



Earrach i Leabharlanna Fhine Gall 2023

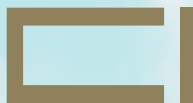
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Spring in Fingal Libraries 2023

So much to see.....so much to do!



Céard atá ar siúl i Leabharlanna Fhine Gall!
What's on in Fingal Libraries!



Cuir tús le d'athbhliain le turas chuig an leabharlann

Your Spring starts with a trip to the library

Check out the free talks, workshops and services in Fingal Libraries that can inspire, motivate, and support you in 2023.

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Viewpoints touring art exhibition is coming to Fingal Libraries!

In partnership with the UCC School of Law, The Glucksman Gallery commissioned seven Irish picture book authors to respond to different themes within the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Artists **Mary Murphy, Róisín Haheesy, Niamh Sharkey, Peter Donnelly, Fatti Burke, Chris Haughton** and **Chris Judge** created seven new illustrations focusing on family and identity, education, creativity and play, justice and the right to be heard, equality, climate change and the environment, and migrants and refugees.

Fingal Libraries is delighted to host the Viewpoints art exhibition from January to June as it tours around each library, culminating on 10th June at Cruinniú na nÓg, Creative Ireland's annual day of free creative activity for children and young adults.

Viewpoints is part of the Art Library initiative, a loan collection of artworks for sharing to community hubs across Ireland, and is funded by the Arts Council of Ireland.

We hope you can join us at **Malahide Library on Saturday 28th January at 11.00am** for the official opening of Viewpoints touring art exhibition. A fun morning for all the family.

Exhibition Dates	Library
28th January – 19th February	Malahide Library
20th February – 3rd March	Baldoyle Library
6th March – 19th March	Balbriggan Library
20th March – 2nd April	Rush Library
3rd April – 16th April	Donabate Library
17th April – 30th April	Swords & Skerries Libraries
1st May – 14th May	Howth & Garristown Libraries
15th May – 4th June	Blanchardstown Library
5th June – 10th June	Cruinniú na nÓg 2023 (<i>Programme of Events to follow</i>)

A fun and interactive programme of creative workshops will take place for children and their families as the exhibition tours each library so watch out for more details!



Eachtraí Éire Shláintiúil i Leabharlanna Fhine Gall/ Healthy Ireland Events in Fingal Libraries

Fingal Libraries brings you these free talks
under the Healthy Ireland at your Library programme.



Healthy Parenting Event

What about me? The role parental self-care plays in raising children with Melissa Moore

Self-care is not selfish, it's vital! Melissa Moore, Accredited Play Therapist and mum of three explores what self-care is and why it is so important in raising children. Introduce self-care into your day so that you become the container for your child, experiencing self-compassion so as we can share it, learning to be more responsive rather than reactive to parenting challenges.

Blanchardstown Library	Friday, 3rd February	11:00am – 12:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Active Living Event

Exercises to Boost Your Immune System with fitness coach Jurgita Ramanauskaite

Learn simple, effective and enjoyable exercises to boost your immune system. This workshop includes breath work and gentle exercises designed to increase energy, mobility, balance and mood, ease joint pain, improve heart, and whole-body health and muscle tone.



Malahide Library	Tuesday, 7th February	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Rush Library	Wednesday, 8th February	6:00pm – 7:00pm
Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 9th February	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Blanchardstown Library	Friday, 10th February	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Balbriggan Library	Monday, 13th February	2:30pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Note: This workshop involves physical movement. If you have issues with mobility or balance, please consult your doctor to help you decide if this event is right for you.





Active Living Event

Chair Fitness: Sit and Get fit with Linda Dungan

Increase your range of movement, build strength, balance, and coordination (to help with fall prevention) with gentle exercises where you can work at your own pace. Linda will use resistance bands, however if you want to challenge yourself a little more why not bring two water bottles. Let’s move it or lose it!



Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 7th February	10:30am – 11:15am
Balbriggan Library	Monday, 13th February	12:00pm – 12:45pm
Rush Library	Monday, 20th February	2:00pm – 2:45pm
Baldoyle Library	Monday, 27th February	11:00am – 11:45am
Malahide Library	Monday, 6th March	10:30am – 11:15am

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Note: This workshop involves physical movement. If you have issues with mobility or balance, please consult your doctor to help you decide if this event is right for you.



Health Information Literacy Event

Irish Heart Foundation’s Mobile Health Unit visiting Fingal Libraries

The Irish Heart Foundation Mobile Health Unit has two private consultation rooms with a nurse available in each room to provide heart health information and do free blood pressure and pulse checks. The one-to-one advice offered by the nurse is a vital part of this check.



Rush Library	Tuesday, 14th February	10:00am – 5:00pm
Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 16th February	10:00am – 5:00pm
Donabate Library	Tuesday, 14th March	10:00am – 5:00pm
Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 29th March	10:00am – 5:00pm

All welcome. No booking required.





