



Library Opening Hours

Monday—Thursday: 9.45am—8.00pm

Friday and Saturday: 9.45am—4.30pm

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Clondalkin Library



**May 2023
Event Guide**



**All events can be booked at
clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie**

Adult Events

Nell Regan

Thursday,
4th May

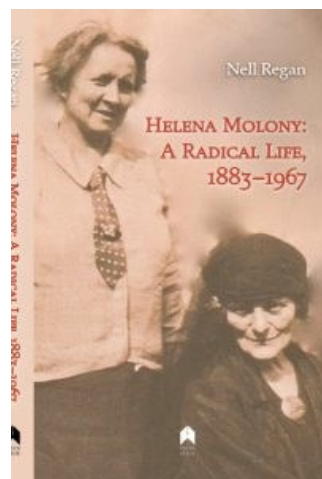
6.30pm-7.30pm



Helena Molony is one of the most fascinating activists in twentieth-century Irish history, and also one of the most allusive, so this first biography, *Helena Molony: A Radical Life, 1883-1967*, is timely.

Historian Nell Regan, who pioneered research on Molony, sheds light not only on Helena Molony, but on the many causes and characters she worked with during her long public career.

Booking open now through
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Bealtaine Festival

An Age & Opportunity **arts** initiative

Spotlight On

Local Studies Section

Explore the history and heritage of Clondalkin and South Dublin in our collection of books of local, county, and national interest in the Local Studies Section.



Access our local studies resources online to view a collection of historical maps of South Dublin from the 1700's and search the SOURCE database of books and images of the county.

<https://www.sdcc.ie/en/services/sport-and-recreation/libraries/library-services/local-studies/local-studies-resources/>

Touch-type
Read and Spell



TTRS: Touch-Type, Read and Spell with confidence for children

This is a multi-sensory course for children that teaches typing, reading & spelling.

We have 12 spaces available:

Mondays: 5.00pm-6.00pm 4 spaces

Tuesdays: 5.00pm-6.00pm 4 spaces

Wednesdays: 4.00pm-5.00pm 4 spaces

Please phone or speak to a member of staff to book your place.

Children's Events

Self-Led Baby & Toddler Group

Join us for our self-led baby and toddler group. We'll provide the space and toys, you provide the playtime!

**10.00am–11.30am Every Tuesday and also
Saturday 6th, Friday 12th and Saturday 20th May**



STORYTIME for Ages 3+

**Thursday 4th May @ 3.30pm
and
Tuesday 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th May
@ 3.30pm**

Come along and join in our
storytime session

All Welcome—No Booking Required



Quiet Thursdays

4.30pm–6.30pm

Join us for a quiet evening every
Thursday when we reduce noise
and turn down the lights
creating a more welcoming
environment. Sensory boxes are
available to use in our teepees!



Adult Events

Sheila O'Flanagan



Join acclaimed author Sheila O'Flanagan as
she reads from and discusses her latest
novel, *The Woman on the Bridge*.

**Wednesday,
10th May
7.00pm–8.00pm**

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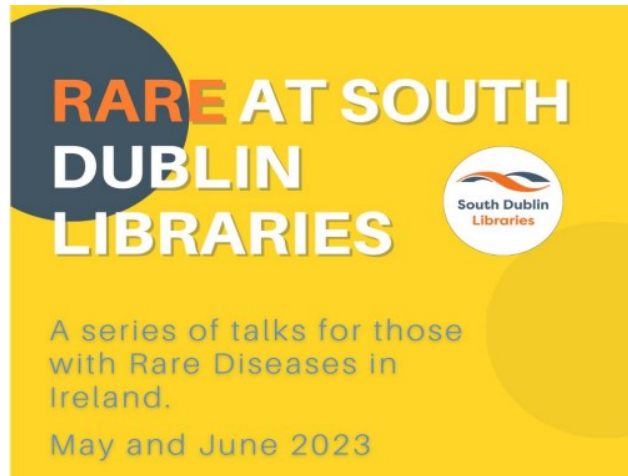
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Adult Events

Online Talk : The Diagnostic Journey

Thursday 11th May

7.00pm—8.00pm



The Diagnostic Journey: A Patient's Perspective.

Huntington's Disease Association of Ireland.

For those with a Rare Disease the journey to a diagnosis can be a long, difficult, and stressful road. Here we will hear about that journey from the perspective of the person and their family.

This talk is **ONLINE**.

**Booking opens from 14th April through
clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie**

Children's Events



**Saturday 6th May, Saturday 13th May &
Saturday 20th May, 12.00pm-2.00pm**

(Participants must be able to attend all three weeks)

This Inventors' Club workshop will take you through making and coding a 3D game and making it multiplayer.

