



Library Opening Hours

Monday—Thursday: 9.45am—8.00pm

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Clondalkin Library



October 2023 Event Guide



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

Adult Events

This is the Life Days and Nights in the GAA Ciarán Murphy

Thursday 5th October
6:30pm - 7:30pm

Join Ciarán Murphy, of Second Captains and the *Irish Times*, as he discusses his new book *This is the Life*.

The GAA is Ireland's largest civil society organisation, woven into the fabric of families and communities - and yet most books about Gaelic games focus on the greatest players and inter-county teams. *This is the Life* is a book about the 99 per cent: a witty and provocative look at grassroots GAA from the most intelligent and interesting Gaelic games pundit at work today.

This is the Life is a book about the places the GAA comes from, the places it can take a person, and the things that make a local club worth fighting for.

Booking now open via
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Spotlight On

Medici.tv

Do you want to go to a Ballet without having to dress up, risk sitting behind a really tall person or having to squint at the stage from your seat? Then we have the online resource for you!

South Dublin Libraries are proud to present Medici.tv which is the world's premier resource for classical music programming: stunning live events from the world's most prestigious halls, plus thousands of concerts, operas, and ballets

All you need is your D4 South Dublin Libraries card number
Visit **www.medici.tv** to get started!



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

Tuesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st also

Friday 6th, Saturday 14th, Friday 20th, Friday 27th



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!



STORYTIME for Ages 3+

Tuesday 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th
October
@ 3.30pm

Come along and join in our
storytime session



All Welcome—No Booking Required

Red Line Book Festival

Writing Poetry: A Workshop with Diarmuid Fitzgerald

Tuesday, 17 October

18.30pm - 20:30pm



Want to get your poems published? Make them shine. In this workshop, learn skills you were not taught in school on how to scrub up your poems to catch an editor's eye. This will be a practical workshop where you will learn from examples and work on improving a poem. This workshop is aimed at beginner and emerging writers.

Diarmuid Fitzgerald has had three collections of poetry published, *Thames Way*, *A Thousand Sparks*, and *The Singing Hollow* produced by Alba Publishing. He has won prizes and grants. Many poems have been published in leading literary journals such as *The Stinging Fly*, *Cyphers*, *Crannóg*, *Drawn to the Light*, and *Impossible Archetype*.

Presented as part of Red Line Book Festival 2023.

Booking now open via

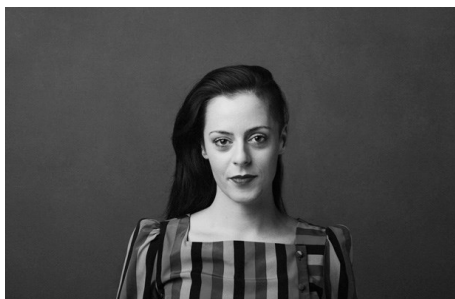
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Red Line Book Festival

Red Line Book Festival Poetry Night and Award Ceremony

Wednesday, 18 October
6.00pm—20.00pm



Poetry night is always a highlight of the Red Line Book Festival. This year join host and Red Line Poetry Competition Judge Annemarie Ní Churreáin as she speaks to fellow poets Amy Abdullah Barry, Breda Wall Ryan and Peter Sirr about their work.

This will be followed by the announcement of the winners of the 2023 Red Line Book Festival Poetry Competition.

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Children's Events

Lego & Duplo Free- play

Saturday 14th October
12.30pm—2.00pm



Get your imagination building with our Lego & Duplo freeplay sessions.

For Ages 4+

Booking opens from 2nd October through
clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Trick or Treat Storytime & Crafts

Tuesday 31st October 3.30pm



Get all dressed up to join Maria & Aoife for this special Halloween Storytime

Listen to some spooky stories followed by some creepy crafts.

For ages 3+

Booking opens from 16th October through
clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Children's Events



A bedtime story is one of the true treasures of childhood!

We're encouraging everyone to share a story each night, and to introduce our youngest patrons to the practice, we have a free book to gift to each child aged 4 and under in the local area.

Just drop into Clondalkin Library, collect yours and get signed up for your library card - it's the start of a lifetime reading journey! .

Red Line Book Festival

Revolutionary Clondalkin Walk with Liz Gillis

Monday 16th, October
11:00am - 12:30pm



Join Decade of Centenaries Historian in Residence for South Dublin County, Liz Gillis on this walk through Clondalkin Village, exploring the area's rich links with our revolutionary past, including stories of the Easter Rising, War of Independence and Civil War.

