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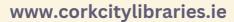
'The Bond' by Amy O'Brien, Presentation Secondary School, Mitchelstown 2nd Prize, Category A (16-18 Years), 69th Texaco Children's Art Competition

Children's BOOKFest 2023

at Cork City Libraries



A Celebration of Books and Stories for Children and Teenagers





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The City Library

Grand Parade

October | Thursday 5, 12, 19, 26 | 2.00 - 3.30 pm | Elder Writers of Cork

Life stories of the extraordinary ordinary. How to write your life story.

October | Wednesday 11 | 2.30 pm | Two Edna O'Brien Interviews (Videos)

As part of the Cork International Short Story festival in association with Munster Literature Centre.

October | Wednesday 11 | 4.00 pm | Southward Showcase

As part of the Cork International Short Story festival in association with Munster Literature Centre.

October | Thursday 12 | 2.30 pm | Kate O'Brien and Willian Trevor Interviews (Videos)

As part of the Cork International Short Story festival in association with Munster Literature Centre.

October | Thursday 12 | 4.00 pm | From the Well Showcase

As part of the Cork International Short Story festival in association with Munster Literature Centre.

October | Friday 13 | 2.30 pm | Howl New Irish Writing Showcase

As part of the Cork International Short Story festival in association with Munster Literature Centre.

October | Friday 13 and 27 | 11.00 am - 12.30 pm | Craft & Chat

Are you knitting, crocheting or sewing something? Bring your project to the City Library and chat with other crafters while you work. Embracing a variety of crafts from knitting to patchwork and crochet to cross stitch. All ages and abilities welcome.

October | Friday 13 | 4.00 pm | Four Faced Liar Showcase

As part of the Cork International Short Story festival in association with Munster Literature Centre.

October | Saturday 14 | 10.00 am-11.30 am | Peann agus Pár Writing Collective

Ceardlann Scríbhneoireachta Gaeilge le Colm O Ceallacháin. Filíocht agus Prós. An dara Satharn de gach mí, saor in aisce agus failte roimh cách!

October | Tuesday 17 | 6.30 pm | One City One Book closing event

Liberty Terrace by Madeleine D'Arcy was this year's One City One Book. Join us for the closing event, discussion and readings with Madeleine.

This event will take place in Waterstones Bookshop, St Patrick's Street, Cork.





October | Wednesday 18 | 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm | Conversation Café

Conversation Café is a relaxed, informal space that welcomes individuals of all ages from different backgrounds for friendly conversation. This month's theme is Food. ThinkSpeakDo support and create conversation as rich and diverse as the people who attend.

October | Saturday 21 | 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm | Out-Lit Bookclub

This rainbow book club meets on the last Saturday of each month. It is open to all and welcomes new members.

October | Thursday 26 | 6.00 pm | Launch of The Slow Camera Exchange Camera Library

Cork City Libraries launches the first analogue camera library in Ireland making analogue cameras available to borrow by communities and artists., through the Slow Camera Exchange.

The Slow Camera Exchange is a collaboration between Cork City Libraries, Cork Film Centre and socially engaged visual artist Jess Marbe. It was established through Creative Ireland funding, in memory of artist Hermann Marbe and speaks to his aspiration of making the arts and creativity more accessible. The provision of these cameras for loan through the public library service expands this accessibility.

October | Thursday 26 | 7.00 pm | James Wilkinson, First City Librarian in Cork by Mairéad Mooney. Library 130 Lecture Series.

James Wilkinson led what became The City Library, Grand Parade, for forty years. This was a seismic period, spanning the war of independence and the civil war, and not least the Burning of Cork in 1920 which resulted in the loss of the then Carnegie Library. James Wilkinson steered the fledgling public library service from its inception through to becoming a thriving service for the citizens of Cork, showing extraordinary resilience and innovation. This talk will reflect on his career and legacy and is part of the Library 130 Lecture Series and Public Service Transformation Week

October and November | Book Bingo Reading Challenge

This Winter we're offering adults (and adventurous teens) a Book Bingo Reading Challenge! Read widely, make bingos, and be entered in a draw with a chance to win a voucher from Dubray Books. The challenge runs October 1st to November 30th. Stop by the Lending Department in the City Library to pick up your bingo sheet.

Library staff are ready and willing to offer you suggestions -- and many of our upcoming displays will help you find great choices as well!

October and November | Commit to Knit!

Help us spread a little warmth and love this Winter. Cork City Library is looking for knitters of all ages and abilities to knit Granny Squares that will be put together to form Blankets of Hope. These will then be donated to Cork Cancer Association to distribute to Cancer and End of life patients. Squares should be: 6x6 inches, 8x8 inches or 10x10 inches. Please do not use mohair wool as that is an irritant. Patches can be donated to your nearest City Library Branch up until November 30th.

November | Thursday 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 2.00 - 3.30 pm | Elder Writers of Cork

Life stories of the extraordinary ordinary. How to write your life story.

November | Monday 6 | 3.00 pm-5.00 pm | Cork Scrabble Club

A great way to maintain your brain health and meet new people!

November | Thursday 9 and 23 | 11.30 am-1.30 pm | Non Fiction Writers Group

The City Library's longest established writing group. The group participates in many literary events in the city and always welcomes new members!

November | Friday 10 and 24 | 11.00 am - 12.30 pm | Craft & Chat

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November | Saturday 11 | 10.30 am | Free Python Coding Course for Beginners

Learn Python programming in a free 6 week course for adults. No experience necessary, all you need is a laptop! Starts Saturday 11 November. Spaces limited, booking essential. For booking and enquiries email: rose smyth@corkcity.ie

In collaboration with Cork ETB

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November | Tuesday 14 | 6.00 pm | Launch of Library publication First Citizen; Seán French, Cork's Longest-Serving Lord Mayor.

