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CULTURE NIGHT 2020

Friday 18th
September

ALL EVENTS FREE

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WRAP UP IN
CULTURE



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Welcome to a distinctly different Culture Night!

Culture Night is a UK and Ireland-wide initiative where local arts and cultural organisations, venues and public spaces usually open their doors to the public to host free entertainment, as part of a celebration of arts, heritage and culture.

Whilst COVID-19 may have cancelled many of our plans to open doors, it won't stop the Fermanagh & Omagh Culture Night celebrations in 2020!

Despite the challenging climate for the arts & cultural sector, this year's programme is exciting, diverse and showcases the wealth of talent from across our district.

The 2020 programme is a combination of live-streamed, in-person, pre-recorded and online activities and events.

We have film, literature & language, music, heritage, drama and multi-arts activities.

Please remember to socially distance at the live events, and you may be required to wear a mask for indoor activities. Stay safe and have a great night!



ERGS Junior Drama Club present

Erne Emergency – A Radio Play

5.30pm

DRAMA

Written, rehearsed and recorded during lockdown, this brand new radio play celebrates the community spirit in coming together to overcome adversity. The project was conceived by drama teacher & ERGS Junior Drama Club Director Mrs McDowell, written by Mary Jackson and performed by Key Stage 3 pupils.

Erne Emergency takes us back in time to World War II with the arrival of 2 evacuees to the banks of Lough Erne. Using research of events and inspired by letters written home by her uncle during World War II, the play is a heart-warming caper, featuring local places.



<https://www.facebook.com/FermanaghOmaghArts>



DRAMA

ELO & ESCapade Theatre present

Bite Sized Bard

9.00pm

The local theatre talents of Enniskillen Light Operatic and ESCapade will come together to present a showcase of scenes from various Shakespeare plays. Expect murder and romance!

Streamed live from the Ardhowen Theatre stage as part of the venues *Friday Night Live!* series.



<https://www.facebook.com/ArdhowenTheatre>



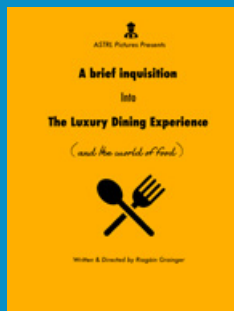
ASTRL Pictures presents

A Double Bill of Previews

9.15pm

We present short previews of two films by exciting local film maker Riagáin Grainger. *A brief inquisition into the Luxury Dining Experience (and the world of food)* tells the tale of a notorious London food critic who arrives unexpectedly. An unusual kitchen team is put to the test as they juggle with their own unique and at times, obscure personal problems. What could go possibly go wrong? Order up!

In *Rois Des Chevaux*, an arrogant young prince is cursed and transformed into a black stallion by his evil uncle. Trying to prevent a war between the kingdoms, he forms an unusual ragtag team with a stable girl, a disgraced bounty hunter and a very unreliable sorcerer supreme.



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Fermanagh Film Club presents

Bringing Up Baby

10.00pm

FFC present a special 'Recommends' film for Culture Night.

Bringing Up Baby is a classic screwball comedy about a madcap heiress who makes a shambles of an absent-minded palaeontologist's life when she arrives on the scene complete with her pet leopard.

The film's rollercoaster plot formed the basis for 1972's *What's Up Doc?* and is notable for Katharine Hepburn's foray into zany comedy.

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Colleen Savage presents

Traditional Singing Workshop

7.30pm

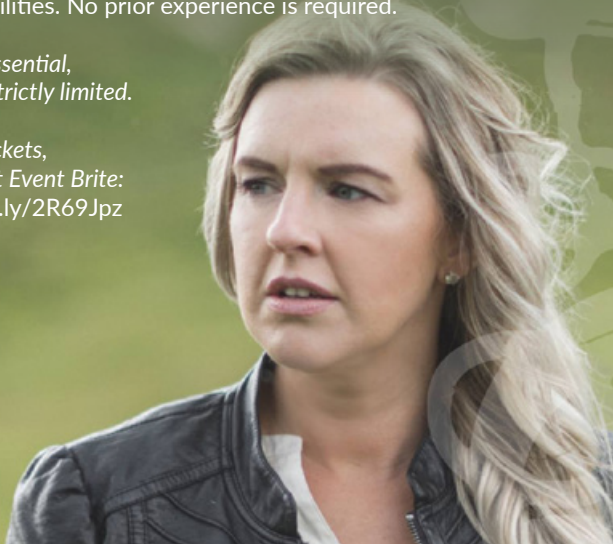
Oriel (southeast Ulster) is regarded as one of the richest regions in Ireland for traditional music and song and was considered a traditional music mecca during the 18th and 19th centuries. Colleen Savage – a singer, songwriter and tour guide – is passionate about Oriel song and the singing tradition.

Sat by a woodburning stove, Colleen will treat participants to a traditional singing workshop where they will learn a macaronic Oriel Song (English and Irish Language) and about the magical tradition of Oriel singing and poetry in southeast Ulster.

Delivered via Zoom, this 1 hour workshop is open to adults of all singing abilities. No prior experience is required.

*Booking essential,
numbers strictly limited.*

*To book tickets,
please visit Event Brite:
<https://bit.ly/2R69Jpz>*



Dromore Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann presents

Virtual Session

8.15pm

Dromore CCÉ present a Virtual Session featuring a selection of solo and ensemble performances from the talented traditions musicians, children, young people and adults, learning and playing with the branch.

The session features musicians playing in a variety of locations around Dromore.

 <https://www.facebook.com/DromoreComhaltas>




Fermanagh / Tyrone Brass Band Summer School presents

Brass Blast!