The course covers:

Week One: Building a 3D game and use c# to move an object with computer keys and game controllers, add some fun textures and physic properties to the object.

Week Two: Adding Collision, flame effects, scene changes - home scene, game-over.

Week Three: Adding Multiplayer and uploading to the server, so students can play their games at home and with friends.

Suitable for teens aged 12+

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Children's Events

Parent and Toddler Time with Sarah Sparkles

Tuesday 9th May
10.15am-11.15am

Come along to the library for a fun session of rhymes, songs and activities for you and your toddler to



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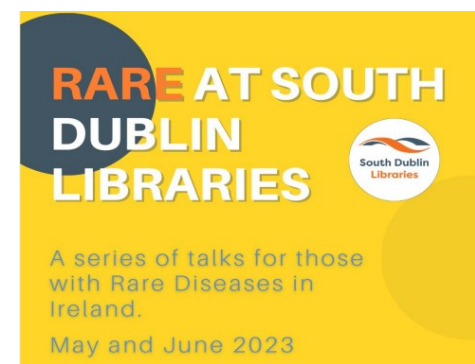
June Bank Holiday Opening Hours

Friday June 2nd	9.45AM - 4.30PM
Saturday June 3rd	CLOSED
Sunday June 4th	CLOSED
Monday June 5th	CLOSED
Tuesday June 6th	9.45AM - 8.00PM



Adult Events

Online Talk: Fair Deal Scheme Information Session Thursday 8th June 7.00pm—8.00pm



Clare Duffy from Family Carers Ireland will provide an overview of the Fair Deal (Nursing Home Support) Scheme, explaining how to apply, the assessment and steps involved and the calculations that are used to determine an individual's financial contribution towards the cost of their nursing home care. The session will include the opportunity for attendees to ask questions.

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Adult Events

Healthy Food Made Easy

Thursday 25th May 10.00am—1.30pm for 6 weeks



HEALTHY FOOD MADE EASY

Healthy Food Made Easy is a fun course where you will learn to cook healthy meals on a budget

The course is usually run over 6 sessions (2 and a half hours). The emphasis throughout the course is on group learning and talking rather than formal teaching.

- Prepare, cook and taste healthy recipes
- Learn about healthy eating
- Get tips on food shopping
- Plan meals on a budget
- Relaxed and fun approach
- For all ages and abilities

Further details

Contact Emma Perry for our upcoming course in May at Clondalkin Library.
eperry@sdublincoco.ie



Riailtas Aitiúil Éireann
Local Government Ireland

Children's Events

Stories from the Garden with Róisín Murphy at Clondalkin Round Tower

Thursday 25th May

3.30pm—4.30 pm



**Booking open now
through clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie**

Storyteller Róisín Murphy will engage children with Celtic myths and legends in the Clondalkin Round Tower garden. With vast experience as a children's storyteller, Róisín has spent many years visiting schools, libraries and museums keeping the ancient tradition of storytelling alive, focusing mainly on Irish and World folklore, myths and legends. Drawing on her love of working in the dramatic arts she has put together an exciting mix of stories that will be sure to keep children and adults of all ages enthralled.

Class visit: 10am Booked Out

Class visit: 11.15am Booked Out

Class visit: 12.15pm Booked Out

**These will be held in The Clondalkin Round Tower garden.
(Weather permitting- alternatively in the library).**

Children's Events

Clever Little Handies



**Thursday 27th April,
4th, 11th and 18th May
10.30am-11.30am**

We already know babies can communicate with their hands before they can talk; they can wave; they can clap; they can point. They have the dexterity in their hands to formulate signs long before they have the muscle dexterity in their mouths to form words.

By teaching them sign language from an early age they will have a vocabulary to use, even if they're not formulating words.

Clever Little Handies is a four-week term that is designed for parents with babies from newborns up to wobblers (12-18 month olds).

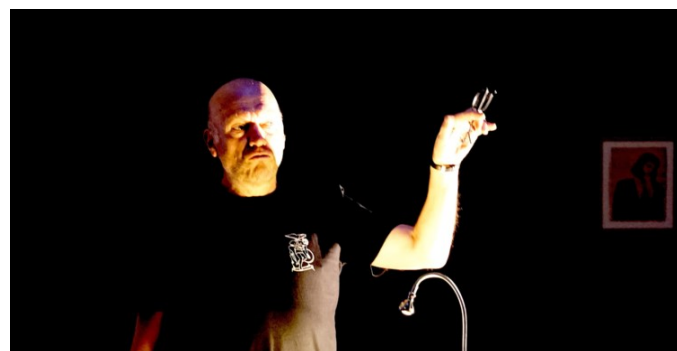
Participants receive an information leaflet each week with the songs and nursery rhymes to refer back to. The classes are approximately one hour each week and are capped at 15 participants to ensure individual attention and engagement.

