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Clondalkin Library

October 2026

Event Guide



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Adult Events

Images of Clondalkin

This month's cover photo was taken at the annual Spookdalkin festivities at Clondalkin Round Tower.



If you have an *Image of Clondalkin* you would like to share, you can email it to us at clondalkinlibrary@sdublincoco.ie

“Clondalkin Dancehall Days”

Exhibition Launch on Thursday 1st October at 6.30pm

Dancehall
DAYS

On display throughout October

The Mayfair Ballroom was a popular Clondalkin late-night hot-spot in the 1950s and 1960s. Join **Mayor Francis Timmons** at our exhibition launch and relive the showbands era with some live music.

Booking for launch via Eventbrite (All welcome at exhibition all month)

1-to-1 Smartphone Help Sessions

Do you need help getting to grips with your smartphone? Make an appointment with our library staff for some one-to-one guidance at a time that suits you. No problem too small.

**To book phone 01-459 3315
or speak to a member of staff in the library.**



Adult Events

The Village Writers - Creative Writing Group



Tuesday 6th October

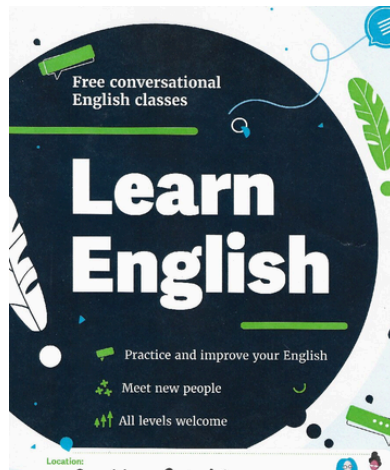
@ 6.30pm

Our self-led writing group meets on the first Tuesday of every month. Develop your writing skills in a friendly and supportive environment.



New members welcome.

No need to book.



Learn English - with Fáilte Isteach

Every Wednesday

@ 11.00am

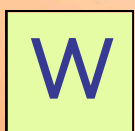
Practice and improve your language skills in these free conversational English classes.

All levels catered for.

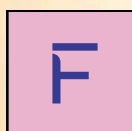
All welcome (no need to book).

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Welcoming Migrants through Conversational English Classes

Regular Events:



= Every Week



= Every Fortnight



= Once a Month

Adult Events

QUIZ NIGHT



Quiz Night

Wednesday 7th October @ 6.15pm

Test your knowledge, meet new people and join in the banter at our fun (but deadly serious) general knowledge quiz. Come with friends or by yourself ... we'll find a team for you.

Booking now via Eventbrite

Irish Sign Language Conversation Group

Wednesday 14th & 28th October @ 6.30pm

This self-led group meets every second Wednesday. Meet, chat and practice with other ISL users of all levels.

All welcome (no need to book).



Genealogy & Family History Group

Thursday 15th October @ 6.30pm

Would you like to research your family tree, but don't know where to start? Our genealogy and family history group meets monthly to share ideas and research.

All welcome (no need to book).



Adult Events

Legal Literacy Talks:

1. Future Planning - Wills, Probate & More

Monday 19th October @ 6.30pm

FLAC (Free Legal Advice Centres) present information on:
Wills / Probate / Enduring Power of Attorney / Assisted
Decision Making Act / General overview of Legal Aid.



2. Everyday Rights that People Get Wrong

Wednesday 21st October @ 10.30am

Topics include: consumer rights / recording people in
public / CCTV misconceptions / Garda powers simplified /
neighbour disputes / contracts people enter accidentally /
Small Claims Court.



Booking via Eventbrite from 28th September



Lego for Adults

Thursday 22nd October @ 6.00pm

Lego for adults is a great way to clear your mind and be
creative. Help us assemble our new flora and fauna Lego
sets at this easy-going and friendly adult Lego evening.

Booking via Eventbrite from 5th October.

Adult Book Clubs



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Monday Book Club

Next meeting: Monday 12th October @ 6.30pm

Our Monday Book Club meets on the second Monday of every month.

