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History & Heritage

August - October
2021

COVID-19
Restrictions
May Apply

Exhibitions

Taispeántais

The Stacumny Ambush: An Exhibition

August in Lucan Library

This exhibition, which celebrates the centenary of the War of Independence, focuses on this ambush as well as the ambush on the Lucan Barracks, bringing a local perspective to this significant period in Irish political history.



Photography Exhibition: The History, Heritage & Beauty of the Camac River

Sat 14th August - Sat 21st August in Clondalkin Library

This exhibition will be displayed in Clondalkin Library during opening hours. Hosted by Friends of the Camac.

Fashioning a Suburban Neighbourhood in the late 1960s, an exhibition by Gerry O'Shea

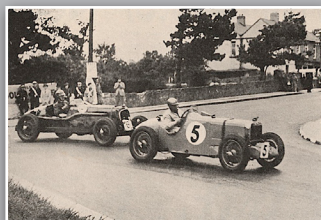
26 July - 21 August in Ballyroan Library

This exhibition celebrates the work of local photographer Gerry O'Shea who, along with his wife Kitty, ran Rosemount Art Studio at their family home on Anne Devlin Avenue between 1968 to 1972. Occasionally Gerry was requested to shoot fashion shows by the late Charlie Nicholl who ran a lady's fashion boutique called Tanya Boutique in Rathfarnham. This exhibition documents a selection of images from the period and should be of interest to locals and non-locals alike.

Tallaght Motor Races 1935-48

August at Castletymon Library

In July 1935, the Leinster 100 Car Race was the first race to run on the newly found Tallaght Circuit. Come and see this photographic exhibition of the Tallaght Circuit, where roar of racing car engines could be heard each year between 1935 and 1948.



Please note: Castletymon Library is currently closed and the exhibition will be on display in the library windows.

Walks, Tours and Outdoor Events

Siúlóidí, Turaí agus Imeachtaí Faoin Aer

All walks are subject to Covid-19 guidelines in place and social distancing still applies

Rathfarnham Village Walk

Wednesday 4th August 2pm

Learn about the history of Rathfarnham Village, followed by a tour of Rathfarnham Castle. Meet at the Anne Devlin statue on Main Street at 2pm. Booking on ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie



Templeogue Heritage Walk

Saturday 7th August 11am

Take a walk around historic Templeogue village. See the ruins of the medieval church and much more with heritage expert Tomás Maher. Meet at the Morgue Pub. Booking on ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie



Tallaght Village Heritage Walk

Wednesday 11th August 7pm

Come and explore the village of Tallaght and learn the history of the village with Tomás Maher. Meet at County Library at 7pm. Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie or by phone at 01 462 0073

Viking Experience at Clondalkin Round Tower

Saturday 14th August 12-5pm

At the garden of Brú Chrónáin Heritage Centre, enter the Viking tent to discover objects and crafts from the Viking era. Hosted by the Clondalkin Round Tower Heritage Group.



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Bohernabreena Reservoir Walk

Saturday 14th August 11am

Explore the Glenasmole Valley with Tomás Maher. As the walk will be longer than three hours it is not suitable for young children. Meet at the carpark at Bohernabreena Reservoir at 11am.

Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie or by phone at 01 462 0073



Tour of the Quarry at SIAC on Monastery Road

Monday 16th August 7:30pm

A Walk and Talk in the quarry. Led by Denis Ryan of SIAC Construction. Hosted by Clondalkin Round Tower Heritage Group. Meet at the Quarry Entrance.

Newcastle Village Walk

Tuesday 17th August 7pm

Learn about the history of this village that was once Dublin's gateway to the West! Led by Tomás Maher. Meet at St. Finian's Church of Ireland at 7pm. Booking at lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

History of Education in Clondalkin Walk

Wednesday 18th August 7:30pm

A Walk and Talk on 'Education in Clondalkin', stopping at places that were once local schools over the years. Led by Padraig Murphy of Clondalkin History Society. Meet at the Clondalkin Credit Union on Main Street. Hosted by Clondalkin History Society.



Walks, Tours and Outdoor Events

Siúlóidí, Turaí agus Imeachtaí Faoin Aer

Whitechurch Heritage Walk

Thursday 19th August 2pm

Join us for this guided walk of historic Whitechurch with local historian Tomás Maher, taking in the TJ Byrne cottages, Moravian graveyard and more. Booking at ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Massy's Wood Walk

Friday 20th August 10:45am

Walk around Massy's Wood and learn the story of a vanished mansion and a lost family fortune. Led by Historian Frank Tracy. Meet at the Hellfire Club car park (R115) at 10:45am. There is a break from 1-2pm and the Hellfire Club walk will follow in the pm.

Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie or by phone at 01 462 0073

Hell Fire Club Walk

Friday 20th August 2pm

Following on from the Massy's Wood walk, we explore Montpelier Hill and the eerie ruin of the Hell Fire Club, originally a hunting lodge built in the early 1700s. Led by Historian Frank Tracy. Meet at the Hellfire Club car park (R115) at 1:45pm.

Booking on talib.eventbrite.ie or by phone at 01 462 0073

St. Maelruain's Churchyard Tour

Saturday 21st August 11am

Join us for this insightful excursion around the churchyard of St. Maelruain's in Tallaght Village. Meet at the church on Main Street at 11am. Booking at castletymonlibrary.eventbrite.ie



Walks, Tours and Outdoor Events

Siúlóidí, Turais agus Imeachtaí Faoin Aer

Heritage Walk on the Camac River

Sunday 22nd August 2pm-3pm

Learn about the history, heritage, birds, fishing, fauna and restoration of the Camac River, in celebration of Water Heritage Day! A 'Walk and Talk' led by Pat Ging and Brian Nolan and hosted by Friends of the Camac. Meet at SDCC Office Plaza, Ninth Lock Road.



Palmerstown Heritage - Hugh O'Connor Memorial Walk

Saturday 4th September 2pm

Starting at St. Philomena's Church, Old Lucan Road in Palmerstown at 2pm. Join us for a heritage walk around Palmerstown Village and Mill Lane. Led by Tomás Maher. Booking on palmerstownlibrarydigitalhub.eventbrite.ie or 01-4678909

Watercourse Walk

Saturday 11th September 11am

Join us for a wonderful and varied 7km loop, taking in historic Tallaght Village, Tymon Castle, City Weir and Valley Park. Meet at St Maelruain's Church, Tallaght at 11am. Booking at castletymonlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Hidden Heritage of Rathfarnham Guided Walk

Tuesday 14th September 7pm

Join local historian Tony Duffy for the 8th in his series of heritage walks under the theme "Touched by Faith, Surrounded by History." You're sure to learn something new about Rathfarnham on this walk, which starts at the Church of the Annunciation and ends at the Pearse Museum entrance on the Grange Road. Booking at ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Talks and Workshops

Leachtaí agus Ceardlanna

The History of St. John's Church

Tuesday 17th August 7:30pm

Join us for this talk from Reverend Alan Rufli, Rector of Clondalkin and Ratchoole Parishes, followed by a tour of the church. Hosted by Clondalkin Round Tower Heritage Group. Meet at St John's Church, Tower Road.

Heritage Week Creative Correspondence

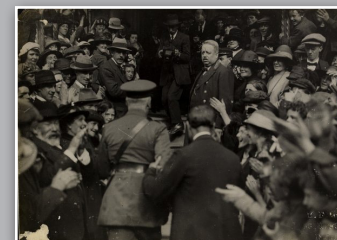
Wednesday 18th August 11am

In this workshop with creative artist Duffy Mooney, we will look at some unusual and creative letters produced by artists throughout history. Using observation, memory and imagination our pencils will take us on a journey across the page and create a completely unique visual letter to post to a friend, your family or whomever you like. For this workshop you might like to use some collage in your letter, so bring a collection of papers if you can. Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

The 11th July Truce with Liz Gillis

Wednesday 18th August 7pm

At 12pm on 11 July 1921, the Irish War of Independence came to an end. The Republicans had forced the greatest empire the world has ever seen to the negotiating table. Historian Liz Gillis will discuss the events of the last six months of that conflict which lead to the British Government seeking to negotiate a truce with the underground Irish government. Booking is essential at lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie



Blood Sacrifice : Irish Nationalists and African Americans During WWII

Wednesday 18th August 7pm

Historian Cecelia Hartsell compares the political struggles of Irish nationalists and African Americans during World War 2. Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

Talks

Leachtaí

Online Tour of Lucan

Thursday 19th August 7pm

Interested in history but new (ish) to Lucan? The local history society in Lucan will bring you on a quick online tour of Lucan's local history. Find out what Lucan was like in medieval times and how it has evolved over time to the present day. Suitable for adults and teens. Hosted by Society for Old Lucan. Contact lucan@sdblincoco.ie for details.

