library, Kilkee, Co. Clare

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: Afternoon

Venue: Shannon Library, Shannon, Co. Clare

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: Morning

Venue: Sixmilebridge Library, Sixmilebridge, Co. Clare

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: Afternoon

Venue: De Valera Library, Ennis, Co. Clare

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: Morning

Venue: Newmarket Library, Newmarket on Fergus, Co. Clare

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: Afternoon

Venue: Kilmihil Library, Kilmihil, Co. Clare

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: Morning

Venue: Miltown Library, Miltown Malbey, Co. Clare

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: Afternoon

Venue: Killaloe Library, Killaloe, Co. Clare

Date: Monday 10th May 2004

Time: Morning

Contact: Siobhán Mulcahy, Arts Office, Tel: 065 684 6267

Cost: Free, booking required

Shannon Arts Office

in association with the Clare County Arts Office

In My Father's Time

A 35 minute recital called "The Poet and the Piper" followed by an hour long talk on "Clare's Life and Lore" by noted folklorist Maurice O'Keefe

Venue: Sixmilebridge Library, Sixmilebridge, Co. Clare

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 7 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Going to the Pictures

Recreation of the old cinema halls with a singsong prior to the showing of a black and white film

Venue: Respond Centre, Rineanna Hall, Shannon, Co. Clare

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 7 pm

Cost: €5, open to the public

For both events contact: Diarmaid Moynihan, Tel: 061 364 062

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Ennis Active Retirement Association

in association with the Clare County Arts Office

Fun Days

Join us for music, singing and afternoon tea

Venue: Old Grand Hotel, Ennistymon, Co. Clare

Date: Sunday 16th May 2004

Time: 2 – 6 pm

Contact: Mary Keaney, Tel: 065 32518

Cost: To be confirmed, open to the public

One Act Play and Support Concert

Venue: To be confirmed

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Mary Keaney,

Tel: 065 686 32518

Cost: To be confirmed, open to the public

Care Centres

Ennistymon Community Hospital and Day Care Centre

in association with the Clare County Arts Office

Venue: Ennistymon Hospital, Ennistymon, Co. Clare

Echo Art Exhibit

Exhibition of artworks created by clients at the Hospital with North Clare Arts Office Echo Project.

Date: Thursday 6th May – Sunday 6th June 2004

Time: 11 am – 4 pm

Colour your World

Day of free art workshops courtesy of the North Clare Arts Office Echo Project.

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 4 pm

Both events free of charge

For both events contact: Mary Lucas,

Tel: 065 707 1622

St Joseph's Hospital, Ennis

in association with the Clare County Arts Office

Art Exhibition

Display of art works by patients of the hospital

Venue: St Joseph's Hospital for the Elderly, Ennis, Co. Clare

Date: To be confirmed

Time: 3 pm

Contact: Jennie Casey/Eleanor Feely,
Tel: 065 686 3868

Cost: Free, open to the public

Cork

Arts

Active Pulse (Drama for the Older Person)

Bealtaine Tour of Kenmare

Bus trip to Kenmare and local guided tour. Evening performances of choir, plays and duologues

Venue: Kenmare Bay Hotel, Kenmare, Co. Cork

Date: Saturday 1st, Sunday 2nd & Monday 3rd May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Máire Martin, Tel: 021 496 2871

Cost: To be confirmed

Cork Seniors in Celebration

Short plays, duologues and choir

Venue: Cork Arts Theatre Club, Knapps Quay, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 25th May - Monday 31st May 2004

Time: 8 – 10.30 pm

Contact: Máire Martin, Tel: 021 496 2871

Cost: €10, open to the public, concessions for groups and senior citizens

Crawford Municipal Art Gallery

Afternoon of Art Appreciation and Discussion

Guided tour of the Gallery collection and contemporary exhibitions, afternoon tea at the Gallery Café followed by a drawing workshop

Venue: Crawford Municipal Art Gallery, Emmet Place, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Contact: Anne Boddaert/Dawn Williams,
Tel: 021 427 3377

Cost: €3 (special Bealtaine price), special group rates, booking essential

Everyman Palace Theatre

Sunday Night at the Palace – The World of Operetta

Concert four of a series of sparkling evenings on the last Sunday of the month. This concert stars Linda Kenny (Soprano) and Damian Smith (Baritone) and many guest artists

Venue: Everyman Palace Theatre, 15 MacCurtain Street, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Sunday 30th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Patricia O'Sullivan, Tel: 021 450 3077

Cost: €15 (special Bealtaine price), open to the public

Mayfield Community Arts Centre

Creative Dance

Dance programme for the older woman, incorporating warm-up and exercise, creative dance activities and set styles

Venue: Mayfield Community Arts Centre, Newbury House, Old Youghal Road, Cork

Date: Every Tuesday in May

Time: 8 – 9.15 pm

Contact: Michelle Whooley, Tel: 021 450 7999

Cost: €2 per workshop

'TACAOIS' Art-for-Older-People-Project

Art Exhibition of works of 'TACAOIS' group

The 12 participants will exhibit their year's work in Ionad Culturtha where they have attended the art course

Venue: Ionad Culturtha, Baile Mhúirne, Macromtha, Co. Chorcaí

Date: Tuesday 4th – Friday 14th May 2004

Venue: Macroom Library, Macroom, Co. Cork

Date: Monday 17th – Friday 21st May 2004

Venue: Ionad Culturtha, Baile Mhúirne, Macromtha, Co. Chorcaí

Date: Monday 24th – Monday 28th May 2004

Time: Opening hours

Contact: Brid Cranitch, Tel: 026 45733

Cost: Free, open to the public

West Cork Arts Centre

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre, North Street, Skibbereen, Co. Cork

Contact: Justine Foster, Tel: 028 22090, Email: westcorkarts@eircom.net

Activity Day

Join in a creative dance session, discuss and share information with presentations from funding organisations

Venue: Sport Centre, Skibbereen, Co. Cork

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 2.30 – 4.30 pm

Arts for an Active Mind

A weekly initiative introducing people to the arts, the arts centre and creative development

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Monday 10th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Arts for an Active Mind: Part Two

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Monday 17th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Arts for an Active Mind: Part Three

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Arts for an Active Mind Exhibition

Venue: Celtic Ross Hotel, Rosscarberry, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 2 – 6 pm

Bantry Active Retirement Group Exhibition

Venue: Barra House, 61 Glengarriff Road, Bantry, Co. Cork

Date: Monday 10th – Saturday 22nd May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Dunmanway Active Retirement Exhibition

Venue: Dunmanway Library, Dunmanway, Co. Cork

Date: Saturday 1st – Monday 31st 2004

Time: Library opening hours

Film: Night Train

A screening of the film 'Night Train' in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 5 pm

Rosscarberry Social Group Exhibition

Venue: Celtic Ross Hotel, Rosscarberry, Co. Cork

Date: Thursday 13th May – 8th June 2004

Stained Glass Course

A four week course in design and construction

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Stained Glass: Part Two

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4pm

Stained Glass: Part Three

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Stained Glass: Part Four

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4pm

Tea Dance

Performance, dance and music

Venue: Celtic Ross Hotel, Rosscarberry, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 2 – 6 pm

Cost: €5, including refreshments

Watercolours

Learn the skills in creating a successful watercolour

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre

Date: Saturday 8th May

Time: 1 – 5 pm

Booking required on all events, except the exhibitions. Please book through West Cork Arts Centre, Tel: 028 22090

Cost: All events free, unless otherwise stated

Public Libraries

Cork City Libraries

A wide range of arts events have been organised by Cork City Libraries

Art Exhibition

A display of work by The Adult Education Department in Douglas Community School

Venue: Douglas Library, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Thursday 13th May – Friday 4th June 2004

Time: Library opening hours

Exhibition of Artwork

The Retired Persons Network will present a display of work

Venue: Central Library, Grand Parade, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Saturday 1st – Saturday 29th May 2004

Time: Library opening hours

Gramophone Recitals

Musical mornings throughout the city

Venue: Douglas Library, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Friday 7th & Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 11 am

Venue: Hollyhill Library, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Venue: Music Library, Grand Parade, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Readings by Guest Authors

Joan McDonnell – A Spring in My Step

Venue: Central Library, Grand Parade, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Liam Nolan – A Life in Writing

Venue: Central Library, Grand Parade, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 11.30 am

Painting Demonstration

Painting with Michael Downes

Venue: Douglas Library, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

For all events contact: Tina Healy,
Tel: 021 427 7110

Cork County Libraries and Arts Services

Contact: Sinéad Collins,

Tel: 021 434 6210

Ballincollig Library

Venue: Ballincollig Library, Ballincollig, Co. Cork

Art Exhibition

An exhibition by Michael Watson of the Westgate Foundation

Date: Monday 3rd – Saturday 29th May 2004

Time: Library hours

Author Visit

A talk by well known Cork author Conal Creedon

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: 11 am

“Crazy Pieced Bag”

Lots of fun with velvets and silks and shiny fabrics pieced together by fancy embroidery stiches with Rachel Wolstenholme of The Cork Textile Network

Date: Mondays 19th April – 24th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Dancing For Pleasure

A Creative Dance Performance by members of the Westgate Foundation under the guidance of Geraldine Corcoran

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

'Exotic Son of the South'

An appraisal of Daniel Macliese, Cork's eminent Victorian history painter. Talk by Frances Coghlan of The National Gallery of Ireland

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Gramophone Recital

A morning of music with Michael Gerard Murphy

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Cost: Free, open to the public

Contact: Ballincollig Library, Tel: 021 487 3024

Bandon Library

Venue: Bandon Library, Bandon, Co. Cork

Author Visit

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Exhibition

An exhibition of work by members of the Bandon Day Care Centre

Date: Month of May 2004

Time: Library hours

Contact: Bandon Library, Tel: 023 44830

Cost: Free, open to the public

Bantry Library

Venue: Bantry Library, Bantry, Co Cork

Artists Talk

A talk about his work by West Cork artist Tom O'Sullivan

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Choir Performance

A Performance by members of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Bantry Branch

Date: Saturday 29th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Lacemaking Course

A four week course in lacemaking with Eleanor Calnan

Date: Wednesdays 12th, 19th and 26th May & 2nd June 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Bantry Library, Tel: 027 50460

Cost: Free, open to the public

Blarney Library

Author Visit - Conal Creedon

Venue: Blarney Library, Blarney, Co. Cork

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Blarney Library, Tel: 021 438 2115

Cost: Free, open to the public

Carrigaline Library

Venue: Carrigaline Library, Carrigaline, Co. Cork

Author Visit

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Gramophone Recital

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Gramophone Recital

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Photographic Exhibition - "Famine Buildings"

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Carrigaline Library, Tel: 021 437 1888

Cost: Free, open to the public

Charleville Library

Craft Workshop with Cork Textile Network

Venue: Charleville Library, Charleville, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Charleville Library, Tel: 063 89769

Cost: Free, open to the public

Cape Clear Island Library

Venue: Clear Island Library, Clear Island, Co. Cork

Craft Workshop with Marie O'Neill

Storytelling with Pat Speight

Date: To be confirmed on both events

Contact: Clear Island Library, **Email:**

cleirelib@eircom.net

Cost: Free, open to the public

Clonakilty Library

Venue: Clonakilty Library, Clonakilty, Co. Cork

Author Visit

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Craft Workshop with Eleanor Calnan

Date: Thursday 13th & Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Exhibition

An exhibition of craft work by Clonakilty Day Care Centre

Date: Tuesday 11th – Saturday 22nd May 2004

Time: Library hours

Music Performance

String Quartet

Date: Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 1 – 2 pm

Contact: Clonakilty Library Tel: 023 34275

Cost: Free, open to the public

Cobh Library

Venue: Cobh Library, Cobh, Co. Cork

Textile Exhibition

Exhibition of work by textile workshop group

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Lacemaking Course

A four week workshop in lacemaking with Veronica Stewart

Date: Tuesdays 11th, 18th, 25th May & 1st June 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Weave a Landscape

Design a picture in one media and transfer it to a woven wallpiece with Pascale De Coninck of the Cork Textile Network

Date: Wednesdays, 28th April – 2nd June 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Cobh Library, Tel: 021 481 1130

Cost: Free, open to the public

Dunmanway Library

Venue: Dunmanway Library, Dunmanway, Co. Cork

Author Visit by Betty Nunan

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Basketmaking Workshop with Karen Zevenbergen

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 1.30 pm

Storytelling with Paddy O'Brien

Date: Saturday 8th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

“You Can Weave a Silk Purse Out of a Sows Ear”

Weaving workshop with Sarah Geary of the Cork Textile Network

Date: Fridays 23rd April – 28th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Dunmanway Library, Tel: 023 55411

Cost: Free, open to the public

Fermoy Library

Venue: Fermoy Library, Fermoy, Co. Cork

Illustrated Lecture on the Schools Collection

Emer Ní Cheallaigh of the Department of Folklore in UCD will explore the Schools Collection, 1937 - 1938 and other Folklore Recordings

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 7.30 pm

“Make and Clothe your Own Soft Doll”

Workshop with Sam Wynn of the Cork Textile Network

Date: Fridays, 23rd April - 28th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Fermoy Library, Tel: 025 31318

Cost: Free, open to the public

Kanturk Library

Gramophone Recital

Venue: Kanturk Library, Kanturk, Co. Cork

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 3 – 4 pm

Contact: Kanturk Library, Tel: 029 51384

Cost: Free, open to the public

Kinsale Library

Lacemaking Workshop

Venue: Kinsale Library, Kinsale, Co. Cork

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Kinsale Library, Tel: 021 477 4266

Cost: Free, open to the public

Macroom Library

Venue: Macroom Library, Macroom, Co. Cork

Art Exhibition

Date: Month of May 2004

Time: Library hours

Lacemaking Workshop

A four week lacemaking workshop with Veronica Stewart

Date: Thursday 6th – 27th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Macroom Library, Tel: 026 42483

Cost: Free, open to the public

Mallow Library

Venue: Mallow Library, Mallow, Co. Cork

Art Exhibition

Date: Month of May

Time: Library hours

Author Visit

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Craft Workshop

A four week workshop by the Cork Textile Network

Date: Wednesdays, 5th – 26th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Mallow Library, Tel: 022 21821

Cost: Free, open to the public

Milstreet Library

Venue: Milstreet Library, Milstreet, Co. Cork

Music Performance

String Quartet

Date: Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Storytelling with Paddy O'Brien

Date: Saturday 15th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Contact: Milstreet Library, Tel: 029 21920

Cost: Free, open to the public

Model Farm Road Library

Venue: Model Farm Road Library, Model Farm Road, Co. Cork

Author Visit by Betty Nunan

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Portraits in Pastel

A four week drawing workshop with artist John Philip Murray

Date: Tuesdays, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

The Writer and His Music

Gramophone recital and stories of Frank O'Connor with Pat Egan and Gerry O'Callaghan

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

“You Can Weave a Silk Purse out of a Sows Ear”

A weaving workshop with Sarah Geary of the Cork Textile Network

Date: Wednesdays, 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Contact: Model Farm Road Library, Tel: 021 454 6499

Cost: Free, open to the public

Schull Library

Venue: Schull Library, Schull, Co. Cork

Eleanor Calnan Wool Craft Workshop

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Exhibition of Artwork by Local Group Satellite

Date: Month of May 2004
Time: Library hours

Storytelling with Helen Kelly Jones

Date: Sunday 9th May 2004
Time: 12 noon

Contact: Schull Library, Tel: 028 28290
Cost: Free, open to the public

Sherkin Island Library

Craft Workshop with Eleanor Calnan

Venue: Sherkin Island Library, Sherkin Island, Co. Cork

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Sherkin Island Library, Tel: 028 20336

Cost: Free, open to the public

Skibbereen Library

Venue: Skibbereen Library, Skibbereen, Co. Cork

Author visit by Betty Nunan

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Storytelling with Paddy O'Brien

Date: Saturday 8th May 2004

Time: 11.30 am

Contact: Skibbereen Library, Tel: 028 22400

Cost: Free, open to the public

Youghal Library

Venue: Youghal Library, Youghal, Co. Cork

Art Exhibition

Date: Month of May 2004

Time: Library hours

Storytelling with Pat Speight

Date: Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

“Weave a Landscape”

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Youghal Library, Tel: 024 93459

Cost: Free, open to the public

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Bishopstown Senior Social Centre

Bishopstown Senior Social Centre At Home

An afternoon of dance and fun

Venue: Bishopstown Senior Social Centre, Wilton Park House, Bishopstown, Cork

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2.45 pm

Contact: Roger Coughlan, Tel: 086 386 6975

Cost: Free

Crosshaven Senior Citizens

A Piece of History by Michael Kelly

Cultural Talk

A personal account from the last of the surviving soldiers present when the Fort in Cork Harbour was handed over to the Irish by the British Army

Venue: Senior Citizens' Centre, Crosshaven, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Anne Farrell, Tel: 021 483 1883

Cost: Free

Diabetes Federation Over 55's Group

Hypo Humour!

