

Wainfest 2015

Arts and Book Festival for Children
Féile Ealaíon agus Leabhar do Pháistí

Join us on a voyage
of Discovery

10th - 17th
OCTOBER

Deireadh
Fómhair

Donegal County Council Cultural Services
Le Seirbhísí Cultúrtha Chomhairle Contae
Dhún na nGall



Comhairle Contae
Dhún na nGall
Donegal County Council

Win a €200 spending spree for your school library

Does your school library need updating?

Be in with a chance of winning books to the value of €200 for your school library this October. Donegal County Council Library Service, courtesy of The Booknest Ltd. in Sligo is offering teachers and students the chance to win an online spending spree of €200 to buy books for your school library. Borrow children's books from your local library or Taobh Tíre Centre at any point during October to be entered into the draw for this fantastic prize.

All events for schools must be booked in advance.

Booking line for schools programme opens Tuesday 29th September.

Please book by telephone. All contact information is available on page 3.

Free Tickets Competition Alert!



Donegal County Council Library Service has free tickets to give away for each of our family events in the Regional Cultural Centre on Saturday 17th October. Keep an eye on Facebook for our competitions and like & share our family show posts to be in with a chance of winning a set of free tickets to either *The Dinosaur That Pooped A Show* or *The Wimpy Kid Show*. There will be a few opportunities to win so give Donegal County Library Service a Like on Facebook for updates.



Donegal County Library

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Mevagh Family Resource Centre, Downings

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St Johnston & Carrigans Family Resource Centre

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The Forge Family Resource Centre, Pettigo

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Other Venues:

An Grianán Theatre

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Fáilte go Wainfest 2015

Tá fonn scaipthe eolais, fonn oiliúna agus cothaithe agus fonn chun spreagtha ag croílár Sheirbhísí Cultúrtha Chomhairle Contae Dhún na nGall. Tá sé seo fíor go háirithe i dtaca le páistí, a bheas ina gceannairí ar fud na tíre agus go fiú an domhain nuair a thiocthaí siad i méadaíocht. An chruthaitheacht i leith focal agus foirme, an méadú mór spéise nuair a aithnítear chomh suimiúil agus atá an stair, agus an bhomaite shultmhar sin nuair a fhaightear amach cad é mar a oibríonn rud éigin, tá sé sin uilig ag croílár an dóigh a gcuireann muid ár seirbhísí ar fáil do pháistí agus do dhaoine óga. Ní haon eisceacht é Wainfest, an fhéile bhliantúil ealaíne agus leabhar do pháistí.

Beidh Wainfest na bliana seo ar siúl idir 10 - 17 Deireadh Fómhair agus beidh siamsaíocht den chéad scoth ar fáil do pháistí idir 4-12 bhliain d'aois. Níorbh fhéidir an líon mór siamsóirí seo a chur ar fáil gan tacaíocht fhlaithiúil ónár maoinitheoirí agus lucht tacaíochta eile. Gabhaimid buíochas ó chroí le gach duine atá i gceist.

Tá fáilte roimh thuismitheoirí, chúramóirí, agus mhúinteoirí páistí a thabhairt chuig na himeachtaí sin atá curtha in oiriúint dóibh, ón chlár cuimsitheach imeachtaí do scoileanna go dtí imeachtaí teaghlaigh. Ná caill mór-imeacht na féile, an lá teaghlaigh i Leitir Ceanainn Dé Sathairn 17 Deireadh Fómhair. Is é seo an chéad uair a leathnaigh muid an fhéile amach taobh amuigh de chlár imeachtaí na scoileanna, agus le cuidiú ónár bpáirtnéirí tá bród orainn go bhfuil muid in ann deis a thairiscint do theaghlaigh lá iomlán spraoi a chaitheamh le Wainfest.

Ba mhaith linn tú suí siar agus do scíth a ligint fad agus a thabharfaidh foireann Sheirbhísí Cultúrtha Chomhairle Contae Dhún na nGall do pháistí ar thuras lán spraoi agus eolais.

Tá súil againn go mbainfidh sibh sult as an fhéile agus tá muid ag tnúth le sibh a fheiceáil ann!

Coiste Wainfest

Ós rud é gur gá an chuid is mó de na himeachtaí a chur in áirithe roimh ré, moltar duit sin a dhéanamh go luath le nach mbeidh díomá oraibh. Tá na himeachtaí saor in aisce, mura gcuirtear a mhalairt in iúl.