Launch of a detailed and insightful study of Seán French, Cork's twelve-term Lord Mayor. The authors, Aodh Quinlivan and John Ger O'Riordan expertly tell the story of an outstanding public figure who excelled in Cork City Hall and in Dáil Éireann. His extraordinary political life unfolded against a backdrop of the War of Independence, the Burning of Cork, the Civil War and the dissolution of Cork Corporation.

The launch will take place in the Council Chamber, Cork City Hall.

Tuesday | November 21 | 6.30 pm | 'Racing Regulars, Pattern Pilferers and Library Loafers: An Introduction to Cork's Carnegie Free Library via its Annual Reports 1905/1915'. Library 130 Lecture Series.

The Library Annual Reports provide a unique record of the beginnings and development of the Carnegie Free Library in Cork. Helen McGonagle, author of A Room of their Own, Cork Carnegie Free Library and its Ladies Reading Room, 1905-1915 uses these reports to create a picture of this beautiful building, its myriad users and the services it provided. As part of the Library 130 Lecture Series.

Roy gallaghes Music Library



October | Traditional Irish music session | Weekly

An open session where musicians and music-lovers can come together to enjoy traditional Irish music in a social context. Sharing music and songs in an informal alcohol-free setting. All welcome! **Please ring or email to confirm the dates.** 021-4924919 or email music library@corkcity.ie

October | Tuesday 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 4.30 pm | Guitar classes

Free guitar classes, learn to play the blues Rory Gallagher style, beginners welcome. This is a six-week course and will give you the basics if you are a beginner or expand your skills if you are a more experienced player. All welcome. Please ring or email to book your place. 021-4924919 or email music_library@corkcity.ie

October | Wednesday 11 | 3 pm Music appreciation Society

The Rory Gallagher Music Library presents a new monthly Music Appreciation Society. The group will listen to a different artist's work every month and will feature a deep dive how their records were recorded, who was involved in the studio and much more! Please feel free to join us for our first session featuring the Beatles' seminal record "Revolver"!"



October | Saturday 7 | 3 pm | Devils Bit

As part of our regular Saturday, Live at the Library performances, we are pleased to welcome Devils Bit, come along to hear a free music performance in an alcohol-free environment. All welcome

October | Friday 13 | 11 am | Country music circle

This an event for all country music lovers, listen to some of your favourite tracks and be prepared to hear some new pieces. Enjoy company and conversation with other likeminded Country music lovers.

October | Friday 20 | 11 am | Irish Music Circle

Come along to hear some traditional and popular Irish music tracks and enjoy our musical heritage with like-minded people. This is a new event, and we look forward to exploring our traditional musical culture. Please ring or email to confirm the dates.

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Join us for a selection of classical, choral, and nostalgia music and songs. All welcome

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- CHILDREN'S -BOOK FESTIVAL





The City Library

October | Monday 2 - Tuesday 31 | Exhibition: Texaco Children's Art Exhibition

An Exhibition for Children and Young People at The Children's and Young People's Library, City Library, Grand Parade

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Monday 2 – Saturday 14 | Exhibition: Dyslexia Awareness

An Exhibition for Children and Young People in the Foyer, The City Library, Grand Parade Failte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm | Juvenile Chess

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach

October | Thursday 5, 12, 19, 26 | 10 am – 11 am | Storytime with Deirdre Ryan Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21 | 12 noon - 1pm | Lego Time

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 14 | 11 am - 11.45 am | Walk through Exhibition with the Artists

Join Izzy Dogliani and Danielle Sheehy in exploring their exhibition Neurodiverse Universe together. Meet in the Foyer, City Library. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 14 | 2 pm - 3 pm | Cantonese Storytime

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 14 | 2 pm – 3.30 pm | Dyslexia Alphabet Workshop

Decorate and create a sculptural alphabet | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach. Booking Essential.

October | Saturday 21 | 11 am - 12 noon | French Storytime

L'Heure du conte en français pour les enfants avec Antinea.

Tous les bienvenus. Everyone welcome. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 28 | 10 am - 11 am | Scéalaíocht

Bain sult as do theanga dhúchais! Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Tuesday 31 | 11am – 1 pm | Colin O'Mahony & Mari Rolin, Graphic

Artists | Join Colin and Mari to explore Character Creation and Design for Comics, for writers and artists aged 13+. Booking essential. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Wednesday 1 | 2.30 pm – 4 pm | Story Making with Maria Gillen

Maria Gillen Makes Stories with Cork Children of all ages, passing an oral tradition on. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Thursday 2, 9,16, 23, 30 | 10 am - 11 am | Storytime with Deirdre Ryan

Song story and Rhyme for Under 5's – an opportunity for children to sing, play, learn and explore. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Thursday 2 | 11 am | J.P. Quinn

Children's author J.P. Quinn reads from the wonderful eco friendly stories A Bee at UCC and a Tree at UCC. Failte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Thursday 2 | 2 pm | Michelle McDonagh and The Teen Committee

Cork City Libraries' Teen Committee and Blarney Author Michelle McDonagh investigate Everything about Writing in a Q & A at the Lending Library, City Library, aged 13 $\,+\,$

November | Friday 3 | 2 pm | Eve McDonnell

Author Eve McDonnell invites you to Let's Go Wonderlarking – a fun search for the wonder and magic in nature. The Chestnut Roaster's main character, Piaf, finds something special. Is it a leaf skeleton, or a map to a mysterious world? Aged 8-12 years. Booking Essential.