A History of the Irish Language : From Ogham to Modern Day with Patricia Fogarty

Thursday 19th August 6:30pm

Find out about old Irish, modern Irish and the decline of the language particularly from the late 17th Century to its revival in the late 19th century to its position in today's Irish Society.

Booking online at clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Heroes of Esker Cemetery with James Langton and Mícheál Ó Doibhilín

Tuesday 24th August 7pm

This fascinating talk will cover Esker Cemetery and reveal some of the significant political figures from both the War of Independence and the Civil War that are buried there. James Langton is the author of the upcoming Heroes of the Esker Cemetery. Booking is essential at lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

The Ambush at Stacumny, a Lucan Perspective

Thursday 26th August 7pm

Historian Seamus Cullen, author of Kildare : The Irish Revolution, will discuss what occurred in Lucan Village during the Stacumny Ambush, especially the ambush on the Lucan Barracks. This promises to be a fascinating Zoom talk. Booking essential at lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie



"I Live a New Life" Frederick Douglass in Ireland

Wednesday 8th September 7pm

A talk with historian Cecelia Hartsell about American abolitionist and statesman Frederick Douglass's visit to Ireland between 1845-46. During his time in Ireland Douglass met and befriended Daniel O'Connell and reflected upon the devastating effects of the famine then beginning to sweep the nation. Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

The Man who Kept Liberty Hall with Paul Ennis

Tuesday 14th September 7pm

Join us for this talk from Paul Ennis about the story of his grand uncle Peter Ennis who was the caretaker of Liberty Hall during the Easter Rising. This talk is part of the Tallaght Historical Lecture Series 2021-22.



A History of Dublin Port with Cormac Louth

Tuesday 5th October 7pm

Join us for this talk from Cormac Louth about the history of Dublin Port. Dublin Port, as an organisation, has a long and remarkable history dating back over 300 years from 1707. This talk is part of the Tallaght Historical Lecture Series 2021-22.

The Road to Black Lives Matter with Cecelia Hartsell

Friday 15th October 7pm

A talk with historian Cecelia Hartsell for Black History Month about the construct of race in America, from Juneteenth to George Floyd. Cecelia is a US historian specialising in African American history and American social history. Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

DECADE OF CENTENARIES

Booking from 9th August

From Truce to Treaty : de Valera's 1921 with Dr. David McCullagh

Saturday 4th September 11am | Tallaght | talib.eventbrite.ie

This lecture will explore Éamon de Valera's leadership during the truce period and treaty negotiations, including an examination of his controversial refusal to go to London for negotiations with the British government in late 1921.



Nationalist Revolution in Ireland and Europe 1919-23 with John Dorney

Thursday 9th September 7pm | NCL | northclondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Between 1919 and 1923, Ireland experienced upheaval, revolution, partition and civil war. This experience was common to swathes of countries across Europe as the German, Austro-Hungarian and Russian empires collapsed in the wake of the First World War. This lecture aims to put Ireland's experience in its European context.

Seán Keating: Art, Politics and Building the Irish Nation with Dr. Éimear O'Connor

Thursday 7th October 7pm | Ballyroan | ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Join us for an exploration of the life and works of Rathfarnham-based artist Seán Keating during the period 1915-24 including his iconic depictions of the revolutionary period.

Sisters of the Revolutionaries : The Story of Margaret and Mary Brigid Pearse with Teresa and Mary Louise O'Donnel

Thursday 14th October 7pm | Ballyroan | ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Join us for an evening of history and music as we learn about the lives of the Pearse sisters and their formidable contribution to Irish educational, political and cultural life in the years following the execution of their brothers. This lecture will be interspersed with harp music and song.

DECADE OF CENTENARIES

Booking from 9th August

The Bureau of Military History: origins and overviews of the collection with Commandant Daniel Ayiotis

Thursday 28th October 7pm | Lucan | lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

Join us for a talk by Commandant Daniel Ayiotis, Officer-in-Charge, The Military Archives, for an exploration of the origins and significance of the witness testimonies, providing first-hand accounts of the events of 1916/23, collected by the Bureau of Military History.

The Rise and Fall of the Dáil Courts 1921-2 with John Dorney

Thursday 4th November 7pm | Castletymon | castletymonlibrary.eventbrite.ie

During the War of Independence, across much of the country, the British system of justice was replaced entirely and largely peacefully, for a time, with Irish Republican Courts, before they were suppressed by force. Join historian John Dorney to learn more about the Dáil Courts and to discover why, in the post-Truce period, they did not become the basis for an Irish judicial system, removed entirely from its British predecessors.