Welcome To Wainfest 2015

At the heart of Donegal County Council's Cultural Services is an instinctive desire to inform, nurture and inspire. This is especially true when it comes to children who will eventually grow up to be the movers and shakers across the country and indeed the world. The creative process with words and form, the thrill of recognising how interesting the past can be and that joyful moment when discovering how something works, are all at the very core of how we deliver our services to children and young people. Wainfest, our annual Arts and Book Festival for children is no exception.

This year's Wainfest, which runs from the 10th - 17th October offers the very best in performance for children aged 4-12 years. Our extensive line up would not be possible without the generous support of our funders and contributors. We extend a warm thank you to all involved.

From our comprehensive schools programme to our family events, parents, carers and teachers are invited to bring children to something tailored just for them. Don't miss our festival highlight, the family day in Letterkenny on Saturday 17th October. This is the first time we have expanded the festival outside the schools programme and with the help of our partners, we are proud to offer families the opportunity to enjoy a day full of Wainfest fun.

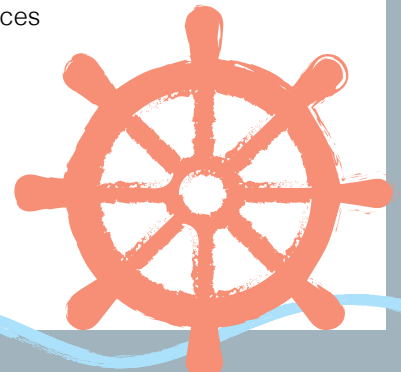
We invite you to unwind and take a back seat while Donegal County Council's Cultural Services team takes children on a voyage of fun and discovery.

We hope you enjoy the festival and look forward to seeing you there!

The Wainfest Committee

As most events require pre-booking, early booking is advised to avoid disappointment.

Events are
FREE unless
otherwise
stated

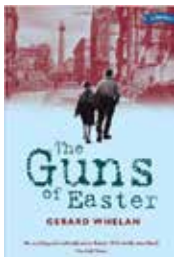


Schools Programme

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Author Visit

Gerard Whelan



In 1916 the people of Ireland stood

divided; torn between propaganda against the Germans in the Great War and on the other side, the King. Gerard gives a wonderful sense of the people involved on both sides of this uprising and presents the humanity of soldiers and loyalists, while placing this conflict in its European context.

Gerard Whelan is the author of many books for children as well as being a multiple award-winner. His first novel, *The Guns of Easter* won the Eilís Dillion

Memorial Award for first-time writers. *Dream Invader* later won the Bisto Book of the year Award. He has also been short listed for the Reading Association of Ireland awards, and is the author of *A Winter of Spies* and *Out of Nowhere*. Gerard will speak to the children about his life as a writer and give the children an opportunity to delve deeper into his books with a Q&A session.

Capacity: 120 **Age:** 11-12

VENUE

Regional Cultural Centre

Date: Thursday 15

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.00pm
Booking via Central Library

The Balor Theatre

Date: Friday 16

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.00pm
Booking via Ballybofey Community Library

Bringing the past to life:

The Easter Rising 1916- Molly's Diary

With Patricia Murphy



What would it have been like to be a child caught up in the Easter Rising? Patricia Murphy, author of *Easter Rising 1916 - Molly's Diary*, discusses what inspired this child's eye view of the most momentous week in Irish history. Students will learn where her inspiration came from which helped her to imagine Molly's experiences.

Capacity: 60 **Age:** 11-12

VENUE

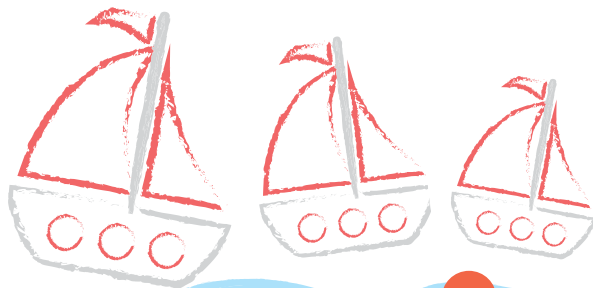
Bundoran Community Library

Date: Friday 16

Time: 12.00pm 1.30pm

Irish History Live - 1916

One of the driving theories of EU founder Robert Schumann & others was to '*make war unthinkable and materially impossible*'. This event highlights why this is so important today. Another Wainfest favourite returns. Join the entertaining historian, Michael Moylan as he delves into Irish history presenting a comprehensive interpretation of the 1916 Rising and its European Context using props, artefacts and audience participation.



