



Bealtaine Festival 2021

























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celebrating creativity as we age

1st May – 31st May

There is a fountain of youth: it is your mind, your talents, the creativity you bring to your life and the lives of people you love. When you learn to tap this source, you will truly have defeated age.

The Social Inclusion Unit invites you to Celebrate Creativity by putting your imagination to work

Photos / Videos of entries will be accepted by <u>email only</u> and can include any of the following:

Crafts, Poetry, Painting, Photography, Music, Horticultural Skills, Carpentry, Baking, Dance, Flower Arranging, Drama and so on.

Individual and/or Group Entries are welcome Closing Date for Entries is Friday 21 May Lots of prizes to be won – All prizes will be vouchers

Entries received may be advertised on social media and/or be included in promotional material for the Social Inclusion Unit, South Dublin County Council.

For further information and application form contact:

Social Inclusion Unit, Housing, Social and Community Development Department

Tel: 01 414 9270 • Email: socialinclusionunit@sdublincoco.ie

Visit our website at www.sdcc.ie



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Réamhrá an Mhéara



"Tá ríméad orm Bileog Fhéile na Bealtaine 2021 a chur os bhur gcomhair. Ar an drochuair anuraidh de bharr na paindéime Covid-19 ní raibh an Fhéile ar siúl. Táimid ag beartú an oiread imeachtaí ar líne a óstáil agus is féidir linn ámh do bhaill aois ghníomhach ár bpobal.

Ba mhaith mo bhuíochas a ghabháil le gach gníomhaireacht agus eagraíocht rannpháirteach ar fud an Chontae. Thabharfainn spreagadh do gach duine éirí páirteach sna gníomhaíochtaí atá beartaithe agus cuidiú le rath Fhéile na Bealtaine ar líne "

Mayor's Introduction

"I am delighted to introduce the Bealtaine Festival Brochure 2021. Unfortunately last year due to the Covid-19 pandemic the Festival did not take place. This year however we are planning on hosting as many online events as possible for the active age members of our communities

I would like to acknowledge and thank all participating agencies and organisations throughout the County. I would encourage everyone to get involved in the planned activities and to help make the online Bealtaine Festival a great success."



Mayor Ed O'Brien

Chief Executive's Message



We believe that the month of May belongs to the Bealtaine Festival, celebrating art and creativity as we age! The Bealtaine Festival gives everyone the opportunity to discover a new talent or find a new way to use an old skill. It is an opening to make new friends and connect with your community. The name Bealtaine comes from the ancient Celtic festival of that name celebrating springtime, freshness and renewal.

This year marks Bealtaine's

26th Festival, With Level 5 Covid -19 restrictions currently in place it has never been more important to stay connected with our community groups and in particular the active age members of our community. South Dublin County Council has recognised the significant impact of the Covid 19 Pandemic on our older population. This pandemic has posed new challenges for all our citizens particularly older people who have been requested to Cocoon, and keep their distance from family, friends and neighbours. We have been committed to the Governments response. through the Community Call helpline and Keep Well Initiative to support our older population and respond to their needs when called upon. With that in mind. South Dublin County Council will continue to

deliver this year's festival and will endeavour to provide as many virtual events as possible.

We will continue to strive to build positive, healthy communities in our County and this brochure has been produced to advertise the wide variety of events and activities planned for the month of May. With your help, we hope that this year will be our best festival yet.

In South Dublin County the number of people age 65 and over is 30,914 and is rising. Our aging population offers both challenges and opportunities to South Dublin County.

In South Dublin County we have developed useful links and working relationships between our partner agencies and service providers. We have established the Age

Friendly County Alliance and Tús Nua Older Persons Forum. It raises more awareness of issues affecting older persons and allows us to put the necessary structures in place to address this. South Dublin County is fully committed to being an Age Friendly County.

The Bealtaine Festival improves the quality of life of older people by promoting their greater participation in various aspects of life. In 2019 we had over 4,000 participants in the festival. I commend all the events being organised to celebrate this special month.

Daniel McLoughlin Chief Executive



Virtual Tour of Rathfarnham Castle

Sunday 2 May 1.00 pm

Available to view on all South Dublin County Council's Social Media platforms; Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.