The program is structured to provide a strong foundation for communication between parents and their babies. Each session begins with the ISL alphabet, where we introduce ourselves. Many of the signs used in the four-week term start with a letter of the ISL alphabet, providing a strong foundation for the classes.

**Booking opens from 11th April through
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Adult Events

Murderous Ballads



Thursday 1st June, 6.30pm—7.30pm

This performance by traditional singer Pádraig Ó Nualláin will include songs (and the stories behind the songs) of serial murderers, executions, hauntings and grave robbing from the 18th to 20th Century, accompanied by a visual presentation.

Pádraig Ó Nualláin is a traditional singer from Dublin with a keen interest in social history. He is a graduate of Ceoltóir, HND in traditional music at Ballyfermot College of Higher Education. His previous work includes song and visual presentation detailing the stories behind the songs. His performances include Dublin songs from 18th to 20th Century. He has performed at the Jonathan Swift Festival, Arthurs, The Pipers Club, Christchurch Cathedral Music Room and in various libraries around Dublin amongst other venues. He also regularly attends and sings at "An Góilín" traditional singers club in the Teachers Club and "The Night Before Larry Got Stretched" traditional singers club at The Cobblestone.

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Adult Events

Stitch & Story with Joan

**Saturday,
May 13th
11am-12pm**



Have you an interest in knitting, crochet or embroidery? Come along and join our monthly group led by Joan Connolly. Share your interest and knowledge with like-minded folk! Bring your own needles and all other materials will be provided. Joan will get us started in May and June.

Thereafter you will meet as a self-led group in the library once a month to chat and share your creativity and enthusiasm with your fellow crafters!

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Children's Events



**Saturday,
13th, 20th and
27th May
2.00pm-
4.00pm**

I Sense a Story with Alison Ní Mháirtín

Join theatre maker and writer Alison Ní Mháirtín on a creative journey that will awaken your five senses. Get ready to discover the magic of storytelling with your loved ones as you bring characters to life, both old and new. From sights to sounds, scents to tastes, and even textures, Alison will guide you through five interactive workshops that will teach you how to craft captivating stories inspired by the world around you. Plus, with an emphasis on using natural and recycled materials, you'll learn how to tell your tale with eco-friendly flair. All materials are provided, so don't miss out on this unique storytelling adventure!

*This is a workshop series where each session is different but connected to an overall theme. Come to as many workshops as you like!

(For children 3 to 6)

****Language: English + Irish + Bring your own! Booking is required. When you reserve a child ticket the accompanying adult goes free. Children must be under the supervision of an accompanying adult at all times.**

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Booking essential through

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/i-sense-a-story-tickets-611010979287>

Children's Events



**Monday, 17th April, 24th and
8th May @ 2.30pm**

Abracada... wish!

Let the Magic Begin! (For children aged 3 to 6 years)

Jump right into the magic of stories with writer Juliette Saumande. Together you will make your own magic wand, your own magic hat and, of course, you will conjure up your own magical creatures! Whether you say Abracadabra, Sésame ouvre-toi ou Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo, come along and make the magic happen!

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Adult Events

Local Vocals Choir Singing 50's, 60's 70's

Wednesday,

May 31st

7.00pm-8.00pm



Join the Local Vocals choir as they sing songs of the 50's, 60's and 70's.

Rock and roll, jazz, rockabilly, disco, rhythm and blues!

Come along, see if your favourite tune is featured and relive some great golden oldies!

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Adult Events

Fancy a Coffee?

Come along to a library event and enjoy a free coffee when you become a library member. All you need is photo I.D. and proof of your current address to get your library card.



And as for your coffee, just remember to bring your own keep cup!



The Village Writers Creative Writing Group



We are establishing a self-led writing group meeting monthly on the **first Tuesday of every month from 6.30-7.30pm.**

New members are welcome.

To register your interest, please contact a member of staff at the library desk or call us on (01) 4593315

Adult Events

Grow It Yourself

Meeting Thursday, 11th May

6.30pm-7.30pm

Join our monthly group of GIYers and develop the skills and confidence to grow your own fruit and vegetables successfully!



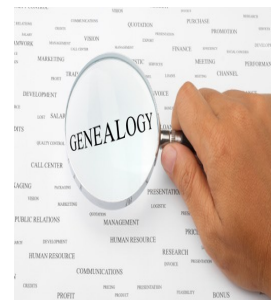
Genealogy Club

Meeting Thursday, 18th May

6.30pm-7.30pm

This is an in-person meeting.

All Welcome



Adult Book Club

Thursday Book Club: meeting **25th May**

6.30pm-7.30pm