An informative and fun evening with information on how to deal with “hypos”, a performance of “The Doctors Surgery” by Bantry Acting Group and a talk by Professor Des MacHale on humour at its best

Venue: The Auditorium, Cork University Hospital, Wilton, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Barbara Gannon, Tel: 021 427 4229

Cost: €5, open to the public

Gateway Friendship Club

Venue: The Gateway, St. Finbar's Place,
Bandon, Co. Cork

Favourite Poems We Learnt in School

Featuring guest speaker Alice Taylor and an art and craft exhibition by members

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12 noon

Storytelling by Liam Cunningham

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12 noon

Contact: Sandy Mitchell, Tel: 021 733 0290

Cost: €2, open to the public

Grenagh Guild of Irish Countrywomen's Association (ICA)

Fuinneóg – A Pane in the Arts

Poetry reading where you are invited to bring your favourite poem and one of your own pieces

Venue: Rathduff Hall, Grenagh, Co. Cork

Date: Sunday 9th May 2004

Time: 3 – 6 pm

Contact: Anne Carleton, Tel: 021 488 6224

Cost: Free, open to the public

Lough Gramophone Circle

“Sentimental Journey”

Music programme consisting of well-loved melodies and opera classics

Venue: Douglas Library, Douglas Shopping Centre,
Douglas, Cork

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.15 pm

Contact: Mona Dalton, Tel: 021 429 3534

Cost: Free, open to the public

Moving Age

Keeping the Spring in your Heart and Step

Range of events including a music session with Siobhán and Marie Edwards, a dance session, songs of Cork with John O'Shea

Venue: Farranree Family Centre, Closes Green,
Farranree, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Monday 10th, 17th and 24th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Contact: Pauline O'Leary, Tel: 086 842 8510

Cost: €2, open to the public

Newcestown Friendship Group

Venue: Newcestown Parish Hall, Newcestown,
Bandon, Co. Cork

All Singing, All Dancing Party

A Bealtaine party for everyone with lots of music, games, dancing and competitions

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 8.30 pm

Cost: Free, donations welcome, open to the public

All That Flowers in May

Learn about flower arranging using blooms from local gardens

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: €2, open to the public

Days Gone By

An afternoon spent playing games that we played as children

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: €2, open to the public

See-Through Paintings

Create your own piece of decorative stained glass

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: €2, open to the public

For all events contact: Betty Smith,
Tel: 021 733 8177

Nifty Fifty Plus Club

Bealtaine Frolics

An afternoon of poetry, song, storytelling and a dance, performed by members of the Older People in Dance Creation

Venue: Dromina Community Centre, Dromina,
Co. Cork

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4pm

Contact: Maureen Collins, Tel: 063 70212

Cost: Free, open to the public

Older Women's Network/ Snippets Historical, Cultural & Drama Group

Cultural Evening

A night of storytelling, song, poetry and drama

Venue: Ballyphelane CDP, Community Resource Centre, Lower Friars Walk, Ballyphelane, Cork, Co. Cork

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Contact: Betty Moore, Tel: 021 454 6607

Riverstown Tuesday Club

Contact: Ann Holland, Tel: 021 486 6067

Afternoon Tea and Exhibition of Crafts

Exhibition and sale of arts and crafts made by Seniors Tuesday Club, afternoon tea and refreshments provided by seniors

Venue: Community Centre, Riverstown, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Cost: €5, open to the public

Creativity and Ageing – No Regrets

Storytelling by Pat Egan

Venue: Community Centre, Riverstown, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Cost: €3, open to the public

Care Centres

Bandon Day Care Centre

Memories

A reading of short stories, poems, jokes and past memories as published and recounted by the clients at the day care centre

Venue: Bandon Day Care Centre, Bandon, Co. Cork

Date: Monday 24th – Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3.30 pm

Contact: Noreen Walsh, Tel: 023 52029

Cost: Free, open to the public

Carrigaline Day Care Centre

Venue: Carrigaline Day Care Centre, Carrigaline, Co. Cork

Collage and Glass Painting

Expression of creativity through collage and glass painting by clients attending the day care centre

Date: Monday 10th and Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Creative Dance

Creative chair dance with exercise therapy as in "Older People in Dance" promoted by Southern Health Board

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Films

Recalling trades and crafts of days gone by

Date: Friday 14th, Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2 - 3 pm

Gramophone Recital

Old time music and dance

Date: Wednesday 5th May

Time: 2.15 pm

For all events contact: Claire O'Callaghan,
Tel: 021 437 3730

Cost: Free, open to the public

Catherine McAuley Day Centre

Bealtaine Celebration

Storytelling, poetry, song and also a dance performed by members of the Older People in Dance Creation

Venue: Charleville Day Care Centre, Main Street, Charleville, Co. Cork

Date: Monday 24th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Contact: Sr M. Colman Deevy, Tel: 063 81971

Cost: Free, open to the public

Deer Park House Nursing Home

Display of Residents Art Work

A display of art created in classes with Alison Trim

Venue: Deerpark House, Seafield, Bantry, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Bernie Cronin, Tel: 027 52711

Cost: Free, open to the public

McAuley Day Centre

Down Memory Lane

Storytelling and reminiscence with Charlie Conway and friends

Venue: McAuley Day Centre, Hospital Grounds, Middleton, Co. Cork

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3 pm

McAuley Frolics

Music, song and dance with the “Middletones”; also a movement to music performance from the Older People in Dance Creation

Venue: McAuley Day Centre, Hospital Grounds, Middleton, Co. Cork

Date: Monday 10th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3.30 pm

For both events contact: Maureen Kearney, Nurse Co-ordinator, Tel: 021 463 1116

Cost: Free, not open to the public

St Luke's Home, Day Care Centre

Arts & Crafts Open Day

Venue: St Luke's Home Day Care Centre, Castle Road, Mahon, Blackrock, Cork

Date: Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 1.30 - 3.30 pm

Contact: Julia Horgan, Tel: 021 435 9444

Cost: Free, open to the public

Donegal

Arts

Letterkenny Arts Centre

In association with Donegal County Council Arts Office

Belly Dancing with Yasmina

Venue: Lifford Community Hospital, Lifford, Co. Donegal

Venue: Newtown Day Care Centre, Newtown, Co. Donegal

Venue: Sheil Hospital, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal

Ceilí and Old Time Dance

Venue: Mill Park Hotel, Donegal Town, Co. Donegal

Circle Dancing with Joy Peat

Venue: Donegal Town, Co. Donegal

Glebe House Open Day with Traditional Music

Venue: Glebe Gallery, Churchill, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

Matinee Films

Venue: Abbey Centre, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal

Venue: Century Cinemas, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

Performance with Little John Nee

Venue: An Grianan Theatre, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

Reminiscence

Caroline Carr (Donegal County Museum) and Niamh Brennan (County Archivist) will host a reminiscence session using artefacts from the museum collection and documents from the archives

Venue: Carndonagh Day Care Centre, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal

Venue: Ramelton Day Care Centre, Ramelton, Co. Donegal

Sean-Nós Singing and Storytelling with Gearóidín Breathnach

Venue: Dungloe Day Care Centre, Dungloe, Co. Donegal

Venue: Aranmore Day Care Centre, Aranmore, Co. Donegal

Storytelling with Aussie Bryson

Venue: Gweedore Day Care Centre, Gweedore, Co. Donegal

Venue: Lifford Community Hospital, Lifford, Co. Donegal

Storytelling with Helen Meehan

Venue: Donegal Town Hospital, Co. Donegal

Storytelling with Joe Brennan

Venue: Gweedore Day Care Centre, Gweedore, Co. Donegal

Venue: Glenties Day Care Centre, Glenties, Co. Donegal

Storytelling and Traditional Music with Martin McGinley

Venue: Cunane Day Care Centre, Cunane, Co. Donegal

Venue: Creeslough Day Care Centre, Creeslough, Co. Donegal

Traditional Music with Jimmy McBride

Venue: Moville Day Care Centre, Moville, Co. Donegal

Venue: Clonmany Day Care Centre, Clonmany, Co. Donegal

Cost: All events free

For further information on dates and times of the events please contact Odette Boal,

Tel: 074 912 9186

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Voice of Older People, Donegal

In association with the Health Promotion Department, North Western Health Board
Ag Ceiliúradh le Chéile in nDún na nGall

Art Exhibition

A display of artworks by older people in Inishowen with paintings, drawings, pottery and other pieces of visual art

Beginners Guide to the Presidency

Celebration of rights of older people in the European Context. Featuring a reading of activities promoting creative thinking.

Celebrating Together in Donegal - Ag Ceiliúradh le Chéile in nDún na nGall

Approximately ten celebratory events will be taking place around Donegal. Baidh and ceiliúradh ar siúl ins na ceantracha Gaeltachta freisin

History of Manorcunningham

A facilitated session of reminiscence about days gone by in Manorcunningham, hearing the voices and experiences of older people and capturing stories and histories for future generations

Intergenerational Project

A display of artwork and sound by primary school children and older people in Letterkenny, which will portray the connections, the differences and the journeys of both generations in a time of change

The Colour Purple:

Living without Limitations

A series of twenty community arts sessions will be run in five locations in Donegal. These sessions will be facilitated by community arts practitioners and will offer older people the opportunity to express themselves creatively.

Time Out for You – Celebrating Yourself

An afternoon of pampering will take place in various community hospitals. This “heavenly” session will incorporate massage, creative hairstyling and other therapies to help express your creativity

Waterbabies

Aqua-aerobics sessions of water dancing will take place in two locations in Donegal. Each session will be open for all levels of capability

For details of all events contact: Ann-Marie Crosse, Tel: 074 917 8539

Care Centres

Buncrana Community Nursing Unit

Art Exhibition showing Art, Clay and Pottery Pieces

An open day including day care clients; music will be provided on the day

Venue: Buncrana Community Nursing Unit, Maginn Avenue, Buncrana, Co. Donegal

Date: Monday 10th May 2004

Time: 1.30 – 3.30 pm

Contact: Maura Gillen, Tel: 074 936 1500

Cost: Free

St. Joseph's Day Hospital

Traditional Irish Music Afternoon

Drinks, afternoon tea and sandwiches served.

Venue: Day Hospital, St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar, Co. Donegal

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2003

Time: 2 - 4 pm

Contact: Helen Foy, Tel: 074 913 1038, Ext: 231

Cost: Free to all day hospital patients and clients

Dublin

Arts

The Abbey Theatre

Venue: The Abbey Theatre, 26 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1

The Abbey Debates: Memory and Repertoire

Day-long debates featuring leading Irish and international artists, academics and policy makers who will discuss a range of issues.

Date: Saturday 15th May 2004

Time: 11 am - 4.30 pm

Cost: Free, booking required, Tel: 01 878 7222

Affairs of the Arts

A collaboration between the Abbey Theatre, the Irish Museum of Modern Art, the Irish Film Institute and Age & Opportunity, which involves a two day programme exploring contemporary visual art, film and theatre. The Abbey Theatre Production for Affairs of the Arts is 'The Shaughran' by Dion Boucicault

Date: Session 1; 27th & 28th May, Session 2; 8th & 9th June 2004

Contact: Booking line open on the 20th April, Tel: Shauna Lyons (IFI) at 01 679 5744

Cost: €15, booking essential

Riots, Rebels and Rumpus Through the Years

Special lecture series designed for anyone with an interest in theatre in general and the Abbey Theatre in particular.

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 12.30 - 1.20 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

abbeyonehundred Nationwide Libraries Programme

This programme aims to enhance public access to and participation with the Abbey Theatre, through talks, lectures, play readings, writers in conversation with children and adult drama workshops at your local library

Writers in Conversation

Playwrights associated with the Abbey discuss their work, what it means to be a playwright today and their relationship with the Abbey Theatre

Venue: Deansgrange Library

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 7 - 8 pm

Cost: Free, booking with venue required

Focus On

These adult drama workshops look at a number of different elements, the production process, from page to stage, an approach to script and a director's approach to staging a play

Venue: Blanchardstown Library

Date: Saturday 15th May 2004

Time: 10 am - 1 pm

Cost: Free, booking with venue required

Abbey Talk

Guest speaker will explore the Abbey's illustrious history, as Ireland's National Theatre and Europe's oldest English speaking theatre, in addition to investigating the Abbey's future role in the development of Irish Theatre

Venue: Tallaght Library

Date: Monday 17th May 2004

Time: 7 - 8 pm

Cost: Free, booking with venue required

Contact: For further information on any of the Abbey Theatre's events please contact Outreach/Education Department, Tel: 01 887 2223

access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

A tour of the film 'Night Train', directed by John Lynch to a number of venues throughout Ireland

Venue: The Picture House, Wexford Arts Centre, Co Wexford

Date: Monday 3rd May 2004

Contact: Tel: 053 23764

Venue: Courthouse Arts Centre, Tinahely, Co. Wicklow
Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 0402 38529

Venue: Excel Centre, Tipperary Town, Co. Tipperary
Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 062 80520

Venue: The Model Arts and Niland Gallery, Sligo, Co. Sligo
Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 071 914 1405

Venue: Letterfrack Film Society, Letterfrack, Co. Galway
Date: Friday 7th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 095 41112

Venue: St. John's Arts Centre, Listowel, Co. Kerry
Date: Friday 7th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 068 22566

Venue: Glór Irish Music Centre, Ennis, Co. Clare
Date: Monday 10th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 065 684 5370

Venue: Mermaid Arts Centre, Bray, Co. Wicklow
Date: Monday 10th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 01 272 4030

Venue: The Old Market House Arts Centre, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford
Date: Thursday 13th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 058 48944

Venue: South Tipperary Arts Centre, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary
Date: Thursday 13th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 052 27877

Venue: Birr Theatre and Arts Centre, Birr, Co. Offaly
Date: Friday 14th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 0509 22853

Venue: Tuar Ard Arts Centre, Moate, Co. Westmeath
Date: Friday 14th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 0902 82042

Venue: Galway Film Society, Town Hall Theatre, Galway
Date: Saturday 15th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 091 569 777

Venue: Kerry Arts Office, Killarney County Library, Co. Kerry
Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 066 718 3541

Venue: Roscommon Arts Centre, Roscommon Town, Co. Roscommon
Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 090 325 824

Venue: Kerry Arts Office, Cahirciveen Co. Library, Co. Kerry
Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 066 718 3541