Healthy Parenting Event

Recognising, Understanding & Managing Big Behaviours & Feelings with Melissa Moore

Do you want to feel empowered and confident in understanding and managing your child's behaviours at home? Melissa Moore looks at what parents/carers can do at home to recognise, understand, and respond to big emotions and behaviours. She will explore brain development and its role, where these big feelings and behaviours come from and what can parents/carers do to bring back calm into the house.

Balbriggan Library

Thursday, 23rd February

6:30pm – 7:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Healthy Eating Event

Supporting People with Eating Disorders with Harriet Parsons from Bodywhys

In this online talk, Harriet Parsons from Bodywhys explains what an eating disorder is, and how to support someone if they have an eating disorder. Harriet will also talk through support and treatment options so that people will have a better idea of the next steps to take after the talk.



Online event

Tuesday, 28th February

7:30pm – 8:30pm

Booking essential via Eventrite or scan QR code:
<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/479106379077>





Healthy Childhood Event

Confidence Club Workshops for Children
with Tracey Blanchfield from The Confidence Clinic

This 4-week Saturday morning series of Confidence Club workshops from the Confidence Clinic will help children navigate various issues in their daily lives, including: coping with worries; dealing with mean words; growing friendships; boosting confidence; making decisions and staying motivated and focused. The event is Dyslexia friendly. There will be two separate sessions on each day.

Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 25th February	10:00am – 11:00am
	Saturday, 4th March	Age: 7 to 12 years
	Saturday, 11th March	11:00am – 12:00pm
	Saturday, 25th March	Age: 12+

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Healthy Eating Event

Healthy Eating on a Budget with dietitian Cathy Monaghan

Making healthy food choices for your family while sticking to a budget can sometimes seem impossible. Do you need to eat organically? Is frozen food, ok? Does eating on a budget mean bland and boring meals? Dietitian, Cathy Monaghan will share lots of tips and tricks on how you can feed your family well on a budget.



Balbriggan Library	Thursday, 2nd March	10:00am - 11:00am
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Health Information Literacy Event

Alzheimer Society of Ireland's Mobile Information Service visiting Fingal Libraries

The Mobile Information Service will provide information and support to people with dementia and their families as well as to those concerned about their cognitive health. Dementia Advisers will provide information and support about memory loss, how a diagnosis is made, managing day to day life with dementia, as well as information about supports and services available in the local area.

All welcome. No booking required.



Blanchardstown Library	Thursday, 2nd March	10:00am – 12:00pm
Donabate Library	Tuesday, 7th March	10:00am – 12:00pm
Rush Library	Tuesday, 7th March	2:00pm – 4:00pm
Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 9th March	10:00am – 12:00pm
Malahide Library	Thursday, 9th March	2:00pm – 4:00pm



Healthy Childhood Event

Little Lámh Workshop

An introductory workshop for families of babies who may go on to use Lámh signs, or for families who require a small number of signs.



Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 7th March	10:00am - 12:30pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



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Comic Capers 4-week Course for children with author & illustrator Alan Nolan



Join author, illustrator, and comics fanatic Alan Nolan as he brings children on a tour of favourite comics from the Beano to superhero comics to manga. Jam-packed with loads of fun stories and a draw-along, this 4-week course will teach children the basics of graphic novels, show them how to design their own characters and storylines, and help them create their own comic strips!

Garristown Library	Monday, 9th January	5:45pm – 6:45pm Age: 9 to 12 years
	Monday, 16th January	
	Monday, 23rd January	
	Monday, 30th January	
Blanchardstown Library	Thursday, 6th April	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 9 to 12 years
	Thursday, 13th April	
	Thursday, 20th April	
	Thursday, 27th April	

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Manga Art Classes with artist John Carpenter

Do you love to read Manga comics and watch Anime cartoons? Want to delve into the fantastic world of Japanese comic books and graphic novels? Learn how to create your own Manga characters during this fun and interactive workshop. Beginner's welcome. All materials provided. Suitable for ages 12+.

Malahide Library	Saturday, 28th January	2:00pm – 3:30pm
Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 1st April	10:15am – 11:45am
Rush Library	Saturday, 1st April	2:00pm – 3:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Spring has sprung!

Celebrate the season with easy and creative arts and crafts at the following Fingal Libraries. All materials supplied.

Baldoyle Library	Tuesday, 17th January	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 6 – 10 years
Malahide Library	Wednesday, 1st February	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 4 – 8 years
Swords Library	Tuesday, 28th February	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 6 – 10 years
	Thursday, 2nd March World Book Day Crafts	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 5 – 10 years
Garristown Library	Thursday, 16th March	3:30pm – 4:45pm Age: 5 – 12 years Mother's Day Crafts

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Valentine's Day Crafts at your local library

Love is in the air at Fingal Libraries. Valentine's Day is perfect for making heart-warming crafts that could double up as gifts. All materials supplied.

