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Ballyroan Library May 2025 Event guide

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CHILDREN AND FAMILY

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING	
Every Monday*, 3.30pm	Storytime: A fun, interactive storytime for little ones!	2+, adult supervision required	No booking required	
Every Saturday*, 10am	Junior Chess with Fred: A weekly chess class for children.	Ages 7 - 12 years	No booking required	
Every Monday*, 6pm	Sensory time: Lights are dimmed, noise is reduced and additional resources (sensory toys, magic table) are available on request.	All ages		ro Divers South
Tues, 6th May 10am	Toddler Time: Music and fun activities for little ones	0 - 3 years	Booking essential on Eventbrite from 5th May, 10am	
Tues, 13th May 10am	Toddler Time: Music and fun activities for little ones	0 - 3 years	Booking essential Eventbrite from 12th May, 10am	
Wed, 14 th May 3pm	Crafts with Victoria: Fun and easy summer crafts for kids.	9+ years	Booking essential Eventbrite from 7th May, 10am	
Wed, 14th May 6pm	Coder Dojo: A fun session of coding in the library.	Ages 8 - 12 years	Booking essential on Eventbrite from 12th May, 10am	
Tues, 20th May 10am	Toddler Time: Music and fun activities for little ones	0 - 3 years	Booking essential Eventbrite from 19th May, 10am	
Wed, 21 st May 3.30pm	Ballyroan Bookworms: Our junior book club. Once you have booked your place on Eventbrite the book will be available to collect in the library.	Ages 8 - 10 years	Booking essential Eventbrite from 23rd April 10am	
Sat, 24th May 3pm	Multilingual Storytime: Children with their parents and guardians are invited to meet and read with other multilingual families.	Ages 2+	No booking required	

*closed for May bank holiday Saturday, 3rd May, and Monday, 5th May, inclusive.

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Tues, 27th May 10am	Toddler Time: Music and fun activities for little ones	0 - 3 years	Booking essential Eventbrite from 26 th May 10am
Wed, 28th May 4.30pm	Sensory Explorers: play session for Neurodiverse children and their siblings: A fun play session in a relaxed environment	Ages 6+, adult supervision required	Booking essential on Eventbrite from 12th May 10am
Thurs, 29th May 10am	Magic Baby Tummy Time: Join other parents and babies for some tummy time practice using our Magic Table light projector and toys. Parent led.	For babies not yet crawling	Booking essential on Eventbrite from 26th May 10am

CLIMATE ACTION WEEK: FAMILY FUN DAY, 17 TH MAY					
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Sat, 17th May 1pm	All About Bees!: In this workshop children will learn about bee anatomy and will create an anatomically correct edible bee cookie. Educational and delicious!	Ages 5+ adult supervision required	Booking essential on Eventbrite from 9th May		
Sat, 17th May 2:30pm	Make a solar oven!: Join Anyone 4 Science and make a solar oven to take home and test over the summer days ahead. And learn about alternative forms of renewable, environmentally friendly energy sources.	Ages 8+ adult supervision required	Booking essential on Eventbrite from 9th May		
Sat, 17th May 2:30pm	Literary Threads - Upcycled Book Inspired T-Shirts: Children will bring a plain or lightly patterned T-shirt and transform it into a unique piece of wearable art inspired by their favourite books!	Ages 7+	Booking essential on Eventbrite from 9th May		

TEENS

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
27th April	Teen Creative Writing Club: Come along to our club where you'll meet other writers and aspiring writers.	Age 13+	Booking essential Eventbrite from 29th April 6pm

ADULTS

TIME	EVENT	AGE	BOOKING
Mondays* 11am Thursdays 6.30pm	Stitched Together : Come along for our informal, friendly and very crafty meet-up. All crafts welcome.	Adults	No booking required
Every Wednesday 11am	Scrabble: Get your letters in a row and join our casual Scrabble morning	All ages	No booking required
Fri, 2nd May 10am	Ballyroan Gardening Group: Enthusiastic about gardening? Come and share your passion with our gardening group.	Adults	No booking required
From Tues, 6th May 2:30pm for 6 weeks	Smart Phone Course for Older Adults: This 6-week course provided by the DDLETB is learner-led and covers such things as protecting yourself online, accessing WIFI, accessing and downloading apps, accessibility tools, microphone, enlarging font etc. Each participant will need their own phone. NB: See the Eventbrite page for important eligibility criteria.	Older Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite from 25th April 10am

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Mon, 12th May 6:30pm	Sashiko Mending with Nicki Collier: Sashiko mending is like giving your clothes a stylish hug from history! This beautiful, time- honored Japanese technique turns rips and tears into wearable art.	Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite from 28th April 10am
Wed, 14th May 11am	Ciorcal Cainte with Tomás Maher: An informal Irish language conversation group where all levels of Irish are catered for and everyone is given a chance to speak	Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite from 23rd April 10am
Wed, 14th May 1.30pm	History Hub: Join us to watch the documentary 'Invasion: The Normans'. Participants are welcome to stay afterwards for a cup of tea and a chat about the documentary.	Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite from 23rd April 10am
From Thurs, 15th May 2:30pm for 6 weeks	Chair Yoga Course for Adults: This 6-week course provided by the DDLETB is a blend of movement, Yoga poses, seated Pilates, meditation, mindfulness and breathing practices that have been specifically tailored to ensure that everyone can enjoy and benefit from all that Yoga has to offer. NB: See the Eventbrite page for important eligibility criteria.	Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite from 30th April 10am
Thurs, 15th May 7pm	The Reading Circle: Read and explore great writing in a relaxed and welcoming environment.	Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite 23rd April 10am
Sat, 17th May 11am	James Joyce Reading Group : This group is dedicated to reading and discussing the writing of James Joyce.	Adults	Booking essential through the "Reading James Joyce" Eventbrite page.

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Tues, 20th May 6.30pm	Rathfarnham and Ballyroan Historical Society: Dr Ruth Ferris will present a talk on Mother M. Michael Corcoran's (IBVM. Loreto Sisters) extraordinary archive of photographs taken during her time in Loreto Abbey and on the missions.	Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite 5th May 10am
Wed, 21st May 7pm	Wild Waterways with Robert O'Leary: Join photographer Robert O'Leary as he brings us down the Dodder and introduces us to photos of its wild residents	Adults	Booking via Eventbrite, on sale now
Mon, 26th May 5.30pm	Silver Screens at the Library: Our movie club for all fans of great film. Watch the movie and have a chat afterwards. Our film for May is the James Dean masterpiece "Rebel Without a Cause"	Adults	Booking essential Eventbrite 6th May 10am
Wed, 28th May 6:30pm	Craic agus Ceol Open Music Session : Singers and musicians of all ages, abilities and levels are welcome to come and join our music session.	All Ages	No Booking Required

Bealtaine Festival

An Age & Opportunity arts initiative

May is Bealtaine month and South Dublin Libraries is celebrating 30 years of Bealtaine at the Library. For details of all the wonderful events taking place in Ballyroan Library for older adults in May, pick up a copy of our Bealtine event brochure! Get access to e-books, magazines and audiobooks 24/7 with Borrowbox. Download the free app and register with your library card!



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In 2025, Ballyroan Library wants to make it easier for you to put down your phone and (re)ignite your passion for reading! No matter your age, reading level or ability, we're here to get you back to books with book clubs, events and activities throughout the year!

Book Ballyroan Library events here:

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Eventbrite ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

The library will close for the May bank holiday from **Friday, 2nd May @ 4:30pm** We will re-open on **Tuesday, 6th May @ 9.45am**