Venue: Kerry Arts Office, Tralee Co. Library, Co. Kerry
Date: Thursday 20th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 066 718 3541

Venue: Westmeath Arts Office, Mullingar Arts Centre, Co. Westmeath
Date: Thursday 20th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 044 47777

Venue: St. Michael's Theatre, New Ross, Co. Wexford
Date: Thursday 20th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 051 421 255

Venue: Irish Film Institute, Eustace St., Dublin 2
Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 01 679 5744

Venue: Linenhall Arts Centre, Castlebar, Co. Mayo
Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 094 23733

Venue: West Cork Arts Centre, Skibbereen, Co. Cork
Date: Thursday 27th May 2004
Contact: Tel: 028 22090

Venue: Riverbank Arts Centre, Newbridge, Co. Kildare
Date: Friday 28th May 2004
Contact: 045 433 480

Venue: Belltable Arts Centre, Limerick, Co. Limerick
Date: Monday 31st May 2004
Contact: Tel: 061 319 866

Venue: Briery Gap Cultural Centre, Macroom, Co. Cork
Date: Monday 31st May 2004
Contact: Tel: 026 42421

Venue: Clare County Council, Midnight Court Film Society, Scarriff, Co. Clare
Date: Monday 31st May 2004
Contact: Tel: 061 921 633

Venue: Droichead Arts Centre, Drogheda, Co. Louth
Date: Monday 31st May 2004
Contact: Tel: 041 983 3946

For further details please contact: Maretta Dillon at Access Cinema, Tel: 01 679 4420

The Airfield Trust

Caroline Moreau

An exotic evening of songs and stories

Venue: The Airfield Trust, Upper Kilmacud Road, Dundrum, Dublin 14

Date: Sunday 15th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Sancho Gallilei, Tel: 01 296 7609

Cost: €15, €12 special Bealtaine price, open to the public

Bewley's Café Theatre

Just a Little One

A theatrical celebration of the life and writings of New York writer, socialite and wit, Dorothy Parker

Venue: Bewley's Café, Grafton Street, Dublin 2

Date: Tues – Saturday, 20th April – 22nd May 2004

Time: Mon – Saturday, 1.10 pm
(doors open 12.50 pm)

Contact: Maureen Loughran, Tel: 086 819 9530,

Email: mandr@utvinternet.com

Cost: €10, special Bealtaine price (includes lunch), open to the public

The Douglas Hyde Gallery

Exhibitions – Verne Dawson and Robert Adams – The Paradise [14]

A guided tour of the gallery followed by a group discussion

Venue: The Douglas Hyde Gallery, Trinity College, Dublin 2

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30/1 pm

Contact: Ali Davey, Tel: 01 608 1116

Cost: Free, booking essential

Draiocht

Take a Bow

Visual arts exhibition by The Dabblers, Draiocht's arts group for older people.

Venue: First floor gallery, Draiocht Arts Centre, Blanchardstown, Co. Dublin

Date: Thursday 6th – Saturday 29th May 2004

Time: 10am – 6 pm

Contact: Emer McGowan, Tel: 01 385 2610

Dublin City Gallery (The Hugh Lane)

Venue: Dublin City Gallery, Charlemont House, Parnell Square North, Dublin 1

Display of Drawings

A display of drawings made by the Tuesday Active Retirement drawing class at the Gallery will be shown throughout the month of May

Date: Month of May 2004

Time: Gallery opening hours: Closed Mondays, Open Tues – Thurs 9.30 am – 6 pm, Fri & Sat 9.30 am – 5 pm, Sun 11am – 5 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Lunchtime Lectures

Two different lectures will be presented in the Gallery during May:

“In the Spirit of Intimisme – A selection of Paintings from the Permanent Collection,” will be given by Christine Kennedy

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 1.10 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Nora Hickey will lecture on “The Portraits of William J Leech”

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 1.10 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Public Tours of the Collection

Free Guided tours of the Collection take place each Tuesday at 11am and each Sunday at 1.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Visit to Gallery Conservation Studio

A fascinating behind the scenes look at conservation in the Gallery led by the Gallery's conservator

Date: Tuesday 4th May and Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm

Cost: Free, booking essential

Outreach Lectures

The Hugh Lane is giving two outreach lectures on the Gallery's collection in Blanchardstown Library, Blanchardstown Town Centre, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15

“Portraiture in the 20th Century”

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

“Continental Influences in Irish Art”

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Contact: For all events – Jessica O'Donnell, Tel: 01 8741903

Dublin Writers Museum

The Writers Entertain

Enjoy a one-man performance which plays host to the dramatists, poets and wits of Ireland followed by an audio guided tour of the museum

Venue: Dublin Writers Museum, 18 Parnell Square, Dublin 1

Date: Wednesday 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th May 2004

Time: 1 pm

Contact: Maria O'Callaghan, Tel: 01 872 2077

Cost: €8 (special Bealtaine price), open to the public

ECAP Community Arts Project

New Artworks at Raheny Library

An exhibition of paintings by artists from Residential care centres in Raheny, Ratoath, Howth and Griffith Avenue

Venue: Raheny Library, Howth Road, Raheny, Dublin 5

Date: Tuesday 4th – Monday 31st May 2004

Time: Library hours

New Paintings

Exhibition of paintings

Venue: Talbot Lodge Nursing Home, Kinsealy Lane, Kinsealy, Co. Dublin

Date: Sunday 16th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Contact: Sarah McShane, Tel: 01 845 3148

Cost: Free, open to the public

Irish Film Institute

Affairs of the Arts

A collaboration between the Abbey Theatre, the Irish Museum of Modern Art, the Irish Film Institute and Age & Opportunity, which involves a two day programme exploring contemporary visual art, film and theatre. The Irish Film Institute's production for Affairs of the Arts is 'December Bride'

Date: Session 1, 27th & 28th May 2004, Session 2, 8th & 9th June 2004

Contact: Booking line open on the 20th April, Tel: Shauna Lyons (IFI) at 01 679 5744

Cost: €15, booking essential

'Night Train'

A screening of the film in association with access Cinema.

Venue: Irish Film Institute, 6 Eustace St., Dublin 2

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 4 pm

Contact: Shauna Lyons, Tel: 01 679 5744,

Email: slyons@irishfilm.ie

Cost: Free, open to the public

Irish Museum of Modern Art

Venue: Irish Museum of Modern Art, Royal Hospital Kilmainham, Dublin 8

Affairs of the Arts

A collaboration between the Abbey Theatre, the Irish Museum of Modern Art, the Irish Film Institute and Age & Opportunity, which involves a two day programme exploring contemporary visual art, film and theatre. The Irish Museum of Modern Art's production for Affairs of the Arts is 'Bearings' – landscapes from the IMMA collection

Date: Session 1, 27th & 28th May 2004, Session 2, 8th & 9th June 2004

Contact: Booking line open on the 20th April, Tel: Shauna Lyons (IFI) at 01 679 5744

Cost: €15, booking essential

Charcoal and Chocolate

Exploring modern and contemporary art through drawing. This programme invites older people to explore new ways of looking at and making artwork through the medium of drawing. A four week block of workshops

Date: Friday 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Lisa Moran, Tel: 01 612 9912,

Email: lisa.moran@modernart.ie

Cost: Free, open to the public, booking required

Guided Tours of IMMA Exhibitions

The Museum's mediator team present free guided tours of the museum's exhibitions

Date: Year round

Time: Various times

Contact: Information Desk, Tel: 01 612 9967,

Email: frontofhouse@modernart.ie

Cost: Free, booking line, Tel: 01 612 9967, two weeks notice required

Studio (10)

St. Michael's Active Retirement Art Group are in residence in the museum's studio 10 on Friday mornings. Individuals or groups are invited visit the group in studio or join them for a gallery tour

Date: Friday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Contact: Lisa Moran, Tel: 01 612 9912,

Email: lisa.moran@modernart.ie

Cost: Free, booking required two weeks in advance

Talks and Lectures

Detailed brochure available from Information Desk

Date: Year round

Time: Various

Contact: Aoife Ruane, Tel: 01 612 9913,

Email: aoife.ruane@modernart.ie

Cost: Free, open to the public

National Gallery of Ireland

Bealtaine Outreach Programme

This year the National Gallery will facilitate talks and workshops throughout the country in partnership with local arts officers, libraries and day care centres

For details contact: Sheena Barrett,
Tel: 01 6633 506

Poetry Ireland

International Writer in Residence

Poetry Ireland, in association with Age & Opportunity will be bringing renowned poet Fleur Adcock to Ireland for a series of readings, workshops and discussions for Bealtaine 2004.

For further details please contact: Emma Walsh,
Tel: 01 805 7704

Cultural Heritage

Chester Beatty Library

Venue: Chester Beatty Library, Dublin Castle, Dublin 2

Contact: Jenny Siung, Tel: 01 407 0775 or Rhoda Judge, Tel: 01 402 0772

Bookings taken from Tuesday 4th May 2004

Mayflowers and Tea

Enjoy an afternoon of Chinese flower arranging, followed by a traditional Chinese tea ceremony with Ms. Summy Wong, Director of 'Tea Appreciation'

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 12 – 2 pm

Cost: €2, includes entrance fee and afternoon tea, booking required

Guided Tour

Free guided tour of the Chester Beatty Library

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 12 noon

Cost: Free, booking required

Dublinia

Living History at Dublinia

Meet actors and interpreters who will bring your visit to Dublinia alive

Venue: Dublinia, St Michael's Hill, Christchurch, Dublin 8

Date: Monday – Friday, throughout May 2004

Time: 10 am - 5 pm

Contact: Sarah Dent, Tel: 01 679 4611

Cost: Free for Bealtaine participants, open to the public

Fry Model Railway

Visit One of the Largest Working Model Railways in Europe

This unique exhibition is a working railway covering an area of 2,500 sq.ft

Venue: Fry Model Railway, Malahide Castle Demesne, Malahide, Co. Dublin

Date: Monday 10th – Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 1 pm and 2 – 5 pm

Contact: Maria O'Callaghan, Tel: 01 872 2077

Cost: €2.60 (special Bealtaine price)

James Joyce Museum

Guided Tour by the Curator

Enjoy a private tour by the curator of the Museum, which is famous as the setting for the opening of James Joyce's "Ulysses"

Venue: James Joyce Museum, Joyce Tower, Sandycove, Co. Dublin

Date: Tuesday 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Contact: Robert Nicholson, Tel: 01 280 9265

Cost: €5.25, booking essential

Malahide Castle

Lacemaking Demonstration

Geraldine Clarke is the only professional bobbin lacemaker in Ireland. She will be making lace in the 18th Century Silhouette Room of the Castle and will have a small collection of her work on display

Venue: Malahide Castle, Malahide, Co. Dublin

Date: Wednesday 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 1 pm and 2 – 5 pm

Contact: Geraldine Lynch, Tel: 01 846 2184

Cost: €5.25, special Bealtaine price, open to the public

National Museum of Ireland

Venue: Collins Barracks, Benburb Street, Dublin 7

Gallery Talk and Tour – The Way We Wore

A talk by costume Historian Emma Jayne Charleton on 250 years of Irish clothing and jewellery

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free, groups should book in advance

Tour of the Conservation Studio

See how artefacts are conserved for the future. Includes a look at furniture conservation, bookbinding and archaeological conservation

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free, booking essential

The Decorative Arts of China and Japan

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free

Tour of New Storage Facility

A special tour of the new storage facility at the National Museum of Ireland for the National Furniture Collection

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free, booking essential

Gallery Talk and Tour - Irish Furniture Style and Taste

Talk and tour entitled “Irish Furniture Style and Taste, 1650 – 1950”. GERALYN WHITE talks about 300 years of Irish furniture design

Date: Wednesday 26th May

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Groups should book in advance

Contact: Education and Outreach Dept.,
Tel: 01 648 6453

Natural History Museum

Venue: Natural History Museum, Merrion Street, Dublin 2

From Aardvarks to Zebras

An historical tour of a typical Victorian cabinet museum here in the heart of Dublin

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 2.30 – 3.30 pm

Rainforests of the World

Why are rainforests important? What animals do we find there? Find out with Education Assistant Brian Harding

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 2.30 – 3.30pm

Animals of the North Pole

A tour of the animals that we find around the North Pole with Education Assistant Brian Harding

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 2.30 – 3.30pm

Animals of the Irish Countryside

A tour of the animals of Ireland and their conservation status today

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 2.30 – 3.30 pm

Contact: Dr. Felicity Devlin, Tel: 01 677 7444,
Ext: 314/322

Cost: Free, open to the public

National Museum of Ireland

Venue: National Museum of Ireland, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

Mosaic Magic

Join the Education Department and create your own mosaic inspired by the wonderful mosaic floors of the museum

Date: Tuesday 4th – Friday 7th May 2004,
workshop will take place over 4 days

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Cost: Free, booking required

Mystery Tour

You are invited to take a tour to discover the museum you may not know

Date: Wednesday 12th, 19th and 26th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free

Contact: Dr. Felicity Devlin, Tel: 01 677 7444,
Ext: 314/322

Seamus Ennis Cultural Centre

Traditional House Party

Four evenings of music, song, storytelling and recitations. Interactive and highly participative, this series of events is supported by Fingal County Council and Naul Senior Citizen's Group

Venue: Seamus Ennis Cultural Centre, Naul, Co. Dublin

Date: Friday 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th May 2004

Time: 8 – 10.30 pm

Cost: €5, €3 for senior citizens, open to the public

Contact: Sean Mac Philibín, Tel: 01 802 0898

Shaw Birthplace

Visit the birthplace of George Bernard Shaw

This restored Victorian show house has the appearance that the family has just gone out for the afternoon

Venue: Shaw Birthplace, 33 Synge Street, Dublin 8

Date: Monday 17th, Tuesday 18th, Thursday 20th & Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 10 am – 1 pm and 2 – 5 pm

Contact: Maria O'Callaghan, Tel: 01 872 2077

Cost: €2.60 (special Bealtaine price)

Urban Ballyfermot

Venue: Ballyfermot Civic Centre, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10

Storytelling and Singalong

An afternoon of tales and song

Date: Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Line Dancing

Join us for a fun afternoon of line dancing

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Contact: Michelle Griffin, Tel: 01 620 7150

Public Libraries

Dublin City Public Libraries

Annual Bealtaine Art Exhibition

Venue: Raheny Public Library, Howth Road, Raheny, Dublin 5

Date: Tuesday 11th – Monday 31st May 2004

Time: Library opening hours, no booking required

Annual Bealtaine Quiz

Quiz in arts, culture and history

Venues: Various Dublin Libraries

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Card Craft with Anne McFadden

Demonstration on card craft

Venue: Finglas Public Library, Finglas Shopping Centre, Dublin 12

Date: Monday 10th May 2004

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Coolock Public Library, Barryscourt Road, Dublin 17

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 6.30 pm

Glass Painting with Anne McFadden

Demonstration on the art of glass painting

Venue: Donaghmede Public Library, Donaghmede Shopping Centre, Dublin 12

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Ballymun Public Library, Ballymun Road, Dublin 9

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 5.30 pm

Silk Painting with Valerie McGurdy

Demonstration on silk painting

Venue: Terenure Public Library, Templeogue Road, Dublin 6

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Dolphin's Barn Public Library, Parnell Road, Dublin 12

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 6.30 pm

For all Dublin City Library Events

Contact: Paul Daly, Tel: 01 674 4842

Cost: All events free, booking essential on all events

Dun Laoghaire/ Rathdown County Council Public Libraries

abbeyonehundred Playwrights

Celebrate the centenary of the Abbey Theatre with visits by leading playwrights

Venue: Deansgrange, Dundrum and Stillorgan Libraries

Playwrights, dates and times to be confirmed

Author visit – Hugo Hamilton

Talk and reading by Hugo Hamilton author of bestselling “The Speckled People”

Venue: Dalkey Library

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 7 pm

Here Comes Summer!