Baldoyle Library	Wednesday, 8th February	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 6 – 10 years
Garristown Library	Wednesday, 8th February	4:00pm – 5:00pm Age: 5 – 12 years
	Tuesday, 14th February	3:30pm – 4:45pm Age: 5 – 12 years
Balbriggan Library	Thursday, 9th February	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 6 – 10 years
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 14th February	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 4 – 7 years
Donabate Library	Tuesday, 14th February	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 5 – 12 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

St Patrick's Day Crafts

We love celebrating our national holiday, St. Patrick's Day, with shamrocks, colourful rainbows, and cute and fun Leprechaun arts and crafts. All materials supplied.

Swords Library	Tuesday, 14th March	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 6 – 10 years
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 14th March	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 8 – 12 years
Baldoyle Library	Wednesday, 15th March	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 6 – 10 years
Donabate Library	Thursday, 16th March	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 5 – 12 years
Garristown Library	Wednesday, 15th March	3:30pm – 4:45pm Age: 5 – 12 years
Malahide Library	Wednesday, 15th March	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 4 – 7 years
	Thursday, 16th March	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 8 – 11 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

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**To celebrate World Book Day Ireland 2023,
authors Alan Nolan, Patricia Forde,
Eve McDonnell, Erika McGann and Peter
Donnelly will visit libraries and schools
between 27th February and 3rd March for lots
of fun and mischief!**



A Day in the Life: Talks by Detective Chief Supt. John O'Brien

To coincide with the Centenary of An Garda Síochána, author and retired Detective Chief Superintendent John O'Brien invites the public to his talk titled 'A Day in the Life'. John who served at many different levels in the policing and security service of Ireland gives a first-hand account based on his latest book *Securing the Irish State: 1922 - 2022*.



Blanchardstown Library	Thursday, 26th January	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Rush Library	Thursday, 23rd February	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Balbriggan Library	Thursday, 30th March	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Fingal Local Studies & Archives	Thursday, 20th April	7:00pm – 8:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

A Beginners Guide to Budgeting with Money Mentor Santis O'Garro

Santis O'Garro is author of *The Money Mentor*, a Speaker, TV Presenter and Certified Coach and Educator. Her workshop will give people the mindset needed to address their finances along with practical skills to get them from the starting line to maintaining their budget.



Balbriggan Library	Wednesday, 1st February	6:30pm – 7:45pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Learn to Draw and Paint for Adults with artist John Carpenter

Would you like to learn to draw and paint? Over the last 16 years, John Carpenter has introduced over 5,000 people to the joys of drawing and painting. Take the opportunity of a free 4-week course and grow in confidence as the weeks go by. All materials supplied.



Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 1st February Wednesday, 8th February Wednesday, 22nd February Wednesday, 1st March	11:00am – 1:00pm
Balbriggan Library	Friday, 3rd February Friday, 10th February Friday, 24th February Friday, 3rd March	10:30am – 12:30pm
Rush Library	Friday, 3rd February Friday, 10th February Friday, 24th February Friday, 3rd March	2:30pm – 4:30pm
Malahide Library	Monday, 6th March Monday, 13th March Monday, 20th March Monday, 27th March	3:00pm – 5:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Spring Gardening with gardener Aoife Munn

Get your garden ready for the year ahead with this lively informative talk by Aoife Munn that will cover everything from food to flowers.

There will be a focus on seed sowing and garden planning.

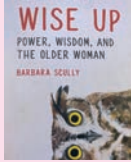


Howth Library	Thursday, 2nd February	11:00am – 12:00pm
Swords Library	Tuesday, 7th February	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Malahide Library	Friday, 17th February	10:30am – 11:30am
Donabate Library	Saturday, 18th February	3:30pm – 4:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Wise Up: Power, Wisdom and the Older Woman

with author Barbara Scully



Barbara chats around the important topics of her latests book *Wise Up* which includes ageing and ageism, the role of women in contemporary Ireland and the unlocked opportunities life offers older women post menopause.



Swords Library

Wednesday, 15th February

6:30pm – 7:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

How to research your novel

with Poolbeg Press authors Anne McLoughlin & Derville Murphy

Two recently published Poolbeg Press authors Anne McLoughlin & Derville Murphy discuss what inspires their work and how they go about transforming their ideas into novels. This creative writing event is not only designed for aspiring writers but for anybody interested in the craft of writing.

Malahide Library

Saturday, 11th March

11:00am – 12:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Researching your family history workshop

with genealogist Claire Bradley

Claire Bradley is a genealogist specialising in Irish ancestry. This genealogy workshop will guide you through how to research your family history using any stories or records that you have already, exploring the online resources available such as the Census, civil, church and burial records. The workshop will also include a demonstration of the commercial genealogy sites such as Findmypast, FamilySearch, Irish News Archive.

Skerries Library

Tuesday, 21st March

6:45pm – 7:45pm

Baldoyle Library

Tuesday, 28th March

6:45pm – 7:45pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



St. Brigid's Day Celebrations

Fingal Libraries and Creative Ireland will mark St Brigid's Day which falls on Monday 6th February with two very special events to celebrate the creativity and talent of Fingal Women both past and present.