8.30pm

Members of the Fermanagh / Tyrone Brass Band Summer School team present an eclectic mix of brass music from pop to rock, from jazz to 80's music.

Something for all the family!

 <https://www.facebook.com/FTBBS>



Together in Music presents

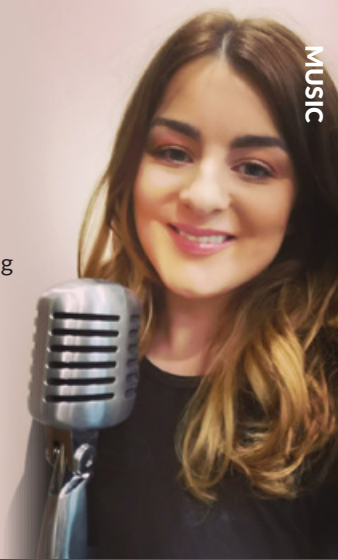
Omagh At Its Best

8.45pm

Local singers Helen McCrumlish and Aidan A McGale bring a wealth of professional singing experience covering a wide range of styles and genres. This will be Helen's performing debut in the district, whilst Aidan is no stranger to performing in his home town.



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MUSIC

Dún Uladh Cultural Heritage Centre presents

Down Memory Lane

6.45pm onwards

Dún Uladh present a nostalgic evening as they share a selection of clips from your favourite sessions, concerts, old and new into a special Culture Night trip down memory lane. The films will feature local musicians, singers and performers as well as some of the many visiting national and international artists that have visited the centre over the years. The evening will include some special recordings made by local musicians especially for Culture Night 2020. Bígí linn!



<https://www.facebook.com/dunuladh>



MUSIC *Omagh Jazz & Big Band Festival presents*

Late Night Jazz

10.15pm

Omagh Jazz & Big Band Festival present late night music featuring a jazz quintet playing a programme drawn from a wide range of jazz standards and interpretations of modern hits.



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Jim Ledwith presents

Bringing the House Down

4.00pm

Local mumming enthusiast Jim Ledwith presents a talk on the music, instruments, dance, poetry and song of the mumming traditions in Fermanagh.

The talk is accompanied by an exhibition of unseen photographs of dance in mumming.

Booking essential, numbers strictly limited
To book email: jim.ledwith@btconnect.com

 Fermanagh House, Enniskillen



Drumquin Historical Society presents

A History of Drumquin

8.00pm

Former Professor of Irish Folklore and Director of National Folklore Collection at University College Dublin, Dr Séamus Ó Catháin presents an online lecture of the rich culture and history of the village and townland of Drumquin.

This is a live lecture followed by a Question & Answer plus live music and storytelling.

Booking essential
To book email: marian_martin3@hotmail.co.uk

Drumquin
Historical
Society

Aughakillymaude Community Association presents

Celebration of Mumming Tradition

5.00pm

Mumming in the Aughakillymaude area dates back hundreds of years and is very much alive and well in 2020. Enjoy a socially distanced event with live traditional dance, music and song, celebrating this unique and fascinating cultural tradition.

Booking essential, numbers strictly limited
To book email: mcombrian@hotmail.com



Aughakillymaude Mummers Centre



FODC Arts & Culture Team presents

The Hamely Tongue – Hidden Culture

9.30pm

A fascinating TG4 documentary film on the Ulster-Scots culture and language.

The film is in Irish, English & Ulster-Scots and is presented with English subtitles.



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Omagh Literary Festival present

Books That Made Me

7.15pm

A mini digital literary festival featuring a series of interviews with local writers, artists, arts enthusiasts and other special guests talking about books that have had a significant impact on their lives.

This promises to be a fascinating evening of literary exploration!



<https://www.facebook.com/KielyFestivalOmagh>



Enniskillen Royal Grammar School presents

Promenade in the Park

6.00pm & 6.35pm

Inspired by the poetry of Frank Ormsby, Seamus Heaney and The Weir by Conor McPherson, ERGS' Year 14 Performing Arts students have devised a short site-specific performance featuring drama and music. The audience will get a glimpse into the lives, loves and losses of some of the people you may pass in the park.

The socially distanced audience will be guided to move round the park and should wear appropriate footwear and outdoor clothing for walking. Please be prepared in the event of wet weather as all of the performance takes place outdoors.



Round O Bandstand, Enniskillen



Mountfield Community Association present

A Taste of Culture

7.00pm

Come along to this local shared space to see, hear, smell and taste traditions and practices of a range of different cultures that add to the rich diversity of our local area.

Chat to the chefs, taste their samples and pick up recipes at this culinary celebration. You can also view traditional costumes, arts and cultural displays.

Booking essential, numbers strictly limited
To book email: mariemeenagh@hotmail.co.uk



Mountfield Community Centre



Noelle McAlinden presents

The Art of Conversation

7.45pm

Arts enthusiast Noelle McAlinden presents a short series of authentic interviews with cultural creatives based in Enniskillen's Buttermarket about their practice and work.

Her starting point is the theme *We Made It*, as a metaphor for surviving COVID, lockdown and their craft or creative practice.



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Hambly & Hambly present

Culture Night by Candlelight

8.00pm

A night of visual art, music, poetry, folklore and book launches. Enjoy a tour of the visual art exhibition *Imagine Together: Arts Unlocked*, produced during lockdown and featuring more than 1,000 works by 110 local and global artists from Canada to Russia.

There is music from Andrew Irwin, Jim McGrath and Gaby McArdle, Kate O'Shea and Fiddel Hogan Walsh launch their books plus Irish Folklore in visual art by Johnny McCabe and storytelling by Ciara Hambly. All by candle light in the beautiful gallery chambers.



<https://www.facebook.com/NorthernIrishArts/>





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