Flower arranging for beginners with Jacqui Matthews of the Association of Irish Floral Artists

Venue: Cabinteely Library

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Venue: Shankill Library

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

An Introduction to Beaded Jewellery Making

Learn different techniques of how to create your own original beaded jewellery pieces with Gwen Jeffares. This workshop will take place in a number of venues

Introduction to Watercolour Painting

Practical art workshops for beginners with Anita Readman. This workshop will take place in a number of venues

Make Your Own Greeting Cards

Learn how to make your own cards for any occasion with Mary Keegan. This workshop will take place in a number of venues

Sean Nós Dancing Session

Join in the craic with Caimin Collins

Venue: Deansgrange Library

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 7 pm

Bel Canto Musical Evening

Enjoy a musical evening and join in the chorus with bel canto

Venue: Dundrum Library

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 7.30 pm

For full listings please contact: Marian Keyes, Tel: 01 278 1788, and request a programme

Cost: Free, open to the public

Fingal County Council Libraries

Venue: Blanchardstown Public Library, Civic Centre, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15

Arts and Crafts Workshops with Artist Gerlinde Kugler

Introduction to Drawing

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm

Painting with Pastels

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3.30 pm

Painting with Acrylics (Part 1)

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 11 – 12.30 pm

Painting with Acrylics (Part 2)

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3.30 pm

For all arts workshops booking essential

Bridging the Gap

Intergenerational workshop for younger and older age.

Date: Friday 21st May

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Donncha Ó Dúlaing and the Highways and Byways of his Life

Well-known broadcaster and walker for charity, Donncha Ó Dúlaing, talks of his life and times and the famous people he has encountered along the way

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 7 pm

Dublin City Gallery (The Hugh Lane) at Blanchardstown Public Library

Blanchardstown Public Library will host two outreach slide-shows and lectures from the Gallery during May

“Portraiture in the 20th Century” with Mark Aherne

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

“Continental Influences on Irish Art” with Patrick Casey

Date: Thursday 13th May

Time: 3 pm

Launch of Bealtaine Festival

Wine reception followed by renowned poet, Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill, reading from her original work and work in translation, with a discussion in English

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 7 pm

Music for Life

Ted Courtney, skilled presenter, offers a celebration of music with video presentation and audience participation

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm

Poetry Reading

Renowned poet Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill will give a reading from her original work and work in translation. Followed by discussion in English

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 7.30 pm

Storytelling for Bealtaine with Celebrated Storyteller, Pat Speight

A feast of amusing and mythic tales

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm and 2 – 3.30 pm

For all events contact: Charlie Quinn,
Tel: 01 890 5565/ 01 890 5563

Cost for all events: Free, open to the public

South Dublin Libraries

A Feast of Artists

A four part series of workshops and talks given by artists from the Irish Museum of Modern Art

Venue: Lucan Library, Superquinn SC, Newcastle Road, Lucan, Co. Dublin

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

A Feast of Writers

A four part series of talks by writers exploring the theme of maturing creativity

Venue: Ballyroan Library, Orchardstown Ave, Dublin 14

Date: Wednesday 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th May 2004

Time: 7.30 pm

A Week of Artists

A series of workshops and talks taking place during one week in May by artists from the Irish Museum of Modern Art

Venue: County Library, Tallaght, Dublin 24

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

For all events contact: Betty Stenson,
Tel: 01 4597 834

Cost: Free, open to the public

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Active Living Ballymun

Active Living Ballymun on Film – Screening of a semi documentary

This project is the culmination of a series of workshops run by the Irish Film Institute's Outreach programme and is supported by Dublin City Arts Office

Venue: Arts Centre, Main Street, Ballymun, Dublin 9

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 12 noon

Contact: Liam Murray and Ellen Reddin,
Tel: 01 862 0283

Cost: Free, open to the public

Ballyfermot Family Resource Centre

Venue: Family Resource Centre, Lynch's Lane, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10

Flower Arranging with Connie Merriman

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004
Time: 2 – 4 pm
Cost: Free, limited places, booking advised

Arts and Crafts Workshop with Miriam Gogarty

See an arts and crafts demonstration and participate in simple craft making

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004
Time: 2 – 4 pm
Cost: Free, limited places, booking advised

For all events contact: Ursula Mullen,
Tel: 01 626 4147

Bealtaine Writers' Group

Poetry Reading

Members of the group will read their poems

Venue: Irish Writers' Centre, Parnell Square, Dublin 1
Date: Thursday 6th May 2004
Time: 1 – 2 pm
Contact: Rosy Wilson, Tel: 01 286 4728
Cost: Free, open to the public

Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown Forum for Older People

Exhibition

Exhibition of arts/crafts/activities of older people's organisations in the county

Venue: County Hall, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin
Date: To be confirmed
Time: To be confirmed
Contact: Matthew Coleman, Tel: 01 285 7173 or Chris Furlong, Tel: 01 205 4763
Cost: Free, open to the public

Irish Wheelchair Association

Health and Alternative Therapies Day

An open day for older people with physical disabilities to sample a range of alternative therapies that would benefit their well-being and health

Venue: IWA Sports Centre, Blackheath Drive, Clontarf, Dublin 3
Date: Thursday 13th May 2004
Time: 11 am – 4 pm
Contact: Marie Lynch, Tel: 01 818 6400
Cost: Free, open to the public

Malahide Active Retirement Association

Arts and Crafts Event

Venue: Malahide Cricket Club, Dublin Road, Malahide, Co. Dublin
Date: Monday 10th May 2004
Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm
Contact: Dorothy Robinson, Tel: 01 845 1232
Cost: Free, open to the public

Swords Senior Citizen Centre

Exhibition of Arts and Crafts

Venue: Rathbeale Library, Swords, Co. Dublin
Date: Tuesday 4th – Monday 31st May 2004
Time: 10 am – 8 pm
Contact: Teresa Woods, Tel: 01 840 5193
Cost: Free, open to the public

Trinity College Active Age Group

Paintings and Photography

Venue: Atrium, Trinity College, Dublin 2
Date: Thursday 6th May 2004
Time: 10 am – 4.30 pm
Contact: Renee Davies, Tel: 01 496 4642
Cost: Free, open to the public



U3A (University of the Third Age) Ireland

Skerries and Stanzas

Dublin City U3A visit Skerries Mill where poetry reading and writing will be facilitated by member and poet Áine Miller. Including tour of the Mill, art exhibition and poetry afternoon

Venue: Skerries Mill, Skerries, Co. Dublin

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: Train from Tara St/Connolly at 11 am, arr. Skerries 11.40 am

Contact: Mary Colclough, Tel: 01 475 6989

Cost: €6 special Bealtaine price

Care Centres

Clonskeagh Hospital

Art and Craft Exhibition

Featuring arts and crafts painted and made by residents

Venue: Activity Room, Clonskeagh Hospital, Clonskeagh, Dublin 6

Date: Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Contact: Rosemarie Flood, Tel: 01 268 0515

Cost: Free, open to the public

Cuan Ros Day Care

Reminiscence

A series of framed watercolour paintings exploring this theme

Venue: Cabra Public Library, Navan Road, Dublin 7

Date: Monday 10th – Monday 24th May 2004

Time: Library opening hours

Contact: Jean Rochford, Tel: 01 868 6012

Cost: Free, open to the public

IWA Mount Street Club & Brú Chaoimhin Nursing Unit

Joint Celebration of Bealtaine 2004

Art Workshops through painting and print

Venue: Brú Chaoimhin, Cork Street, Dublin 8

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 2.30 pm

Venue: IWA Mount Street, Club, 42-43 Fenian St., Dublin 2

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 2.30 pm

Contact: Mary Seymore, Tel: 01 661 6183

Cost: Free

Peamount Hospital Recreation Department

Dochas Nua

An exploration of creativity through music and art in master workshops by art teacher Michael Gilligan and music teacher Claire Condrón

Venue: St. Ciaran's Ward, Peamount Hospital, Newcastle, Co. Dublin

Date: Monday 24th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Contact: Marylee Tully, Tel: 01 301 0300 ext. 278

Cost: Free

Raheny Garda Retirement Home

Coffee Afternoon, Crafts and Entertainment

Informal afternoon with the staff and clients at the Garda Retirement Home, some light entertainment and crafts made at Raheny House will be on sale

Venue: Garda Retirement Home, 476 Raheny House, Howth Rd. Raheny, Dublin 5

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Louise Shiels, Tel: 01 831 1199

Cost: Free, open to the public

Raniskey Day Care Centre

Art Exhibition

Display of art and crafts created by clients during the year

Venue: Raniskey Day Care Centre, Peamount Hospital, Newcastle, Co. Dublin

Date: Monday 10th – Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Contact: Rachael Adderley/Caroline Lett, Tel: 01 601 0349

Cost: Free, open to the public

Seanchara Day Care Unit

Music Recital

A music recital, held in conjunction with the National Concert Hall's outreach programme

Venue: Seanchara Day Care Unit, St. Canice's Road, Glasnevin, Dublin 11

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Ciara Hopper, Clinical Music Manager, Tel: 01 837 3722

Cost: Free, not open to the public

St. Mary's Hospital

Drama by the 'Twilight Theatre'

Onstage production of drama by our drama group the 'Twilight Theatre'

Venue: Lecture Hall, St. Mary's Hospital, Phoenix Park, Dublin 20

Date: Sunday 9th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Catherine Lawlor, Tel: 01 677 8132, ext. 188

Cost: €2, special Bealtaine price

St Monica's Day Centre

Monica's Miscellany

Afternoon of recitation and songs by clients of the centre

Venue: St Monica's Nursing Home, 28-38 Belvedere Place, Dublin 1

Date: Tues 18th and 25th May 2004

Time: 1.30 – 2.30 pm

Contact: Emer Boyle, Tel: 01 855 7523 (10 am – 4 pm)

Cost: Free (donations welcome), booking essential

Galway

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Age Action West

Venue: 3 Lower Abbeygate Street, Co. Galway

Claddagh Memories with Michael Lyskey, King of the Claddagh and Others

Michael Lyskey was elected King of the Claddagh, in 1997. In this reminiscence session, he and others will talk about the Claddagh's heritage and memories of a life that has now disappeared

The Rambling House: Tales from the West of Ireland

Author Willie Costello will read from his new book "The Rambling House"

An Evening of Oral History

Peadar O'Dowd is an archaeologist, historian and author of over ten books, including "Galway in Old Photographs". In this event he will share his passion for local history and sign copies of his books

Book Club for Seniors

This event will mark the launch of the new "Book Club for Seniors" in Galway City

Ciorcal Comhrá Conversational Group

Launch of a conversational circle for older people through Irish

Oiche Sean Nós agus Damhsa – An Evening of Sean Nós Singing and Dancing

Oiche amhranaoicht agus damhsa ar an Sean-nos le Cuman Amhranaoicht Iorras Aithneach. Join us for a lively night of singing and dancing

For details on all events contact: Carmel Sheridan, Tel: 091 539 887

Forum

Intergenerational Festival

An eight week festival involving older people transferring artistic skills to children from 14 national schools.

Venue: Various venues in Connemara

Date: Monday 19th April – Sunday 20th June 2004

Time: 11 am – 3 pm

Contact: Kathleen Aspell Mortimer, Tel: 095 41116

Cost: Free, open to the public

Renmore Active Retirement Association

Tramps Ball!

Men and women, appropriately dressed – behaving appropriately – a fun event

Venue: Liam Mellows Hall, Renmore, Co. Galway

Date: Friday 30th April

Time: 9 pm – 12 midnight

Contact: Paddy Moran, Tel: 091 73 0066

Cost: Nominal amount, open to the public

Care Centres

Comhchoiste Ionaid Lae Chonamara

Teacht le chéile, Aifreann agus Béile

Teacht le chéile agus ceiliúradh ar obair na bliana d'aosaigh a fhreastalaíonn ar na hIonaid Lae I gConamara

Venue: Ostán an Doilín, An Cheathrú Rua

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 12.30 – 6 pm

Contact: Máire Ní Mháille, Tel: 091 55 1398

Cost: Urraithe ag Údarás na Gaeltachta agus Bord Sláinte an Iarthair, open to the public

Kerry

Arts

Bealtaine Masterclasses

sponsored by Kerry County Council, Poetry Ireland and Údaras na Gaeltachta.

Irish Language Poetry Masterclass with Louis de Paor

A masterclass in Irish language poetry with the renowned poet Louis de Paor.

There will be two sessions running, limited numbers of places available

Masterclass 1 with Louis De Paor

Venue: Údaras na Gaeltachta, Milltown, Dingle, Co. Kerry

Date: Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 1 pm

Masterclass 2 with Louis De Paor

Venue: Tralee Library, Tralee, Co. Kerry

Date: Saturday 29th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 1 pm

Cost: Free, booking required

Contact: Emma Walsh,

Tel: 01 805 7704

Kerry County Council

Screening of 'Night Train' – in assoc. with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

Venue: Killarney Library, Killarney, Co. Kerry

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 11.30 am and 2.30 pm

Venue: Caherciveen Library

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 11.30 am and 2.30 pm

Venue: Tralee Library, Moyderwell, Tralee, Co. Kerry

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 11.30 am, 2.30 pm and 6.30 pm

Contact: Kate Kennelly, Arts Officer,

Tel: 066 718 3541

Cost: Free

The Pike Theatre Group

A Tour of Kerry

A tour of Kerry and local arts venues with a local guide for 2 days. Including two nights bed and breakfast and one dinner at the "Kenmare Bay Hotel"

Venue: Kenmare Bay Hotel, Kenmare, Co. Kerry

Date: Saturday 1st – Monday 3rd May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Maria Healy, Tel: 021 487 4275

Cost: Approx. €190, booking required

Samhlaíocht: The Good Olde Days Down Memory Lane

An eclectic afternoon of song music and dance

Venue: Siamsa Tire Theatre and Arts Centre, Tralee, Co. Kerry

Date: Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Contact: Sharon Costello, Tel: 066 712 9934

Cost: €8, open to the public

St. John's Theatre and Arts Centre

Venue: St. John's Theatre and Arts Centre, The Square, Listowel, Co. Kerry

Night Train

A screening of the film 'Night Train' in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

Date: Friday 7th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Cost: €3, special Bealtaine price

Traditional Irish Concert

A traditional concert with Bríd Ní Mhaoleoim and Friends

Date: Tuesday 21st May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Cost: €5, special Bealtaine price

Touched

A drama presentation

Date: Monday 24th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Cost: €5, special Bealtaine price

Contact: Joe Murphy, Tel: 068 22566

Care Centres

Gáirdín Mhuire Day Care Centre

Venue: Gáirdín Mhuire Day Care Centre, Green Street, Dingle, Co. Kerry

Theatrical Sketch

Shankill Theatre Company will be performing a short sketch

Music with Secondary Students

Singing and music with students from local secondary school students

Singing with Eileen and Shelley

Sean nós and traditional singing and music

Salsa Dancing

Fun lesson in salsa dancing with Natalie

Basketmaking

Learn about the traditional art of basket weaving with Noel Tracy

Local History and Poetry

Discussion on local history, folklore and poetry

Dates and times to be confirmed

Cost: All events are free and open to the public

Contact: Maria O'Brien, Tel: 066 915 1300 for further details

Kildare

Arts

Crooked Sixpence

Three Stages of Time

Culmination of monologues, drama and movement pieces depicting three stages of time in our lives

Venue: Riverbank Arts Centre, Newbridge, Co. Kildare

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 12 noon – 1 pm

Contact: Kate Connaughton, Tel: 045 829 703

Cost: €5, open to the public

Care Centres

Naas General Hospital Day Centre

Life Reminiscence

A photographic display and life history presentations from patients in the South Western Area Health Board

Venue: Naas Day Hospital, Naas General Hospital, Naas, Co. Kildare

Date: Last week in May 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm and 2 – 3.30 pm

Contact: Margaret Armstrong & Breda Goode, Tel: 045 849706

Cost: To be confirmed, open to the public

Ré Nua Services for the Older Person

A Celebration of Community Art

A joint venture by local artists to promote creativity and expression amongst all members of the community.