Talk on Fingal's Inspirational Female Entrepreneurs



As part of celebrations for St. Brigid's Day 2023 and in partnership with Creative Ireland and the Fingal Local Enterprise Office, Fingal Libraries, are delighted to bring this inspiring and celebratory talk from three local female entrepreneurs. Noelle McEvoy of Supernature, Lauren McDonald of Lynotts Jewellery and Giselle Makinde of Cream of the Crop will be discussing their lives and careers in entrepreneurship with the local secondary school in Malahide. Jess Hayden of The Brave Lab will be guiding the discussion on the day.

Malahide Library	Wednesday, 8th February	11:00am – 12:00pm Secondary school class visit
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This event will be available to watch on Fingal Libraries YouTube channel after the event.

Bicentenary of an Irish Feminist: Frances Power Cobbe (1822-1904) with Cathal Dowd-Smith

Journalist, women's rights campaigner, activist, feminist, and early suffragette Frances Power Cobbe was born in 1822 and grew up in Newbridge House, Donabate. Frances' activism throughout her life centred on social issues affecting all levels of society. She spoke out where she saw injustice. Cathal Dowd-Smith is a History of Art and Architecture graduate of TCD, specialising in Irish architecture of the 18th and 19th centuries. He is the Curator at Newbridge House and is also the Cobbe Family Archivist. *Image of Frances Power Cobbe Courtesy of The Cobbe Collection.*



Fingal Local Studies & Archives	Tuesday, 7th February	7:00pm - 8:00pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



The Europe Direct Centre at Blanchardstown is your starting point for finding information about the European Union and is based on the second floor at Blanchardstown Library.

The following events are funded by the Europe Direct Centre.

Coach Yourself to a Better Life

with Leadership coach Jill Barrett

Do you start every New Year with the thought that life could be better? Have you made many resolutions that you haven't kept? Would you like to be more in control of your life and achieving in what's most important to you?



Join this 4-week group life coaching class to help you to take back a bit of control in their lives where things have not gone or are not going according to plan.

Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 17th January Tuesday, 24th January Tuesday, 31st January Tuesday, 7th February	6:30pm – 7:45pm
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To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

How can we win the fight against false information? with Dr. Ricardo Castellini da Silva

In this online talk, media literacy educator Dr. Ricardo Castellini da Silva will discuss the main aspects of the disinformation crisis and provide some simple but useful techniques on how to avoid being deceived and manipulated by false information online.



Online	Tuesday, 7th February	7:00pm – 8:15pm
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Booking essential via Eventrite or scan QR code:
<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/471096501317>



How to talk to children about digital technology & social media with Dr. Ricardo Castellini da Silva

Many parents and educators struggle to talk about digital technology, social media and media literacy with children. These technologies and how they are used can have a significant impact on the lives of young people, including issues related to data privacy, online safety, information disorder and mental health. In this online talk, Dr. Ricardo Castellini da Silva will provide parents and educators with some important tips about how they can approach these topics and discuss them with children in a friendly and productive way.



Online	Thursday, 9th February	7:00pm – 8:15pm
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Booking essential via Eventbrite or scan QR code:
<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/471120111937>



Built Environment & Natural Environment workshop for Kids with Recreate

During this workshop session young participants will have the opportunity to explore and play with unusual materials to create a unique curiosity cabinet based upon either the natural or built environments. Elements of the workshop will include STEAM, creative sustainability education and design thinking processes all presented in a child friendly way.



Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 25th February	2:00pm – 3:15pm Age: 6 – 8 years
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To reserve a place for the Balbriggan event, please contact the library directly.

Skerries, Swords, Donabate and Baldoye Libraries have arranged class visits for these workshops with local schools.

The Sustainable Life School will facilitate the following 4-week interactive programme of talks to inspire people to kick start a more sustainable lifestyle..



Every day easy eco-tips for less waste with the Sustainable Life School

Would you like guidance, practical tips, skills, and ideas on how to live a more package free lifestyle for all budgets? This talk will show you how to reduce plastic and packaging. Drawing inspiration from Zero Waste's 5 R's: Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot.

Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 7th February	6:30pm – 7:45pm
Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 22nd February	6:30pm – 7:45pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Cosy Homes with the Sustainable Life School

Would you like tips on how to reduce energy usage in your home? In this talk, we will look at the everyday actions individuals and families can take to help reduce their emissions whilst saving money and creating a more sustainable home. In partnership with Dublin Energy Agency Codema, we will demonstrate the use of Codema's Home Energy Saving Kit, which you can borrow from the library.

Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 14th February	6:30pm – 7:45pm
Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 1st March	6:30pm – 7:45pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Your Sustainable Wardrobe with the Sustainable Life School

Do you know how to source sustainable clothes and what to do with the clothes you no longer want? This talk will look at the environmental and social impacts associated with the fashion industry and share tips on how to source sustainable clothes and what to do with the clothes you no longer want. You will also learn about fabric and how to care for clothes to make them last longer.

Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 21st February	6:30pm – 7:45pm
Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 8th March	6:30pm – 7:45pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

A Climate Friendly Kitchen with the Sustainable Life School

Would you like tips on climate friendly eating, how to reduce food waste and plant-based recipes? In this talk you will hear about the connection between climate change and food. Topics covered include: organic food, local produce, food miles, plant-based options, food waste and food waste reduction tips. You will also get to know about getting involved in community gardens and will come away with new plant-based recipes.

Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 28th February	6:30pm – 7:45pm
Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 15th March	6:30pm – 7:45pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.





Internet Safety: Series of talks for children, teens and parents with CyberSafeKids

Helping Children and Teens Thrive in an Online World

This February, Fingal Libraries is organising workshops for children and teens on the issue of internet safety and cyberbullying in partnership with some local schools in Blanchardstown, Swords, and Malahide.

CyberSafeKids is an Irish charity that works to empower children, parents, and educators to navigate the online world in a safe and responsible manner. Blanchardstown, Swords, and Malahide Libraries have invited some classes from local primary and secondary schools to workshops facilitated by CyberSafeKids.



The session for primary school students helps children navigate the online world in a stronger, safer, and smarter way and will cover a broad range of topics including privacy and personal info, social media and gaming and cyberbullying.

The session for secondary school students focuses on how to behave appropriately online, including creating a positive digital footprint, the problem of cyberbullying and the importance of applying critical thinking skills in an environment where image and information is easily manipulated.

Helping your teens thrive in the online world with CyberSafeKids

This talk aims to raise awareness of what young people are doing online, and the associated risks and safeguards. Parents will be provided with information and guidance on platforms teenagers are using, digital wellbeing, oversharing and privacy, cyberbullying and sexting.

Blanchardstown Library | Monday, 27th February

6:30pm – 7:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.



Sensory Friendly Events



Sensory Friendly Lego Bricks 4 Kidz Workshops

Join Bricks 4 Kidz Fingal at the following Fingal Libraries for a sensory friendly Lego themed build (e.g Minecraft, Star Wars, Disney). Suitable for girls and boys aged 6+.



Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 11th February	11:00am - 12:00pm
Malahide Library	Saturday, 18th February	11:00am - 12:00pm
Baldoyle Library	Saturday, 4th March	11:00am - 12:00pm
Swords Library	Thursday, 23rd March	6:30pm - 7:30pm
Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 25th March	2:00pm - 3:00pm
Garristown Library	Monday, 27th March	6:30pm - 7:30pm
Rush Library	Saturday, 22nd April	11:00am - 12:00pm
Donabate Library	Saturday, 22nd April	2:30pm - 3:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Autism Friendly Soap Making Workshops with Aoife Munn

A one-on-one soap making workshop using a range of natural herbs flowers and other materials. There will also be sensory stations around the room for parents and children to enjoy while awaiting their turn. Suitable for children aged 5+.



Baldoyle Library	Saturday, 18th February	11:30am - 12:30pm
Donabate Library	Saturday, 18th February	2:00pm - 3:00pm
Rush Library	Saturday, 4th March	11:30am - 12:30pm
Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 4th March	2:00pm - 3:00pm
Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 25th March	11:00am - 12:00pm
Malahide Library	Saturday, 25th March	2:00pm - 3:00pm
Garristown Library	Thursday, 6th April	3:30pm - 4:30pm
Swords Library	Thursday, 6th April	6:30pm - 7:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Inclusive Creativity

with Prosper Fingal

Last year, Malahide Library welcomed members of Prosper Fingal to the library to take part in an Inclusive Creativity project funded by Creative Ireland.

Prosper Fingal supports adults with an intellectual disability. The workshops gave participants an opportunity to express their creativity and interact with others in a supportive and friendly environment.



PROSPER FINGAL



This Spring, Malahide Library will continue the Inclusive Creativity partnership with Prosper Fingal and the project will branch out to two new locations, Rush Library and Skerries Libraries.

A series of creative workshops will take place in all three libraries for Prosper members.



Seachtain na Gaeilge: 1–17 Márta 2023

Is féile idirnáisiúnta í Seachtain na Gaeilge agus tá sé ar cheann de na ceiliúrtha dár dteanga agus dár gcultúr dúchais is mó a bhíonn ar siúil gach bliain in Éirinn agus i dtíortha eile.

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Irish Language Week: 1–17 March 2023

Seachtain na Gaeilge (Irish Language Week) is an International Irish language festival and one of the biggest celebrations of our native language and culture that takes place each year in Ireland and in many other countries.