Tuesday Book Club

Next Meeting: Tuesday 27th October @ 6.30pm

Our Tuesday Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of each month.

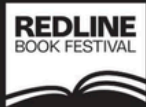
Happy Readers Book Club

Next meeting: Thursday 29th October @ 6.30pm

The Happy Readers meet on the last Thursday of every month.

**To register your interest in one of our book clubs
phone 01 459 3315 or speak to a member of staff in the library.**

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Festival.

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WHAT



A WEEK OF BOOKS, IDEAS & CONVERSATION

Meet writers, hear new perspectives and
discover stories across fiction, poetry, history,
crime, comedy & more.

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WHEN



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Seven days of fantastic events.

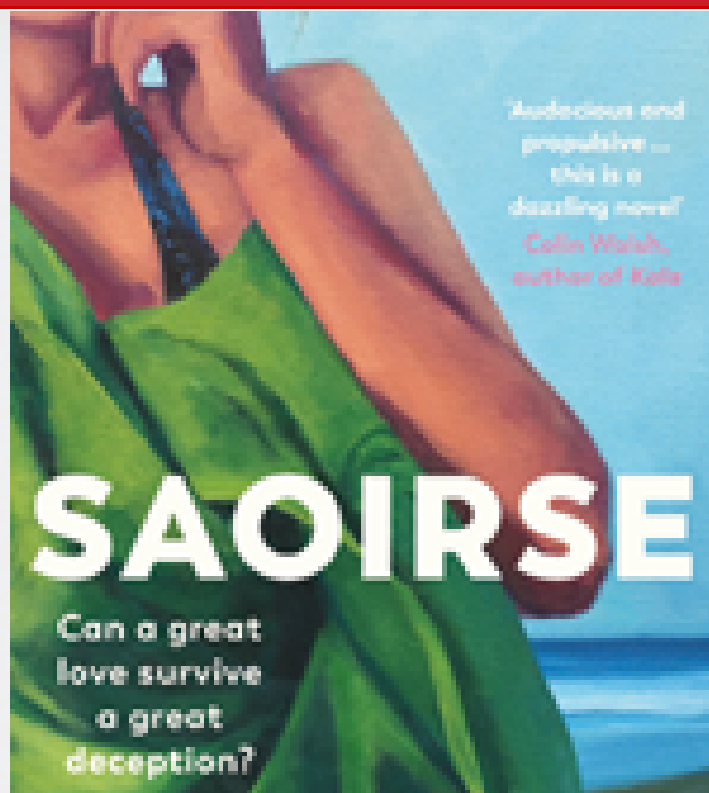
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**SAOIRSE**

Wednesday, October 14th @ 6.30pm

Join author Charlene Hurtubise as she talks about her new book *Saoirse* with **Chloe Cowman** (*Nurse Fancy Pants*)

Charleen Hurtubise is a novelist, essayist and artist. She holds an M.Sc. from Trinity College Dublin and an MFA from University College Dublin. Originally from Michigan, she has lived in Ireland for nearly three decades with her family. Though she lives in Dublin, the pull of Donegal never leaves and continues to influence her drawings and writings.



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WRITE THAT NOVEL!

Saturday, October 17th @ 11.00am

Tanya Sweeney, author of the Number 1 bestseller *Esther Is Now Following You*, demystifies the publishing process, and suggests ways in which would-be writers can get out of their own way (which is 90 per cent of the job). From step outlines and worldbuilding to pitching agents and creating characters that land, Tanya offers a practical, step-by-step guide to structuring a novel and getting noticed by the market.

Tanya is currently a journalist and Weekend magazine columnist at the Irish Independent and is a regular contributor on Irish radio & TV.

Children's Events

TTRS:

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**Touch-Type, Read and Spell
with confidence**

Every Monday

(except 26th October - Public Holiday)

@ 5.00pm - 6.00pm

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

Suitable for children aged 8+

**For more information contact the
library on 01-4593315
or email clondalkinlibrary@sdublincoco.ie**



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Self-Led Baby & Toddler Group

**Every Tuesday
@ 10.00am**



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

All welcome (no need to book).

