

# News & Events

Note: This is an abridged events listing. More details found at libraries.dlrcoco.ie and eventbrite.ie

## **EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2024**

## **HIGHLIGHT EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER**

## Studio Saturdays: dlr Libraries' Monthly Workshops for Neurodiverse Children

Sat 7 September, 11.00am-4.00pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon



11.00am-2.00pm: 4-10 yrs 2.00-4.00pm: 11-14 yrs

No booking required, but if the session is busy attendees may be asked to wait in our quiet area until space is available.

dlr Libraries' Studio Saturdays are back! These monthly events are tailored for neurodiverse children and their families. Parents must stay for the duration of these events to supervise their children. As always, there will be a quiet room on Level 3 for anyone who may need time and space to self-regulate.

#### Sat 7 September 11.00am-4.00pm: SENSEable Kids Sensory Play and Process Art

Join Karen Andersen of SENSEable Kids for some sensory play or process art!

#### 11.00am-2.00pm: Sensory Play Session (4-10 year olds)

Children will be able to explore a multitude of sensory materials following their natural curiosity and their thirst for knowledge. The session is designed to provide a fun, supportive environment where the parent can follow the child's lead in activities. All of the materials are taste-safe and nutfree.

#### 2.00-4.00pm: Process Art (11-14 year olds)

Children will have the opportunity to be creative, with emphasis on enjoying the process rather than focusing on the end product. The theme will be environmental awareness, and we will use recycled materials as one of the art mediums.

## **National Open Day at dlr Libraries**

Come on down to your local library and join the fun on National Libraries Open Day! Sat 28 September

#### **Get Lost in VR**

3.00-3.40pm & 4.00-4.40pm

#### Room 4, Level 5, dlr Lexicon

#### To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Join library staff on an exciting tour with our VR headsets for an afternoon of adventure. Go on an

African safari, land a seaplane or visit Times Square! These sessions are for adult audiences. Booking is essential.



## e-Services For All!

#### **Deansgrange Library**

## No booking required, enquiries to deansgrangelib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 0860

Pop down to Deansgrange Library during National Libraries Open Day to learn more about dlr Libraries' extensive e-Services. No matter your age or interest, there's something for everyone!



## HIGHLIGHT EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

**EVENTS FOR ADULTS** 

## You Can Quit – Free Support for Smokers

#### Various dlr Libraries

For enquiries, email libraryculture@dlrcoco.ie

Are you considering quitting smoking? Do you know somebody trying to kick the habit?

Come along to one of our talks or visit our information stand and let the HSE Health Promotion team introduce you to the free supports that are available to all.

#### Talks at 10.30-11.30am

Fri 13 September	Dundrum Library
Fri 25 October	Shankill Library
Wed 23 October	dir Lexicon
Wed 30 October	Dalkey Library

#### Pop-Up Information Stand at 10.30am-2.00pm Wed 2 October

**Deansgrange Library** 



## **Craft & Chat**

**Tuesday Mornings Recurring** 11.00am-12.30pm

Room 3, Level 5, dlr Lexicon

Suitable for adults

No booking required. For enquiries, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Let your creative juices flow at dlr LexIcon's weekly Craft & Chat sessions! Bring along your latest project and share hints and tips with like-minded creators. From knitting and sewing to crochet and sketching, all are welcome at this self-led craft circle.

## dlr Yarnspinners: **Storytelling Circle for Adults**



Wed 18 September, 6.30-7.30pm **Complimentary tea/coffee** available from 6.00pm

## Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

#### All are welcome, no booking required.

Our monthly storytelling circle, dlr Yarnspinners, is back with talented storyteller and Cork native Sorcha Hegarty. Sorcha has explored many corners of the world and in 2014, she co-founded storytelling performance company Candlelit Tales with her brother, Aron, bringing the stories of Irish mythology to life in an accessible way. Sorcha has worked on storytelling in live performances, theatrical shows, visual spectacles, Virtual and Augmented Reality pieces, collaborative improvisation, and everywhere else she can find a story waiting.

## **Energy Tune Up Clinic**

Wed 11 September, 11.00am Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon Suitable for adults



To book, see dlr Libraries Eventbrite

Join us during Dublin Climate Action Week and learn how to understand, manage and reduce your energy use at this free event hosted by dlr Climate Action Team and dlr Energy Team. Find out about energy grants, smart metering and how to switch energy suppliers. Dublin's Energy Management Agency will give practical advice on draughts, ventilation and mould. Participants can 'Ask the Expert' and try out some energy saving tools. There will be free energy saving goodies and light refreshments for all attendees, plus an opportunity to win one of three energy upgrade hampers worth over €50.

## **Blackrock Library Film Club**

Thurs 19 September, 5.30pm

**Blackrock Library** 

To book, email blackrocklib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 288 8117

Join us for a screening of a cinematic classic or undiscovered gem every third Thursday of the month, followed by a group discussion. This month's screening is My Life as a Dog (1985) directed by Lasse Hallström.

## **EVENTS FOR ADULTS**

#### **Introduction to Bridge for Adults** with Michael O'Loughlin

Mon 23, 30 September & Mon 7, 14 October,

10.30am-12.00pm

**Dalkey Library** 

To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317

Bridge is by far the greatest card game of all and can provide immense challenge and enjoyment. It is a great way to develop and retain memory, tactical, probability and communication skills while enjoying a fun social activity. Learn the game right from the start! Participants should be available to attend all four sessions.