November | Saturday 4 | 11 am | Maria Quiros Pindado

Maria Jesús Quiros introduces Al Gets Lost in Spain to the very young. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Saturday 4 | 2 pm | Eibhlís Carcione

Enjoy the Deliciously dark and gorgeously gothic Welcome to Dead Town Raven McKay with Eibhlís Carcione. Suitable for children aged 10-12 years. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Saturday 4,11,18, 25 | 12 noon – 1 pm | Lego Time

Build, Build, Build! Get creative with LEGO suitable for children of all ages. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Saturday 11 | 2 pm – 3 pm | Cantonese Storytime | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

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Ballincollig Library

October | Tuesday 3 - Tuesday 31 | All Month | Children's Colouring

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach

October | Friday 6,13, 20, 27 | 10. 30 am - 11.30 am | Storytime

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7 | 2 pm - 3 pm | Children's Book Club

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21 | 3 pm – 4 pm | Children's Chess Club

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Bishopstown Library

October | Monday 2 – Tuesday 31 | All Month | Children's Colouring Failte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach

October | Tuesdays 3,10,17,24,31 | 11.00 am | Storytime with Deirdre Ryan

Song story and Rhyme for Under 5's – an opportunity for children to sing, play, learn and explore. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Wednesday 4 | 2.30 pm - 3. 30 pm | Teen Book Club

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 14 | 11 am – 12.30 am | Story Making with Maria Gillen Maria Gillen Makes Stories with Cork Children of all ages, passing an oral tradition on. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

Blackpool Library

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 10 am – 11.30 am | Toddler's Group Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm | Chess Club Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7 | 11.00 am – 11.45 pm | French Language Storytime For little ones, with Antinea.

October | Saturday 7 | 2 pm | Author Visit; J.P. Quinn

Children's author J.P. Quinn reads from the wonderful eco friendly stories A Bee at UCC and a Tree at UCC. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21 | 2 pm - 3 pm | Lego Time

Come along and build amazing structures! Lego provided. All ages. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 21 | 11 am – 12 noon | Hallowe'en Storytime Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

Blarney Library

October | Wednesday 4,11,18, 25 | 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm | Juvenile Chess Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7 | 11 am | Author Visit; J.P. Quinn

Children's author J.P. Quinn reads from the wonderful eco friendly stories A Bee at UCC and a Tree at UCC.

October | Saturday 7,14,21 | All Day | Lego Time

Build, Build! Lego provided. All ages

October | Saturday 7,14,21 | All Day | Colouring

Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.





Douglas Library

October | Wednesday 4,11, 18, 25 | 11.30 am - 12.30 pm | Duplo Club

A new kids club in Douglas Library for toddlers and preschoolers. All very Welcome! October | Friday 6, 13, 20, 27 | 11.30 am – 12.30 pm | Storytime with Deirdre Ryan Song story and Rhyme for Under 5's – an opportunity for children to sing, play, learn and explore. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 14 | 2.30 pm – 4 pm | Story Making with Maria Gillen Maria Gillen Makes Stories with Cork Children of all ages, passing an oral tradition on.

Glanmire Library

October | Saturday 7,14,21 | 11.30 am – 12.30 pm | Lego Time and Chess Build castles for royalty, lego and chess for all. Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 21 | 3 pm | Story Making with Maria Gillen

Maria Gillen Makes Stories with Cork Children of all ages, passing an oral tradition on.

October | Tuesday 31 | 3 pm | Hallowe'en Puzzle Afternoon Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

Hollyhill Library

October | Texaco Children's Art Competition Exhibition in Hollyhill Library

Exhibition of the top 21 winning artworks from the 2022 Texaco Children's Art Competition. Children of all ages and abilities are represented across the seven categories of the Competition. Come along and see the wonderful pieces of art for yourself!

October | Wednesday 4 | 1 - 2 pm | Children's Lunchtime Concert

Music Generation and Musical Neighbourhood present musicians from the northside performing a variety of songs and tunes!

October | Wednesday 4, 11,18, 25 | 10.00 am | Story, song and rhyme followed by colouring.

A fun and interactive session suitable for children up to 4 years of age. Supported by Let's Grow Together, Deirdre Ryan and Hollyhill Library staff. Free event, booking not essential.

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21 | 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm | Family fun time

Play jigsaws, connect four, board games, lego or colour with your child. Games provided.

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21 | 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm | Teen trad group

Presented by Club Ceoil Knocknaheeny. Sessions are free to join and open to teens of all abilities who already have a basic knowledge of playing an instrument. Booking essential.

To book contact Jessie at creativetradition@gmail.com or message 083 0916204.

Beginners tin whistle classes For children 6-11 years

Music Generation and Musical Neighbourhood present an 8-week beginner tin whistle classes for children aged 6-11 years.

On Saturdays at 2.30pm, starting Sat 30th of September. The classes are free of charge and booking is essential.





Mayfield Library

October | All month | "Literally Lost in the Library"

James O'Donnell's Star Wars themed search-and-find activity featuring 15 literary and movie characters. See how many you can find and claim your (small) reward.

October | All month | Halloween Colouring

Bats, Brooms, Witches and Webs. Get your spooky blacks, purples and reds to colour in the season. Prizes for the most wicked!!

October | Oct 13 to Nov 3 | EcoArt

An exhibition of work by participants of EcoCamp and Biodiversity Printmaking Workshops held at the Mayfield Arts Centre.

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 3.30 pm | Chess Academy

Children's chess club meets each Wednesday under the tutelage of expert volunteers

October | Friday 6, 13, 20, 27 | 11 am | Library Storytime

Rhymes, Songs and Stories for a themed storytime suitable for children under age 6. Bring your parents along!

October | Saturday 21 | 11 am | Video Game Club

Fingers on buttons for new and retro games with Cian on the library's big screen

October | Saturday 21 | 11 am – 12.30 pm | Story Making with Maria Gillen

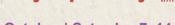
October | Friday 27 | 11 am | Halloween Storytime

Scary (but not too scary) storytime for the season that's in it. We will have a pumpkin, a broom and dress-up very welcome.

October | Friday 27 | 3.15 pm | Pageturners Book Club

Junior Book Club meets every last Friday at 3.15 pm. Have your say on your favourites and on those you didn't like. Suitable for ages 8 to 12.

Tory Top Library



October | Saturday 7, 14, 21 | 2.15 pm | Stories and Colouring with Alice Listen to some lovely stories while entering the colouring competition. Great prizes to be won.

