

# Feile<sup>2025</sup>

August 6th - 15th 2025

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# Fáilte go Féile 2025!

## Welcome to Féile 2025

**Féile, Derry's biggest community arts festival, is back this August with its biggest ever programme. Now in its 33rd year, Féile 2025 will bring over 150 events to the Bogside, Brandywell, Creggan, Bishop Street and Fountain neighbourhoods and Derry City centre from August 6th–15th. Solidarity with the people of Palestine and the ongoing genocide in the Gaza Strip will be a key theme of this year's programme - reflected across music, films, art and discussions.**

Féile 2025 has a huge programme of activities for children, young people, families and older people. Summer schemes, fun days, social events, bus trips will run throughout the week, while The Greatest Show returns with circus performers and magicians popping up across the neighbourhood's parks and green spaces. Family gatherings include the Party in the Park/Big Bog BBQ at Pilot's Row, the Lúnasa celebrations in Creggan, and Solas Dhoire which will illuminate the streets of the Brandywell on August 15th.

This year's festival line-up will bring together some of Ireland's finest musicians with internationally acclaimed headliners. Traditional music master Martin Hayes - one of the most celebrated fiddlers in the world today - will bring his spellbinding and deeply expressive sound to St Columb's Hall while The Gathering returns to Sandino's with a lineup of the country's most exciting folk, trad and electronic artists. SOAK returns home to perform an intimate show at Orchard Cinema at St Columb's Hall, marking a special hometown show for the Mercury-nominated artist. Féile will also collaborate with Celtronic to bring Glasgow's Optimo (Espacio) to perform an extended set that will blend electronic energy with their signature genre-defying style.

Féile is renowned for bringing together powerful political debates, discussions, and talks on the issues that are most important today, and 2025 will be no different. This year's discussions include a headline conversation with BBC journalist Peter Taylor, a tribute lecture to Donncha Mac Niallais delivered by newly elected Conradh na Gaeilge president Ciarán Mac Giolla Bhéin, an eye-witness account of the situation in Gaza's hospitals with Dr Nick Maynard and events on the constitutional future of the island - including contributions from Ireland's Future, Pat Cullen MP, and many others.



Féile 2025 will showcase an exciting lineup of films and documentaries throughout the festival, including GAZA, a documentary by Garry Keane and Andrew McConnell that goes beyond the headlines to reveal the everyday lives, resilience and humanity of people living under siege before the current genocide began; A State of Passion, which follows Dr. Ghassan Abu Sittah as he works under constant bombardment in Gaza's hospitals; and Gerry Adams: A Ballymurphy Man, offering the first in-depth look at the republican leader's life, from teenage activist to key figure in the Irish peace process. Féile will also screen We Only Want the Earth, a new film on the life and ideas of socialist and Republican leader James Connolly, directed by Alan Gilsenan, along with a special documentary by local filmmaker Seán Coyle celebrating 40 years of Dove House.

Sport and games are once again central to Féile - with the much-loved Colm Quigley Jog in the Bog returning and a number of GAA and football tournaments also taking place throughout the week, helping get more people active and involved in sport. Féile will celebrate Brandywell native Ryan McBride and Derry City FC will hold an open training session giving young fans the chance to meet their football heroes for a selfie and a signature!

We can't wait to welcome you all to Féile 2025 as we showcase everything that's great about our neighbourhoods, celebrate the city's very best creative talent, and celebrate what makes our communities the very best place to live, work and play!

Féile 2025 would not be possible without the support funders including The Executive Office, Derry City & Strabane District Council, Department of Foreign Affairs and the collaboration of the many groups, initiatives, volunteers and residents from throughout the Bogside, Brandywell, Creggan, Bishop Street and Fountain areas who have come together to shape and manage this programme of events.

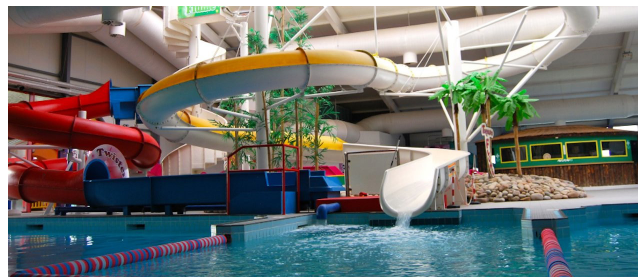




## Family Trip to Waterworld Bundoran

Thursday 7th August

Day trips from the Corn Beef Tin are always full of fun! Join us for this great day out to Waterworld. Cost: £8 per person / £30 per family (Includes transport and admission to Waterworld) To book your place, contact Paula or Kelly at 028 71 281900.



## Soft Play Party

Thursday 7th August - 11am

**Family Room, The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Join us for a bouncing good time at our Soft Play Party - the perfect chance for little ones to explore, climb, crawl and play in a safe, fun-filled environment! There'll be soft play zones, music & movement, baby-friendly areas, and refreshments.



## Little Kickers

Friday 8th August - 10am

**Trojans - Oakland Park, Creggan**

Trojan's YCG & Surestart Edenballymore present a fun introduction to football skills. The session is play based and specifically designed for confident walkers aged from 18 months to 4 years. A light snack & water will be provided.



## Biodiversity Session for Kids (Ages 10-12)!

Friday 8th August - 12.30pm – 1.30pm

**Creggan Country Park**

Explore nature's wonders in this fun, educational session for young enthusiasts! Discover local wildlife, habitats, and ways to protect our planet - all outdoors. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Limited to 15 spaces, so book early! Email [fionamccann@creggancountrypark.com](mailto:fionamccann@creggancountrypark.com) to book or learn more. FREE.





## Construction Zone Club

Saturday 9th August - 10am

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Calling all mini builders! Come along to a fun, hands-on play session where little ones can dig, build, and create! Expect building blocks & sensory materials, imaginative construction play, activities that boost coordination & creativity.



## FestHIVEal

Sunday 10th August - 1pm – 3pm

**The Gasyard Park, Lecky Road**

Hive Cancer Support is excited to bring 'FestHIVEal' to Féile 2025! Join us for Hive and Thrive 2025, celebrating health, science, sustainability, and community. Enjoy smoothie-making on power bikes, creative wind turbine building, dance sessions, healthy snacks, multicultural recipes, and plastic-free living tips. With artists, scientists, storytellers, and local groups, FestHIVEal offers families a fun and free day. Let's play, learn, and make healthy, sustainable choices together!

## Reconnect Project

August 11th - 15th August - 11am – 2pm

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Running throughout the summer The Reconnect Project supports Autistic Children and Young People (Ages 8–18) through creative engagement, skill-building, and wellbeing-focused workshops.

**Monday:** Eco Quest, an outdoor board game adventure with Ben Manning

**Tuesday:** Creative Mental Health Workshop with trauma-informed facilitator Kayleigh Carlin

**Wednesday:** Creative Connections Drumming with Margarette McNamee and Kathleen O'Brien

**Thursday:** Outdoor Adventure Activities in partnership with Far & Wild

**Friday:** Cooking for wellbeing workshop  
Booking essential. Contact: 028 7126 2812







# PARTY IN THE PARK

## Big Bog BBQ

**Saturday 9th August | 1pm – 4pm**

**Pilots Row, Rossville Street**

Pilots Row will once again become a hub of activity for the whole family, with amusements, the Jigsaw Petting Farm, face painting, arts and crafts, and food from around the world. We're also delighted to have Flip It delivering workshops specially for neurodiverse families in the area. Come along for a great day out!





## Healthy Kids Summer Scheme

August 11th - 15th August: 9am - 12.30pm

**Longtower Youth Club, Ann Street**

Bogside & Brandywell Health Forum with Save the Children and Féile will be running a summer scheme, with a focus on health and wellbeing. For children aged 5-11 years old living in the TRIAX area Includes a family trip on Friday 15th August to Andersonstown Aqua Park and Mo Mowlam Park for a picnic with transport and entry to the water park provided. Cost: £5 per person / £20 per family. For more info: [alison@bbhealthforum.org](mailto:alison@bbhealthforum.org) or phone 02871365330.



## Mini Makers: Arts & Crafts Fun!

Monday 11th August - 11am

**Creggan Library, Central Drive**

Let your little one's creativity shine at our Arts & Crafts session full of colour, textures, and imaginative fun. Enjoy painting, sticking & sensory play and creative fun! Suitable for 0-4 year olds.



## Mini Professors

Monday 11th August - 12pm – 2pm

**Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership, Central Drive**

Get ready for hands-on fun and discovery! Our mini professors get to wear their own lab coat and dive into the world of science through fun, interactive experiments. Suitable for children aged 4-11. To book your place, contact Paula or Kelly at 02871281900.







# THE GREATEST SHOW

WATCH OUT  
FOR SURPRISE  
SHOWS NEAR  
YOU

**It's A Kind of Magic** with Jack Wise & Caolan McBride

**Monday 11th August - 6pm – 8pm**

Bishops Field, Creggan

An unforgettable family-friendly magic show in Bishop's Field featuring performances from two of Ireland's most spellbinding performers - Jack Wise, the street magician and sword-swallowing showman, and the mind-bending illusions and interactive magic of Caolan McBride.



## Tumble Circus

**Tuesday 12th August - 6pm – 8pm**

Abercorn Park, Abercorn Road

Class circus, big laughs and dead-on skill - death-defying aerial hula hoops, duo trapeze, slapstick, and loads of craic for the whole family. Come and experience hammer-smashing inspired circus crafted in Belfast by Tumble Circus: the Irish Cirque de Soleil - if Cirque de Soleil was hit by a bus.