Venue: Oakley Park House, St. Raphael's, Celbridge, Co. Kildare

Date: Thursday 20th – Sunday 23rd May 2004

Time: 12.30 – 5 pm daily

New Age Drama Presentation

Shared reflections, dreams, memories and musings presented through mime, drama, poetry, song, music and dance

Venue: St. Raphael's Church, St. Raphael's, Celbridge, Co. Kildare

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 6.30 – 7.30 pm

Contact: Mary Cotter, Tel: 01 628 8161, Ext: 327

Cost: Free, open to the public

St. Vincent's Hospital Activities Centre

Féach agus Éist - with the Young at Heart

Exhibition of arts and crafts by clients. Also, poetry and song with clients and an intergenerational music group with local transition year students

Venue: St. Vincent's Hospital, Athy, Co. Kildare

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Contact: Michelle Wall, Tel: 059 863 1614

Cost: Free, open to the public

Schools/Colleges

Adult Education Dept. NUI Maynooth

Your Creative Heart

Five-day creativity workshop on awakening the five senses: sight, smell, hearing, touch and taste. Each day will consist of discussion, activity and sharing

Venue: Education House, NUI Maynooth, Co. Kildare

Date: Monday 24th – Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am - 4 pm

Contact: Muireann Ó Laoire, Tel: 01 851 0269

Cost: Free, booking essential

Kilkenny

Arts

Waterford City Choir

Concert: Mozart's Requiem

Mozart's Requiem presented by the award-winning Waterford City Choir, conducted by Brian Brown, featuring a 26 piece orchestra

Venue: St. Canices's Cathedral, Co. Kilkenny

Date: Sunday 23rd May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Anne Brazil, Tel: 087 682 2676

Cost: €15, €10 special Bealtaine price

Public Libraries

Castlecomer Library

Venue: Castlecomer Library, Kilkenny Street, Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny

Old Days, Old Ways - Local Stories, Customs and Beliefs

A display of copies of local schoolchildren's handwritten projects for "The 1939 Folklore Commission Project for Schools" and a modern day version, 65 years later in 2004.

Date: Tues 18th May – Tues 5th June 2004

Time: Library opening times

Cost: Free

Daytime Flower Arrangements with Eva Holmes

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004
Time: 8 pm - 9.30 pm
Cost: €5

Photography Exhibition by Dympna Maher

Date: 4th May – 15th May 2004
Time: Library opening times
Cost: Free

Contact: Mary Morrissey or Aisling Kelly,
Tel: 056 444 0561

Care Centres

South Eastern Health Board

Festival of Creativity

A week-long celebration of creativity through music, song, dance, storytelling, poetry, art and craft. Each day celebrates a different art form

Venue: Day Care Centre, St Columba's Hospital, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny

Date: Monday 10th – Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3 pm each day

Contact: Edwina Muldowney, Tel: 056 775 4825

Cost: Free, open to the public

Laois

Arts

Laois County Council Arts Office

Storytelling in Hospitals

Renowned storyteller and performer Jack Lynch will hold a storytelling session for the residents and staff of two hospitals in the county

Venue: St Vincent's Hospital, Mountmellick, Co Laois

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm

Venue: Abbeyleix District Hospital and Day Care Centre, Abbeyleix, Co. Laois

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3.30 pm

Dancing the Rainbow

Martha McManus will hold dance workshops in two hospitals in the county.

Venue: St Vincent's Hospital, Mountmellick, Co. Laois

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 11am – 12 pm

Venue: Abbeyleix District Hospital and Day Care Centre, Abbeyleix, Co. Laois

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3 pm

For all events, cost: Free

Bealtaine Writing Masterclass

8 weeks of writing workshops with author Jean O'Brien. Participants should be writers or poets who wish to learn from a professional and explore and develop central themes and ideas. Workshops will be interactive and participants must attend all 8 weeks

Venue: Áras an Chontae, County Hall, Portlaoise, Co. Laois

Date: Thursday 15th, 22nd and 29th April, Thursday 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th May and Wednesday 2nd June 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Cost: Open to the public, booking required, please request an info sheet

For all events contact: Muireann Ní Chonaill, Tel: 0502 74344

Care Centres

Abbeyleix District Hospital

Reminiscence Day

A day of reminiscence in the day care centre involving students from transition year, Heywood Community School and clients of the centre

Venue: Day Care Centre, Abbeyleix and District Hospital, Abbeyleix, Co. Laois

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Celia Cahill, Tel: 0502 30336

Cost: Free, not open to the public

St Vincent's Hospital, Mountmellick

Venue: St Vincent's Hospital, Mountmellick,
Co. Laois

Fair Day

A recreation of the atmosphere of fair day in rural Ireland in the '60's

Date: Saturday 29th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

May Pole

Evening of music and dance with decoration of the May pole

Date: Monday 3rd May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Rambling House

Creating an atmosphere of an evening in a rural household with song, dance and storytelling

Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

For all events contact: James Blanc, Tel: 0502 242 11

Cost: Donations welcome, open to the public

Glenfarne Active Age Group

Questions and Answers

Glenfarne Active Age Group will visit St. Michael's National School and answer children's questions on their own heritage

Venue: St. Michael's National School, Glenfarne,
Co. Leitrim

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Margaret Rogan, Tel: 071 985 5067

Cost: Free

Rossinver Active Age

Past and Present

Cultural visit to Devenish Monastic Island in Lough Erne and a visit to the mobile cinema in Manorhamilton

Venue: See above

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Mary McGuinn, Tel: 071 985 5429

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Leitrim County Council in Association with Arus Carolan

Down Memory Lane

Costumes from the 1940's and '50's will inspire stories, music and song for an evening of fun with carers, nurses, volunteers and Arus residents.

Venue: Arus Carolan, Castle Street, Mohill,
Co. Leitrim

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Evelyn Kelly, Tel: 071 963 1360

Cost: To be confirmed, open to the public

St. Patrick's Community Hospital

Venue: St. Patrick's Community Hospital,
Summerhill, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim

Drama Presentation

Performance of a play by the patients of St. Patrick's in association with the Breffini Players, local drama society

Check local press for details

Leitrim

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Club Cluainin Active Age Group

Arts Exhibition

Venue: The Glens Centre, New Line,
Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim

Date: Tuesday 25th – Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 4 pm daily

Contact: Mary McFadden, Tel: 071 985 5945

Cost: Free, open to the public

Leitrim Mobile Cinema

The cinema has seating for 120 people and is wheelchair accessible. For older persons only

Date: Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 1 pm

Memory Lane Project

An internal walk created with directional signs based on old black and white Irish road signs made by hospital patients, featuring all towns in South Leitrim Area. An ongoing project that will be added to over the coming months

Date: Month of May 2004 and thereafter

Time: 9 am – 6 pm

Modern Art

An exciting art programme run in association with Leitrim County Council and the Irish Museum of Modern Art. Exhibition of works completed during this project will be on show during the month of May and permanently thereafter

Date: Month of May 2004 and thereafter

Time: 9 am – 6 pm

Contact: Michael Duignan, Occupational Therapy Dept., Tel: 071 962 0011

Cost: Free, open to the public

Limerick

Arts

Irish Chamber Orchestra

Concert: Ernst Kovacic, Director/Violin

Venue: University Concert Hall, Limerick

Date: Sunday 16th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Frances Shanahan, Tel: 061 213 130

Cost: €7, special price, booking required, Tel: 1890 923 543 (quote Bealtaine)

Limerick County Arts Office

Summer Reflections

Mixed media exhibition of watercolours, acrylics, sketches and oils created by members of Limerick's Active Retirement Associations. Sponsored and facilitated by County Limerick Arts Office

Venue: County Library, Dooradoyle, Co. Limerick

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Contact: Sr Philomena Quigley, Tel: 061 453104 or Maura Clohessy, Tel: 061 412369

Cost: Free, open to the public

Public Libraries

Foynes Library

Venue: Foynes Library, Foynes, Co. Limerick

Craft Workshop

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Painting Classes

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Stone Painting

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 11 am

For all events contact: Sarah

Prendiville/Catherine Griffin, Tel: 069 65365

Cost: Free, open to the public

Newcastlewest Public Library

Venue: Newcastlewest Branch Library, Gortboy, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick

Movement to Music with Mary Hartney

Gentle movement to music with a professional dance teacher

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 11 am - 12 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

“As Old as the State”

Reading by Máire Cruise O'Brien from her new autobiography, followed by questions and chat

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Start to Paint with Bill Browne

A demonstration by a man who started painting after retirement

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

For all events contact: Aileen Dillane,
Tel: 069 61583/62273

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Active Age Art & Craft Group

Mixed Media Exhibition

Venue: To be confirmed

Date: Monday 24th – Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 2.30 - 5.30 pm

Contact: Sr Geraldine Browne, Tel: 061 314 111

Cost: Free, open to the public

Keeping Active "55"

St Patrick's/St Brigid's Active Retirement Group

Paper Filigree

Venue: Saint Joseph's Parish Hall, O'Connell Ave, Limerick

Date: Monday 24th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Annie Mulcahy, Tel: 061 310 725

Cost: Free, open to the public

Limerick City Active Retirement Association

Frolics for your Enjoyment

Song, dance, music, drama and art

Venue: St. Joseph's Community Centre, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick

Date: Monday 17th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Rita Butler, Tel: 061 311741

Cost: Free, open to the public

Limerick City Active Retirement Association

Tour of Limerick County Council Arts Office

Refreshments provided with compliments of Limerick County Council

Venue: County Hall, Dooradoyle, Co. Limerick

Date: Monday 10th and Monday 17th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Sr Geraldine Browne, Tel: 061 314 111

Cost: Free, by invitation

Na Gaelgóirí, Cumann Iar Oibrithe Lufara

Isiamsa (Variety Show) Na Gaelgóirí

Aithriseoireacht, amhráin agus gníomhacha ceol

Venue: Halla Naoimh Sheosamh, Ascal Uí

Chonnaill, Luimneach, Co. Luimní

Date: 4ú Lá Bealtaine

Time: 11 am - 12 pm

Contact: Gearóidín De Brún, Tel: 061 314 111

Cost: Saor in aisce

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary & Northside Active Retirement Groups

Summer Art Exhibition

Venue: County Library, Dooradoyle, Co. Limerick

Date: Thursday 20th – Monday 31st May 2004

Time: Library opening times

Contact: Anne O'Keefe, Tel: 061 453 191 or

Eithne Penny Tel: 061 328 612

Cost: Free, open to the public

Queen of Peace Senior Citizens' Club

Celebrating Age through Music, Poetry, Art and Dance

An evening of singing, dancing and the launch of the video "Celebrate Age"

Venue: Woodlands Hotel, Adare, Co. Limerick

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 3 – 5 pm

Contact: Sr. Emily Byrne, Tel: 061 416 676

Cost: €5, open to the public

St. John's Parish Tower Artists

Oil Painting Demonstration

Demonstration of impressionist techniques

Venue: St. John's Girls School, Cathedral Place, Limerick

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 2.50 – 4.50 pm

Summer Reflections

Art Exhibition of Mixed Media

Venue: The County Library, Dooradoyle, Limerick

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Contact: Sr. Monica, Tel: 061 415 178

Cost: Free, open to the public

St. John's Senior Citizens' Club

Arts and Crafts Exhibition

Venue: Day Care Centre, Pennywell Road, Limerick

Date: Monday 17th – Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 3 pm

Contact: Hanna O'Sullivan, Tel: 061 415 149

Cost: Free, open to the public

Tour of the New County Hall

Venue: County Hall, Dooradoyle, Limerick

Date: Monday 10th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Kathleen Daly, Tel: 061 412 806

Cost: Free, not open to the public

St. Joseph's Parish Art Group

Arts Morning

A selection of artworks in mixed media will be on display. There will also be a concert, morning coffee and chat

Venue: St Joseph's Parish Hall, O'Connell Ave, Limerick

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 11am

Contact: Sr Geraldine Browne, Tel: 061 314 111

Cost: Free, open to the public

Thursday Club Active Retirement

Little Bit of Fun

A day of movement, music and song

Venue: Ballybrown GAA, Clarina, Co. Limerick

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 11 am and 1.30 pm

Contact: Mary Hanley, Tel: 061 353 833

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Good Shepherd Day Care Centre

Venue: Good Shepherd Day Care Centre, Pennywell Road, Limerick, Co. Limerick

Exhibition of Arts and Crafts

Date: Monday 17th – Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 3 pm

Variety Show

Song, dance and fashion parade

Date: Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 12 – 1 pm

For both events contact: Sr. Rose O'Doherty, Tel: 061 414 150

Cost: Free, open to the public

Mount Mercy Day Centre

Arts and Crafts Display

Display of arts and crafts. Entertainment and tea provided during the afternoon – sing-a-long, poetry recitation and story telling

Venue: Mount Mercy Day Centre, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 2 - 3.30 pm

Contact: St. Gabriel Pender, Tel: 061 415 750

Cost: Free, event not open to the public

Longford

Public Libraries

Longford County Library

Longford Events are organised jointly by:

Longford Older People's Network, Longford Community Resources Ltd. and Longford County Library, Arts and Archives Services

Afternoon of Music Story and Song

Venue: Temperance Hall, Town Centre, Longford

Date: Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

A Day in the Life of My Town

Photographic exhibition and workshops taking place in Granard, Ballymahon and Longford Town

Venue: Temperance Hall, Town Centre, Longford

Date: Workshops, April – May; Exhibition, Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Dept. of Education's Schools Folklore Collection

An exhibition on the Dept. of Education's Schools Folklore Collection. An opportunity to explore the Longford Collection and view the writing of primary schools children in Co. Longford in 1937 and 1938

Venue: Longford Library, Longford Town, Co. Longford

Date: Throughout the month of May

Time: Library opening hours

A Flavour of the Arts

One day event for all clubs in the county in association with Longford Community Arts Network. Introductory workshops to the arts, creative writing, poetry and the fine arts

Venue: Temperance Hall, Town Centre, Longford

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Intergenerational Quiz

Quiz based on local culture, history and heritage

Venue: Active Age Clubs around the County

Date: Throughout the month of May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Longford, 70 Years Ago – 'What it says in the Papers'

A cultural exhibition researched by members of clubs in the county in association with the Local Studies Dept. of the County Library

Venue: Longford Library, Longford Town, Co. Longford

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: for details of all Longford events please contact your local Active Age Club or Longford Library, Tel: 043 41124

Cost: Free, open to the public

Louth

Arts

Drogheda Borough Council Arts Office

Drogheda Celebrates Bealtaine

A series of events and workshops at various locations throughout the town including readings, music, visual arts, story telling and dance

Venue: Various

Date: Various

Contact: Rosemary Collier, Arts Officer, Tel: 041 987 6165

Cost: Free/special Bealtaine rates, open to the public

Dundalk Town Council Arts Office

Story Circle

Featuring Len Graham and John Campbell. Traditional music and storytelling for residents and day care users of St. Oliver's Hospital and Day Care Centre