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21, | 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm | Magic Table

Specifically for children with special needs/autism. Booking essential on 4924946 or email torytop_library@corkcity.ie

The Tovertafel or "Magic Table" is a device that projects interactive light games onto a table. There are numerous games to choose from such as soccer, decorating a birthday cake, searching for hidden treasure to name just a few.

October | Wednesday 25 | 4.00 pm | Junior Book Club for ages 8-11

Come along and join our new Junior Book Club. New members welcome. Parents/guardians are required to register new members.

November | Friday 3 | 11 am – 12.30 pm | Story Making with Maria Gillen Fäilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach





Ballincollig Library

The Village Shopping Centre, Station Road



October | Tuesday 3 | 10.30 am | Tuesday Book Club Adult book club. All welcome.

October | Thursday 5 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.

October | Friday 6 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

October | Saturday 7 | 2.00 pm | Children's book club

Book club for kids aged 7-12. All welcome

October | Saturday 7 | 3.00 pm| Children's Chess Club

Chess for kids aged 6-12. All welcome.

October | Wednesday 11 | 11.00 am | Ciorcal cainte

Irish conversation group. All welcome.

October | Thursday 12 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.

October | Friday 13 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

October | Saturday 14 | 3.00 pm | Children's Chess Club

Chess for kids aged 6-12. All welcome.

October | Thursday 19 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.

October | Friday 20 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

October | Saturday 21 | 3.00 pm | Children's Chess Club Chess for kids aged 6-12. All welcome.

October | Wednesday 25 | 11.00 am | Wednesday Book Club Adult book club. All welcome.

October | Thursday 26 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.

October | Friday 27 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

October | Tuesday 31 | 11.00 am | Gramophone circle Music morning. All welcome.

November | Thursday 2 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.

November | Friday 3 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

November | Tuesday 7 | 10.30 am | Tuesday Book Club Adult book club. All welcome.

November | Thursday 9 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.



November | Friday 10 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

November | Saturday 11 | 2.00 pm | Children's Bookclub

Bookclub for kids aged 7-12. All welcome

November | Saturday 11 | 3.00 pm | Children's Chess Club Chess for kids aged 6-12. All welcome.

November | Wednesday 15 | 11.00 am | Ciorcal cainte

Irish conversation group. All welcome.

November | Thursday 16 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.

November | Friday 17 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

November | Saturday 18 | 3.00 pm | Children's Chess Club Chess for kids aged 6-12. All welcome.

November | Thursday 23 | 12 noon | Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.

November | Friday 24 | 10.30 am | Storytime

Library story time for pre-schoolers. Parents & Carers also welcome!

November | Saturday 25 | 3.00 pm | Children's Chess Club Chess for kids aged 6-12. All welcome.

November | Tuesday 28 | 11.00 am | Gramophone circle Music morning. All welcome.

November | Wednesday 29 | 11.00 am | Wednesday Book Club Adult book club. All welcome.

November | Thursday 30 | 11.00 am| Active retirement Social Group. All welcome.



Bishopstown

Wilton



October | Monday 2,9,16 and 23 | 2.30 pm | Art Group New members welcome.

October | Tuesday 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 | 10.30 am | Knit & Natter New members welcome. Admission free.

October| Tuesday 3,10, 17, 24 and 31| 11.00 am | Storytime for under 5s Story, song & rhyme with Deirdre. Admission free. All welcome.

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, and 25 | 2.30 pm | Adult chess Admission free. All welcome.

October | Wednesday 4 | 2.30pm | Teen Book Club for 12-14 year olds Please book a place as numbers are limited. Admission free.

October | Thursday 5 | 2.30 pm | Bishopstown Writers Group New members welcome.

October | Thursday 26 | 3.00 pm | Gramophone Recital Admission free. All welcome.

October | Thursday 5,12, 19 and 26 | 6.30 pm | Caint is comhrá Admission free. All welcome.



October | Thursday 26 | 6.00 pm | Postnatal and Antenatal depression support group

Admission free. All welcome.

November | Wednesday 1 | 2.30pm | Teen Book Club for 12-14 year olds Please book a place as numbers are limited. Admission free.

November | Monday 6,13, 20, 27 | 2.30 pm | Art Group New members welcome.

November | Tuesday 7,14, 21 and 28 | 10.30 am | Knit & Natter New members welcome. Admission free.

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November | Wednesday 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 | 2.30 - 5.00 pm | Adult Chess Admission free. All welcome.

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November | Thursday 30 | 3.00 pm | Gramophone Recital Admission free . All welcome.

November | Thursday 2,9 | 2.30 pm | Bishopstown Writers Group New members welcome. Admission free.

November | Thursday 16 | 6.00 pm | Bishopstown Writers Group New members welcome. Admission free.

November | Thursday | 6.00 pm | Postnatal and Antenatal depression support group

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Blackpool

Bowler House, Redforge Road, Blackpool

October | Every Wednesday | 10.00 am - 1.00 pm | Cardcraft

An informal gathering of ladies who create cards for personal use for all occasions and none.

October | Every Tuesday & Thursday | 10.00 am - 12.00 pm | Knitting/ Sewing Groups

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Free-play Lego group, all welcome and free of charge. Booking a place is suggested.

October | Every Wednesday | 10.00 am - 11.30 am | Toddler Time

An informal gathering of parents and toddlers who want to chat, play, and discuss parenthood and life.

October | Saturday 7 | 11.00 am – 11.45 pm | French Language Storytime For little ones, with Antinea.

October | Tuesday 10 | 10.30 am - 11.30 pm | Cuinne na Gaeilge

Learn to be comfortable with your conversational Irish or take it to the next level in a relaxed and comfortable setting. Bain triail as!

October | Tuesday 17 | 10.30 am - 12.00 pm | Creative Writing

Get that essay/letter/book that's in you out there through the encouragement of our creative writing group.