Capacity: 100 **Age:** 7-12

VENUE

Carndonagh Community Library

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 10.00am 11.15am

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Buncrana Community Library

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 1.15pm

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Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 10.00am

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Milford Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 12.00pm 1.15pm

Children in the Workhouse



Donegal County Museum is based in what was once part of the Letterkenny Workhouse, built in the 19th Century. Workhouse life was difficult for adults and children. The Museum and Archives Services will introduce students to the history of the Workhouse and with the help of original records, tell the stories of some of the children who spent time there.

Capacity: 30 **Age:** 11-12

VENUE

Donegal County Museum

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 10.00am 12.00pm

Cuairt ó Údar

Máire Zeph



Is údar í Máire a scríobhann i nGaeilge do pháistí. Is colúnaí rialta í leis an iris An tUltach agus tá leabhar ficsein i nGaeilge dar teideal Tubaiste ar an Titanic foilsithe aici.

Líon Daoine: 50 Aois: 4-6

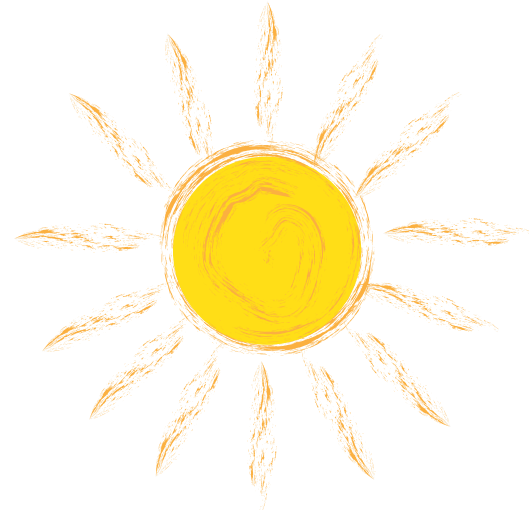
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Leabharlann Phobail Na Rosann

Dáta: Dé Máirt 13 Am: 10.00m

Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair

Dáta: Dé Máirt 13 Am: 1.00in



Patrick Ryan



We are really looking forward to this lively session with storyteller Patrick Ryan. Pat has worked as a storyteller and writer for over 3 decades. His practice has developed through the influences of family and friends across Europe, Ireland and Britain where he has collected stories and studied storytelling.

Through his workshops with young children, Patrick actively promotes EU priorities of raising literacy levels. In its 2012 report on Literacy The EU High Level Group of Experts on Literacy stated '*For the benefit of individuals, societies and Europe as a whole, the importance and potential of raising literacy levels cannot be overestimated.*'

Capacity: 90 **Age:** 7-12

VENUE

Donegal Town Community Library

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 10.00am

Ballyshannon Community Library

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 12.00pm

Bundoran Community Library

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 1.30pm

Buncrana Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 11.00am

Carndonagh Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 1.30pm



Inky Fingers

Children love to tell stories—they do it all the time. As we get older we forget that we all have unique power as writers and creative thinkers. Inky Fingers is a brand new workshop helping children of all ages to tap into their creativity and write their own stories, brought to you by Kathy Donaghy.

Capacity: 25 **Age:** 9 -12

VENUE

Moville Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14 **Time:** 10.00am

Buncrana Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14 **Time:** 1.00pm

Raphoe Community Library

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 11.00am



Irish Design 2015

Bringing words to life

A fun and innovative workshop on the art of Japanese paper craft with designer Naomi Fleury. Students will transform old book pages into a three dimensional form using only their two hands. Ideal for those who are willing to be surprised, love a challenge and want to try something new. This event is funded by Irish Design 2015 to increase the awareness of the value of Irish Design and designers.

Capacity: 25 **Age:** 11-12

VENUE

Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Friday 16

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.30pm

Supported by
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Weaving Workshop with Clare Cunnane

Clare Cunnane is an experienced textile artist who gives workshops in crochet, felt making and weaving. This workshop is a unique opportunity for children to learn to weave. All materials provided.

Capacity: 30 **Age:** 10 -12

VENUE

Regional Cultural Centre

Date: Thursday 15

Time: 10.30am

Date: Friday 16

Time: 10.30am



Comicí Gael



Teaspeánann Coimicí Gael, trí cheardlanna greannáin, go bhfuil páistí abálta línióchta a dhéanamh agus scéalta a rá trí ghreannáin. Teaspeánann Coimicí Gael na céimeanna chun coimic a dhéanamh agus rudaí eagsúla a líniú.