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Bealtaine Window Art Workshop

Tuesday 4 May 10.30 am

Women Together Tallaght Network would like to invite you to our online Bealtaine Window Art Workshop. As we celebrate Bealtaine this year, after a very challenging year like no other before, we seek out the light and beauty that surrounds us and we will contribute to this with some gloriously colourful window art that we can adorn our homes with in celebration of our strength, resiliance, beauty and power. Strong warrior women, coming together in the Celtic tradition of Bealtaine!

Eithne Dunne 087 346 4002 devworkerwttn@gmail.com

Please note that any events that state "booking essential" must be booked in advance

Create your own Wall Garden with Veronika Achleitner

Tuesday 4 May 11.30 am

Brainstorming session with the men and women of St John of Gods. Creating something for the garden that lasts, something to hang up, pots, painting ideas, upcycle ideas – reuse, recycle, flowers, herbs etc.

Open to members of St. John of Gods only.

Veronika Achleitner 087 688 3615



Tuesday 4 May 2.00 pm St. Michael's House

Reconnecting with friends whilst taking part in a friendship yoga course together.

Open to members of St. Michael's House only.

Debbie Doyle 01 490 0936, Ext 5





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Curious Me

Wednesday 5 May 10.30 am

It's time to get curious about your lovely selves. Celebrate you in a new light through this playful exploration of self-portraiture and identity. We will draw, collage, print, sculpt and photograph our faces in a month long creative and skills-based workshop series with ReCreate Ireland

Workshops take place on: Wednesday 5 May Wednesday 12 May Wednesday 19 May Wednesday 26 May

Liz Smith ReCreate Ireland 01 456 8798



Mindful Chair Yoga

Wednesday 5 May 11.00 am www.talib.eventbrite.ie

Sally Dunne returns with her popular classes of gentle but thorough yoga, including mindful stretching, breath-work and relaxation. Places are limited. Booking from 9.00 am Monday 26 April.

Tallaght Library **01 462 0073**

Plant-Powered Cookery Demonstration

Wednesday 5 May 12.00 noon www.eventbrite.ie/o/lucanlibrary-4590537389

Tasty, nutritious, plant-based eating with Dr. Ailis Brosnan. Learn how you can prepare well-balanced, healthy salads, snacks and more for all the family with fruit, vegetables, nuts, seeds and grains. Booking required.

Lucan Library 01 621 6422

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Ballyroan Library 01 494 1900



Teatime Talks 'Dublin's Dancehalls & Cinemas'

Wednesday 5 May 7.00 pm

14 Henrietta Street presents Teatime Talks; a series of talks inspired by the history, people and surroundings of 14 Henrietta Street.

From the Crystal Ballroom to the Volta Cinema. Dublin's dance halls and cinemas were popular with many residents of Dublin's tenements in the 20th century, including 14 Henrietta Street. Through the Your Tenement Memories oral history project, 14 Henrietta Street has heard from many people who fondly remember the cinemas and dance halls of Dublin. They were places of escapism, of hopes and dreams. love and romance. Movies transported children to the plains of the Wild West, and dance halls were filled with heady expectations.

Let Gillian Ryan, our wonderful tour guide here at 14 Henrietta Street, take you down memory lane, revisiting these muchloved and pivotal places of Dublin's social, historical and cultural scene.

Booking link:

https://14henriettastreet.ie/ news-and-stories/may-teatimetalk-dublins-dancehalls-andcinemas/

Gemma Howe 01 524 0383 info@14henriettastreet.ie

Green Fingers Gardening Course

Thursday 6 May 1.30 pm St. Michael's House

Reconnecting with friends whilst learning how to garden on the green fingers course.

Open to members of St. Michael's House only. Debbie Doyle 01 490 0936, Ext 5

Generations Together

Thursday 6 May 2.00 pm An Cosán

Come join our U3A group and The Rainbow House (after school group) to share arts and crafts together to create an inter-generational piece of work to showcase. Refreshments served.

Imelda Hanratty 01 462 8488 i.hanratty@ancosan.ie

Gratitude & Vision Board Workshop With Karen Stokes

Thursday 6 May 7.00 pm

The workshop will help to relax, calm the mind and really think about what it is you want in your life. Come join us for a morning of meditation and creativity with Karen.