October | Saturday 21 | 11.00 am - 11.45 pm | Halloween Storytime

Come and listen to our storyteller Samantha and enjoy spooky tales and Halloween treats! Wear scary fancy dress!

October | Saturday 21 | 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm | Bookclub

Share your opinion on the best and worst books you've ever read and move on to new volumes with our newly relaunched book club.

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Blarney Library

The Square

October | Tuesday 3 - Tuesday 31 | All Month | Exhibition: Tranquility - a Textile Exhibition from Isabelle O'Neill

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 11.00 am - 12 noon | Blarney Irish Speakers | Fáilte Roimh Cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Wednesday 4, 11,18, 25 | 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm | Juvenile Chess | Fáilte Roimh Cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Thursday 5, 12,19, 26 | 11 am - 12 pm | Music Hour | Fáilte Roimh Cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Friday 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10.30 am - 11.30 am | Blarney Knitters for Blankets of Hope | Fáilte Roimh Cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Tuesday 10 | 10.30 am - 11. 30 am | Blarney Writers | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Tuesday 31 | 11.00 am - 12 noon | Blarney Book Club | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7,14, 21, 28 | All Day | Lego Time | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

October | Saturday 7,14, 21, 28 | All Day | Colouring | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Wednesday 1 - Thursday 30 | All Month | Exhibition: Cycling Cities: The Cork Experience from The Cork Cycling Campaign

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November | Friday 3, 10, 17, 24 | 10.30 am – 11.30 am | Blarney Knitters for Blankets of Hope | Fáilte Roimh Cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Tuesday 7,14, 21, 28 | 2pm | Using your Smart Phone/Getting Online with Your Tablet | in collaboration with Cork ETB | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Thursday 2, 9,16, 23, 30 | 11 am – 12 pm | Music Hour | Fáilte Roimh Cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Tuesday 14 | 10.30 am – 11. 30 am | Blarney Writers | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

November | Tuesday 28 | 11.00 am – 12 noon | Blarney Book Club | Fáilte roimh cách. Saor chead isteach.

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Douglas Library

Douglas Village Shopping Centre



October | Monday 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 7.15 pm – 9.00 pm | Adult Chess Club All new members welcome. Important: you must be a My Open Library patron to join this group and please talk to a member of staff and we'll be delighted to organise this with you.

October | Tuesday 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 10 am – 12.30 pm | Social Sketchers
Our highly skilled social sketchers meet weekly to paint and sketch and new members are always welcome.

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 11.30 am – 12.15 pm | Douglas Duplo New! Enjoy some fun Duplo time with your little one in the library. Suitable for toddlers and preschoolers with their parents or guardians. The library will provide the Duplo and all are very welcome!

October | Wednesday 11 | 11.00 am – 12.30 pm | Douglas Reading Circle New members are always welcome.

October | Wednesday 18 | 10.00 am – 12.30 pm | Hillside Book Club New members are always welcome.

October | Friday 6, 13, 20, 27 | 11.30 am – 12.30 pm | Storytime with Deirdre Ryan

Join Deirdre for a lovely morning of songs and rhymes. All welcome!

October | Friday 6 | 11.00 am - 12.30 pm | Gramophone Circle

Enjoy a morning of music with the Douglas Library Gramophone Circle. All welcome.

October | Friday 6 | 6 pm - 7.30 pm | The Douglas Writers

New members are always welcome. Important: you must be a My Open Library patron to visit the library at this time. Please talk to a member of staff for more details.

October | Friday 13, 20, 27 | 6 pm - 7.30pm | Writing is for Fun

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November | Monday 6, 13, 20, 27 | 7.15 pm - 9.00 pm | Adult Chess Club

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November | Tuesday 7, 14, 21, 228 | 10 am – 12.30 pm | Social Sketchers
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November | Wednesday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11.30 am – 12.15 pm | Douglas Duplo

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November | Wednesday 8 | 11.00 am – 12.30 pm | Douglas Reading Circle New members are always welcome.

November | Wednesday 15 | 10.00 am – 12.30 pm | Hillside Book Club New members are always welcome.

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November | Friday 3 | 6 pm - 7.30 pm | The Douglas Writers

New members are always welcome. Important: you must be a My Open Library patron to visit the library at this time. Please talk to a member of staff for more details.

November | Friday 10, 17 | 6 pm – 7.30pm | Writing is for Fun

October | Tuesday 17 | 11.00 am - 12.00 pm | Music Morning A selection of musical numbers harking back to times gone by.

New members are always welcome. Important: you must be a My Open Library patron to visit the library at this time. Please talk to a member of staff for more details.



Glanmire Library

7A Hazelwood Centre



A refreshing walk around the local Glanmire area.

October 1st & 3rd Wednesday | 10.30 am - 12.30 pm | 45 Card game

October | Every Wednesday | 10.15 am - 11.15 am | Walking Group

October | 1st & 3rd Wednesday | 10.30 am - 12.30 pm | 45 Card game Social card game group for a relaxed game of '45', All welcome.

October | 2nd & 4th Wednesday | 10.30 am - 12.30 pm | Knitting Group Knitting group regular meeting with people from the local area.

October| Wednesday 4th | 10.30 am - 12.30 pm | Active Retirement October| Thursday 5th | 10.15 am | Crochet Group

Local area Crochet group regular meeting.

October | Thursday 5,12,19,26 | 10.30 am | Scrabble Group New members welcome.

October | Tuesday 24th | 11 am -12.30 | New Book club. All Welcome.



October | Saturdays | 11.30 pm - 12.30 pm | Kids Hour

An interactive hour on Saturday morning dedicated to childrens free play with available games such as Lego, Chess and puzzles.

October | Tuesday 31st at 3.00 pm | Halloween Puzzle afternoon with prizes November | Tuesday 21st | 11.00 am - 12.00 pm | Music Morning

A selection of musical numbers selected by presenter.

November | Every Wednesday | 10.15 am - 11.15 am | Walking Group A refreshing walk around the local Glanmire area.