## Jitterbug Jackson

**Thursday 14th August - 6pm – 8pm**

Brandywell Park, Lone Moor Road

Captain of Chaos Jitterbug Jackson, crash lands with a bang, and a wallop in Derry! In his show, I Used to Dream of Rocket Ships, Jitterbug delivers what we have come to expect from this seasoned raconteur and Ringmaster of the Absurd. Expect a thrilling and explosive mix of Circus, Comedy, Dance, Poetry, Science and Song, all set to a musical score that delights and inspires.







## Teddy Bear's Hospital

Tuesday 12th August - 11am

**Old Library Trust, Central Drive**

Bring your favourite cuddly friend along to our Teddy Bears Hospital – a fun, friendly session where little ones become teddy doctors for the day! A great way to support early learning, ease health worries, and spark imagination.



## Foyle Valley Museum Open Day & Destined BBQ

Wednesday 13th August - 12pm

Foyle Valley Railway Museum is run and managed by members and volunteers of Destined, a support organisation for people with learning disabilities. Come and join us for a free tour of the museum and a BBQ lunch. Arts & Crafts and more available for the kids.



## Jo Jingles Music & Rhyme Fun

Thursday 14th August - 10am

**Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Join us for a fun-filled Jo Jingles session - perfect for little ones who love music, movement, and making noise! Expect catchy songs & classic rhymes, Instruments, props & parachute fun. Suitable for 0-4 year olds.



## I Am Me: Creative Mindfulness

Thursday 14th August - 12pm – 2pm

**Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership, Central Drive**

Through creative activities and gentle guidance, children will learn how to understand and express their feelings and emotions while discovering the benefits of a calm, relaxed mind. Suitable for children aged 4-11. To book your place, contact Paula or Kelly at 028 71281900.





# GASYARD MEGA FUN DAY

Friday 15th August | 4pm – 8pm  
Gasyard Park, Lecky Road

**BOUNCY CASTLES  
AMUSEMENT RIDES  
LIVE MUSIC  
ARTS & CRAFTS  
FACE PAINTING  
AND MORE!**



Lúnasa

# WAN BIG STREET PARTY

Friday 15th August | 4pm – 7pm  
Central Drive, Creggan

**A day of free family fun  
with amusements,  
inflatables, face  
painting, henna,  
gaming, music, and  
more!**







# LIFT OFF!

**At Bull Park**

A night of big thrills, stunts and action!

Friday 15th August - 6pm – 9pm

Thunder Action Stunt Show  
Symmetry Circus  
Sanita Circus  
Football Challenges  
+ much more





## Opening of Creggan Time Capsule from 1998

Friday 8th August - 2pm – 3pm

**Creggan Library, Central Drive**

Join us as we open our time capsule, which was sealed in the Rath Mór Centre back in 1998! Explore the items inside to get a glimpse of the past. Then, help us refill the time capsule with present-day items before it's locked again until Summer 2050!



## Harvest BBQ

Saturday 9th August - 12pm – 2pm

**Ballymagowan Allotments, Creggan**

The end of harvest BBQ provides a great opportunity for allotment holders and novices alike who are attending gardening classes, to come together in a friendly atmosphere, to swap stories and enjoy the food and company in a scenic environment.



## Big Breakfast Brunch

Tuesday 12th August - 11.30am – 2pm

**Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership, Central Drive**

Don't miss the Big Breakfast Brunch at the Corned Beef Tin – with live music and entertainment.

Free event, everyone welcome!



## House In The Wells BBQ

Friday 15th August - 12pm – 2pm

**House In The Wells**

The Annual House in the Wells Summer BBQ is an open day to invite our neighbours in to say hello, have a BBQ lunch and listen to great live music from Danny McGilloway and special guests. The BBQ will be provided by the RRT (Rapid Response Team). Anyone under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. This is a free event but donations for the House in the Wells Residents Comfort fund are welcome.







# Solas

**Friday August 15th - 9.00pm**

On the evening of 15th August, Solas will illuminate the Brandywell neighbourhood in a Procession of Light. Residents and community groups from across the neighbourhood will come together to celebrate everything that make the Brandywell and Bogside great, shining a spotlight on the people and talent that define the neighbourhood.





# Lúnasa

*Burning bright in the heart of Creggan*

**Friday 15th August - 9pm**  
**Creggan**

The Lúnasa festival is inspired by traditional celebrations and will combine music, carnival and fire that all ages can enjoy. Join us for a thrilling procession through the streets of Creggan that will feature some of our most beloved community and sporting groups alongside two life sized willow bull sculptures, built by the local community. The procession will end at Greenwalk which will come alive with music and a fire finale in which one of our bulls will meet its fiery end.







## SOAK & George Houston

Thursday 7th August - 8pm

Orchard Cinema at St Columb's Hall, Orchard St

**SOAK returns home for an intimate performance in the beautiful surroundings of Orchard Cinema at St Columb's Hall.**

**SOAK**, has emerged as a powerful voice in contemporary indie music, blending raw emotion with ethereal soundscapes. Their lyrical vulnerability, reflective songwriting, and lush, atmospheric production, as well as their engaging live performances, have earned praise for being intimate and immersive affairs, with fans and critics alike admiring their ability to create emotional depth and connection. SOAK continues to inspire with their authenticity and artistry, making a significant impact on the landscape of modern music.

Hailing from rural Donegal, George Houston is a genre-bending singer-songwriter praised for his poetic, cinematic sound and deeply personal themes. Since debuting with 2020's *Boo Fucking Hoo*, Houston has released four albums, toured with Paul Weller, and received acclaim from BBC Radio One, RTÉ Radio One, and played *Later... with Jools Holland*. His work explores grief, queerness, and resilience, wrapped in lush harmonies and gothic-folk aesthetics.

Advance Tickets: £10/12 at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)

## Luke Combs Tribute

Saturday 9th August - 7.30pm

Nerve Centre, Magazine St

Dust off your hats and boots—Luke Combs UK, the world's premier tribute to Luke Combs, is back at The Nerve Centre for another unforgettable night of country music. With his authentic sound, uncanny look, and powerhouse vocals, this is as close as it gets to the Grammy-nominated country megastar himself. Tickets: £22.50 available from [nervecentre.org](https://www.nervecentre.org).





Féile presents

the  
**GATHERING**  
Saturday 9th August

7.30pm at Sandinos, Water Street

The Gathering returns with a lineup of Ireland's  
most exciting folk, trad and electronic artists  
including:

**Daithí // Dug**  
**Etra // Lullahush**  
**Róisín El Cherif**  
**Teknopeasant**  
**Tessio**

Advance tickets (£12/15) at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)



## Martin Hayes

### + support from Gemma Doherty

Sunday 10th August - 7.30pm

St Columb's Hall, Newmarket St

Regarded as one of the most significant talents to emerge in the world of Irish traditional music, Martin Hayes brings his unique sound to the historic St Columb's Hall for an unforgettable night as part of Féile 2025.

Hayes has collaborated with many extraordinary musicians in the classical, folk and contemporary music worlds throughout his career including Dennis Cahill, Bill Frisell, and the RTE Concert Orchestra. He founded the seminal Irish American band, The Gloaming who received the prestigious Meteor Prize in 2014 for their debut album.

The renowned fiddler's soulful interpretations of traditional Irish music are recognized the world over and he has been captivating audiences with his unique ability to place the tradition within a wider contemporary context, creating a unique and insightful interpretation of Irish music.

Derry native, **Gemma Doherty**, is a composer, harpist and singer. Currently working on her first solo album, she combines contemporary with experimental Irish folk/traditional, centring around the harp with electronics and effects. As one half of electronic-folk duo Saint Sister, she has released two critically acclaimed albums - receiving Best Album in N.I. Music Prize and nominations for Album of the Year in Choice Music Prize and RTÉ Folk Awards.

Advance Tickets: £20 at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)







## Piaras Ó Lorcáin & Eoghan Ó Ceannabháin

Thursday 14th August - 8.30pm

**Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St**

Two of the most compelling voices in contemporary traditional music, Piaras Ó Lorcáin and Eoghan Ó Ceannabháin, come together for an evening at Cultúrlann.

Piaras Ó Lorcáin is an acclaimed Irish sean-nós singer and multi-instrumentalist from Crossmaglen, County Armagh. Known for his rich, expressive vocal style, Piaras has built a reputation as one of the rising voices in Irish traditional music, blending authenticity with a warm stage presence that resonates with audiences across Ireland.

Eoghan Ó Ceannabháin is a Dublin-based singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist whose musical roots are in the Conamara sean-nós singing tradition.

A versatile performer, he draws on a variety of vocal techniques like lilting and throat singing, concertina playing that breathes with his singing, and a lifting flute style that all combine to create a rooted, expansive soundscape. His songs have a storytelling quality to them, moving through themes of struggle, loss, resistance and healing, and carried by a powerful and resonant voice that ranges from the intimate to the elemental.

Advance Tickets: £10/12 at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)





## Get Into Hip-Hop with Sello

Thursday 14th August - 12pm – 5pm

St Mary's Youth Club, Fanad Drive

Friday 15th August - 12.00pm – 5.00pm

Our Space, The Diamond

In partnership with the Rio Ferdinand Foundation, young people from the city who have a passion for music will work with drill artist and rapper Sello at a day-long workshop at St Mary's Youth Club and Celtronic Studios where they will learn hip-hop techniques and how to get involved in the music industry. For more info contact: [sean@rioferdinandfoundation.com](mailto:sean@rioferdinandfoundation.com)

## Our Space: Summer Music Showcase

Friday 15th August - Doors 6:30pm | Curfew 10pm

Nerve Centre, Magazine St

The Nerve Centre and Our Space in conjunction with Féile presents a wide range of genres bursting with energy and a mix of old favourite tunes as well as brand new fresh of the mixing desk originals. 5 young acts, Sick Savannah, Sunset Theory, Backroom bandits, Intuition and Sensory Overload will be joined on stage for a special guest appearance by SELLO all the way from Dublin with some serious beats and something to say. A night not to be missed for fans of live music. Adm: £2.50. Under 18's no alcohol event.