Líon Daoine: 30 **Aois:** 7-12

IONAD

Leabharlann Phobail Na Rosann

Dáta: Dé Luain 12 **Am:** 10.00rn 10.45rn

Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair

Dáta: Dé Luain 12 **Am:** 1.00in 1.45in



Fairytales School Workshop

Enjoy an hour of highly physical theatrical fun with Kate Brown as children step into the story world of the folk tale to become characters, places and objects. Prepare for dress-up, movement and mischief as each story unfolds with the child at the centre of the action.

Capacity: 25 **Age:** 9 -12

VENUE

Lifford Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 12.00pm 1.30pm



Revolting Rhymes



The wonderful works of Roald Dahl are re-imagined by storyteller and artist Wayne O' Connor. Wayne is a New Ross native working as an illustrator in Sligo. Children will love his high energy workshops which combine storytelling and art.

Capacity: 60 **Age:** 9 -12

VENUE

Bundoran Community Library

Date: Tuesday 13 **Time:** 11.00am

Donegal Town Community Library

Date: Tuesday 13 **Time:** 1.30pm

Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Wednesday 14 **Time:** 12.00pm 1.30pm

Lyngo Theatre - Puss In Boots

Would you trust a talking cat? You never know, he might turn you from a pauper to a prince just like the hero of this story, brought to vivid life on our incredible sloping stage by Patrick Lynch from Cbeebies. With smoke and mirrors and hidden trapdoors he'll show you how this sure-footed feline fools both the King and the Ogre to put his master at the top. With a host of puppets, a working windmill and an avalanche of fruit and nuts, come and see this classic furry tail, it's the cat's whiskers!

Capacity: 140 **Age:** 4-8

VENUE

Regional Cultural Centre

Date: Monday 12

Time: 10.00am 12.00pm

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 10.00am 12.00pm

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 10.00am 12.00pm



Cartoon Workshop with Jarla



Jarla's ever popular workshops are back where he will demonstrate basic tips in cartooning. From basic shapes, Jarla's step-by-step workshop will show students how to create animals, caricatures, faces and much more.

Capacity: 25 Age: 7-12

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Comharchumann Forbartha & Fostaíochta
Árainn Mhór

Dáta: Dé Luain 12 **Am:** 12.00in 1.30in

The Forge Family Resource Centre, Pettigo

Date: Tuesday 13 **Time:** 10.00am

Ballyshannon Community Library

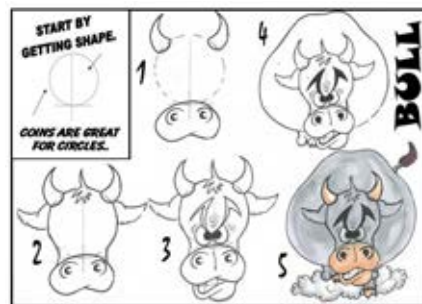
Date: Tuesday 13 **Time:** 1.00pm 2.00pm

Mevagh Family Resource Centre, Downings

Dáta: Dé Céadaoin 14 **Am:** 10.00rn 11.00rn

An tSeán Bheairic, An Fál Carrach

Dáta: Dé Céadaoin 14 **Am:** 1.00rn



Art Farm

A Wainfest favourite returns. Join Bernie on a recycling arts and crafts adventure where children make and keep their very own 2D landscape.



Capacity: 30 **Age:** 7-12

VENUE

Áislann Chill Chartha

Dáta: Déardaoin 15 **Am:** 10.00rn

Donegal Town Community Library

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 1.00pm

Carndonagh Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 10.00am

Moville Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 1.00pm

Arty Party with Emmanuella

Students will enjoy Emmanuella's arts and crafts sessions during Wainfest 2015. This is a great opportunity for them to engage their fine motor skills while they cut, stick and have fun creating their very own masterpieces.

Capacity: 25 **Age:** 4 - 7

VENUE

Milford Community Library

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 10.00am

Raphoe Community Library

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 12.30pm

Ballybofey Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 10.00am

Áras Sheáin Bháin/Fintown

Dáta: Dé Céadaoin 14

Am: 12.30in



European Inventors & their stories



In February this year, two Irish inventors benefited from the

European Research Council's 'Proof of Concept' grants for inventors. Every invention has its story. Some things were invented after years of trial and error. Some things were invented even by accident! Come and join Simone and Michael in this show, which combines puppetry with science and storytelling.