November | 1st & 3rd Wednesday | 10.30 am - 12.30 pm | 45 Card game.

Social card game group for a relaxed game of '45'.

November 2nd & 4th Wednesday | 10.30 am - 12.30 pm | Knitting Group Knitting group regular meeting with people from the local area.

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Local area Crochet group regular meeting.

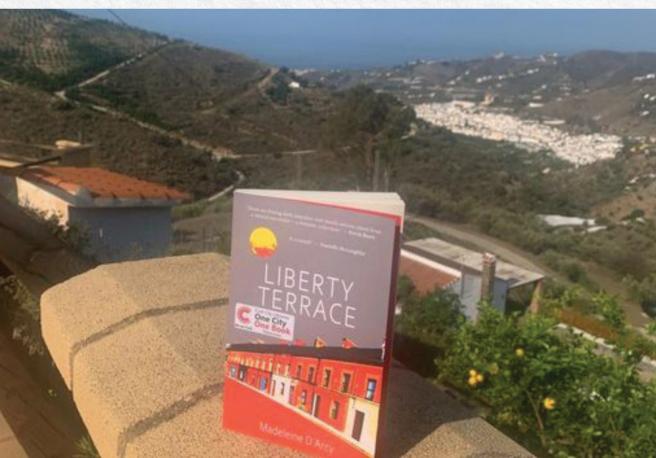
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Local area Scrabble group regular meeting.

New members welcome

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A kid's hour on Saturday morning dedicated to games such as Lego, Board games and puzzles.



Exhibitions October/November

THE CITY LIBRARY

October | Texaco Children's Art Exhibition

Exhibition of the top 21 winning artworks from the 2022 Texaco Children's Art Competition. Children of all ages and abilities are represented across the seven categories of the Competition. Come along and see the wonderful pieces of art for yourself! In the Children's and Young People's Library.

October | Neurodiverse Universe

Exploring the neurodiverse experience. Made by artists Isabella Dogliani and Danielle Sheehy, who both identify as neurodiverse, the pair have been collaborating since 2021. Following a series of workshops ran with young people earlier this year, this exhibition presents some of their work, alongside work created from the artists' collaboration. Supported by the Arts Council of Ireland and The Crawford Arts Gallery

October | Dolls by Ina Gokienė

These unique dolls are made by hand. Each doll's face is exquisitely hand painted and their hair is made with natural goats' hair. Their shoes are of genuine leather and their hand-crafted clothes consist of mixed materials. Eloquent handmade Christmas decorations also on display.

November | Cantonese Flowerboards in Ireland

Cantonese Flowerboards in Ireland Photo Exhibition displays photographs of traditional Cantonese flowerboards taken by our Cantonese Irish. It also displays the photographs taken by professional photographer Louis during the Cantonese flowerboard workshops held in Cork City Library at the Culture Night Weekend. This crafting technique is one of the intangible cultural heritages in Hong Kong. Visitors will learn the history and craftsmanship of this traditional Cantonese art form. We invite the audiences to experience and be inspired by this exotic art form of the East.

BISHOPSTOWN LIBRARY

October | Art exhibition by Matthew Sexton

Matthew is a 34-year-old artist with Autistic Syndrome Disorder. Originally from Kenmare, Matthew has now lived in Cork for several years.

Art, painting, gardening, and music bring him joy. Matthew enjoys painting on canvas and depicting people and animals. He loves to share his art as gifts to people he loves. He has already showcased his work at three exhibitions in 2013, 2015, and 2018, his 2015 exhibition 'My View' was held in Bishopstown Library. Matthew's work recently featured at the Royal College of Surgeons as one of ten artists from the Connecting Artists programme.

November | Scéal Eile

This exhibition features quilts and textile wall-hangings using fabrics which have been handed down, pre-owned, or inherited. The group meet fortnightly at Bishopstown Library.

BLACKPOOL LIBRARY

October | The Spanish Flu

This exhibition explores the history a highly contagious airborne virus that killed upwards of 100 million people worldwide between spring 1918 and summer 1919.

November | The Holly Bough

An exhibition about the Cork seasonal institution the Holly Bough magazine, and its cultural contribution to festive celebrations and life in the City for more than 125 years.

BLARNEY LIBRARY

November | Cycling Cities : The Cork Experience

A photographic exhibition by Cork Cycling Campaign. The exhibition explores the history of cycling in Cork as a popular mode of transport.

Part of a research project with the University of Eindhoven.

October | Tuesday 3 – Tuesday 31 | All Month | Exhibition: *Tranquility*

A Textile Exhibition from Tower artist Isabelle O'Neill

Douglas Library

October | Tusia Fostering presents: 'Reflections on the Care Experience in Cork'

A thought-provoking display of poems, reflections and quotes written by those with care experience and those who are foster carers in Cork.

The overall aim of the exhibition is to break the stigma for those with care experience and allow an insight into the multifaceted complexity of the care community in Cork. The feelings, thoughts and emotions shared by those with care experience and foster carers allow an insight into an often-silent sector of society. The exhibition allows for members of the public to become informed about what the care experience can entail, and perhaps inspire them to begin their own fostering journey.

November | Look Closer by Mairead Geary

This body of work was made over the last 12 months. The work was influenced by Mairead's travels to Australia, Bali, Greece and The Kingdom of Kerry Colour, texture and light have played a big part in this series. Hope you, as the viewer, enjoy the experience as much as Mairead has.

GLANMIRE LIBRARY

October and November | Vintage Carpentry Tools Exhibition

A selection of vintage Carpentry tools comprising of interesting wooden block planes, saws and marking gauges kindly lent by Michael Lenihan

HOLLYHILL LIBRARY

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November | NLN Student Exhibition in Hollyhill Library

Exhibition celebrating young talented artists attending NLN who have discovered various artistic methods to help them express themselves through various art mediums. The young artists are people from different programs who have found their own preferred mediums such as graffiti, clay work, sculpting and painting to help express their talent in a creative context.