Margaret Pearse and Revolutionary Women with Liz Gillis

Thursday 11th November 7pm | Ballyroan | ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

During the period of 1921-3, Margaret Pearse, bereaved mother of Padraig and Willie Pearse, committed herself to maintaining what she recognised as the republican legacies of her executed sons. Join this lecture from historian Liz Gillis to learn about the political activities of Margaret and her daughters during the War of Independence and Civil War.

Children's Events

Ócáidí Leanaí

Irish History Live and the War of Independence

Thursday 12th August 3pm

Mike Moylan will regale kids with a brilliant re-enactment of moments from modern Irish History and the violent fight for eventual independence. This is an online event for 8-12 years olds.

Booking is essential at lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie

Heritage Storytime

Thursday 12th August 2:30pm

Join us for a selection of stories that explore Irish heritage, featuring the Skelligs and Wild Atlantic Way, puffins, round towers and more! Crafts and colouring to follow. Booking online at talib.eventbrite.ie.

Irish History Live and the Vikings of Clondalkin!

Wednesday 18th August 10:30am, 12pm, 2:30pm

Join Michael Moylan of Irish History Live as he re-creates stories about the Vikings in Clondalkin area (Focusing on the Round Tower and associated monuments). Get dressed up in Viking clothes and prepare to do battle!

Booking at northclondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie



Treasure Hunt, Storytime & Pop-up Library

Tuesday 17th August 3pm

Join us for this storytime and treasure hunt in Collinstown Park. Booking at northclondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Online Historical Arts & Crafts with Kim Jenkinson

Wednesday 18th August 11am

Join us for this children's art workshop where we will learn about how Viking longships were built, and design and create a miniature model ship of our own. Material packs will be available for collection at Clondalkin Library one week prior to the event. Suitable for ages 8+

Booking at clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Children's Events

Ócáidí Leanaí

Introduction to Archaeology & Viking Dagger and Design Making Workshop

Thursday 19th August from 10am

This two part workshop will present children with a hands-on learning experience to learn what archaeologists do and also a chance to learn about the ancient craft of Bladesmithing. To complement this exciting workshop, we will introduce the ancient technology of leatherwork whereby the children will make a leather scabbard for their Viking Seax.

This workshop will be in Ballyroan Library for the Morning and then in Tallaght Library from 2pm.

Booking is essential on ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie for Ballyroan or talib.eventbrite.ie for Tallaght Library.



Let's See Ireland!

Thursday 19th August 3pm

Join Molly and her stowaway cat Mipsy as they journey around Ireland, having adventures and making new friends. After a fun Read-Along, creator Sarah Bowie will show you how to draw the main character from the book, as well as how to develop your own unique and amazing characters! Booking at talib.eventbrite.ie

Irish History Live and The Egyptians

Wednesday 8th September from 10am

Michael Moylan entertains children with fun stories and fascinating re-enactments from Ancient Egypt! This is a live school event, suitable for children aged 8 - 12. Contact castletymon@sdbulincoco.ie for details.

Lego Competition

Closing date for submissions Saturday 21st August 4pm

Take a photo of your favourite place in Ireland. Recreate it with your own lego! Please submit both photographs to ncl@sdbulincoco.ie. Suitable for ages 11 and under. Submissions will be displayed in the library and on Facebook.