## Celtronic & Féile present Optimo (Espacio)

Friday 15th August - 9.30pm

**Sandinos, Water St**

Optimo (Espacio) are the duo JD Twitch and JG Wilkes who have become renowned around the world for their memorable and ecstatic deejay sets with a unique disregard for genres and musical restrictions in their craft, creating a nightclub experience that strikes out into territories far beyond the accepted boundaries of club music.

Their Glasgow nightclub Optimo (Espacio) at the Sub Club is widely regarded as one of the most important and ground-breaking clubs of the past two decades. Optimo (Espacio) are also active in their local community raising awareness and funds for local foodbanks, refugee and anti-racist organisations, raising over a quarter of a million pounds for various organisations in Glasgow, and beyond.

In July 2025, Optimo announced that Keith (JD Twitch) had been diagnosed with an incurable brain tumour. We are shocked and saddened to have heard the news regarding Keith's (JD Twitch's) diagnosis. Our upcoming event will go ahead as planned with Jonnie continuing to carry the Optimo (Espacio) torch with the same spirit and passion they've always embodied.

Advance tickets: £10/12 at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)







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## Séan Dolans Cup

Saturday 9th August - 1pm - 3pm

Séan Dolans GAC, Creggan

Seán Dolans will host a day of GAA competition with girls teams from across the County playing for the Sean Dolan Cup and Shield.

Contact [secretary.seandolans.derry@gaa.ie](mailto:secretary.seandolans.derry@gaa.ie) for more information.



# DERRY CITY FC

## OPEN TRAINING SESSION



Monday 11th August - 11am

**Ryan McBride Brandywell Stadium**

Derry City FC will host an open training session, giving fans the opportunity to watch the team in action and meet their favourite players. The event will also feature face painting and ice cream.



## Ryan McBride Foundation Summer Camp

Monday 11th August - Friday 15th August - 2pm - 4.30pm  
St Cecilia's College, Bligh's Lane

The Ryan McBride Foundation Summer camps are back bigger and better with fantastic venues, providing affordable football in the community and keeping kids active over the summer holidays! BOOK NOW to secure your place. Féile are sponsoring a limited number of free spaces for children in receipt of free school meals from the TRIAX. Enquiries: vipfeilederry@gmail.com.



## Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camp

Monday 11th August - Friday 15th August - 10am - 2pm  
Celtic Park, Lone Moor Road

Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps provide children ages 6 to 13 with an action-packed and fun-filled week of activity during the summer holidays which revolves around maximising enjoyment and sustaining participant involvement in Gaelic Games. Each child will receive a Cúl Camp Kit pack consisting of a Backpack, Jersey and 1/4 Zip Top. Féile are sponsoring a limited number of free spaces for children in receipt of free school meals from the TRIAX. Enquiries: vipfeilederry@gmail.com.



## Pádraig Barton Cup

Tuesday 12th August - 10am - 2pm  
Bay Road Soccer

The 7-a-side football competition in memory of young Republican Pádraig Barton will feature teams from the 2015 year group from across the city competing for the trophy last won in 2024 by Don Boscós. Organised by the Bogside and Brandywell Monument Committee.





## Celtic FC Foundation: Ability Counts – 7's Tournament

Tuesday 12th August - 12pm - 3pm

**Bishop's Field, Creggan**

A community-focused initiative supporting individuals with physical, sensory, and learning disabilities. Through football, participants build confidence, improve their physical and mental well-being, and feel part of an inclusive, welcoming team environment. The programme reflects the Foundation's ongoing commitment to equality, diversity, and using the power of sport to create positive change and opportunities for everyone involved.



## BJ's Pool Competition

Tuesday 12th August - 2pm

**House In The Wells**

Held in honour of our friend and colleague BJ McVeigh, staff, residents and guests will take part in a 1 frame knock out tournament for the trophy. This is a free event. Anyone under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. To register contact [p.downey@apex.org.uk](mailto:p.downey@apex.org.uk).



## Féile's One Big Outdoor Yoga

Tuesday 12th August - 6pm

**Bishop's Field, Creggan**

Join the largest ever yoga event in Creggan this summer! Everyone is welcome, whether you're a beginner or experienced yogi. The session will take place outdoors, weather permitting, so bring your mat and enjoy the fresh air!



## Danderball Tournament

Wednesday 13th August - 11am to 1pm

Sean Dolan's GAC, Creggan

This is sure to be a good day's craic. Come along and support the teams as they battle it out to be crowned this year's winners. If you haven't already registered a team and are interested in taking part contact Jonathan at Old Library Trust on 02871373870.

## Football vs Homophobia

Wednesday 13th August - 5.30pm - 8pm

Ryan McBride Brandywell Stadium

It has been 10 years since this initiative began in Derry. This year will be bigger and better than ever. We are looking for LGBTQ+ and gender inclusive teams to play in our 5-a-side tournament. There will be 2 categories, the Rainbow Shield for people new to sport and new to Football, and the Rainbow Cup for people who have played Football or sport before. It is a 5-a-side tournament but teams of more than 5 are welcome. Please indicate what category you want to be entered into when you register and feel free to get in contact if you have any questions. To register: [linktr.ee/foylepride](https://linktr.ee/foylepride)

## Time for Unity – 5K Run & Walk

Wednesday 13th August - 6pm

Lecky Road

Be part of the conversation on a united Ireland. Let's walk and run together towards a brighter future. Organised by Martin McGuinness Cumann and Cú Chulainn Running Club Doire. To register, contact: 07845277117.

# FOOTBALL vs HOMOPHOBIA

## 5-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

13TH AUGUST | 5:30PM - 8:00PM  
The Ryan McBride Brandywell Stadium,  
155 Lone Moor Rd, Derry/Londonderry, BT48 9LA

The 5-a-side tournament is open to all genders, skill levels and all communities celebrating diversity and tackling discrimination in sport. Players must be 16+, with no upper age limit.  
There will be prizes for the winners in each category.

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### WALK & RUN

Be part of the conversation about a united Ireland. Let's walk and run together towards a brighter future.



# THE 2025 ANNUAL RYAN McBRIDE CUP

Teams from **2018 age**  
group will **honour the spirit**  
of **Ryan McBride** in this  
special competition with  
awards for **fair play,**  
**loyalty, teamwork,**  
**passion** and **leadership.**

**THURSDAY 14 AUGUST**  
**2PM - 5PM, RYAN McBRIDE**  
**BRANDYWELL STADIUM**



**Féile**

Bogside & Brandywell  
Health Forum An Fóram Sláinte

The  
Ryan  
McBride  
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## Seán Keenan Quiz

Thursday 14th August - 9pm

**Mailey's Bar, Lecky Road**

The Seán Keenan Quiz returns to Féile 2025. Quizmaster Christopher 'Pinta' McKnight will be testing the team's knowledge of Irish history, sports and culture. To register a team in advance, contact: colmbarton1@gmail.com.



## Martin McGuinness Fly Fishing Competition

Sunday 17th August - 10am

Fullerton's Reservoir, Buncrana

# Martin Mc Guinness Memorial Fly Fishing Competition

**FULLERTON RESERVOIR,  
BUNCRANA, CO. DONEGAL**

**To Enter Please Contact  
Sean McCrystal on 07840269464**

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**Sunday  
17 August  
2025**



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## A Bogside Freedom Fighter – A Short Film

Wednesday 6th August - 7.30pm

Museum of Free Derry, Glenfada Park

The young life and tragic death of Óglach Charles English are in many ways symbolic and symptomatic of the colonial relationship that Britain has imposed on the Irish. His brother Gary was murdered by the British army in 1981. To this day, his family has not received the justice it deserves. In 1982, Charles decided to seek his own justice by opposing British military rule on the streets of his city. He was killed in an explosion in 1985, a few hundred yards from where Gary was murdered. This is his story. Organised by the family of Charles English.

Prior to the film screening, there will be a short memorial event at the Bogside & Brandywell Monument, Lecky Road.



## An Phalaistín – Disturbing The Silence

Thursday 7th August - 5.30pm

The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street

A trilingual documentary (English, Gaeilge and Arabic) filmed in 2004 by award-winning Donegal filmmaker Sonia Nic Giolla Easbuig. Through powerful interviews with young people, political leaders, medics and others on the streets of Gaza and the occupied West Bank city of Jenin, it tells the story of the people and a population under illegal military blockade and paints a picture of what Gaza was like twenty years before the ongoing genocide as the silence continues to grow louder.





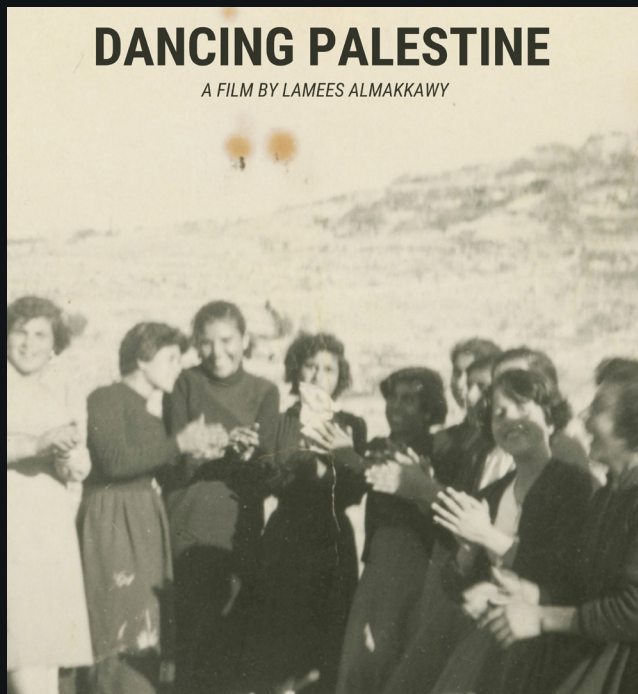


## GAZA

Thursday 7th August - 7pm

**The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street**

A film by award winning duo, Garry Keane and Andrew McConnell, 'Gaza' is a portrait of a people attempting to lead meaningful lives against the rubble of perennial conflict and going beyond the reach of television news reports to reveal a world rich with eloquent and resilient characters. The film transcended borders, captivating audiences in over 60 international film festivals and was Ireland's entry in the 'Best International Feature' category at the 2020 Oscars.