Venue: St. Oliver Plunkett Hospital, Dublin Road, Dundalk, Co. Louth

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: Throughout the day

Contact: Marie Gray, Tel: 042 939 6437

Cost: Free, not open to the public

Public Libraries

Louth County Library

Local heritage table quiz, with questions based on the history and culture of the area

Table Quiz

Venue: Dundalk Branch Library, Roden Place, Dundalk, Co. Louth

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Contact: Amanda Woods, Tel: 042 935 3190

Cost: Free, open to the public

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Dundalk Active Retirement Association

Bealtaine Celebration

A celebration of Bealtaine with poetry, singing, drama and video

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Venue: Carol mead Hall, Pearse Park, Dundalk, Co. Louth

Contact: Mary McCabe, Tel: 042 933 1220

Cost: Free, open to the public

Drogheda Community Services

Venue: Day Care Centre, Drogheda Community Services, 57 Fair St., Drogheda

Battle of Minds

Pot Luck Culture and Heritage Quiz where members of the Drogheda Active Retired Club compete against members of the day centre

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 2.15 pm – 3.30 pm (including afternoon tea)

Franklin Dee Show

Share the youthfulness of older people with ceol, rince agus craic

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3.30 pm (including afternoon tea)

Old Drogheda Recalled

A slide show presentation and talk by Peggy O'Reilly, a member of the Old Drogheda Society

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Contact: Sr. Josephine Flynn, Tel: 041 983 6084

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Cottage Day Hospital

Storytelling & Music

Venue: Cottage Day Hospital, Drogheda, Co. Louth

Date: Thursday 30th May 2004

Time: 1.30 – 3 pm

Contact: Patricia Collier, Tel: 041 980 1108

Cost: Free, invitation only

Mayo

Arts

Ballina Arts Centre

Ballina Bealtaine 2004

A month long series of events celebrating creativity in older age

Venue: Ballina Arts Centre, Market Square, Ballina, Co. Mayo

For details contact: Tony Conway, Tel: 096 73593

Mayo County Council

Active Retirement Association Groups Workshop

During the month of May, a number of active retirement groups will enjoy a variety of arts workshops

Balla ARA – Storytelling with Pat Speight

Venue: Balla Community Centre, Balla, Co. Mayo

Date: Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 3.45 pm

Ballina ARA – Dance and Movement with Claire Hughes

Venue: Pastoral Centre, Ballina, Co. Mayo

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 11.30 am

Ballinrobe ARA – Samba/Percussion with Klaus Vormehr

Venue: Ballinrobe Community Centre, Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo
Date: Monday 10th May 2004
Time: 10.30 am

Belmullet-Erris ARA – Music and Reminiscence with John Hoban

Venue: Erris Training Centre, Belmullet, Co. Mayo
Date: Thursday 13th May 2004
Time: 2 pm

Crossmolina ARA - Dance and Movement with Claire Hughes

Venue: Crossmolina Town Hall, Crossmolina, Co. Mayo
Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004
Time: 8 pm

Foxford – Providence ARA – Dance and Movement with Claire Hughes

Venue: Admiral Brown Hall, Foxford, Co. Mayo
Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004
Time: 10.30 am

Kilkelly ARA – Storytelling with Pat Speight

Venue: Kilkelly Community Centre, Kilkelly, Co. Mayo
Date: Thursday 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th May 2004
Time: 11 am

Kiltimagh Tuesday Club ARA – Dance and Movement with Claire Hughes

Venue: Kiltimagh Community Centre, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo
Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004
Time: 3 pm

Newport ARA – Dance and Movement with Claire Hughes

Venue: Newport Town Hall, Newport, Co. Mayo
Date: Monday 17th May 2004
Time: 8 pm

Roundfort ARA – Music and Reminiscence with John Hoban

Venue: Roundfort Community Centre, Roundfort, Co. Mayo
Date: Monday 17th May 2004
Time: 8 pm

Swinford/The Orchard ARA – Dance and Movement with Claire Hughes

Venue: The Orchard Community Centre, Swinford, Co. Mayo
Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004
Time: 4 pm

Westport ARA – Print Workshop

Venue: Custom House Studios, Westport, Co. Mayo
Date: Friday 7th May 2004
Time: 11 am

Artists Mentoring Project

Mayo County Council, in partnership with Age & Opportunity with support from The Arts Council has initiated a pilot programme in order to provide opportunities for artists to experience working in health-care contexts. Five artists are now working in Achill, Swinford, Castlebar, Westport and Claremorris, with support from artist Deirdre Walsh.

Bealtaine Artist in Residence

Multi-instrumentalist musician, singer, songwriter, poet and storyteller, John Hoban has been playing and teaching music for most of his life. During Bealtaine 2004, John will work in care centres around the county of Mayo as listed above. He will also give a special concert performance in the Linenhall Arts Centre, with a number of friends

Venue: Linenhall Arts Centre, Castlebar, Co. Mayo
Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004
Time: 2 pm
Cost: Free, open to the public

Bealtaine Tea Dance

Official launch of Mayo County Council Bealtaine 2004 Programme, featuring music by the Headford Presentation College Orchestra, dancing and refreshments.

Venue: Welcome Inn Hotel, Castlebar, Co. Mayo
Date: To be confirmed
Cost: Free, open to the public

Cinemobile Tour

Mayo County Council presents the Cinemobile

Venue: Brogan's Car Park, Belmullet, Co. Mayo
Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004
Time: 2 pm

Venue: Ted Lavelle's, Cashel, Achill Island, Co. Mayo
Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004
Time: 2 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Film Screening

Venue: Kiltimagh Community Cinema, Town Hall Theatre, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Venue: Fr Peyton Centre, Attymass, Ballina, Co. Mayo

Date: Tuesday 18th and 25th May 2004

Time: 2pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Music Concert

Join the Ulster Youth Jazz Orchestra as they perform a variety of musical pieces

Venue: The Linenhall Arts Centre, Castlebar, Co. Mayo

Date: Saturday 15th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Poetry Workshop & Reading with Frank Galligan

Venue: St. Colman's Care Centre, Mayo

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

For information on all Mayo County Council events please contact

Sean Walsh or Anne McCarthy ,

Tel: 094 902 4444 exts. 7558 & 7560,

Email: artsstaf@mayococo.ie

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Kiltimagh Community Development Project

Kiltimagh Bealtaine Arts Festival

A series of arts events, which will include art and photographic exhibitions, crafts of the past, crochet workshops, dancing, an Irish night and creative writing workshops

Venue: Community Development Project, Main Street, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo

Date: Wednesday 1st – Wednesday 15th 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Bridie McMahon, Tel: 094 938 1506

Cost: Free, open to the public

Westport Active Retirement Association

Print Workshop

Venue: Custom House Studios, Westport, Co. Mayo

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Cost: Free, not open to the public

Demonstration of Two Hand Dancing

Venue: Plougastel Court, Distillery Road, Westport, Co. Mayo

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 9 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Contact: Breege Walsh, Tel: 098 26257

Care Centres

St Colman's Care Centre

Venue: St Colman's Care Centre, Keel, Achill Island, Co. Mayo

Traditional Open Day

Local artists provide the entertainment for a day of music, storytelling and song

Date: To be confirmed

Time: 2 - 5 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Arts & Crafts Exhibition

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Cost: Free, open to the public

Contact: Sr Mary Hassett, Tel: 098 43248

St Fionnán's CNU

Venue: St Fionnán's CNU, Achill Sound, Co. Mayo

Irish Music Session

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Cost: Free, not open to the public

Music Quiz

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Cost: Free, not open to the public

For both events contact: Mary Cafferkey, Tel: 098 45043

Meath County Council Arts Office

Bealtaine Festival Events

The Meath County Council Arts Office presents an ongoing annual programme for older persons as well as coordinating specialist events for the Bealtaine Festival. A programme publication with full details in addition to those supplied here will be available from the Arts Office from April 1st 2004

An Afternoon of Stories and Memories with Two Chairs Theatre Company

Venue: St Joseph's Hospital, Trim, Co. Meath
Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004
Time: 1.30 pm
Cost: Free, not open to the public

An Afternoon with the Rothko String Trio and Kells Active Retirement Group

Venue: The Edmund Rice Centre, Christian Brothers Centre, Kells, Co. Meath
Date: Wednesday 5th May
Time: 2.30 – 3.45 pm
Cost: €5 (€3 special Bealtaine price), open to the public

An Afternoon with the Rothko String Trio and East Meath and District Active Retirement Group

Venue: The Church of Ireland Hall, Julianstown, Co. Meath
Date: Thursday 6th May
Time: 2.30 – 3.45 pm
Cost: €5 (€3 special Bealtaine price), booking essential

Art Exhibition

The Nobber Friendship Club members will present their artwork generated during a one year Artist in the Community programme coordinated by the Arts Office and supported by County Meath VEC

Venue: The Nobber Community Hall, Nobber, Co. Meath
Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004
Time: 7.30 pm
Cost: Free, open to the public

Celebration to Mark the End of Artist in Residence Drama Workshop

Oldcastle Active Retirement Group will celebrate the end of a one year programme of process drama and story exploration with Alice Barry, Noggin Theatre. This was part of an Artist in the Community programme coordinated by the Arts Office and supported by Meath VEC

Venue: To be confirmed
Date: Thursday 13th May 2004
Time: To be confirmed
Cost: Free, open to the public

Japanese Tea Ceremony

Representatives from the Chester Beatty Library will conduct a Japanese Tea Ceremony and discussion with Kells Active Retirement Group
Venue: The Edmund Rice Centre, Kells, Co. Meath
Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004
Time: 2.30 – 3.30 pm
Cost: Free, not open to the public

Theatrical Tales

Tall Tales Theatre will present a morning of story and memory for Dunshaughlin Senior Citizens Group

Venue: St Patrick's Hall, Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath
Date: Friday 21st May
Time: 11 am – 12 pm
Cost: €3, open to the public

Visual Art Series

Artist Aileen Hamilton will conduct a ten week visual art and memories exploration with Ashbourne and District Senior Citizens Group.

Venue: Ashbourne and District North Eastern Health Board Centre, Ashbourne, Co. Meath
Date: March – June 2004
Cost: Free, not open to the public

For all events contact: Jenny Sherwin or Michelle Kearns, Tel: 01 825 8350 or 01 824 0000

Public Libraries

Navan Public Library

Venue: Navan Public Library, Railway Street, Navan, Co. Meath

Astrology with Kay Doyle

Experience the art of astrology
Date: Tuesday 4th & 18th May 2004
Time: 11 am
Date: Thursday 13th & 27th May 2004
Time: 11 am

Holistic Health – Creative Medicine**Date:** Tuesday 25th May 2004**Time:** 11 am**Flower Arranging****Date:** Tuesday 11th May 2004**Time:** 11 am**Table Quiz – History & Heritage****Date:** Thursday 20th May 2004**Time:** 7 pm**For all events contact:** Eve Morrison for further details

Tel: 046 902 1134, Email: ymorrison@meathcoco.ie

Cost: Free, open to the public**Active Retirement/
Community Groups****Summerhill Active
Retirement Group****A Funny Thing Happened**

In association with St. Joseph's Hospital Trim and Navan Traveller's Training Centre, the Summerhill Group are running a music and story telling presentation

Venue: St. Joseph's Hospital, Trim, Co. Meath**Date:** Tuesday 25th May 2004**Time:** 2 – 4 pm**Contact:** Mary Nally, Tel: 046 955 7766**Cost:** Free, open to the public

Monaghan

**Active Retirement/
Community Groups****Castleblaney Social
Services Committee****Senior Citizens' Party**

Supper, song and dance hosted by Castleblaney Credit Union

Venue: Glencarn Hotel, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan**Date:** Wednesday 26th May 2004**Time:** 7.30 – 11.30 pm**Cost:** €2, open to the public**Over 55's Social Morning**

Tea, chat, music and a special guest speaker

Venue: Enterprise Centre, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan**Date:** Tuesday 11th May 2004**Time:** 10.30 am – 12 noon**Cost:** Free, open to the public**Contact:** Bridie McEntee, Tel: 042 974 0914**Positive Age Monaghan****Display of Arts and Crafts**

A social afternoon with a display of arts and crafts and performing arts and refreshments

Venue: St. Mary's Hospital, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan**Date:** Thursday 20th May 2004**Time:** 2 pm**Contact:** Maisie Smith, Tel: 049 436 0433**Cost:** Free, open to the public**Care Centres****Drumkill Day Care Centre****Arts and Crafts****Venue:** Drumkill Day Care Centre, Threemilehouse, Co. Monaghan**Date:** Tuesday 25th May 2004**Time:** 3 pm**Contact:** Mae Murphy, Tel: 042 974 4824**Cost:** Free, open to the public

Offaly County Council Arts Office

For all events contact: Sally O'Leary/
Aileen Noron, Tel: 0506 46800

Bealtaine Launch

Launch of Bealtaine in Offaly with an afternoon of traditional music and storytelling with local musicians and performers

Venue: Millennium Room, Bridge House Hotel, Tullamore, Co. Offaly

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 3 – 5 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Creative Movement and Dance Classes

Dancer Anita Cahill will provide dance and movement classes in Birr during May

Venue: Ely House, Birr, Co. Offaly

Date: Monday 3rd, 10th and 17th May 2004

Time: 2.30 – 3.30 pm

Cost: Free, booking required

Venue: Birr Theatre and Arts Centre, Oxmantown Hall, Birr, Co. Offaly

Date: Monday 24th and 31st May 2004

Time: 2.30 – 3.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public, booking required

“Creative Space” Visual Arts Workshops

Arts workshops facilitated by Offaly Artist in Residence, Tom Meskell, who will work with six active retirement groups throughout the county

Date: Throughout May 2004

Cost: Free, not open to the public

Creative Writing and Storytelling Workshops

Author and storyteller Maire Holmes will facilitate workshops in creative writing for members of Ferbane Active Retired Group

Venue: Ferbane Heritage Centre, Ferbane, Co. Offaly

Date: Friday 30th April and 7th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Cost: Free, not open to the public

Ely House Exhibition Launch

Venue: Birr Theatre and Arts Centre, Oxmantown Hall, Birr, Co. Offaly

Date: Thursday 6th – Sat 8th May 2004

Time: 7.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Intergenerational Drama Project

Members from the Edenderry Youth Drama Group will work with members of three active retirement groups in Edenderry.

Date: Throughout May 2004

Cost: Free, not open to the public

“Night Train”

Screening of the film ‘Night Train’ in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute.