Capacity: 60 **Age:** 7-10

VENUE

Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Monday 12

Time: 10.00am 11.15am 1.00pm

What a Waste

– waste and litter in Ireland

Each person in the EU currently produces 6 tonnes of waste per year. The turning of waste into a resource is an EU priority.

The Rediscovery Centre will introduce students to the topic of waste, how much we produce and what we do with it. Perceptions of, and attitudes towards waste are discussed as well as ideas on reducing, reusing and recycling. Includes hands-on activities.



Capacity: 30 **Age:** 4 -12

VENUE

Bundoran Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 10.00am 11.15am

Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Thursday 15

Time: 10.00am 11.15am

Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair

Dáta: Dé hAoine 16

Am: 10.00rn 11.15rn



Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland Workshops



Join Guzzler the puppet and help him to stop wasting so much energy! Suitable for Junior to Second class. Children will learn about energy efficiency and environmental awareness through participation in various experiments and activities.



Capacity: 30 **Age:** 4-8

VENUE

Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.30pm

Carndonagh Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.30pm

Lifford Community Library

Date: Thursday 15

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.30pm

Please state Guzzler or Energy Workshop when booking.



Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland Workshops



This workshop is interactive, curriculum based and covers the principals of energy, current global problems and what we can do to help. Students learn about the science of energy and climate change through participation in experiments and playing the 'energy game'.



Capacity: 30 **Age:** 9 -12

VENUE

Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.30pm

Carndonagh Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.30pm

Lifford Community Library

Date: Thursday 15

Time: 10.00am 11.30am 1.30pm



Everyday Engineering

There is evidence of skill shortages in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) fields in spite of high unemployment rates in many EU Member States. The EU has identified the closing of this skills gap and encourages more young people to study these subjects and take up careers in related industries.

The Rediscovery Centre will demonstrate to students the importance of engineering to our everyday lives. This workshop teaches students about different commonly used mechanical workings and introduces engineering concepts and processes in a fun and child friendly way.

Capacity: 30 **Age:** 10 -12

VENUE

Bundoran Community Library

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 1.00pm

Central Library, Letterkenny

Date: Thursday 15

Time: 1.00pm

Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair

Dáta: Dé hAoine 16

Am: 1.00in



Goal



To highlight the European Year for Development, October focuses on food security and nutrition. Irish charity GOAL, through our Europe Direct Information Centre will host interactive workshops which will help students to explore what life is like for the 842 million people who do not have enough to eat.



Líon Daoine: 30 **Aois:** 9 -12

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Leabharlann Phobail Na Rosann

Dáta: Dé Céadaoin 14

Am: 10.00rn 11.15rn

Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair

Dáta: Dé Céadaoin 14

Am: 1.00in



Anti-Bullying workshop with Bernie Doherty

This workshop uses music, games, art and specific anti bullying games and props, to give children a better understanding of the real effects of bullying. The children will leave with a better understanding of what they can do in their daily lives to cope with bullying.

Capacity: 25 **Age:** 7-12

VENUE

Letterkenny Youth and Family Services

Date: Monday 12

Time: 4.00pm

Farming For All



The promotion of *Open Farming*, and the importance of Farming in the Irish economy are priorities of the EU Common Agricultural Policy reform implementation.

The Europe Direct Information Centre is bringing the farm to libraries. Students will enjoy hearing all about farming in modern Europe and Ireland, meet a real farmer and learn all about a day in the life of a farmer. Children will get an opportunity to engage in some sensory exercises along with the chance to see some small farm animals.

Capacity: 25 **Age:** 4 - 8

VENUE

Buncrana Community Library

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 12.30pm

Bundoran Community Library

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 11.00am

Milford Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 12.30pm

WAINFEST OCTOBER

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River Watch presents Water Beasts



Combining critters and calculations, take a closer look at some of the marine life commonly found in rock pools along our coast. Crabs, starfish, whelks, hermit crabs, oysters, mussels, and different types of seaweed are investigated with discussions around adaptations, life cycles, food chains and anatomies.