Places are limited so booking is required.

Joanne Nolan 085 148 1737 developworkerc.l@gmail.com

You can't use up CREATIVITY. The more you use the more you have. Maya Angelou

Singing Workshops with Eamon Sweeney

Friday 7 May 2.00 pm Lucan Lodge Nursing Home

&

3.30 pm

Griffeen Valley Nursing Home

Music Network presents two interactive singing workshops for residents of Lucan Lodge Nursing Home and Griffeen Valley Nursing Home, Dublin. The workshops will be facilitated by renowned musician and educator Eamon Sweeney. Eamon will deliver the workshops from the garden area of the nursing homes to residents who will be located indoors, or, weather permitting, the residents will join Eamon outdoors. During the workshops, participants will sing together, led by Eamon on guitar. Songs will be chosen by both Eamon and the participants. The workshops will also incorporate rhythmic work in the form of clapping, and the

singing will be interspersed with sections where Eamon and the participants share favourite poems. The programme aims to foster a sense of togetherness through music, promote fun and enjoyment, nurture creativity, and connect with music and poetry from participants' pasts. During these socially distanced times, the workshops will connect older people with the wider community through music.

Sarah Ledwidge 01 475 0224



Paint a picture with Paintclub

Saturday 8 May 3.00 pm www.talib.eventbrite.com

Join Paintclub for a live painting session and create the beautiful painting Autumn Falls. All materials will be provided. This event will be delivered via Zoom.

Booking from 9.00 am Thursday 15 April.

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Social Inclusion Unit 01 414 9270







Mindful Chair Yoga

Monday 10 May 2.00 pm www. clondalkinlibrary. eventbrite.com

Sally Dunne returns with her popular classes of gentle but thorough yoga, including mindful stretching, breath-work and relaxation.

Booking essential through Eventbrite from Monday 3 May.

Clondalkin Library 01 459 3315





Clayotic, all but chaotic!

Tuesday 11 May 11.00 am www.eventbrite.ie/o/lucanlibrary-4590537389

Sign up for this fun workshop using Ireland's only fast drying clay from Irish company Clayotic. Make clay characters following a step by step prerecorded tutorial. Learn basic shapes and tips and tricks to perfect your model making skills! Remember Clayotic is an air drying clay so your characters become permanent keepsakes after 24 hours. Participants will receive materials in the post. Booking essential.

Lucan Library 01 621 6422



Tallaght University Hospital Information Seminar



Health & Wellbeing for 55+ in the Community

Welcome

Continence Promotion and Management

Victoria Doyle, Continence CNM2

Active Ageing

Siobhan Quinn, Physiotherapist

Positive Ageing

Deborah Fitzhenry, Community Liaison Nurse

Tuesday 11th May 2021

Delivered Virtually via Microsoft Teams

10.00 am - 12.00 noon

Registration: 9.45 am sharp

Booking is essential, so please book early to avoid disappointment

Contact: Deirdre Halford, 087 922 9656

Email: Deirdre.halford@tuh.ie

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Contact: Social Inclusion Unit, 01 414 9270 Email: socialinclusionunit@sdublincoco.ie





Friendship Yoga

Tuesday 11 May 2.00 pm St. Michael's House

Reconnecting with friends whilst taking part in a friendship yoga course together.

Open to members of St. Michael's House only. Debbie Doyle 01 490 0936, Ext 5

Gardening Workshop

Wednesday 12 May 11 00 am

Let colour lift your mood with flowers from the garden and floral displays. Learn how to create a colourful container for your garden and a floral arrangement for your home. This workshop will take place online through Microsoft Teams. Link to attend will be sent directly to people who register to attend.

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Mindful Chair Yoga

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Mindful Chair Yoga for Over 55's with Sally Dunne via Zoom. This inclusive class is done seated, using easy, accessible poses. Our aim is to increase flexibility in the spine and the joints with careful and safe movements which are adaptable to everyone. Yoga can increase our range of movement, help muscle and joint flexibility and calm the mind.

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Booking from 9.00 am Monday 26 April.