Cruthaigh Éan-Scéal le húdar Sadhbh Devlin **Create a Word-Bird** with children's author Sadhbh Devlin

Scríobh scéal nó dán spreagtha ag éanlaithe agus cruthaigh éan álainn le páipéir, cárta, seacain, cnaipí agus níos mó chun d'fhocail a chur ag eitilt! Oiriúnach do leanaí 5 - 9 mbliana d'aois. Ceardlann Dátheangach. Tá fáilte roimh chách.

Create a short story or poem inspired by birds, then use paper, card, sequins, buttons and more to create your own beautiful bird that will help your words take flight! Suitable for children aged 5 – 9 years. This is a Bilingual Event. All welcome.



Blanchardstown Library	Saturday, 18th February	11:30am – 12:30pm
Howth Library	Saturday, 25th February	11:30am – 12:30pm
Donabate Library	Saturday, 25th February	2:30pm – 3:30pm

Áirithint riachtanach. Booking essential.



Ióga as Gaeilge do pháistí Yoga for children in Irish

Rang yoga spráúil do pháistí 6-10 mbliana d'aois. Bí linn ar thuras samhlaíochta a nascann deasuithe ióga bríomhara le gluaiseachtaí ainmhithe. Cuirfear mataí yóga ar fáil. Ceardlann Dátheangach.

A fun filled yoga class for children 6-10 years of age. Join Óga Yoga for a creative and imaginative adventure combining dynamic yoga poses and animal movements. Yoga mats will be provided. This is a Bilingual Event.

Malahide Library	Wednesday, 1st March	3:30pm – 4:30pm
Balbriggan Library	Tuesday, 7th March	3:30pm – 4:30pm
Baldoyle Library	Monday, 13th March	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 14th March	3:30pm – 4:30pm

Áirithint riachtanach. Booking essential.

Sorcas Dodhéanta Guido Fanzini Guido Fanzini's Impossible Circus

“Bataí pogo? Seiceáil. Breac le toirneach a ghoid ó dheartháir? Seiceáil. D’éirigh le Guido Fanzini a dheartháir Ronaldo a dhíbrt go dtí roustabout sorcais íseal ionas gur féidir leis a bheith ina réalta i Sorcas Dodhéanta Guido Fanzini. Ach b’fhéidir go mbeadh smaointe eile ag Ronaldo! Scéal sorcais faoin iomaíocht idir deartháireacha agus deartháireacha, grá bráithre agus maidí pogo. Ceardlann Dátheangach. Tá fáilte roimh chách.



Pogo sticks? Check. Plot to steal thunder from brother? Check. Guido Fanzini has finally managed to demote his brother Ronaldo to a lowly circus roustabout so he can shine as the star of Guido Fanzini's Impossible Circus. But Ronaldo may have other ideas! A circus tale of sibling rivalry, brotherly love and pogo sticks. This is a Bilingual Event. All welcome.

Malahide Library	Wednesday, 15th March	4:30pm - 5:30pm
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Áirithint riachtanach. Booking essential.

Ceol & Amhránaíocht thraidisiúnta na hÉireann

le Antaine Ó Faracháin & Nollaig MacCarthaigh

Irish Traditional music & singing

with Antaine Ó Faracháin & Nollaig MacCarthaigh



Bain úsáid agus taitneamh as do chuid Gaeilge. Fáilte roimh chách. Is amhránaí ins an stíl dhúchasach é Antaine Ó Faracháin a chasann i mBéarla agus i nGaeilge agus is píobaire den scoth é Nollaig Mac Carthaigh a bhfuil an-mheas air mar cheoltóir. Ceardlann Dátheangach. Tá fáilte roimh chách.

Antaine Ó Faracháin sings in the native style in both Irish and English and Nollaig Mac Carthaigh is an excellent piper who is renowned for his skills as a musician. This is a bilingual event. All welcome.

Blanchardstown Library	Monday, 6th March	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Rush Library	Friday, 10th March	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Balbriggan Library	Saturday, 11th March	2:00pm – 3:00pm

No booking required.

Club Leabhar Gaeilge do Dhaoine Fásta

Irish Book Club for Adults

Beidh muid ag teacht le chéile i Leabharlann Dhomhnach Bat i rith Seachtain na Gaeilge chun leabhair Ghaeilge a phlé agus moltaí a roinnt lena chéile. Bígí linn Dé Luain, 13 Márta ag 18.30pm. Fáilte roimh chách.

The staff at Donabate Library will be getting together during Seachtain na Gaeilge to discuss books in Irish and share recommendations. All welcome.

Donabate Library	Monday, 13th March	6:30pm – 7:30pm
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Áirithint riachtanach. Booking essential.

Oíche Airneáin do Dhaoine Fásta

Social Night for Adults

Táimid ag súil go mór le oíche airneáin Dé Céadaoin, 15 Márta ag 18.30pm i Leabharlann Dhomhnach Bat. Beidh deis againn labhairt faoin gcultúr, ceol, scannáin agus go leor rudaí eile.

The staff at Donabate Library are looking forward to a social night. They will have the opportunity to talk about culture, music, cinema and more.