Capacity: 15-20 **Age:** 7-12

VENUE

Lifford Community Library

Date: Tuesday 13

Time: 10.00am

**St. Johnstons & Carrigans Family
Resource Centre**

Date: Wednesday 14

Time: 10.00am

Ballybofey Community Library

Date: Thursday 15

Time: 1.00pm

Moville Community Library

Date: Friday 16

Time: 10.00am

Scéalta

Is scéalaí ó chlann atá báite go dtí na súile i scéalaíocht agus seanachas Bríd Anna Ní Bhaoill. Is deis iontach é seo do phaistí scéalaí den chéad scoth, iar-phearsa Dhún na nGall na Bliana, a chloistéal.

Líon Daoine: 30 **Aois:** 10 -12

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Leabharlann Phobail Ghaoth Dobhair

Dáta: Déardaoin 15

Am: 10.00rn 12.00in

Leabharlann Phobail Na Rosann

Dáta: Dé hAoine 16

Am: 10.00rn 12.00in



Suil na nÓg Junior Cert Art Exhibition

This is the 19th annual explosion of teenage creativity featuring over 100 pieces of Junior Cert Art in a range of media including drawing, painting and 3-D. The work is drawn from twenty Secondary Schools throughout County Donegal. The exhibition is presented by Donegal County Council Cultural Services in partnership with the Donegal Art Teachers Association.

VENUE

Regional Cultural Centre

Date: 10 - 24 October

POST FESTIVAL EVENT

Me, Michael

Me, Michael by Tara McKeivitt, based on the character of Michael Evans, from Dancing at Lughnasa by Brian Friel.

It's 1936 and when we first meet friendly and enthusiastic Michael Evans, it's hard to understand why some of the locals say he doesn't fit in. But then we learn that today is the first time young Michael has ever met his father.

The play introduces the children to an engaging young boy who lives in an unconventional situation, protected by a passionate mother and several idiosyncratic aunts. Me, Michael explores the magic and the pathos of an imaginative child growing up without

a father in 1930s Donegal. By sharing his family story of the strong women and absent men that shape his life, Michael finds a new strength in dealing with prejudice.

Capacity: 50 **Age:** 10 -12

VENUE

An Grianán Theatre

Date: Monday 19

Book at: 074 91 20777 for Times and Ticket Price



Family events during Wainfest 2015

Welcome to the family events section of the 2015 Wainfest festival. The fun doesn't end with the Family Fun Day in Letterkenny on the 17th as we have some excellent events lined up for you and your family throughout the week long festival. All events are free so why not pop along to some of the venues listed below and enjoy all that is on offer. We look forward to seeing you during the week.

Monster Story Party

in association with Crafty Kids, Letterkenny



Wanted: Little Monsters!

We are appealing to all mini monsters to join in the fun during this year's Monster Story Party. Kids will be given free reign to be monsters for the morning.

In association with Crafty Kids, children will have the chance to delve into their creative side with activities and games as well as enjoying a monster-themed storytelling session.

Age: 3-8 **Capacity:** 30

Date: Saturday 10 **Time:** 11.00am

VENUE

Buncrana Community Library
Bundoran Community Library
Carndonagh Community Library
Central Library, Letterkenny
Milford Community Library

Booking is essential for this event as places are limited.

Rhyme time for under 5's

Rhyme time is half an hour of songs, rhymes and actions. Bring your toddler along to the following libraries for a morning of movement and fun.

VENUE

Central library, Letterkenny

Date: Wednesday 14 **Time:** 11.00am

Carndonagh Community Library

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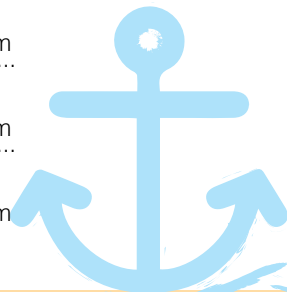
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Milford Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 11.00am

Bundoran Community Library

Date: Friday 16 **Time:** 11.00am



Creating Lifelong Readers

Parents and their children are invited along to enjoy stories and rhymes on the Cross- Border Mobile Library. Library staff and staff from Lifestart will be on hand to promote the importance of reading and discuss services available.

Age: 0 - 3

VENUE

Cross-Border Mobile Library

Main Street, Newtoncunningham

Date: Thursday 15 **Time:** 10.30

Contact: Maureen Kerr
074 9121968

Booking is essential for this event as places are limited.

Introducing Story Sacks

Cara House will host a free 6 week workshop course for parents on making "Story Sacks". The first of these begins the week of Wainfest.