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Booking essential from 28 April at 1.00 pm

Ballyroan Library 01 494 1900





Carnation Theatre presents 'Getting Hitched' a live interactive play via Zoom

Wednesday 12 May 3.00 pm www.talib.eventbrite.ie

You are cordially invited as guests to the wedding of Maread Ui Rhian and Micheal MacFicil. Dress up, toast, be merry and singalong with us as we reminisce around weddings of days gone by. Places are limited. Booking from 9.00 am Tuesday 4 May.

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Decade of Centenaries Lecture Series -

What did you do in the War of Independence, Grandad? with Myles Dungan

Wednesday 12 May 7.00 pm www.southdublinhistory. eventbrite.com

Based on his new book Four Killings, Myles Dungan extracts three of the aforementioned killings - which took place during the War of Independence - and talks about the bloody narrative of his extended family during the revolutionary era and offers suggestions on how to research the activities of your own ancestors in that seminal conflict. Booking essential.

Ballyroan Library 01 494 1900





Summer Wreath Workshop

Thursday 13 May 10 00 am

Join visual artist, Christine Carey in creating a wonderful floral door decoration for your house. Materials will be posted in advance of workshop so please book early.

Christine Carey 087 137 6172

Green Fingers Gardening Course

Thursday 13 May 1.30 pm St. Michael's House

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Get Moving in May with our Parks & Trails Challenge

Visit at least five of our South Dublin County
Parks & Trails during the month of May!
Prizes including Zipit Forest Adventure passes &
Picnic Kits









Creating Flower & Garden Displays

Thursday 13 May 2.00 pm An Cosán, Jobstown, Tallaght

Get Creative with Flower
Arranging and Garden Display
for people to experience the
joy of making floral displays
and also gain gardening tips.
Questions and answers session.
Refreshments served according
to guidelines.Booking essential
by emailing i.hanratty@
ancosan.ie.

Imelda Hanratty 01 462 8488 i.hanratty@ancosan.ie

Carnation Theatre presents 'Getting Hitched' a live interactive play via Zoom

Friday 14 May 3.00 pm www.ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite. com

You are cordially invited as guests to the wedding of Maread Ui Rhian and Micheal MacFicil. Dress up, toast, be merry and singalong with us as we reminisce around weddings of days gone by. Places are limited. Booking essential.

Ballyroan Library 01 494 1900





Introduction to Impressionism – art history talk with Jessica Fahy

Friday 14 May 7.00 pm www.eventbrite.ie/o/lucanlibrary-4590537389

We're delighted to once again host a talk by art historian Jessica Fahy. Impressionism is the ideal artistic style to explore in the month of May. Impressionists painted outdoors and were particularly drawn to flowers and sunny landscapes. They wished to record modern life in a new and exciting way. This talk will cover the development of this style from its rebellious origins to its present-day fame. Artists to be discussed include Monet. Renoir, Degas and Cézanne. Booking essential.

Lucan Library 01 621 6422



Herb Hanging Basket Demonstration with horticulturist Aoife Munn

Monday 17 May 12.30 pm www.eventbrite.ie/o/lucanlibrary-4590537389

This session will include everything you need to know about growing herbs in hanging baskets. Discover how to keep the baskets looking good longer, which herbs to combine and much more. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers too. Booking essential.

Lucan Library 01 621 6422













Tús Service Freephone: 1800 938884





Tús Care & Repair provides a **free odd job service** for people and organisations that are eligible within our local community.

EXAMPLES OF WORK WE DO:

YOU ARE ELIGIBLE IF YOU ARE:

- Minor gardening jobs
- Small painting jobs Hanging curtăin rails
- Putting up shelves minor DIÝ jobs
- A resident in South Dublin County
- A senior citizen referred from a support worker/health service
- A community or voluntary organization
- You have a long-term illness or disability

HOW IT WORKS

- 1 Contact the freephone number Care & Repair and describe the iob that needs to be done
- **4** A team of two or more will carry out the job
- 2 A member of the team will visit you and assess the job
- 6 Customer service call on completion
- A member of the office will then contact you with a start date
- **6** When demand is high, waiting list will apply
- The Care and Repair Team consists of Tús participants who have specifically volunteered for this role.
- All team members are fully Garda vetted.
- Care and Repair works in teams of 2-3 persons under the supervision of SDCP Tús team leaders and Management.
- All staff carry I.D to identify themselves as members of the team.