Donabate Library	Wednesday, 15th March	6:30pm – 7:30pm
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Áirithint riachtanach. Booking essential.



Engineers Week

Now entering its 17th year, Engineers Week promotes interest and awareness in engineering.



Introduction to Computers for Adults with cccSkerries

This 4-week course is designed to introduce complete beginners to the world of computers. Sabine McKenna from the Creative Computing Classes will teach you everything you need to know in a relaxed and friendly environment.

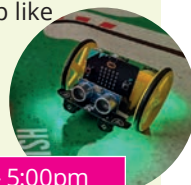


Blanchardstown Library	Monday, 13th, 20th, 27th February, 6th March	11:30am – 1:00pm
Donabate Library	Wednesday, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March	5:00pm – 6:30pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Program & Race Autonomous Cars with Coding Ireland

If you feel the need for speed, join Coding Ireland for a workshop like no other? Learn how to program a robotic car to follow the lines around a race track and how to improve the code so that your race car will go faster without crashing off the track! Suitable for children aged 8 – 12 years.



Blanchardstown Library	Wednesday, 8th March	4:00pm – 5:00pm
Baldoyle Library	Friday, 10th March	4:00pm – 5:00pm

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event.

Ronaldo Fanzini Rí na Mayhem Ronaldo Fanzini King of Mayhem

Bailigí timpeall, bailigí uilig is beidh béaloscailteach nuair a fheiceann sibh na héachtanna do-chreidthe a bhfuil an fear seo as Chiarraí – cibé áit eile! -sásta tabhairt faoi. An bhfuil sé amaideach nó chalma thar aon chreidiúint? Is cuma cé acu í ndáiríre mar go gcuireann Ronaldo Fanzini seó sorcas iontach greannmhar is fíor craiceáilte í láthair d'óg is aosta.



Gather round, gather round to witness the jaw-dropping antics of this devilishly handsome Italian Kerryman, Ronaldo Fanzini. Is he stupid or brave beyond belief? It really doesn't matter as he presents 30 mins of fantastic comedy and pure fun in his spoof danger, comedy circus show.

Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 4th April	11:00am – 12:00pm
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Áirithint riachtanach. Booking essential.





Easter Crafts at your local library

Celebrate Easter by joining library staff for fun and interactive arts and crafts workshops. All materials supplied.

Garristown Library	Monday, 3rd April	3:00pm – 4:30pm Age: 5 – 12 years
	Tuesday, 4th April	3:00pm – 4:30pm Age: 5 – 12 years
Swords Library	Tuesday, 4th April	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 5 – 10 years
Blanchardstown Library	Tuesday, 4th April	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 8 – 12 years
Rush Library	Tuesday, 4th April	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 4 – 8 years
	Thursday, 6th April	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 9 – 12 years
Donabate Library	Tuesday, 4th April	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 5 – 12 years
	Thursday, 6th April	3:00pm – 4:00pm Age: 5 – 12 years
Baldoyle Library	Thursday, 6th April	3:30pm – 4:30pm Age: 6 – 10 years

To reserve a place, please contact the library hosting the event





Spring into Storytime is part of the national Right to Read programme which aims to promote literacy and reading development for people of all ages and backgrounds. We hope you can join us for the following Storytime sessions during the month of April.

Garristown Library	Wednesday, 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th April	3:45pm Ages: 3 – 7 years
Skerries Library	Wednesday, 5th April	10:00am Preschoolers
Balbriggan Library	Wednesday, 5th April	10:30am All ages welcome
Howth Library	Thursday, 6th April	11:00am All ages welcome
Rush Library	Thursday, 13th April	2.30pm All ages welcome
Swords Library	Tuesday, 18th April	2:30pm All ages welcome
Blanchardstown Library	Thursday 20th April	3:00pm All ages welcome
Malahide Library	Thursday, 20th April Friday, 21st April	3:00pm Ages: 8 – 11 years
Donabate Library	Tuesday, 25th April Thursday, 27th April	3:00pm All ages welcome
Baldoyle Library	Wednesday, 26th April Thursday, 27th April	4:00pm All ages welcome

All welcome. No booking required.”

ONE DUBLIN ONE BOOK

One Dublin One Book 2023

One Dublin One Book aims to encourage everyone in Dublin to read a designated book connected with Dublin during the month of April every year. *The Coroner's Daughter* by Andrew Hughes is the One Dublin One Book choice for 2023, a historical crime novel with themes such as forensic science, religion, and the role of women in Ireland at the time.

Fingal Libraries are delighted to partner with Dublin City Libraries and Dublin UNESCO City of Literature to facilitate this very special event.

Women of Mystery: creating compelling female characters in historical crime fiction:

Andrew Hughes in conversation
with authors Sinéad Crowley and Nicola Cassidy



Authors Andrew Hughes and Nicola Cassidy will be joined by RTÉ's Sinéad Crowley to talk about writing vivid and authentic female protagonists in historical crime novels, as well as the inspiration and research required to capture the voices and perspectives of women in the past. An event not to be missed.