Venue: Birr Theatre and Arts Centre, Oxmantown Hall, Birr, Co. Offaly

Date: Wednesday 14th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Trip to the National Gallery of Ireland

Venue: National Gallery of Ireland, Merrion Square, Dublin 2

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Cost: Free



Public Libraries

Offaly Libraries

Golden Wave: Surf the Internet at your Local Library

Free Internet access for all users over 55 yrs
Check out your local arts websites

Venue: All Libraries in Offaly, Tel: 0506 46833
for listings

Date: Duration of Festival / 1st May –
31st May 2004

Time: Library opening hours

Contact: Mary Butler, Tel: 0506 46883

Cost: Free

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Tullamore Active Retirement Association

Art Exhibition

Venue: Tullamore Credit Union, Patrick Street,
Tullamore, Co. Offaly

Date: Throughout the month of May

Time: All day – opening hours

Contact: Connie Clarke, Tel: 0506 22076

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Birr Community Nursing Unit

Dispay of Arts and Crafts

Venue: Birr Theatre and Arts Centre, Oxmantown
Hall, Birr, Co. Offaly

Date: Thursday 6th – Sat 8th May 2004

Time: 1 – 6 pm

Storytelling and Party Pieces

Residents will be giving a short story or
recitation or singing a song for the audience

Venue: Birr Community Nursing Unit, Ely House,
Birr, Co. Offaly

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Gillian Cooper, Tel: 0509 20248

Cost: Free, open to the public

Roscommon

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Boyle Active Age Group

Love Story (Marionettes)

A part of the Roscommon Festival Day. Four
Active Age Groups will be taking part in
drama day, also featuring arts, crafts and an
exhibition

Venue: Kilbride Community Centre, FourMile
House, Co. Roscommon

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 5.30 pm

Contact: Teresa Quinn, Tel: 071 966 2005

Cost: Entry by pre-paid ticket only, booking
required

Castlerea Active Retirement Association

Dance

Venue: The Golden Eagle, Castlerea, Co.
Roscommon

Date: Saturday 8th May 2004

Time: 9.30 pm – 12.30 am

Contact: Bridie D. Hosty, Tel: 094 962 0375

Cost: €5 single, €8 couple, open to the public

Elphin Active Age

Rambling House

Drama music and recitation

Venue: Kilbride Centre, Four Mile House, Co.
Roscommon

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 4.30 pm

Contact: Annie Fahey, Tel: 071 963 5514

Cost: Free, not open to the public

Roscommon Town Active Age

Mannequin Parade - A fashion show and arts and crafts

Venue: Kilbride Community Hall, Four-Mile House, Roscommon, Co. Roscommon

Date: Wednesday May 12th 2004

Time: 10 am – 5.30 pm

Contact: Bridie Kirrane, Tel: 0906 626 330

Cost: €2 entry fee and €10 for lunch, event not open to the public

Tuesday Craft Club

Crafts Exhibition

Venue: Boyle Town (exact location yet to be confirmed)

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Margaret O'Mahoney, Tel: 071 966 2429 or 087 209 5219

Cost: Free, open to public

Care Centres

First Citizen Residential

New Beginnings

Show of artwork and craftwork produced in various media by the residents throughout the previous years

Venue: First Citizen Residential, Ballyleague, Lanesboro, Co Roscommon

Date: Tuesday 11th – Monday 31st May 2004

Time: 11 am

Contact: Cora Mugan or Eileen Burke (mon/wed/fri mornings only), Tel: 043 27300

Cost: Free, open to the public

Sacred Heart Hospital

Art from Home

An exhibition of painting, drawing and other work created by residents of the Sacred Heart Hospital

Venue: County Library, Abbeytown, Roscommon, Co. Roscommon

Date: Tuesday 4th – Saturday 15th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Cora Mugan, Tel: 0906 626 130 (afternoons only)

Cost: Free, open to the public

Strokestown Day Care

A New Way

A variety of art work in 2 and 3D created by participants in BTEI course in multi-media

Venue: Day Care Centre, Old IDA Building, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon

Date: Tuesday 11th – Sunday 30th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Contact: Cora Mugan, Tel: 086 3365563

Cost: Free, open to public

Sligo

Arts

Model Arts & Niland Gallery

Venue: Model Arts & Niland Gallery, The Mall, Sligo, Co. Sligo

Contact: Marie-Louise Blaney, Tel: 071 914 1405

Artist's Talk

Linda Hunt, Studio Artist at the Model & Niland will give a talk on her current exhibition at the gallery

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 12 noon

Cost: Free

Gallery Guided Tour

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Cost: Free, booking required

Myrth, Myth and Mayhem II

An eclectic mix of story-making and telling, with gentle movement, creative improvisation and vocal work. Led by drama facilitator Bernadette Meehan

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 2 – 5 pm

Cost: €10 or €6 special Bealtaine price (includes light lunch), booking required

Papermaking

In keeping with the spirit of Bealtaine's folklore and myths, create your own handmade paper, using flowers and text. Led by artist Linda Hunt.

Date: Wednesday 5th or Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 5 pm

Cost: €12 or €8 special Bealtaine price (includes light lunch), booking required. Special price of €12 if you enrol for Myrth, Myth and Mayhem II' and 'Paper Making' workshop together

"Night Train"

Screening of the film 'Night Train' in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: €6, €5 special Bealtaine price

Sligo County Council Arts Office

Art Exhibition

A group show of artwork made by the older people's groups throughout county Sligo. The opening of the exhibition will also incorporate short readings from the creative writing of older people

Venue: The Primary Health Care Unit, Markievicz House, Sligo, Co. Sligo

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 6.30 pm

Contact: Catherine Fanning/Sarah Leavy,
Tel: 071 914 0985

Cost: Free, open to the public

Note: There will be a full calendar of events happening in County Sligo throughout the Bealtaine festival in May. Contact 071 914 0985/arts@sligococo.ie for further details



Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Sligo & District Active Retirement Association

Bealtaine 2004

Featuring an art exhibition, craft exhibition, readings from writers' groups and traditional music and singing

Venue: Dominican Friary Hall, Sligo Town, Co. Sligo

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Patricia Nicholson, Tel: 071 916 0926

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Cliffoney Active Retirement Group

Exhibition and Readings

Venue: Cliffoney Hall, Cliffoney, Co. Sligo

Date: Sunday 2nd May 2004

Time: 12 – 2 pm

Contact: Maura Gilligan, Tel: 072 52000

Cost: Free, open to the public

North Western Health Board

Exhibition and Book Launch

Major exhibition from the North West Region including launch of book

Venue: Primary Care Centre, Markievicz House, Sligo, Co. Sligo

Date: Thursday 27th May 2004

Time: 6.30 pm

Contact: Maura Gilligan, Tel: 072 52000

Cost: Free, open to the public

Tipperary

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Tipperary Active Retirement Association

Venue: Excel Cinema, Tipperary, Co. Tipperary

“Night Train”

Screening of the film ‘Night Train’ in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute.

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: To be confirmed, open to the public

Art Exhibition

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 1 – 5 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Clowning in Tipperary

Join us for a bit of laughter in our lives and a screening of a video of all our activities

Venue: Marian Hall, Tipperary Town, Co. Tipperary

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 1.30 – 5 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

For all events contact: Eileen Quirke,
Tel: 062 51441

Care Centres

Golden Years Day Centre

Venue: Golden Years Day Centre, behind St. Mary’s Day Centre, Parnell Street, Thurles, Co. Tipperary

Activity Day

Movement to music, parachute games and other activities

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 3 pm

Art Exhibition

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Contact: Teresa Maher, Nurse Manager,
Tel: 0504 26049

Cost: Free, open to the public

Waterford

Arts

Garter Lane Arts Centre

Venue: Garter Lane Arts Centre, 22A O’Connell Street, Co. Waterford

Tom Crean – Antarctic Explorer

Aidan Dooley tells the heroic tale of Tom Crean, the intrepid Irish Antarctic explorer, and the only man to serve with Scott and Shackleton on three famous expeditions

Date: Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Date: Sunday 30th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public.

Note: For details of Garter Lane’s extensive Bealtaine events schedule please contact Antonia Splini, Tel: 051 877153,
Email: Antonia@garterlane.ie

Old Market House Arts Centre

‘Night Train’

Screening of the film ‘Night Train’ in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

Venue: Old Market House Arts Centre, Lower Main Street, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm and 8 pm

Contact: Reception, Tel: 058 48944

Cost: €4 special Bealtaine price, concessions €3, open to the public

Tramore Bealtaine Committee

Tramore Remembers

A series of exciting, arts events taking place in Tramore over the course of the festival.

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Kate Murphy, Tel: 051 381479

Cost: Free, open to the public, all welcome

Waterford City Council Arts Office

Lush Life

Superb classic jazz combo featuring familiar standards e.g. Gerschwin, Cole Porter, Duke Ellington

Venue: Geoff's Bar, John's Street, Waterford City

Date: Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 1.15 – 1.45 pm

Presentation Convent Secondary School Choir

Performance of familiar modern songs and mixed melodies by the school choir

Venue: Christ Church Cathedral, Cathedral Square, Waterford City

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 1.15 – 1.45 pm

Newtown School Chamber Choir

An excellent choir performing enchanting chamber music ovals and spine-tingling harmonies

Venue: St. Patrick's Church, Patrick's Street, Waterford City

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 1.15 – 1.45 pm

Fiona O'Reilly & Hilary O'Neill 'Loves Old Sweet Song'

A gifted pianist accompanied by the voice of a superb soprano.

Venue: The Large Room, City Hall, the Mall, Waterford City

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 1.15 – 1.45 pm

Contact: Olive Roache, Tel: 051 860856

Cost: Free, open to the public

Waterford City Choir

Concert: Mozart's Requiem

Venue: Christchurch Cathedral, Waterford

Date: Saturday 22nd May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Anne Brazil, Tel: 087 682 2676

Cost: €15, €10 special Bealtaine price

Public Libraries

Waterford City Council Library Service

Venue: Central Library, Lady Lane, Waterford, Co. Waterford

Writing Workshop

Creative writing workshop with Pauline Bracken

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 3 pm, booking required

Beginners Art Workshop

Art workshop with artist Noel Bracken

Date: Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 3 pm, booking required

Poetry Reading

Join poet Dympna Dreyer as she reads from some of her work

Date: Friday 14th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Introduction to Waterford City Council Archives

Donal Moore, City Archivist, presents a talk on the treasures of the city archives

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 3 pm

Introduction to the Internet

Find out what Arts events are going on locally via the Internet

Date: Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm both days

Crafts Display

Date: Throughout May 2004

Time: Library opening hours

Venue: Ardkeen Library, Ardkeen Shopping Centre, Dunmore Road, Waterford

Writing Workshop

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 3 pm, booking required

Poetry by Older People for Older People

Local writing group read from their work

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Photographic Display

Display of Images of Old Waterford

Date: Throughout May 2004

Time: Library opening hours

Venue: Browns Road Library, Paddy Brown's Road, Waterford, Co. Waterford

Writing Workshop

Date: Tuesday 18th May 2004

Time: 11 am, booking required

Transport in Old Waterford

Photographic display featuring scenes of Waterford Railways and Shipping

Date: Throughout May 2004

Time: Library opening hours

For all events contact: Mary Conway/
Jane Cantwell, Tel: 051 309 975

Cost: Free, open to the public

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Déise Active Retirement Association

Entertainment and Art

A cheese and wine reception, followed by a musical presentation by the WIT Active Retirement Association Choir, readings of creative writing and a demonstration of Tai Chi

Venue: Garter Lane Arts Centre, O'Connell Street, Co. Waterford

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Contact: Kathleen Greene, Tel: 051 876088

Cost: €5, open to the public

Waterford U3A

Handmade Card Display

Exhibition of greeting cards made by the Waterford U3A group, and a demonstration of card making techniques

Venue: Waterford City Council Central Library, Lady Lane, Waterford

Date: Thursday 6th – Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Contact: Kairen Waloch, Tel: 087 207 3262/
056 777 2878

Cost: Free, open to the public

Westmeath

Arts

Westmeath County Council Arts Office

For all events contact: Catherine Kelly, Arts Office, Tel: 044 40781

Bealtaine Festival Launch

Launch of the Bealtaine Festival with refreshments and live music

Venue: Mullingar Arts Centre, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Bealtaine Festival Close

An exhibition of works created during the festival

Venue: St Mary's Hospital, Longford Road, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Contact: Mary Daly, Tel: 044 39495

Cost: Free, open to the public

Bealtaine Film Tour 2004 – “Night Train”

Screening of film ‘Night Train’ in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

Venue: Tuar Ard Arts Centre, Moate, Co. Westmeath

Date: Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Venue: Mullingar Arts Centre, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Communications

Communicating through visual art with artist Teresa Kelly Doyle

Venue: St Mary’s Hospital, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Monday 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st May 2004

Time: To be confirmed

Cost: Free, not open to the public

“Home Place” – Killucan/Raharney Golden Years Club

Mixed media visual arts project with artist Teresa Kelly Doyle

Venue: Rathwire Hall, Killucan, Co. Westmeath

Date: Wednesday 5th & 19th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Cost: Free, not open to the public

Interactions – An Art Workshop with Lorraine Mimmagh

Venue: Mullingar Arts Centre, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Thursday 13th & Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 2 - 4 pm on both days

Cost: Free, booking essential

National Gallery Lectures

Olive Knox from the National Gallery will facilitate two consecutive talks entitled:

“Literary Portraits of the National Gallery” and “William Orpen: An Interesting Tale”

Venue: Tuar Ard Arts Centre, Moate, Co. Westmeath

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 10.15 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Venue: Athlone Little Theatre, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 2 - 4.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Venue: Old National School, Kinnegad, Co. Westmeath

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 10.15 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Venue: Mullingar Arts Centre, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 2 - 4.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Reminiscence

Ongoing intergenerational creative writing project with Vanessa Finlow

Venue: St Mary’s Hospital, Longford Rd, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Wednesday 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th May 2004

Time: 2 - 3.30 pm

Cost: Free, not open to the public

“Sea Scapes” with Artist Liz Johnson

In this acrylics workshop, Liz Johnson fuses energy with colour, using various techniques

Venue: Mullingar Arts Centre, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Cost: Free, booking essential

Storytelling with Eddie Lenihan

Venue: St Vincents Care Centre, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Cost: Free

Venue: Moate Library, The Courthouse, Moate, Co. Westmeath

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 3 - 4 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

St Vincent’s Care Centre Art Exhibition

Venue: Athlone Castle, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Athlone Active Age Group

Bealtaine Festival – drama and other items

Details: To be confirmed

Contact: Sr. Teresa Sheerin, Tel: 0906 494 748

Care Centres

“Sonas” Mullingar Resource Centre

Art and Music Appreciation

An afternoon of music and dance to celebrate clients’ creativity.