Children's Events

Storytime

Every Tuesday @ 3.00pm

Join our library staff for some enchanting stories.
Perfect for little readers and their grown-ups.

Suitable for ages 3+

All welcome (no need to book)



**Check out our Halloween Events
for more activities for little readers.**



Magic Storytime Gaelige-Béarla with Sarah Sparkles

Thursday 1st October @ 3.00pm

This event will introduce basic words and phrases as Gaeilge, encouraging families to use and speak the language in their every day lives.

Suitable for ages 3 to 8 and families

All welcome (no need to book)



Children's Events

Chess Saturdays

Saturday 3rd, 10th & 31st October @ 11.30am



If you enjoyed our Summer Chess Club during the school holidays, why not keep up the practice at Chess Saturdays. Please note that this is a self-led group, so a **basic knowledge of chess is required**.

*Suitable for ages 10+
All welcome (no need to book)*

STEAM Saturdays:

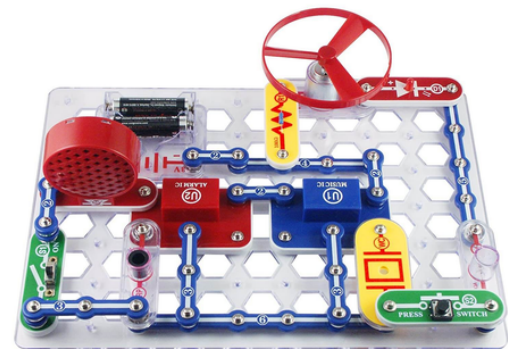


1. Snap Circuits Free-Play

Saturday 10th October @ 2.00pm

Explore electricity as you build your own circuits. Turn on lights, make sounds, launch flying fans, and more. For ages 7+

Booking via Eventbrite from 28th September.



2. Lego & Duplo Free-Play

Saturday 17th October @ 2.00pm

Get your imagination building with our Lego & Duplo free-play sessions. For ages 4+

Booking via Eventbrite from 5th October



Children's Events



Teen Craft Club: Make your Own Scrunchie with Change Clothes

Wednesday 21st October
@ 5.30pm to 7.30pm

In this relaxed, beginner-friendly workshop you will learn to make your own scrunchies using reclaimed textiles. Upcycling has never looked so good!



*Suitable for ages 12+
Booking now via Eventbrite.*

ChompSaw Workshop: Create your own Skull Masks

Wednesday 28th October
@ 2.00pm

Our new **ChompSaw** is a safe and fun machine for cutting cardboard in creative ways. We'll be making and decorating our own skull masks and exploring other possibilities at this hands-on workshop.



*Suitable for ages 8+
Booking via Eventbrite from 12th October.*



Halloween Events



Drop & Swap Halloween Costumes



**From Thursday 1st to
Saturday 31st October**

Take-a-costume, leave-a-costume all month
long at our Halloween costume swap rail.

All welcome (no need to book).

Spooky Storytime & Crafts

Tuesday 20th & 27th October @ 3.00pm

Get in the Halloween spirit with a scary story followed
by some themed arts and crafts with our library staff.

Suitable for ages 3+

All welcome (no need to book)



Let's Sing - with Rachel

Tuesday 27th October @ 10.30am

Join Rachel for a Halloween themed
sing-along toddler time.

Suitable for ages 0 to 4

All welcome (no need to book)





Halloween Events



Trick-or-Treat Scavenger Hunt

Friday 30th October
(all day)



Can you find all the ghosts and ghouls that have gotten loose around Clondalkin Library?

Pick up the clues from the desk and unscramble them to win a prize.



Suitable for ages 3+

All welcome (no need to book).

Face Painting & Balloon Modelling

Friday 30th October
@ 2.00pm

It's getting exciting now! Drop into the library for some last minute Halloween fun. There will be free face-painting and balloons for all.

Suitable for all ages

All welcome (no need to book)



Clondalkin Library

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Library Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday: 9.45am to 8.00pm

Friday and Saturday: 9.45am to 4.30pm

Closed on Saturday and Monday of Public Holiday Weekends

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