Malahide Library

Saturday, 22nd April

11:00am – 12:30pm



Let's get reading One Dublin One Book 2023

The Coroner's Daughter is available to borrow from Fingal Libraries. There will also be a programme of free events in April to accompany the reading initiative. For more information, visit <http://www.onedublineonebook.ie>

Regular Events at your Local Fingal Library

Discover a fabulous range of recurring events at your local library – from language groups and sensory quiet time, to activities to keep the children busy. Contact your local library for more information about the following events.

Balbriggan Library

Scrabble Club meet every Monday at 11:00am

Turret Writer's Group meet every Monday at 3:30pm

Sensory Quiet Time every Monday 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Knitting and Crochet Club meet every Monday at 8:00pm

Baby Book Club & Toddler Time meet the first Wednesday of each month suitable for babies & kids up to school age

Ukrainian Meetup Group meet every Saturday 11:00am to 1:00pm

Baldoyle Library

Free English classes for Ukrainians meet every Monday 10:00am to 12:00pm

University of the Third Age (U3A) meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 10:30am

'The Lounge Lizards' host a sing along session of well-known tunes on the first and third Saturday of every month. All adults welcome."

Baldoyle Women's Circle enjoy meditation, journaling, breath work and oracle card readings and meet fortnightly on Mondays at 6:30pm

Baldoyle Crafters meet on the 3rd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 10.30am to 12.30pm. All adults welcome.

Library Storytime for Children meet the last Thursday of every month at 4:00pm

Blanchardstown Library

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Monday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

English classes for Ukrainians meet every Monday 2:00pm to 4:00pm & Thursday 10:00am to 12:00pm

Peaceful Playtime for 4 - 12 year olds meet every Wednesday 3:00pm to 4:00pm

Parent & Toddler Group meet every Thursday from 11:00am to 12.30pm

Storytime for children aged 4 – 8 years old meet every Thursday at 3:00pm

Donabate Library

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Monday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Monday Evening Book club meet on the last Monday of the month from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Ukrainian Meetup Group with free English class from Fáilte Isteach meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00am to 1:00pm

Chinkwell Writers Group meet every second Saturday from 11.00am to 1.00pm

Garristown Library

Chess Club for Kids (age 7+) meet every Monday and Tuesday afternoon from 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Storytime for Kids (age 3 – 7 years) meet every Wednesday from 3:45pm to 4:30pm

English conversation classes for Ukrainian adults meet every Wednesday from 1:45pm to 3:45pm

Scrabble Club for Kids (7 – 12 years) meet every Thursday from 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Wednesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Junior Readers Book Club (8 – 12 years) meet on the last Wednesday of every month from 3:45pm to 4:45pm



Howth Library

To be notified of events at Howth Library, please contact Howth Library and ask to be added to their mailing list. Contact details at back of brochure.

Malahide Library

Ukrainian Meetup Group meet every Monday from 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Malahide Active Retirement Group (MARA) meet specific Mondays from 10:00am – 12:00pm

German Conversation Group meet specific Mondays at 6:30pm

Irish Conversation Group meet every Wednesday at 11:00am

Sensory Quiet Time meet every Wednesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Toddler Time every Thursday morning from 10:00am to 12:00pm

Spanish Conversation Group meet every Thursday from 6:00pm to 7:30pm

A variety of **Adult Book Clubs** and an afternoon and evening **Film Club**

Age Action meet every Thursday from 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Rush Library

Quilting Club meets every Tuesday morning from 10:00am to 12:00pm

Baby & Toddler Book Club meet every second Thursday from 10:00am to 11:00am

Skerries Library

To be notified of events at Skerries Library, please contact Skerries Library and ask to be added to their mailing list. Contact details at back of brochure.

Swords Library

Baby & Toddler Book Club meet every second Tuesday from 10:30am to 11:30pm

Sensory Quiet Time every Thursday 6:30pm and 7:30pm

C-Pen Reader Pens Available to Borrow from Your Local Fingal Library



Fingal Libraries Becomes JAM Card® Friendly



Cá bhfuil mo leabharlann is cóngaraí? Where is my nearest library?

Balbriggan	01 870 4401	balbrigganlibrary@fingal.ie
Baldoyle	01 890 6793	baldoylelibrary@fingal.ie
Blanchardstown	01 890 5560	blanchlibrary@fingal.ie
Donabate	01 890 5609	donabate.library@fingal.ie
Garristown	01 835 5020	garristownlibrary@fingal.ie
Howth	01 890 5026	Howth.library@fingal.ie
Malahide	01 870 4430	malahidelibrary@fingal.ie
Rush	01 870 8414	rushlibrary@fingal.ie
Skerries	01 890 5671	skerrieslibrary.library@fingal.ie
Swords	01 890 5582	swordslibrary@fingal.ie
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