She is the author of several books including *Revolution in Dublin: A Photographic History 1916-1923*, *Women of the Irish Revolution*, and *May 25: Burning of the Custom House 1921*. She was the recipient of the Dublin City Lord Mayor's Award in 2018 for her contribution to history and was co-organiser of the online conference to mark the centenary of the burning of the Custom House in May 1921.

Liz believes in telling the national story from the local perspective and is passionate about getting people interested in history.

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Red Line Book Festival

Twiggy Woman and Other Stories of the Supernatural with Oein DeBhairduain

Thursday 19th October 7.00pm

Round Tower Visitor Centre, Clondalkin



Halloween is coming so pull up a chair for some terrifying ghost stories. Writer and storyteller Oein DeBhairduain will tell tales from his new book *Twiggy Woman* and share stories of the Ghosts of South Dublin County!

Oein DeBhairduain is a writer, activist and educator with a passion for preserving the beauty of Traveller tales, sayings, retellings and historic exchanges. He is the author of the award-winning *Why the moon travels* (Skein Press, 2020), *Weave* (Skein Press, 2022) and *The Slug and The Snail* (Little Island & Skein Press, 2023). He is the Traveller Culture Collections Development Officer with the National Museum of Ireland and seeks to pair community activism with cultural celebration, recalling old tales with fresh modern connections and, most of all, he wishes to rekindle the hearth fires of a shared kinship.

Booking now open via [Redlinefestival.ie](https://redlinefestival.ie)



Adult Events

New!

New Adult Book Club

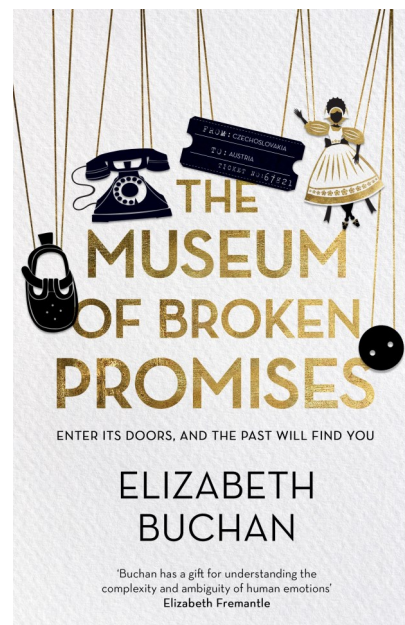
Monday 9th October 6.30pm-7.30pm.

Discussing 'The Museum of Broken Promises'

by Elizabeth Duncan

New members welcome!

To register your interest please email clondalkin@sdblincoco.ie or ask at the main desk.



Adult Book Club

Thursday Book Club: meeting 28th September 6.30pm-7.30pm

No capacity for new members

Adult Events

Genealogy and Family History Group

Thursday, 19th October

6.30pm-7.30pm

Informal genealogy and family history group which meets monthly.



The Village Writers Creative Writing Group

New!

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

Next meeting will be 3rd October 6.30pm
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

Shared Reading — Taster Session



Thursday 24th October

6.00 pm– 7.00pm

Shared Reading is a novel way of enjoying the reading experience with others. A friendly trained leader provides a welcome, and the text of something chosen to read aloud - a poem, a story or piece of literature. The leader then will initiate a discussion of what has just been read. There's no need for you to read aloud or speak unless you want to - it's okay to just listen. Shared Reading offers a welcoming space for individuals to form real connections with the literature, themselves and others.

Booking opens from 2nd October via
clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie

Adult Events

Grow It Yourself

Next Meeting Thursday, 12th October

6.30pm-7.30pm

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



Adult Craft Class

Friday 27th October

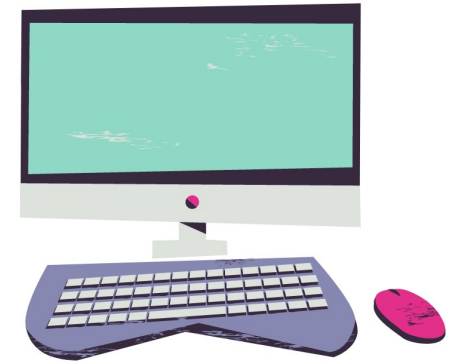
11.00am-12.30pm

Join Joan for a craft morning of Crochet! All materials will be provided.



Booking opens from 9th September via
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Adult Events



Basic Computer Skills

Starting soon!



This course is for adults who want to learn basic computer skills and understand technology in everyday life

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Ask at the main desk for more information



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