## DANCING PALESTINE

A FILM BY LAMEES ALMAKKAWY

## Dancing Palestine

Friday 8th August - 7pm

**The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street**

To dance is to remember, to dance is to remind. As the Palestinian identity continues to be threatened with erasure, Palestinians turn to their folk dance, the dabke, as an homage to their history and culture, and to assert their existence. 'Dancing Palestine' is a documentation of this embodiment of collective memory, as those who piece together a dabke choreography, piece together their identities, too.

**Tickets to film screenings at The Nerve Centre are free. Register at [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com). We welcome donations at events for Palestinian charities.**







## A Fidai Film

Friday 8th August - 7.45pm

The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street

During its 1982 invasion of Beirut, the Israeli army raided the Palestinian Research Center and looted its entire archive. The archive contained historical documents of Palestine, including a collection of still and moving images. Taking this as a premise, 'A Fidai Film' aims to create a counter-narrative to this loss, presenting a form of cinematic sabotage that seeks to reclaim and restore the looted memories of Palestinian history. It's a poignant exploration of identity, memory, and resistance, told through a unique blend of documentary and experimental filmmaking techniques.

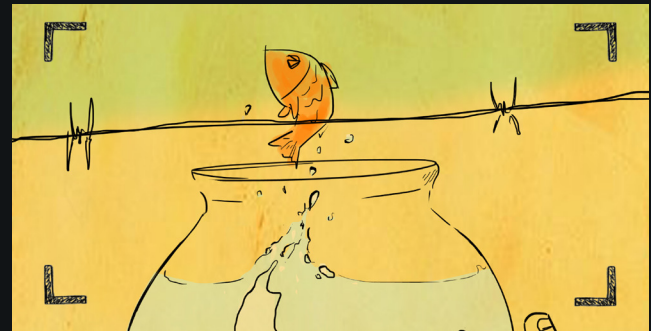


## Hide & Seek

Monday 11th August - 7pm

The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street

An animated short film that tells the story of a child and his fish as they embark on a journey into the unknown, following the raid on the child's town during the ongoing war ravaging his country. The short film captures the steps of this journey and its transformations, concluding as the child reaches one of the coasts.



## A State of Passion

Monday 11th August - 7.15pm

The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street

After 43 horrific days working round the clock under constant bombardment in Gaza's hospitals, Dr. Ghassan Abu Sittah, emerged to find himself as a face of Palestinian resistance. With news footage of him pale and shell-shocked reverberating around the world, he spoke of a catalogue of horrors from lacerated bodies, to amputations without anaesthetics, orphaned children with no surviving family, and the deliberate targeting of medics and hospital facilities. A State of Passion tells his story and, in the face of global inaction, articulately conveys the personal and collective trauma endured by Palestinians.



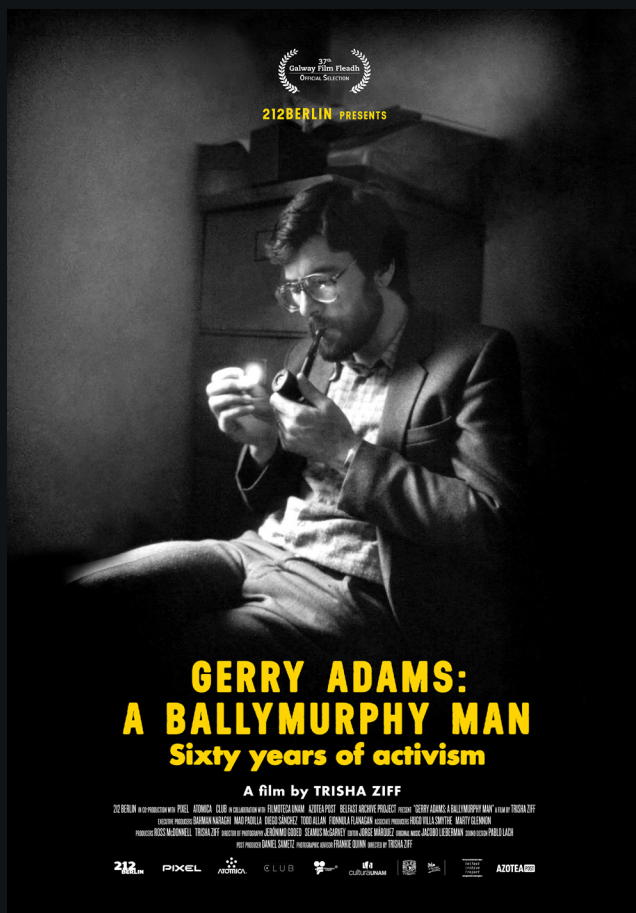


## Ireland's Far Right – Britain's Latest Export

Tuesday 12th August - 7pm

The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street

'Ireland's Far Right - Britain's Latest Export' looks at the growth of the Irish Far-Right and the relationship with British fascists and international Zionists. How Elon Musk is amplifying far right talking points and interacting with the most racist elements of Irish society. A film by Sean Murray. The screening will be followed by a discussion featuring pannellists including Sean Murray and Mark Malone from Hope and Courage Collective.



## Gerry Adams: A Ballymurphy Man

Wednesday 13th August - 8pm

Brunswick Moviebowl

Gerry Adams is one of the most controversial leaders of our time. He led his community in the North of Ireland from conflict to peace. Adams was a critical voice in the decision taken by the IRA to lay down their arms after their 25-year war against the British.

Imprisoned, and shot, he was demonized and censored by dominant media as a subversive and terrorist, yet the British and their allies were forced to recognize his legitimacy, and negotiate the Irish peace accord, 'The Good Friday Agreement', with him and Sinn Féin. A private man, this is the first time Adams sits down to tell his story – from a teenage activist to party leader. Today, he is an elder statesman supporting the next generations on their path toward Irish unity.







## We Only Want The Earth:

### The Life & Ideas of James Connolly

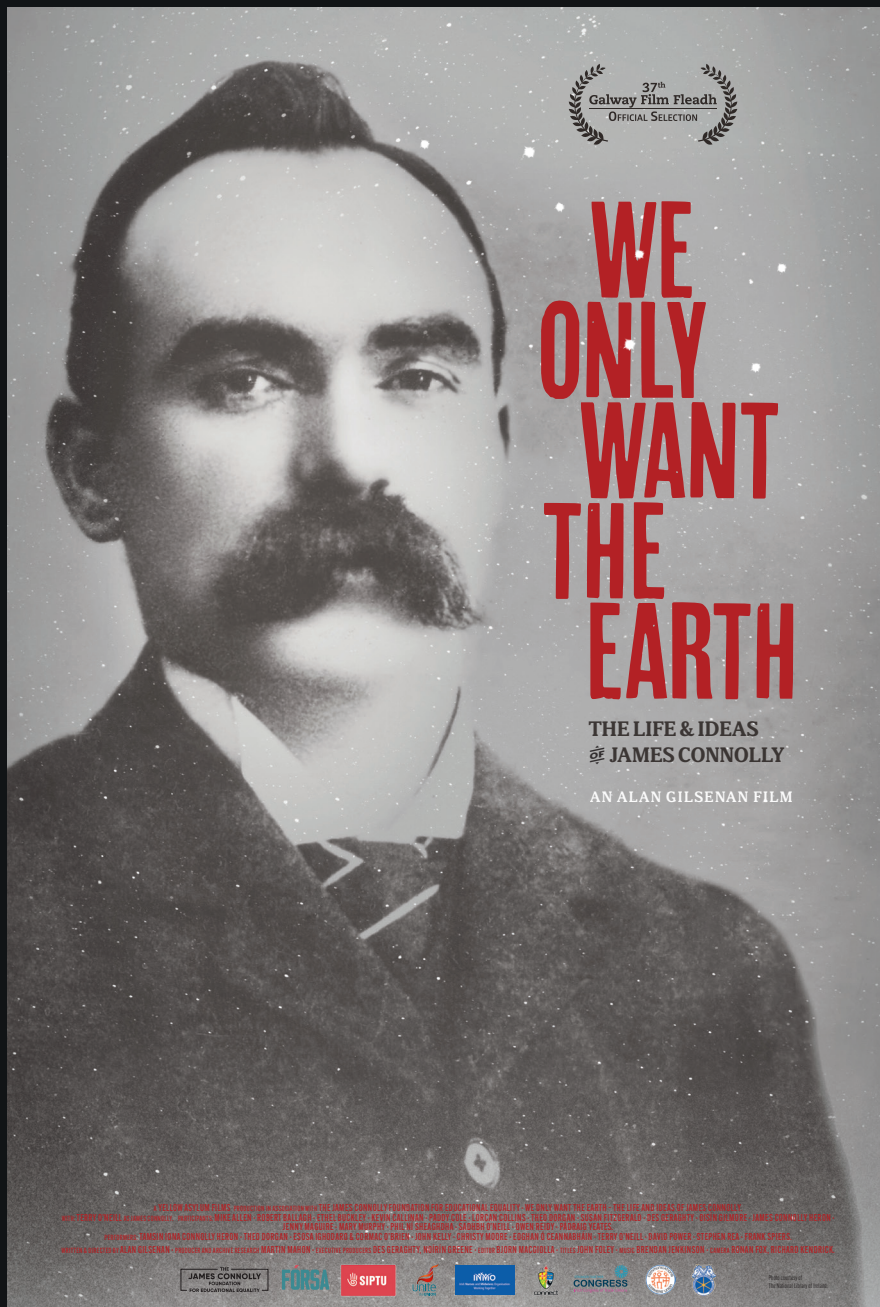
Thursday 14th August - 7pm

The Nerve Centre, Magazine Street

A powerfully engaging feature documentary, based primarily on the writings of James Connolly, the film was created to inspire and enlighten a contemporary audience about James Connolly, his life and his ideas.