Where	When	What	Title
Ballyroan	Wednesday, August 4	Heritage Walk	Rathfarnham Village Walk
Ballyroan	Saturday, August 7	Heritage Walk	Templeogue Heritage Walk
Tallaght	Wednesday, August 11	Heritage Walk	Tallaght Village Heritage Walk
Lucan	Thursday, August 12	Children's Event	Irish History Live and the War of Independence: A Zoom Show for Kids!
Tallaght	Thursday, August 12	Children's Event	Heritage Storytime
Clondalkin	Saturday, August 14	Heritage Tour	Viking Experience at Clondalkin Round Tower
Tallaght	Saturday, August 14	Heritage Walk	Bohernabreena Reservoir Walk
Clondalkin	Monday, August 16	Heritage Walk	Tour of the Quarry at SIAC on Monastery Road
Clondalkin	Tuesday, August 17	History Talk	The History of St John's Church, Tower Road
Lucan	Tuesday, August 17	Heritage Walk	Newcastle Village Walk
North Clondalkin	Tuesday, August 17	Children's Event	Treasure Hunt, Storytime & Pop-up Library
Lucan	Wednesday, August 18	History Talk	The 11th July Truce with Liz Gillis
North Clondalkin	Wednesday, August 18	Children's Event	Irish History Live - Vikings of Clondalkin!
Clondalkin	Wednesday, August 18	Heritage Walk	History of Education in Clondalkin Walk
Tallaght	Wednesday, August 18	History Talk	Blood Sacrifice: Irish Nationalists and African Americans during WWI with Cecilia Hartsell
Tallaght	Wednesday, August 18	Workshop	Heritage Week Creative Correspondence with Duffy Mooney
Clondalkin	Wednesday, August 18	Children's Event	Online Historical Arts and Crafts with Kim Jenkinson
Tallaght	Thursday, August 19	Children's Event	Viking Dagger & Artefact Handling Workshops
Ballyroan	Thursday, August 19	Children's Event	Viking Dagger & Artefact Handling Workshops
Lucan	Thursday, August 19	History Talk	A Quick Online Tour of Lucan's Local History
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Clondalkin	Thursday, August 19	History Talk	A History of the Irish Language - From Ogham to Modern Day, with Patricia Fogarty
Ballyroan	Thursday, August 19	Heritage Walk	Whitechurch Heritage Walk
Tallaght	Friday, August 20	Heritage Walk	Massy's Wood Walk
Tallaght	Friday, August 20	Heritage Walk	Hell Fire Club Walk
Castletymon	Saturday, August 21	Heritage Walk	St Maelruan's Churchyard Tour

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Lucan	Thursday, August 26	History Talk	The Ambush at Stacumny, A Lucan Perspective with Seamus Cullen
Palmerstown	Saturday, September 4	Heritage Walk	Palmerstown Heritage - Hugh O'Connor Memorial Walk
Ballyroan	Saturday, September 4	History Talk	Dr. David McCullagh. From Truce to Treaty: de Valera's 1921.
Tallaght	Wednesday, September 8	History Talk	"I Live a New Life" Frederick Douglass in Ireland, with Cecilia Hartsell
Castletymon	Wednesday, September 8	Children's Event	Irish History Live - The Egyptians
Ballyroan	Thursday, September 9	History Talk	John Dorney. Nationalist revolution in Ireland and Europe 1919-23
Castletymon	Saturday, September 11	Heritage Walk	Watercourse Walk
Ballyroan	Tuesday, September 14	Heritage Walk	Hidden Heritage of Rathfarnham Guided Walk
Tallaght	Tuesday, September 14	History Talk	The Man Who Kept Liberty Hall, with Paul Ennis
Tallaght	Tuesday, October 05	History Talk	A History of Dublin Port, with Cormac Louth
Ballyroan	Thursday, October 07	History Talk	Seán Keating: Art, Politics and Building the Irish Nation
Ballyroan	Thursday, October 14	History Talk	Sisters of the Revolutionaries: The Story of Margaret and Mary Brigid Pearse
Tallaght	Friday, October 15	History Talk	The Road to Black Lives Matter: A Talk with Historian Cecelia Hartsell
Ballyroan	Thursday, October 28	History Talk	The Bureau of Military History: origins and overview of the collection
Ballyroan	Thursday, November 04	History Talk	John Dorney. The Rise and Fall of the Dáil Courts 1921-2
Ballyroan	Thursday, November 11	History Talk	Dr. Liz Gillis. Margaret Pearse and Revolutionary Women
Ballyroan	26 July - 21 August	Exhibition	Fashioning a Suburban Neighbourhood in the Late 1960s, an exhibition by Gerry O'Shea
Clondalkin	14 - 21 August	Exhibition	The History, Heritage and Beauty of the Camac River
North Clondalkin	August	Children's Event	Heritage Lego Competition
Castletymon	August	Exhibition	The Tallaght Motor Races 1935 - 1948
Lucan	July - August	Exhibition	Stacumny Ambush Exhibition



BOOKING INFORMATION

All events are free of charge unless otherwise stated.

Please note, booking is online only where stated, for booking at event venues please contact:

Ballyroan Library

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Castletymon Library

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Clondalkin Library

Monastery Road,
Clondalkin, Dublin 22
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County Library

Library Square,
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Lucan Library

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North Clondalkin Library

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