Email: careandrepair@sdcpartnership.ie

Freephone: 1800 938884

Mon-Fri 9am-5pm





Planning Ahead with Massey Bros Funeral Directors

Monday 17 May 2.30 pm

An opportunity to discuss your funeral wishes with trained, skilled professionals, who take great pride in honouring people's lives on a daily basis. Planning ahead is the most thoughtful decision you could make.

Social Inclusion Unit 01 414 9270 socialinclusionunit@ sdublincoco.ie

Carnation Theatre presents 'Getting Hitched' a live interactive play via Zoom

Tuesday 18 May 11.00 am www.eventbrite.ie/o/northclondalkin-library-31079450849

You are cordially invited as guests to the wedding of Maread Ui Rhian and Micheal MacFicil. Dress up, toast, be merry and singalong with us as we reminisce around weddings of days gone by. Booking essential

North Clondalkin Library 01 414 9269







Thinking about Volunteering

Tuesday 18 May 11.00 am

Join us during National Volunteering Week to find out more about volunteering, the opportunities available, and how small actions can make a big impact!

Colette Gallagher 086 703 6768 Colette@ volunteersouthdublin.ie

Friendship Yoga

Tuesday 18 May 2.00 pm St. Michael's House

Reconnecting with friends whilst taking part in a friendship yoga course together.

Open to members of St. Michael's House only. Debbie Doyle 01 490 0936, Ext 5

Mindful Chair Yoga

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Booking from 9.00 am Monday 26 April.

Tallaght Library 01 462 0073

Spend your Money Safely

Wednesday 19 May 12.00 noon

Join Ailish Gorman Bank of Ireland Financial Wellbeing Coach to discuss how to 'Spend your Money Safely'. Topics included in the Seminar:

- Understanding Financial Exploitation
- · Protecting yourself at home
- Security Tips for using an ATM and your card
- Digital Security & Online Fraud

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Mindful Chair Yoga

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Ballyroan Library 01 494 1900







Virtual Tour of Rathfarnham Castle

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Bealtaine Summer Wall Art Workshop

Thursday 20 May 10.00 am

NCCWN Rowlagh would like to invite you to our online Bealtaine Hanging Wall Art Workshop, as we celebrate Bealtaine this year, after a very challenging year like no other before. With local artist Christine Carey, we would like to help you create a beautiful, personal piece of hanging wall art that has meaning for you. All participants will be provided with materials required. Booking required.

Karen Stokes 085 851 3040



Hope for the Future Workshop

Thursday 20 May 10.30 am

Ronanstown Women's CDP are hosting a 'Hope for the Future' Workshop celebrating the May Bealtaine Festival, Keeping yourself connected with the world from your home. This event will be held over zoom exploring our 'Hopes for the Future' and will include inspirational quotes, poetry and creativity, along with self care and well-being tips.

Vivienne Glanville 01 457 0687



Decoupage Workshop with Kim Jenkinson

Thursday 20 May 11.00 am www.clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite. com

Join artist Kim Jenkinson for this decoupage workshop where we will be creating summer night lights using recycled glass jars and a mix of decorative papers. Booking essential from Monday 10 May.

Clondalkin Library 01 459 3315

Green Fingers Gardening Course

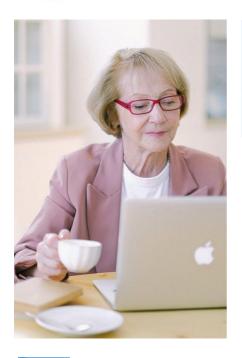
Thursday 20 May 1.30 pm St. Michael's House

Reconnecting with friends whilst learning how to garden on the green fingers course.

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Ageing Nurturing our Longevity Dividend

A Zoom talk with

Prof Desmond O'Neill

Professor in Medical Gerontology Trinity College Dublin.

Brought to you by the
Academic Primary Care Centre
Queries: Imelda Hanratty
i.hanratty@ancosan.ie

Thursday 20th May

2.30 - 3.30 pm

To book a place and receive Zoom link, contact Avril Hannifin a.hannifin@ancosan.ie





Bealtaine Festival

An Age & Opportunity arts initiative

Creative Mindfulness

Monday 24 May 1.00 pm Stewarts Care

Creative Journey through Mindfulness where attendees are guided through Mindful practices while experiencing / enjoying the creative process. This is a blend of Mindfulness and Creativity.