An iconic presence on the landscape of Irish socialism and republicanism, the name of James Connolly looms large in the trade union movement and wherever radical left-wing politics are espoused. The film tries to place Connolly's radical ideas and many political achievements against the landscape of the contemporary world as well as documenting his more prominent role in the 1916 Easter Rising.

As well as many distinguished commentators, union activists and historians, the film also features many songs and poems - spoken and sung by contemporary artists such as Christy Moore, Stephen Rea, piper David Power, singers Eoghan Ó Ceannabháin and Esosa Ighodaro as well as Connolly's great great grand-daughter Tamsin Iona Connolly Heron. The film is directed by award-winning Irish film-maker Alan Gilseman and produced by Martin Mahon of Yellow Asylum Films.





## Dove House at 40!

Thursday 14th August - 7pm

**Maldron Hotel, Butcher Street**

A new documentary by Seán Coyle celebrates 40 years of Dove House tells the story of a community centre built from the ground up to support local people and transform the neighbourhood. Through memories, old footage and moments, it captures the spirit of the Bogside - the people, the struggles, and looks to the future as Dove House prepares to move to a new home at Meenan Square. Followed by live music and refreshments.

## NEXT UP 2025 LOCAL **Féile** FILM SHOWCASE

## Next Up!

Friday 15th August - 7pm

**The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street**

Next Up aims to provide a platform for talented filmmakers aged between 16-30 from Derry to screen their work and share their unique perspectives at Féile 2025. This showcase will highlight the creativity and diversity of the next generation of filmmakers from across the region.



## Put Your Soul On Your Hand and Walk

Monday 8th September - 7pm

**The Nerve Centre Cinema, Magazine Street**

The feature documentary offers an intimate, first-hand perspective on life under siege in Gaza, captured through video calls between Farsi and young Palestinian photojournalist Fatma Hassona, who was tragically killed in an airstrike on her home, just one day after the film's Cannes selection was announced. Combining raw immediacy with deep humanity, Put Your Soul on Your Hand and Walk portrays daily life during the conflict through the eyes of a generation caught in an endless cycle of war and living under siege.







## Trócaire: Gaza Hospitals – An Eyewitness Account

Tuesday 5th August - 7pm

**Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St**

Trócaire is hosting a special event looking at the humanitarian situation in Gaza. The event will feature Dr Nick Maynard, a gastrointestinal surgeon, who will share his experiences of volunteering his life-saving skills in Gazan hospitals, working with the brave Palestinian medical staff during several visits since late 2023.



## Shoot to Kill

Wednesday 6th August - 1pm

**Museum of Free Derry, Glenfada Park**

The Pat Finucane Centre presents a talk exploring the background to controversial killings during the conflict, examining the evidence for a 'Shoot-to-Kill' policy sanctioned by the British Government. Drawing on research, case studies and official documentation, the event invites discussion on the use of force by the state, its implications for accountability, and the impact on victims' families and communities.



## Health & Care in a New Ireland

Thursday 7th August - 1pm

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

This discussion will explore the future of healthcare in a new and united Ireland. With growing pressures across the island, the event will examine the need for cross-border cooperation, investment, and planning to build a fairer, more effective health system that serves all communities. Panellists include former General Secretary of the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) and current Sinn Féin MP, Pat Cullen.





## Did ye hear about?: Whose Language? with Linda Ervine

Thursday 7th August- 1pm: Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road

Thursday 7th August - 7pm: Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St

Linda Ervine takes the audience through a cultural quiz that shines a light on surprising aspects of the Irish language. She will open the doors of the Irish language centre and school she founded in East Belfast, providing insight into the challenges she has faced. Be prepared for the highs and lows of the emotional journey that has taken place since 2012.

## Did ye hear about?: The Root of All Evil:

### The Boundary Commission with Dr Cormac Moore

Friday 8th August - 1pm

Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St

Historian Dr Cormac Moore joins former Derry Journal editor Pat McArt to discuss his new book, *The Irish Boundary Commission: 'The Root of All Evil'*. One hundred years on, Moore illuminates the Boundary Commission's momentous failure and its lasting, catastrophic consequences for the entire island of Ireland.



## The Emperor Is Naked

Saturday 9th August - 2pm

Museum of Free Derry, Glenfada Park

'Are you prepared to stand naked and face the truth or choose to wrap yourself in a duvet of lies. When one sees through the corruption, the lies, the deceit, the hypocrisy of all wars, big Pharma, the media, charity . . . When one sees the emperor is naked, one cannot unsee it.'



Micheal John Pike (Spike Pike), is a former British soldier that has witnessed the truly ugly side of the human race. He is now a peace activist and performance poet. He is a polemic hard hitting writer, he takes no prisoners when attacking the psychopaths that profit from war, sanctions and famine. Discussion chaired by Martina Anderson.







## The GAA's Social Fabric:

### Paddy Christie from Ballymun Kickhams

Sunday 10th August - 6pm

Seán Dolans GAC, Creggan

GAA is much more than a sport – it is a way of life.

Beyond the pitch, it makes an invaluable contribution to society and offers communities a sense of belonging that instils belief in young people.

Hear directly from Ballymun Kickhams and Dublin legend Paddy Christie on how he encouraged his teams to stand up, wear the Ballymun shirt as a badge of honour, and make their mark.



## The Case For The Union:

### A Personalised Protestant Perspective

Monday 11th August - 12.30pm

The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road

Derek Moore currently works on an IFI Peace Impact Programme at North West Cultural Partnership based in the Fountain. He has been associated with the Fountain as a former resident, local flute band member and now community worker for over fifty years. Derek is pragmatic about his own constitutional views but is sceptical of all viewpoints that place nostalgia over substance and practicalities. At this Féile event, Derek will outline his Case for The Union.





## Peter Taylor in conversation with Raymond McCartney

Monday 11th August - 7pm

**Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St**

Peter Taylor is a BBC journalist and author who has spent over 50 years reporting on the conflict in Ireland, documenting the people, the politics, and the path to peace. At this special Féile 2025 event, we will get the chance to hear the story behind the headlines in this conversation with former political prisoner, hunger striker and Sinn Féin elected representative, Raymond McCartney.

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Peter's acclaimed trilogy — *Provos*, *Loyalists and Brits* — is widely regarded as a definitive account of the conflict from all sides. His most recent book, *Operation Chiffon: The Secret Story of MI5 & MI6 and the Road to Peace in Ireland*, formed the basis of the BBC documentary *The MI5 Spy and the IRA*.

Over the decades, his reporting for *This Week*, *Panorama* and BBC documentaries has shed vital light on the path to peace and the legacy of the conflict.







## Causes and Consequences of Toxic Masculinity

Tuesday 12th August - 1pm

Holywell Trust, Bishop St

Join Dr Paul Caplat from Queen's University Belfast as he explores the economic and social impact of toxic masculinity—traditional masculine norms that promote violence, self-harm, and restrict emotional expression. A 2017 study, The Man Box, shows young men often feel pressured to live by harmful stereotypes, causing real harm like suicide, violence, and binge drinking. This talk calls for a cultural shift toward inclusive, supportive ways of leading beyond gender roles to improve mental health and society.



## Donncha Mac Niallais – Léacht Cuimhneacháin

### Donncha Mac Niallais Memorial Lecture

Dé Máirt, 12 Lúnasa/Tuesday 12th August - 12.30pm

Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St

Tabharfaidh an Feirsteach Ciarán Mac Giolla Bhéin, Uachtarán Chonradh na Gaeilge, ómós do Dhonncha Mac Niallais agus an obair a rinne seisean i gcur chun cinn na Gaeilge i nDoire thar na blianta fada. Dhéanfaidh Ciarán chuntas chomh maith ar na dúshláin reatha atá roimh Chonradh na Gaeilge agus mhórphobal na Gaeilge in Éirinn, ó thuaidh agus ó dheas, agus é ag tógáil ar an oidhreacht láidir atá fágtha ag Donncha agus ag gníomhaithe eile. Imeacht Gaeilge le corás aistriúcháin comhuaineach i mBéarla. Tae agus caife ar fáil. Saor isteach.

Ciarán Mac Giolla Bhéin, the Belfast based President of Conradh na Gaeilge, pays tribute to the role played by Donncha Mac Niallais in promoting the Irish language in Derry over many years. Ciarán will also outline the current challenges facing Conradh na Gaeilge and the wider Irish language community in Ireland, north and south, as it builds on the incredible legacy of activism left by Donncha and others. This is an Irish language event with a simultaneous translation into English. Refreshments available. This is a free event.

## Donncha Mac Niallais

Léacht Cuimhneacháin  
Memorial Lecture

Dé Máirt, 12 Lúnasa, 12.30in  
Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin

Tuesday 12 August, 12.30pm

Speaker / Aoichainteoir:

Ciarán Mac  
Giolla Bhéin

Uachtarán Chonradh na Gaeilge



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## A New Ireland – Five Year Review:

### Paul Gosling in conversation with Mitchel McLaughlin

Wednesday 13th August - 12.30pm

**Verbal Arts Centre, Stable Lane**

Economist and author Paul Gosling discusses his book *A New Ireland – A Five Year Review* with former Assembly Speaker Mitchel McLaughlin. They examine the political, social, and economic changes shaping Ireland's journey toward unity, reflecting on progress and ongoing challenges. The conversation offers insight into the evolving landscape and visions for a united Ireland.