Age: Parents, childcare providers

VENUE

Cara House FRC

Market Square, Letterkenny

Date: Thursday 13 **Time:** 7pm

Contact: 074 9123986

Eason Letterkenny Courtyard Shopping Centre

Come celebrate Wainfest with us from Monday 12 to Saturday 17 from 2pm - 4pm with instore colouring competitions, story telling, Lego demonstrations and FREE draw to win a €50 book voucher.

Age: 4+

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VENUE

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Courtyard Shopping Centre,
Letterkenny

Time: 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Contact: 074 9127299



Crafty Kids

Letterkenny Shopping Centre and
Letterkenny Retail Park

Join us for instore events and promotions from Monday 12 to Saturday 17. Arts and Crafts workshops, instore treasure hunt, FREE draws and a little bit of Wainfest mayhem!

Age: 4+

VENUE

Crafty Kids

Letterkenny Shopping Centre &
Letterkenny Retail Park

Time: 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Contact: 074 9113455

Family Fun day in Letterkenny

Saturday the 17th October

Why not join us in Letterkenny on Saturday the 17th October for a fun filled day of family events. Our aim is to get Letterkenny buzzing with books, stories, games, arts and crafts and many more fun things to do. So if you are ready to fall in love with reading and all the fun that it can bring so are we, see you about the town! Booking is essential.

The Dinosaur That Pooped A Show

in association with Easons, Letterkenny

Created from the bestselling The Dinosaur That Pooped picture book series, host Alastair Watson brings the books to life with help from The Dinosaur himself! An interactive, fun event that includes dinosaur impressions, live drawing, a Dinosaur rhyme and gross games like Guess Poo, it's perfect for entertaining children ages 5+.

The event includes exclusive video clips from The Dinosaur That Pooped creators, McBusted's Tom Fletcher and Dougie Poynter. Plus all those who purchase books on the day will get the chance to have their book stamped by Dino! **WARNING CONTAINS DINOSAUR POO!**

Age: 5+

VENUE
Regional Cultural
Centre

Time: 11.00am

Price: €5 per ticket

Booking:
074 9120777

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Saturday the 17th October

The Wimpy Kid Show

*in association with Easons,
Letterkenny*

A must for all Diary of a Wimpy Kid fans and great family entertainment. Host Alastair Watson brings the books to life with fun activities including

The Wimpy Kid Draw-Along and The Wimp Wars! Quiz. The event also includes exclusive clips of author Jeff Kinney talking about the books, his involvement in the films and showing how he draws the characters. (All those who purchase a book on the day will be eligible for it to be stamped with an exclusive Wimpy Kid Show stamp).

Age: 8 +

VENUE

Regional Cultural Centre

Time: 1.00pm

Price: €5 per ticket

Booking: 074 9120777



Scary Stories in the County Museum

Donegal County Museum in association with Shop LK (Letterkenny Chamber of Commerce) invites you to come and hear some scary stories in the County Museum.

Age: 6+

VENUE

Donegal County Museum

High Road, Letterkenny

Time: 2.00pm and 3.30pm

Contact: 074 9124613



Saturday the 17th October

Crazy antics at the Courtyard Shopping Centre

The Courtyard Shopping Centre invites all the little bookworms to join them for some crazy antics in the Centre. Come along and enjoy their children's mini market and then write on their Wimpy Kid Wall with 'a day from your diary', with the funniest winning a prize. If that's not enough they will also have storytelling, arts and crafts and life size games in association with Letterkenny Community Development Project.

To finish your visit off, jump into their photo booth where you can use props for funny photos and get a free print of the photograph in Magees Pharmacy.

Time: 12.00pm to 4.00pm

Universal Books wants to sell your child

Hiring Fairs were common in rural Ireland in the nineteenth century. At these fairs, children would stand in line and farmers would hire those they thought suitable, usually for periods of six months. Universal Books will re-enact the experience of a child from West Donegal who walks into Letterkenny barefooted and stays in a cottage on the Church Lane before being hired out. Suitable for all the family. Booking required.

Age: 4+

VENUE

Universal Books, Church Lane, Letterkenny

Time: 2.30pm to 3.30pm

Contact: David Faughnan
087 631 5282

Eason & Crafty Kids

They've had a busy week, but it's not over yet! The Wainfest mayhem at Eason Letterkenny at the Courtyard Shopping Centre and Crafty Kids at Letterkenny Shopping Centre and Letterkenny Retail Park continues today too!

Time: 2.00pm to 4.00pm

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