MAYFIELD LIBRARY

October and November | GAA Clubs of Cork

A display of over 140 bookmark hurleys each one representing a Cork's GAA club. All lovingly produced by a lifelong library member and keen Gaelic games enthusiast

October | 1 to 12 | The Art of Pierre Auguste Renoir

A selection of 19 prints from the great French Impressionist collated by library staff. The images are accompanied by explanatory text to yield a foundation knowledge of the artist and his work.

October | 1 to 13 | Cycling Cities : The Cork Experience

A photographic exhibition by Cork Cycling Campaign. The exhibition explores the history of cycling in Cork as a popular mode of transport.

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October 13 to November 3 | EcoArt

An exhibition of work by participants of EcoCamp and Biodiversity Printmaking Workshops held at the Mayfield Arts Centre

November | New Art from Tetiana

Following last year's popular exhibition, Tetiana Milshyna makes a welcome return to Mayfield with an exhibition of her newest work.

TORY TOP LIBRARY

October and November | Can you See What I See Exhibition

The 'Can You See What I See?' is a book that promotes living well with dementia and advocates for a society to see the person first and not the disease.

The book is accompanied by twelve framed art prints with accompanying text. According to the author and artist Caroline Hyland, the objective is to start conversations and inspire all to see people that live with dementia as valued citizens and support them to remain engaged, feel included and live well in their communities.

Each picture is accompanied by text that tells a story and offers the reader some suggestions to supporting a person living with Dementia. The practical things we can all do, which may have a positive effect on a person's day and to see the person behind the diagnosis.

Hollyhill

October | Tuesday 3 | 10.00 am | Library book club monthly meeting New members always welcome.

October | Tuesday 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 11.30 am | Ukulele jamming session for over 55's

Good knowledge of chords and ukulele essential. New members welcome. Refreshments provided.

October | Tuesday 3, 17, 31 | 2-3 pm | COPD Support Group

If you or a loved one has COPD you are welcome to attend. It's a great opportunity to meet other people living with COPD and share your experiences over a cup of tea and a chat. The current meetings focus on guided exercises using activator poles.

If you wish to join the COPD Support Group contact Katie Macintyre Support Coordinator, COPD Support Ireland at 083 086 4118 or email support@copd.ie

October | Tuesday 10, 24 | 10.00 am | Creative Writing Group

Free of charge, no experience necessary, new members always welcome.

October | Thursday 5 | 11.00 am | Gramophone circle presented by Tim Jackson The gramophone recital plays music for all tastes from opera, folk, pop, ballads etc. Free of charge, refreshments provided.

October | Thursday 12 | 12 noon-1pm | Community sing-along

Join John Hartigan for a group sing-along to old favourites such as You are my sunshine and When you're smiling. Free event, all welcome.

October | Thursday 26 | 12 noon | Music from the 60's

Join David McGrath who will be playing a selection of his favourite music from the 1960's. Free event, bring your friends!

October | Friday 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10.00 am | Guitar jamming session for adults New members always welcome. Good knowledge of chords and guitar needed.

October | Friday 27 | 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm | Singer's circle presented by John O'Leary

Feel like singing? Then come along to our Singers Circle on the last Friday of each month. All singers, poets and listeners welcome. Admission free.

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21 | 12.30pm - 1.30pm | Teen trad group Presented by Club Ceoil Knocknaheeny

Sessions are free to join and open to teens of all abilities who already have a basic knowledge of playing an instrument. Booking essential: Contact Jessie at creativetradition@gmail.com or message 083 0916204.

October | Saturday 14 | 11.30 am | Cork Songwriters Club monthly meeting

All songwriters from beginners to more experienced in whatever genre are welcome to attend. Free of charge, new members welcome.

October | Magic Table

The Magic Table is a sensory-friendly device which projects interactive games onto a table, using both sound and images. These interactive games are designed to help people with dementia, autism or learning difficulties. The games respond to touch, which help stimulate physical and cognitive activity as well as encourage social interactions. Booking essential. To book contact Hollyhill Library on 021 4924928/4924945.





November | Wednesday 1 | 1-2pm | Live in the Library lunchtime concert featuring The Reflections

Playing popular music from the 50's 60's and more a Club Ceoil Knocknaheeny and Music Generation Cork City event. Free event, booking not essential.

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November | Wednesday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10.00 am | Story, song and rhyme followed by colouring

A fun and interactive session suitable for children up to 4 years of age. Supported by Let's Grow Together and Deirdre Ryan. Free event, booking not essential.

November | Wednesday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10.00 am | Crochet and knitting group for adults

Knit and natter over a cup of tea, free of charge, new members always welcome.

November | Thursday 2 | 11.00 am | Gramophone Circle presented by Liam Hutchinson

The gramophone recital plays music for all tastes from opera, folk, pop, ballads etc. Free of charge, refreshments provided.

November | Friday 3, 10, 17, 24 | 10.00 am | Guitar jamming session for adults Supported by Musical Neighbourhoods Cork City. New members always welcome. Good knowledge of chords and guitar needed.

November | Friday 24 | 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm | Singers Circle presented by John O'Leary Feel like singing? Then come along to our Singers Circle on the last Friday of each month. All singers, poets and listeners welcome. Admission free.

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October | All month | "Literally Lost in the Library"

James O'Donnell's Star Wars themed search-and-find activity featuring 15 literary and movie characters. See how many you can find and claim your (small) reward.

October | All month | Halloween Colouring

Bats, Brooms, Witches and Webs. Get your spooky blacks, purples and reds to colour in the season. Prizes for the most wicked!!

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 11 am | "45 Club"

A sociable game of cards. No betting – matchsticks only!

October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 | 3.30 pm | Chess Academy

Children's chess club meets each Wednesday under the tutelage of expert volunteers.