## View from the Frontline:

### The local impact of global conflict

Wednesday 13th August - 7pm

**Holywell Trust, Bishop St**

Dr Brian Dooley is an Irish human rights author and activist, and Senior Advisor at Washington DC-based NGO Human Rights First. For almost 30 years Brian has worked in war and conflict zones, including Lebanon and Gaza in the 2000s on behalf of Amnesty International, engaging with governments and others to end threats to human rights activism. Since 2022, he has made 20 trips to Ukraine, primarily to Kharkiv, which is rarely visited by foreign audiences.



## Women's Advocacy Project

Wednesday 13th August - 7pm

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Dove House Advocacy Project invites you to an open information session on domestic abuse support. Learn about the service, connect with local organisations, take part in white ribbon making, hear real-life experiences, and have your say on what's needed to create safer communities.





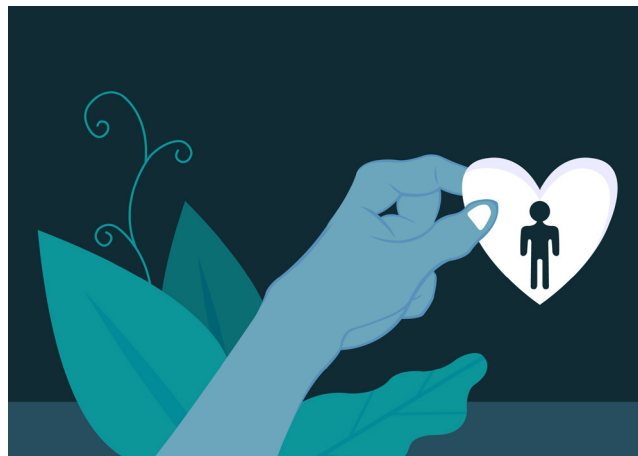


## Can the Executive's new Anti-poverty Strategy help eradicate poverty?

Thursday 14th August - 12.30pm

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

The Executive's new anti-poverty strategy has sparked widespread debate and criticism from activists and commentators. This discussion brings together Karen Mullan (Foyle Network Foundation), Ciara Fitzpatrick (Ulster University), Trása Canavan (Barnardos), and Kevin Jones (lived experience group) to share their perspectives based on research, frontline work, and lived experience.



## Unionist/Loyalist views on the current constitutional conversation

Thursday 14th August - 7pm

**Northwest Learning Disability Centre, Foyle Road**

Davy Adams, Tim Cairns, Catherine Pollock, Ruth Moore, and Derek Moore - come together to discuss the pressing question: Is there really a conversation happening about constitutional change within Unionism and Loyalism? And if so, who is part of it?



## Ireland's Future: Border Poll 2030

Friday 15th August - 1pm

**Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St**

Ireland's Future is the leading civil society group working to achieve a new and united Ireland. At this event, board members Andrée Murphy and Professor Colin Harvey outline the extensive work to date, the opportunities constitutional change offers, and the importance of participation and inclusion in making Irish unity a success for all.



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## The War is Over

Friday 15th August - 7pm

**Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St**

Twenty years since the orders to end the IRA armed campaign, author and broadcaster Brian Rowan revisits that historic day to reflect on its significance and on the headline political and policing developments that followed.

A special archive publication will be available at the event, and the work will also be hosted online by Open University Open Learn. Rowan will be in conversation with Irish Times Northern Editor and award winning author Freya McClements.

Brian Rowan is a former BBC correspondent in Belfast. Since the late 1980s, he has reported on all the major developments in the North's journey from war to peace; stories he has told using a range of sources – IRA, loyalist, police, military, intelligence, political, Church and others.

Rowan left the BBC in 2005, the year the IRA ended its armed campaign. Four times he has been a category winner in the Northern Ireland Press and Broadcast awards, including twice as Specialist Journalist of the Year.







## A Dementia Friendly Summer Dance

Sunday 10th August - 7pm

**Maldron Hotel, Butcher Street**

Buffet served. Dancing until 11.00pm.

Tickets £5.00 from Jonathan or Pete 02871373870

Deeds, based at Old Library Trust in Creggan, offers a wide range of programmes for people living with dementia and their families (carers) living in the Derry/Strabane District Council. The aim of our project is to keep people living with dementia well for longer in the community.



## Older People's Bus Run

Monday 11th August

**Clanree Hotel, Letterkenny**

This year we're off to Letterkenny to explore the town and do some shopping before going to the Clanree Hotel for a lovely two-course meal and some live music. Cost: £10. Pick up spots: Pilots Row/Old Library Trust. Please note these will be the only pick-up and drop-off points. Spaces are limited so booking is essential through [denise@bbhealthforum.org](mailto:denise@bbhealthforum.org) or tel. 028 7136 5330.



## DEEDS Summer Celebration (Closed Event)

Tuesday 12th August - 2pm - 4pm

**Bishop's Field Sports Centre, Central Drive**

This special event will celebrate the end of Phase 2 of the DEEDS project 2022-25 with food, music and dancing and a bit of craic.





## Big Community Bingo

Wednesday 13th August - 7pm - 9pm

**Bishop's Field Sports Centre, Central Drive**

Come and try your luck at the big bingo. Entertainment with the fabulous Mickey Doherty. Light refreshments served. £5 per book.



## Brandy Balls Snooker Competition

Thursday 14th August - 6.30pm

**Pilots Row, Rossville Street**

Bogside and Brandywell Health Forum are running their annual snooker competition. There will be a cash prize for the winner on the night. £5 entry fee. To register your interest contact: [denise@bbhealthforum.org](mailto:denise@bbhealthforum.org) or Joe at Pilots Row.



## Bus Run to Ulster Museum

Thursday 14th August

**Creggan Neighbourhood Partnership, Central Drive**

Join us for a day out from The Corned Beef Tin, as we explore some of Belfast's most iconic landmarks. We'll be visiting the Ulster Museum, engaging in a self-guided tour of City Hall, and enjoying a delicious lunch together. Cost: £5 per person. To book your place, contact Kelly/Paula at 028 71 281900.

## Loving Life. Living Longer



If you're interested in staying connected, meeting new people, and taking part in events and activities for older people throughout the year, the Loving Life, Living Longer programme is here to help. Run by the Bogside & Brandywell Health Forum and the Old Library Trust Healthy Living Centre, the programme offers a range of opportunities to stay active, social, and involved in your community.

To find out more, contact Denise at [denise@bbhealthforum.org](mailto:denise@bbhealthforum.org) / 028 7136 5330 or Jonathan at [jonathan@olt.ie](mailto:jonathan@olt.ie) / 028 7137 3870.







## Breastfeeding Celebration

Wednesday 6th August - 11am

**Maldron Hotel, Butcher Street**

A relaxed morning during Breastfeeding Awareness Week offering connection, support, and community. Open to anyone currently breastfeeding, who has breastfed before, or who wants to show support. Includes refreshments, baby-friendly activities, chats with infant feeding experts, and free giveaways.



## Repair and Share Open Workshop Tour

Thursday 7th August - 11am - 12pm

Thursday 14th August - 7pm - 8pm

**Repair & Share Foyle, Unit 9E/1, Rathmore Business Park**

Curious about Repair & Share Foyle? Now's your chance to take a peek behind the scenes! Ever wondered what a Library of Things is? Come by, have a nosey, and check out our growing collection – from popcorn machines and breadmakers to power tools and craft essentials. Everyone who drops in will get a £5 discount code to use when creating a Library account online in future. FREE. No booking required.



## Women's Well-being Taster Session

Friday 8th August - 10.30am – 12.00pm

**Creggan Country Park**

FREE Women's Well-Being Taster Session! A relaxing, uplifting morning focused on boosting your mental and physical wellness in a beautiful setting. Limited to 10 spaces. To reserve your spot or learn more, please email: [fionamccann@creggancountrypark.com](mailto:fionamccann@creggancountrypark.com)





## Tatreez Workshop with Wafa'a Abusharekh

Saturday 9th August - 11am - 2pm

**Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St**

Learn the traditional art of Tatreez while showing solidarity with the people of Palestine. Tatreez is a type of cross-stitch embroidery, traditional to Palestine. But it is far more than that. It is a rich, centuries-old tradition that tells ancient stories through intricate stitches and meaningful patterns that weave together generations of history, identity and resilience. This workshop is being delivered by Wafa'a Abusharekh, a Palestinian woman now living in Dublin. All materials will be provided. Cost of workshop is £10. Secure your place via Eventbrite.



## Tech Connect Workshop

Monday 11th August - 5pm and 7pm

**Repair & Share Foyle, Unit 9E/1, Rathmore Business Park**

Got a slow laptop? Drop by Repair & Share Foyle for the launch of TechConnect – a new project funded by The National Lottery Community Fund. Led by Electrical Waste Coordinator Andrew Wright, this free workshop offers laptop speed boosts, upgrades, and wire repairs. Bring your own laptop and learn how simple fixes can save you money and reduce e-waste. FREE. No booking required.

## Finishing Touches: Upcycling Furniture with Flair

Tuesday 12th August - 10am - 1.00pm

**Repair & Share Foyle, Unit 9E/1, Rathmore Business Park**

Discover the art of upcycling in this workshop led by Repair & Share Foyle's Paint and Innovation Technician, Gareth Loughrey. Learn how to transform waste paint into elegant, high-quality finishes that give tired furniture a new lease of life. This workshop will equip you with practical, creative skills to upcycle with confidence — blending sustainability with style. All materials and furniture pieces are provided, so you can experiment, practice, and perfect your approach before applying it to your own projects at home. Booking: [repairsharefoyle.org](http://repairsharefoyle.org)







## Adult Creative & Wellbeing Programme

Monday 11th - Thursday 14th August

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Our adult workshop series offers the chance to explore new skills and enjoy relaxing, social activities in a welcoming setting. Open to all experience levels, these workshops are ideal for anyone interested in trying something new or reconnecting with creativity.