Joan Nolan 087 415 2385

Creativity is the way
I share my soul with
the World.
Brene Brown



Create Herb Hanging Baskets with Aoife Munn

Monday 24 May 7.00 pm www.talib.eventbrite.ie

Join us for a Herb Hanging basket demonstration where horticulturist Aoife Munn, will be showing us how to create lovely herb hanging baskets to suit all. From tips to stop them drying out and great combinations, everything is covered and plenty of time for questions too. Places limited. Booking from 9.00 am Monday 17 May.

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Friendship Yoga

Tuesday 25 May 2.00 pm St. Michael's House

Reconnecting with friends whilst taking part in a friendship yoga course together.

Open to members of St. Michael's House only. Debbie Doyle 01 490 0936, Ext 5



Celebration of Songs & Their Stories

Tuesday 25 May 2.00 pm Áras Chrónáin, D22X856 or www.araschronain. ie (Facebook, Youtube, & Website)

A Celebration of Songs (ballads) & their stories. Join us, sing along and hear the wonderful stories that created some of our famous ballads.

Brian Ó Gáibhín 087 284 4195



Decade of Centenaries Lecture Series -Researching and Writing Your Own Family History with Sinéad McCoole

Tuesday 25 May 7.00 pm www.southdublinhistory. eventbrite.com

Following on from Myles
Dungan's talk on his family
involvement in the revolutionary
period, this complementary
talk will help you get started in
researching and writing your
own family history. Sinéad
McCoole is an Irish historian,
author, broadcaster and
scriptwriter, specialising on
women in Irish history. Booking
essential.

Ballyroan Library 01 494 1900



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Lift Your Mood

Wednesday 26 May 11.00 am Peamount Hospital

RAMS in Rhythm will entertain the staff, patients and residents of Peamount Hospital and sing all the favorite songs for one hour on the grounds of Peamount Hospital.

Matt Dowling 01 458 9007

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Summer Wreath Workshop

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Christine Carey 087 137 6172

Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort.

Franklin D. Roosevelt



Highlights of the Collection of Hugh Lane Gallery

Thursday 27 May 11.00 am

During this illustrated online talk, Aoife Convery will discuss the superb collection of the Hugh Lane Gallery. Now located in Parnell Square, the Hugh Lane Gallery is considered to be one of first galleries of modern art in the world. From the Gallery's beautiful architecture to the magnificent stained glass of Harry Clarke, the colourful chaos of Francis Bacon's studio and the extraordinary paintings of Sean Scully, as well as dynamic programmes of exhibitions, education and concerts, there is so much to see and enjoy.

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Creativity is contagious, pass it on.

Albert Einstein



"Lives on the Line" Poetry Workshop

Eileen Casey, local poet and writer, would like to invite participants to get involved in her "Lives on the Line" poem. During the month of May to mark the Bealtaine Festival, Eileen is looking to gather single lines which reflect lives at this present moment in time, from seniors living in the County. A workshop will then take place to discuss & curate all the lines gathered, into one finished poem.

'Lives on the Line' is also a series of emotional telegrams, an opportunity to express a deep felt belief, loss, celebration etc. It crosses culture and gender and in essence provides a literary time capsule.

To get involved email your poetry line to:
Eileen Casey
eileencaseyhome@eircom.net
085 841 4866





Afternoon Tea from the comfort of your own home

As this year's theme is "Keep yourself connected with the world from your home" we are en-deavouring to include as many of our active age citizens as possible, in particular those with no access to the World Wide Web. To achieve this we are calling for your nominations for those members to receive an afternoon tea from the comfort of their own homes and join in our 2021 Bealtaine Festival celebrations The nominations could include those:

- who have been isolated over the past year,
- who you feel have went above and beyond to help others during this difficult period,
- from your active retired group who usually attend events in person but can't take part this year as they are not online.

We have limited resources but will try to include as many nominations as possible.

Send your nominations to socialinclusionunit@sdublincoco.ie – Name, Number of people in the house (max 2), Address, Eircode, Phone Number & Email address if available?

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