October | Thursday 5, 12, 19, 26 & Nov 9, 16 | 11 am - 1 pm | Storytelling

Join Cork Cultural Companions for a six-week series of Storytelling Workshops. Contact mayfield_library@corkcity.ie / 021 4924935 to register.

October | Friday 6, 13, 20, 27 | 11 am | Library Storytime

Rhymes, Songs and Stories for a themed storytime suitable for children under age 6. Bring your parents along!

October | Tuesday 10 | 3.30 pm | Frank O'Connor Writers Group

New members NEEDED for the embryonic library writers' group.

October | Thursday 12 | 11 am | Frank O'Connor Book Club

The library book club will be discussing September's tilte, "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett.

October | Friday 13 | 12 pm| Mental Health and Resilience

A Healthy Ireland talk by Aideen Stack focussing on maintaining mental health, developing resilience and the benefits of good sleep.

October | Tuesday 17 | 11 am | Chair Yoga

Seated yoga movement and breathing exercises with Claire Dunnice to maintain mobility, build flexibility and benefit your emotional health. Contact 021 4924935 mayfield_library@corkcity.ie to register.

October | Saturday 21 | 11 am | Lego Club

Free play with library lego spilled on table (and floor!) .

October | Saturday 21 | 11 am | Video Game Club

Fingers on buttons for new and retro games with Cian on the library's big screen.

October | Friday 27 | 11 am | Halloween Storytime

Scary (but not too scary) storytime for the season that's in it. We will have a pumpkin, a broom and dress-up very welcome.

October | Friday 27 | 3.15 pm | Pageturners Book Club

Junior Book Club meets every last Friday at 3.15 pm. Have your say on your favourites and on those you didn't like. Suitable for ages 8 to 12.

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Informal library art group meets last Tuesdays of the month. New members welcome.

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Join in with a sociable game of cards. Remember – no reneging!

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November | Thursday 9 | 11 am | Frank O'Connor Book Club

The library book club is named for one of Cork's finest writers and the library is home to that key element of his craft, his typewriter. Enquire at mayfield library@corkcity.ie for information on the book club and the writers group.

November | Tuesday 11 | 11 am | Famous Cork Characters

A lively presentation in which Seán P. Cotter and team bring famous Cork personalities of the past back to mind. Witness traces of Christy Ring, Joan Denise Moriarty, Jack Lynch, the Rancher and Katie Barry.

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November | Tuesday 28 | 11 am | Art Group

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November | Saturday 25 | 11 am | Lego Club

Free play with library lego spilled on table (and floor!)

November | Saturday 25 | 11 am | Video Game Club

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Tory Top

Tory Top Road, Ballyphehane



October | Saturdays | 11.00 am | Age Action's Getting Started Computer Training Programme. Dates to be confirmed

As part of the fight against digital exclusion Age Action's Getting Started Computer Training Programme delivers free training on computers, tablets, and smartphones to people over the age of 55. Places limited. Booking essential. Call 0818 911109 or 4924946 or email gettingstarted@ageaction.ie

October | Saturday 7, 14, 21, | 2.15 pm | Stories and Colouring with Alice

Listen to some lovely stories while entering the colouring competition. Great prizes to be won. All welcome.

October | Saturday 7, 21, | 2.30 - 4.30 | Magic Table

The Magic Table (or Tovertafel in Dutch), is a sensory-friendly device which projects interactive games onto a table, using both sound and images. These interactive games are designed to help people with dementia, autism or learning difficulties. The games respond to touch, which help stimulate physical and cognitive activity as well as encourage social interactions. The table is available to book for one hour. Booking essential on 492496 or email torytop library@corkcity.ie



October | Wednesday 4, 11, 18 | 2.00 - 3.30 | Learn to use your smartphone

Come along to this smartphone course for adults provided by Cork City Partnership. Limited places. Booking essential on 083 3604611 or email torytop_library@corkcity.ie

October| Tuesday 10, 17, 24 | 10.30 am - 12.30 pm | Using your smartphone course

Come along to this smartphone course primarily for older adults and those getting used to technology. It is in conjunction with the ETB. Participants bring their own device. Limited places. Booking essential on 4924946 or email torytop_library@corkcity.ie

October | Friday 13 | 11.00 am -1.00 pm | The Alzheimer Society of Ireland's Mobile Information Service

This service provides information and support to people with dementia and their families as well as those concerned about their cognitive health. It can also raise awareness about local ASI services and about dementia, distribute leaflets, invite people on board to view information and resources and facilitate private one-to-one conversation on-board.

All welcome

October | Tuesday 3 | 11.00 am- 12.00 pm | Tory Top Library Adult Writers Group Come along and join our new writers' group. Places Limited. Booking essential.

October | Saturday 21 | 10.30 | Astronomy Club

Meeting for members of the Cork Astronomy Club.

October | Wednesday 25 | 4.00 pm | Junior Book Club for ages 8-11

Come along and join our new Junior Book Club. New members welcome. Parents/guardians are required to register new members.

November | Saturdays | 11.00 am | Age Action's Getting Started Computer Training Programme

As part of the fight against digital exclusion Age Action's Getting Started Computer Training Programme delivers free training on computers, tablets, and smartphones to people over the age of 55. Places limited. Booking essential. Call 0818 911109 or 4924946 or email gettingstarted@ageaction.ie

November | Saturday 4, 11 18, 25 | 2.15 pm | Colouring Time

Listen to some lovely stories while entering the colouring competition. Great prizes to be won. All welcome.

November | Saturday 4, 11, 25 | 2.30 - 4.30 | Magic Table

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Cork Folk Festival 2023 The City Library Events



Thursday 28 September
2 pm Chris Kelliher
4 pm Nastaran, Sitar music
Friday 29 September

3 pm Popular Scottish songs with Linn Phipps followed by Scottish dancing and a talk on Scots Gael songs

Saturday 30 September
2 pm Jessie Cawley
4 pm William Jack







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Local Studies and Learning Library: 021 4924914 local studies@corkcitv.ie

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