### Masterclasses Include:

**Monday 11th August:** 1-3pm Pottery with Frank Turton—  
Hand-building and decorative clay skills.

**Monday 11th August:** 5-9pm Men's Monday Club- Sports,  
Grub & Golf.

**Tuesday 12th August:** 12-4pm Oil Painting with Tommy  
Long – Traditional techniques and personal expression.

**Tuesday 12th August:** 6-8pm: Bluebell Arts Oil Painting  
Exhibition.

**Wednesday 13th August:** 1-3pm Shirt Printing with Frank  
Turton – Design your own custom wearable art.

**Thursday 14th August:** 1-3pm Jewellery Making – Craft  
unique, handmade pieces to take home.

For more info: 02871262812



## Ladies' Pamper & Lunch Event

Thursday 14th August -1pm - 4pm

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Join us for a wellbeing-focused afternoon featuring mini treatments, light lunch, and good company — a celebration of local women and community care.





## Julie

Friday 15th and Saturday 16th August - 8pm

**The Playhouse, Artillery St**

Written and performed by Charlotte McCurry.

Directed by Paula McFetridge. Produced by Kabosh.

Lenadoon, West Belfast, 1981 Bernadette is 14.

She loves her Mammy, Gene Kelly, Doris Day, and Julie Garland.

She shares a bedroom with her wee sister – Julie.

Julie loves Sheena Easton, Annie Lennox, and Adam Ant. Julie isn't too bothered there's women out banging bin lids - one of the hunger strikers just died. She's more concerned with sorting a new pair of Topaz tights for the Horn Drive disco. She is fourteen after all...

Julie Livingstone was fatally shot by a plastic bullet while crossing the road near her home. Seen through the eyes of Julie's sister Bernadette, this powerful new play follows a teenage girl navigating her own grief, her family's loss and their struggle for justice.

Running time 70 mins.

With post-show discussion.

**Tickets: £18/15 at [derryplayhouse.co.uk](http://derryplayhouse.co.uk)**







## Ní leor rún a rith – Words are not enough

Déardaoin 7ú Lúnasa - Thursday 7th August - 1pm

**Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin, Great James St**

Beidh Eoghan (Gino) Mac Cormaic ag tabhairt faoi chartlann stairiúil chomhfhreagras Conradh na Gaeilge a bhain le coinníollacha príosún idir na 70í agus na 90í. ‘Ní leor rún a rith’; teideal an comhairle a thug Íte Ní Chionnaith don eagraíocht agus ag moladh beart a chur le briathar. Tá na ceisteanna ar ardaíodh faoi cearta daonna thiar chomh bailí inniu agus uafás Gaza ar shiúl. Imeacht Gaeilge le coras áistriúcháin comhuainneach i mBéarla.

Eoghan (Gino) Mac Cormaic will present recent research into the position taken by Conradh na Gaeilge on prison issues from the 1970s to the 1990s. ‘Ní leor rún a rith’ (words are not enough) was the advice given by senior Conradh member Íte Ní Chionnaith who wanted to see real action on these pressing issues. The political questions raised in the recent past remain with us as Conradh deals with issues such as the ongoing slaughter in Gaza. This is an Irish language event with simultaneous translation into English. Refreshments available



## Wee Boat Day – Seamus Kennedy Book Celebration

Friday 8th August - 1pm

**Abbey B&B, 4 Abbey St**

‘Grace Will Lead Me Home’, chronicles Seamus Kennedy’s journey from Donegal to London in the 1980s, when Ireland faced high unemployment, mass emigration, and political violence. All copies sold on the day will be donated to Victim Support Donegal Northern Ireland which supports counselling for families after losing a loved one in road traffic accidents. A gathering of people at the new Saint Colmcille mural at Colmcille Court to join in singing one of the world’s great songs “Amazing Grace”, which has its origins in Lough Swilly and also “Back Home to Donegal.” Music afterwards at Abbey Bed and Breakfast and Grindhouse Coffee yard with Derry’s finest musicians in attendance.



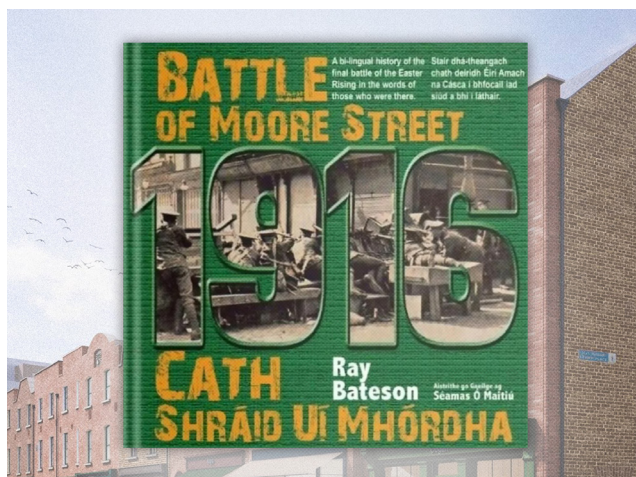


## Flight of the Swallows – Book Launch

Monday 11th August - 11.30am

**Little Acorns Bookstore, Great James St**

Flight of the Swallows is a powerful collection of personal stories by women connected to the Foyle Network Foundation (Foyle Foodbank) compiled in a new book. Join the authors to hear their journey. Books are £10, with all proceeds supporting the Network Foundation's vital work.

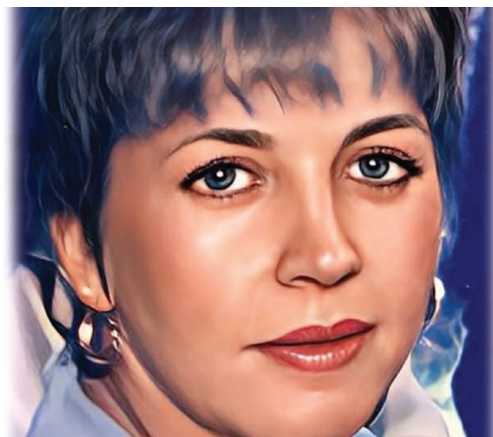


## Battle of Moore Street – Book Launch

Tuesday 12th August - 7pm

**The Gasyard Centre, Lecky Road**

Author and historian Ray Bateson launches his latest book on the final days of the 1916 Easter Rising, focusing on the human stories behind this pivotal moment. Hear directly from the author about his research, the legacy of Moore Street, and the ongoing campaign to preserve this historic site. Organised by the Martin McGuinness Cumann.



## Siobhán O'Hanlon – A Sound Woman

Thursday 14th August - 2.30pm

**Peacemakers Museum, Gasyard**

A new book by Gerry Adams and Richard McAuley tells the story of Siobhán O'Hanlon, a founding member of Féile an Phobail, a former political prisoner, a Sinn Féin activist, a community activist, a peace negotiator, an IRA Volunteer, a strong woman, a leader, an articulate advocate of the rights of citizens but especially of women, a campaigner for women's health, a good friend, and a loving sister, aunt, wife and mother.