Venue: Mullingar Resource Centre, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

Date: Wednesday 12th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Contact: Teresa Reilly, Tel: 044 84358

Cost: Free

St. Vincent’s Care Centre

Storytelling Session

Venue: St. Vincent’s Care Centre, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

Date: Tuesday 11th May 2004

Time: 10.30 am – 12 noon

Contact: Tessa Guinan, Tel: 0906 475301 or 087 919 3734

Cost: Free, open to the public

Tonta Arts Group

Art Exhibition

An exhibition of art by residents created during art-facilitated workshops funded by an arts grant from Westmeath County Council

Venue: Athlone Castle, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4.30pm

Contact: Tessa Guinan, Tel: 0906 475301 or 087 919 3734

Cost: Free, open to the public

Wexford

Active Retirement/ Community Groups

Kilrane-Rosslare Harbour Active Retirement Association

Arts and Crafts Exhibition – sponsored by Great Southern Hotel

Venue: Great Southern Hotel, Rosslare Harbour, Co. Wexford

Date: Tuesday 4th to Thursday 6th May 2004

Time: 11 am – 8 pm

Contact: Brigid Sheil, Tel: 053 33537

Cost: Free, open to the public

New Ross Active Retirement Association

Seisiún- Dance, Song and Story

Venue: New Ross Public Library, Barrack Lane, New Ross, Co. Wexford

Date: Tuesday 25th May 2004

Time: 11 am

Contact: Breda O’Connor, Tel: 051 421968

Cost: Free, open to the public

Taghmon Action Group

Active Older Age in Taghmon

Arts event with Taghmon Action Group

Venue: Taghmon Community Centre, Taghmon, Co Wexford

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm

Contact: May Buttimer, Tel: 053 39198

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Grantstown Day Care Centre

Exhibition of Pottery

Get together with music and dance after the official opening

Venue: Grantstown Day Care Centre, Wellington Bridge, Wexford

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 2 pm

Contact: Anne Crosbie, Tel: 051 561016

Cost: Free, open to the public

St. John's Hospital

Art Exhibition

Venue: Day Care Centre, St. John's Hospital, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford

Date: Tuesday 11th – Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 4 pm

Contact: Lilian McKenna, Tel: 054 36549

Cost: Free, open to the public

Wicklow

Arts

Courthouse Arts Centre

“Factor In” Gallery Talk by Rhoda and Tricia Cunningham

The artists discuss their exhibition of photography and stained glass

Venue: Tinahely Courthouse, Tinahely, Co. Wicklow

Date: Wednesday 5th May 2004

Time: 12 noon

Contact: Sharon Corcoran, Tel: 0402 38529

Cost: Free, open to the public

Mermaid Arts Centre

Venue: Mermaid Arts Centre, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow

Art Exhibition

By members of the Bray Active Retirement Association

Date: Saturday 22nd – Saturday 29th May 2004

Time: 10 am – 6 pm, Monday to Saturday

Cost: Free, open to the public

Bealtaine Film Screening

A screening of the film ‘Night Train’ in association with access Cinema and the Irish Film Institute

Date: Monday 10th May 2004

Time: 5 pm

Cost: €7.50, €6 concession, open to the public

Contact: Mermaid Box Office, Tel: 01 272 4030

Wicklow County Arts Office

Intergenerational Creative

Writing Project

Members from Dunlavin Friendship Club and students from Transition Year in St Kevin's Community College will work together on a creative writing project

Venue: St Kevin's Community College, Dunlavin, Co. Wicklow

Date: To be confirmed

Time: To be confirmed

Cost: Free

Script Writing and Drama

Enjoy a series of workshops in script writing and drama with The Golden Circle Group, Rathdangan

Venue: Rathdangan Community Hall, Rathdangan, Co. Wicklow

Date: Tuesday 20th and 27th April and 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free

Storytelling Tour

During the Bealtaine Festival, guest storytellers will visit local hospitals and day care centres to entertain the residents

Venue: Rathdrum Day Care Centre, Rathdrum Hospital, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow

Date: Wednesday 19th May 2004

Time: 2 – 3.15 pm

Venue: Baltinglass Hospital, Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow

Date: Thursday 20th May 2004

Time: 1 – 2 pm

Venue: Wicklow Day Care, Wicklow Hospital, Wicklow, Co. Wicklow

Date: Friday 21st May 2004

Time: 1.30 – 2.30 pm

Wicklow County Council Arts Office, in association with Wicklow County Council Library Service

Arts and Crafts Workshops

Venue: Tinahely Courthouse Arts Centre, Tinahely, Co. Wicklow

Date: Tuesday 4th, 11th and 18th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

Visual Arts Workshops

Venue: Ballywaltrim Library, Boghall Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow

Date: Monday 10th, 17th and 24th May 2004

Time: 2.30 pm

Cost: Free, open to the public

For all events contact: Sinead Redmond, Tel: 0404 20155

Cultural/Heritage

Shekina Sculpture Garden

Open Day

An open day for all groups, picnics encouraged!

Venue: Shekina Sculpture Garden, Glenmalure, Co. Wicklow

Date: Sunday 16th and 30th May 2004

Time: 12 - 6 pm

Contact: Catherine McCann, Tel: 01 283 8711

Cost: Entrance by donation to the St. Vincent de Paul society

Active Retirement/Community Groups

Bray Active Retirement Association

Art Exhibition & Craft Display (see Mermaid Centre)

Venue: Mermaid Art Centre, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow

Date: Monday 24th – Friday 28th May 2004

Time: 10 am - 5 pm

Contact: Pat Ralf, Tel: 01 286 9078

Cost: Free, open to the public

Golden Circle

Art and Crafts Exhibition

Opening of exhibition on the 1st May with a wine and cheese reception and an opportunity for the public to meet artists

Venue: O'Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow

Date: Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd May 2004

Time: 1st May 8 - 10 pm, 2nd May 11 am – 5 pm

Contact: Christina O'Neill, Tel: 059 647 3478

Cost: Free, open to the public

Care Centres

Carnew Community Care

Art Exhibition

Venue: Carnew Day Centre, Gorey Road, Carnew, Co. Wicklow

Date: Monday 10th - Friday 14th May 2004

Time: 2 – 4 pm daily

Night of Song and Storytelling

Venue: Carnew Day Centre, Gorey Road, Carnew, Co. Wicklow

Date: Thursday 13th May 2004

Time: 8 pm

Contact: Sr. Clare or Sheila Kirwan, Tel: 0552 6510

Cost: Free, open to the public, groups please phone in advance



For people who want to follow up other arts festival opportunities, the following list will give you a flavour of some of the festivals that take place around the country at other times of the year.

Boyle Arts Festival

Held in July each year with a reputation for attracting national and international performers and artists. Participation by Boyle's Active Age Group and many other active age groups in Co. Roscommon gives particular interest and focus for older people.

Festival Office, King House, Boyle, Co. Roscommon

Tel: 071 966 3085

Email: michael@boylearts.com

Web: www.boylearts.com

Cape Clear Island International Storytelling Festival

Popular with all age groups including older people who carry on the tradition of oral storytelling

Lower Lissamona, Cape Clear Island, Skibbereen, Co. Cork

Tel: 028 39116

Email: stories@indigo.ie

Web: <http://indigo.ie/~stories>

Éigse Carlow Arts Festival

Foresters Hall, College Street, Carlow

Tel: 059 914 0491

Fax: 059 913 0065

Email: eigsecarlo@eircom.net

Web: www.eigsecarlow.ie

Festival of World Cultures

Arts Office, Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown County Council, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin

Tel: 01 2047271

Fax: 01 2360217

Email: festival_arts@dlrcoco.ie

Web: www.festivalofworldcultures.com

Forum

Intergenerational Festival

An eight-week festival involving older people transferring artistic skills to children from 14 national schools. Taking place in 14 locations and involving 250 older people and 300 children. The Festival takes place in various venues in Connemara from the 19th April – 20th June 2004

Ellis Hall, Letterfrack, Co. Galway

Tel: 095 41116

Email: forum@indigo.ie

Web: www.forumconnemara.com

Memory Makers Festival

An annual arts festival aimed at older people and organisations in the Fingal County Council catchment area. Open to people aged 65 and over, entrants chose from a range of media to create a memory and submit it for competition

Fingal County Council, Community, Culture and Sports Dept., County Hall, Main Street, Swords, Co. Dublin

Contact: Paul Burns or Sean Ring

Tel: 01 890 6726

Email: sean.ring@fingalcoco.ie

Arts Institutions

The following arts institutions run ongoing programmes for older people, with opportunities for participation not just during Bealtaine but throughout the year. There are also many other local and regional arts organisations running similar programmes. To find out about programmes in your area, contact your local Arts Office or local Arts Centre.

The Abbey Theatre

Older People's Programme: Theatre Matinee Club – attend eight plays and meet the artistic/technical theatre practitioners involved. Script Club - discuss play scripts chosen by different playwrights. The public programme also includes guided backstage tours and the special lecture series.

The Abbey Theatre, 26 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1

Tel: 01 887 2223

Email: outreach@abbeytheatre.ie

Web: www.abbeytheatre.ie

Institute for Choreography and Dance

This national Institute researches and develops dance as an art form. In co-operation with the Health Promotion Department of the Southern Health Board, the Institute is training people in dance with a view to working with older people in a wide variety of healthcare and community settings.

ICD, Firkin Crane, Shandon, Cork

Tel: 021 450 7487

Email: info@instchordance.com

Web: www.instchordance.com

Irish Film Institute

Wild Strawberries Film Club: this film club for older people screens a wide variety of films from around the world. Monthly screenings are free, but booking is essential

IFI, 6 Eustace Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2

Tel: 01 – 6795744

Email wildstrawberries@irishfilm.ie

Web: www.irishfilm.ie

Irish Museum of Modern Art

Older People's Programme: the general programme for older people includes guided tours of exhibitions, talks and lectures, workshops with professional artists and visits to the artists' studios. No charge.

IMMA, Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, Dublin 8

Tel: 01 612 9900

Email: info@modernart.ie

Web: www.modernart.ie

Resource Organisations

Here are just two organisations that may help you to get and stay involved in the arts:

CREATE

Promotes community arts in all forms. Publishes a funding handbook with information on the full range of funding sources for arts initiatives.

Administers an Artist in the Community scheme on behalf of the Arts Council.

10-11 Earl Street South, Dublin 8

Tel: 01 473 6600

Email: info@artsincontext.com

Web: www.communityartsireland.com

Federation of Active Retirement Associations (FARA)

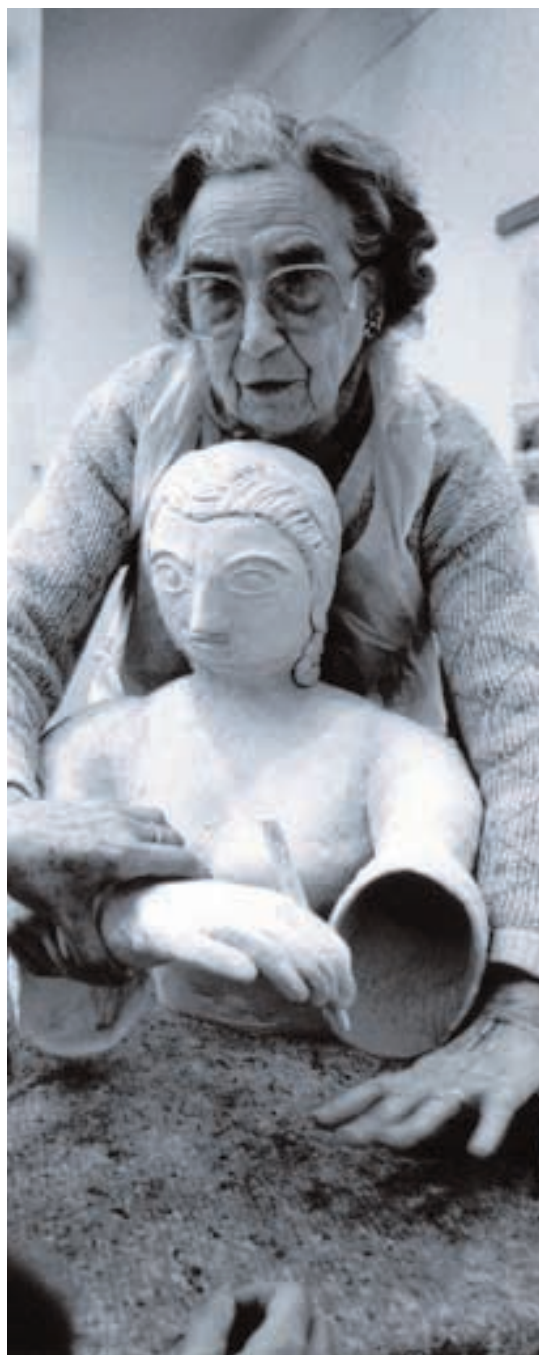
The umbrella body of Ireland's active retirement movement. FARA can help put you in touch with the Active Retirement Association closest to you or help you set up a new organisation. Many Active Retirement Groups in Ireland are Bealtaine event organisers.

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Tel: 01 679 2142

Email: fara@eircom.net

Web: www.fara.ie



The Bealtaine experience doesn't have to end here, the arts are accessible all year round!

There are numerous arts programmes and events running throughout the year in areas all over Ireland. For year round arts information access try contacting your arts officer at your local county council.

Local Arts Offices

Cavan County Council

Arts Office, Cavan Co. Council,
The Courthouse, Cavan
Tel: 049 437 2099
Email: artsoffice@cavancoco.ie
Web: www.cavancoco.ie

Carlow County Council

Arts Office, County Buildings,
Athy Road, Co. Carlow
Tel: 059 913 6237, Email:
artsofficer@carlowcoco.ie
Web: www.carlow.ie

Clare County Council

Arts Office, Clare Co. Library, Mill Road,
Ennis, Co. Clare
Tel: 065 684 6267,
Email: siobhan.mulcahy@clarelibrary.ie,
Web: www.clarelibrary.ie

Cork City Council

Arts Office, Cork City Council, Abbeycourt House,
Georges Quay, Cork
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Email: recreation@corkcity.ie
Web: www.corkcity.ie

Cork County Council

Arts Office, Cork County Council,
County Hall, Cork
Tel: 021 434 6210,
Email: corkcountyarts@eircom.net

Donegal County Arts

Arts Office, Donegal County Library,
Rosemount, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal
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Dublin City Council

Arts Office, Dublin City Council,
Cornmarket, Dublin 8
Tel: 01 872 2816
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Dundalk Town Council

Arts Office, Dundalk Town Council, Town Hall,
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Email: dundarts@eircom.net
Web: www.dundalktown.ie

Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown County Council

Arts Office, Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown Co.
Council, County Hall, Marine Road, Dun
Laoghaire, Co. Dublin
Tel: 01 205 4700
Email: arts@dlrcoco.ie
Web: www.dlrcoco.ie

Fingal County Council

Arts Section, Fingal Co. Council, Fingal County
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Email: marcellabannon@fingalcoco.ie
Web: www.fingalarts.ie

Galway City Council

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College Road, Galway
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Web: www.galwaycity.ie

Galway County Council

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County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway
Tel: 091 746875
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Web: www.galway.ie

Kerry County Council

Arts Office, Kerry Co. Council, County Buildings,
Rathass, Tralee, Co. Kerry
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Email: kkennell@kerrycoco.ie
Web: www.kerrycoco.ie

Kildare County Council

Arts Office, Riverbank, Main St., Newbridge,
Co. Kildare
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Kilkenny County Council

Arts Office, 42 Parliament Street, Kilkenny,
Co. Kilkenny
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Web: www.kilkennycoco.ie

Laois County Council

Arts Office, Laois Co. Council, The Old Mill,
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Web: www.laois.ie

Leitrim County Council

Arts Office, Leitrim Co. Council, Carrick-on-
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Email: artsoff@leitrimcoco.ie
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Limerick City Council

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Longford County Council

Longford County Library and Arts Services, Town
Centre, Longford
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Web: www.longfordlibrary.ie

Mayo County Council

Arts Office, Mayo Co. Council, The Mall,
Castlebar, Co. Mayo
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Email: artsstaff@mayococo.ie
Web: www.mayococo.ie

Meath County Council

Arts Office, Meath Co. Council, Dunshaughlin
Library, Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath
Tel: 01 824 0000
Email: gbailey@meathcoco.ie
Web: www.meath.ie

Monaghan County Council

Arts Office, Monaghan County Council Offices,
Glen Road, Co. Monaghan
Tel: 047 30500
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Offaly County Council

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Roscommon
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Sligo County Council

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Web: www.sligococo.ie

South Dublin County Council

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Web: www.sdcc.ie

**Tipperary North Riding
County Council**

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Courthouse, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary
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Web: www.tipperarynorth.ie

Waterford County Council

Arts Office, Waterford Co. Council, Civic Offices,
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Westmeath County Council

Arts office, County Library HQ, Dublin Road,
Mullingar, Co. Westmeath
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Wexford County Council

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Wicklow County Council

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Bealtaine Stories

We would like to hear about your experiences of Bealtaine!

Accounts can take any form including prose, poetry, personal accounts and event reviews.

Bealtaine – celebrating creativity in older age

PLEASE FILL IN YOUR DETAILS BELOW:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

ARE YOU A BEALTAINÉ.....

Participant Organiser Artist Other

PLEASE GIVE FURTHER DETAILS OF YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN BEALTAINÉ BELOW:

Details: _____

- Please return this completed form and your submission to Bealtaine Stories Project, Age & Opportunity, Marino Institute of Education, Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9. Fax: 01 853 5117, Email: bealtaine@mie.ie
- Please attach your submission securely to this form
- Some submissions may be used on the Age & Opportunity web site to promote the Bealtaine Festival.
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