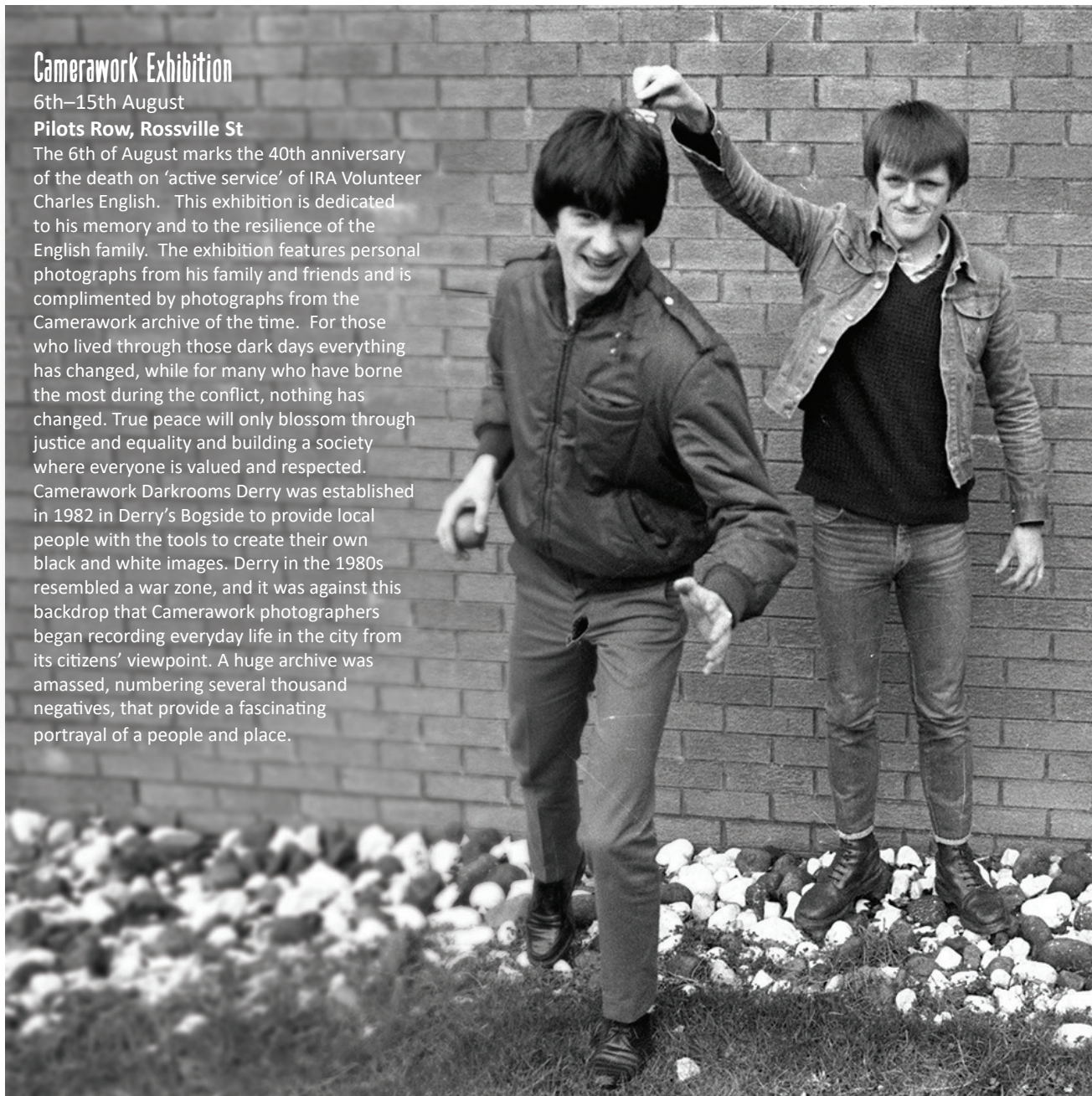


## Camerawork Exhibition

6th–15th August

### Pilots Row, Rossville St

The 6th of August marks the 40th anniversary of the death on ‘active service’ of IRA Volunteer Charles English. This exhibition is dedicated to his memory and to the resilience of the English family. The exhibition features personal photographs from his family and friends and is complimented by photographs from the Camerawork archive of the time. For those who lived through those dark days everything has changed, while for many who have borne the most during the conflict, nothing has changed. True peace will only blossom through justice and equality and building a society where everyone is valued and respected. Camerawork Darkrooms Derry was established in 1982 in Derry’s Bogside to provide local people with the tools to create their own black and white images. Derry in the 1980s resembled a war zone, and it was against this backdrop that Camerawork photographers began recording everyday life in the city from its citizens’ viewpoint. A huge archive was amassed, numbering several thousand negatives, that provide a fascinating portrayal of a people and place.





## Creggan Artists Exhibition

7th–15th August

John 'Ugg' Clifford Bull Park

Féile is proud to support a new exhibition by the Creggan Artists, a group who meet every Friday at the Old Library Trust in Creggan. The show features watercolour, acrylic, and oil paintings by local artists including Jimmy Roberts, Sadie Harrigan, Súin, Andy Doherty, Celine Taylor, Rose O'Hagan, Richard Bradley, Catherine Doherty, Marcella Page, and Veronica Holmes.



## Moon Tell Me Truth Exhibition Launch

Thursday 14th August - 7pm

Museum of Free Derry, Glenfada Park

The Moon Tell Me Truth exhibition, curated by the Hands Up Project, features 60 illustrated poems created by children from Gaza. Most are now displaced, their homes and schools destroyed, and at least two were killed in Israeli airstrikes. This deeply moving exhibition gives local people the chance to read these words, written just before their world was torn apart.



## A Kite for Every Child Killed in Gaza

More details to follow.

In 2011, the children of Gaza broke the world record for the largest number of kites flown simultaneously. On the coast of Gaza, 12,350 children filled the Gazan blue skies with messages of hope. Since October 2024, 18,000 children have been killed in Gaza. This number grows every day. This August, thousands of small kites will be created and displayed, to remember and honour the Palestinian children who have been murdered by the Israeli genocide in Gaza. Local people and groups will be invited to make kites to form part of the exhibition.







## Residents Day at Museum of Free Derry

Monday 11th August

### Museum of Free Derry

Residents are invited to visit the award-winning Museum of Free Derry free of charge. The exhibition tells the story of how a working-class community rose against oppression, with a focus on Bloody Sunday and the long struggle for justice that followed. The museum stands as a vital part of Ireland's civil rights heritage and continues to inspire internationally.

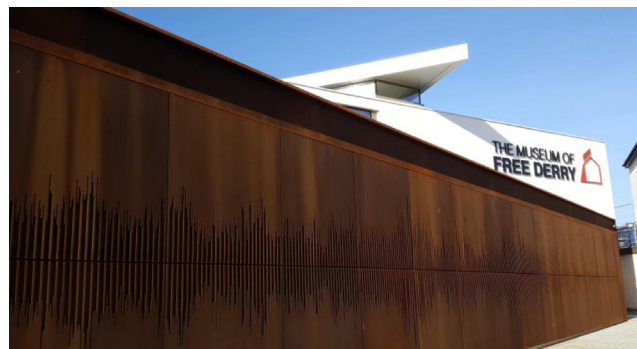


## Residents Day at Peacemakers Museum

Tuesday 12th August

### Peacemakers Museum at The Gasyard Centre

Residents are invited to visit The Peacemakers Museum at the Gasyard Centre for free. The exhibition traces the North's journey from conflict to peace, focusing on the period from 1972 to 2007 and its impact on the local area.

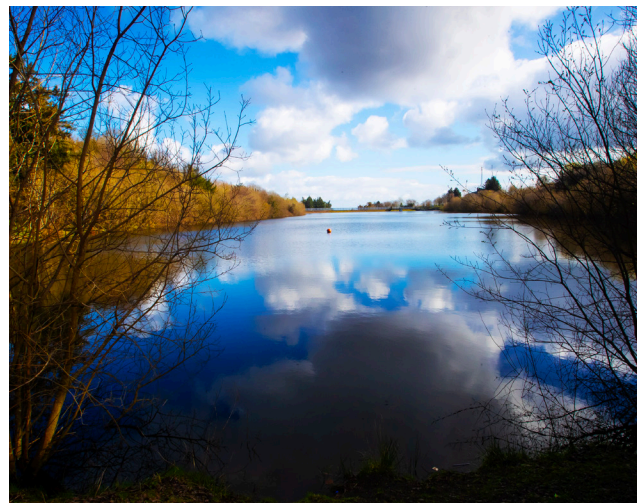


## Heritage Trail

Tuesday 12th August - 10am - 3pm

### Creggan Country Park

From historical to natural heritage Creggan Country Park has a lot to offer. During this trail you will walk around the park as part of a guided tour where you will learn about the historic past of the park and how it has developed into what we know it as today. We will delve deep into the natural heritage found within the park from ancient tree species to fauna found within the multiple habitats throughout the park. To book, email [shauna.conaghan@creggancountrypark.com](mailto:shauna.conaghan@creggancountrypark.com) as spaces are limited to 10 people.





## Herstory Derry Tour

Wednesday 13th August - 11am

### Meet at Rocking Chair

It's history – but not as you know it! Join herstory Anne Crilly for an innovative tour exploring the Maidens of the Maiden City. Find out about the original Derry Girls – activists, suffragettes, shirt factory workers, and famous visitors such as Amelia Earhart and suffragette Mrs Pankhurst. The tour lasts 70 minutes and starts at 11.00am from Terra Bakehouse, at the top of Waterloo Street (opposite the Rocking Chair). Wear weather-appropriate clothing and footwear.



## Creggan Cemetery Tour

Thursday 14th August - 2pm

Often the most interesting things lie not noticed and on your doorstep. This is certainly true of Derry City Cemetery. The history of the city and its links to the wider world are literally carved in the ageing headstones. Hear the stories of industrialists, politicians, WW1 and WW2 victims, Irish patriots, law makers and law breakers, sports stars, pop stars and celebrities. Visit the unmarked mass poor plots of Catholics and Protestants even divided in death. Tour starts top gates/Creggan. Lasts approximately 1.5 hours. Dress for the weather and hill site so mobility can be an issue.







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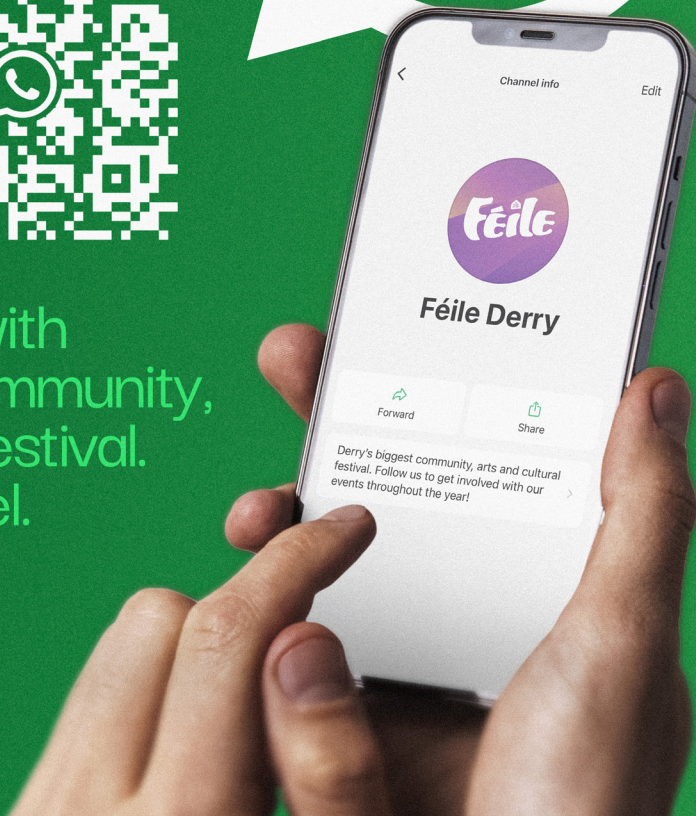
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