### Libraries Online Resources **Information Session** with Library Staff

**Tues 24 September,** 6.30-7.30pm **Dalkey Library** 



Suitable for adults

#### To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317

Did you know that dlr Libraries have an entire virtual library to explore? Do you want to use our website or app? Would you like to access e-books and e-audiobooks, to stream music or select films? Join library staff to learn more about what our virtual library has to offer and have your questions and queries answered.

## **Age Action Computer Training**

Blackrock Library & Deansgrange Library

#### For all enquiries, please email gettingstarted@ageaction.ie or Tel 0818 911 109

Need help getting online? Would you like to use your smart device with more confidence? Age Action's Getting Started programme is the first competency-

based digital training for older people in Ireland. Returning to dlr Libraries this Autumn, get in touch with Age Action so you can get online!





## **Club Leabhar Filíochta**

Wed 25 September, 6.30-7.30pm dlr Lexicon

Le tuilleadh eolais a fháil, cuir ríomhphost ag dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie nó glaoigh ag (01) 280 1147.

#### To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Bíonn Club Leabhar Filíochta do dhaoine fásta ar siúl sa LexIcon ar an gCéadaoin dheireanach ag 6.30pm. Faigh cnuasach an chlub, Leabhar na hAthghabhála, ar iasacht ón LexIcon. Cláraigh don chlub ag dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie!

## Celebrating **Eavan Boland**

Sat 28 September, 2.30-5.00pm

Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

**Booking via dlr Libraries** eventbrite. Booking opens at 10.00am on Mon 9 September.



To mark what would have been the 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday of renowned Irish poet Eavan Boland, dlr Libraries are delighted to host this event to celebrate the life and work of the much-loved and much-missed poet who died in April 2020. The event will feature the poetry of Eavan, readings by her friends and family plus some music. Readers will include members of the WEB writing group, established following a series of workshops for women writers facilitated by Eavan for Arlen House in the 1980s. The group continues to meet monthly, and dlr Libraries are delighted to be able to support them through this event and other initiatives.

## **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES**

### **Dalkey Library Toddler Group**

Fridays, 10.30-11.15am Dalkey Library

Suitable for ages 18 mths-3 yrs For enquiries, please email dalkeylib@ dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317



Join us on Friday mornings; something different on

each morning, from playtime to music mornings!

## **Toddler Time at dlr LexIcon**

Every Thurs from 5 September, 10.30 - 11.30am Level 3, dlr Lexicon

### Suitable for ages 18 mths-3 yrs Booking essential, see dlr Libraries Eventbrite

Join us on Thursday mornings for dlr Lexlcon's Toddler Time! Weekly events include Playtime with toys, Getting Crafty, Rhythm and Rhyme and visits from puppets.

## Deansgrange Library Baby & Carer Group

## Every Mon, 10.30-11.30am

Deansgrange Library Suitable for ages 0-18 months No booking required



Come along and meet other babies and carers in the Children's Library, play with the toys and borrow some books!

## **Dalkey Library Baby Group**

Wed 11 & 18 September, 10.30am-11.15am Dalkey Library

Suitable for ages 0-18 mths

To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317

Join us for fun baby playtime and sensory social time best suited for our baby borrowers. Set in a quiet library with dimmed lights, colourful eggs and a selection of toys to play with.

## dlr Libraries' LEGO Clubs



## **Dalkey Library LEGO Challenge Club**

Sat 7 September, 11.00am-12.00pm Dalkey Library

Suitable for ages 5 yrs+ To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317

What LEGO creation will you build? Come for a free play session in Dalkey Library on the first Saturday morning of the month.

## Shankill LEGO Club

Sat 7 & 21 September, 11.00am-12.00pm Shankill Library Suitable for 5-9 yrs

To book, email shankilllib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 282 3081

Whether you want to build a castle, a zoo, or simply let your imagination run wild, please join in the fun and book your child a space in Shankill LEGO Club!

## **Family LEGO Time!**

Sat 21 September, 10.30am-12.30pm Blackrock Library

To book, email blackrocklib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 288 8117

LEGO fun for all the family in Blackrock Library, just bring your imagination!

## **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES**

#### dlr LexIcon Coding Club with Coding Ireland

Starting Mon 2 September Online

Available for ages 7-9, 10-12, 13-15 and 16 yrs+ For enquiries, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Turn your child's screen time into valuable learning! Our library's online coding club, in partnership with Coding Ireland, teaches young members to create games, animations, and more - all from home.

This free programme develops problem-solving and creativity while introducing essential digital skills for children. No experience needed, just a computer or laptop. Enrol your child via the email above and watch their skills grow.

### **Music Workshop Dabbledoo Music**

Tues 10 September, 3.30-4.30pm Dundrum Library

Suitable for ages 4 yrs+

To book, email dundrumlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 298 5000

Join us for a music workshop with library staff. The workshop is designed to be accessible, engaging and fun, focusing on playing together as a group.



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#### **Puppet Show**

Thurs 5 September, 3.00-4.00pm Dundrum Library

Suitable for ages 3 yrs+

To book, email dundrumlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 298 5000



Join us for an end of Summer Stars Puppet Show. Bip and Bop have returned from Planet Bopula, ready for their next adventure in Dundrum Library. They love reading and dancing so be sure to wear your dancing shoes!

## Butterfly Mask-Making and Storytime

Wed 11 & 18 September, 3.30-4.30pm

Shankill Library

Suitable for ages 4-7 yrs

To book, email shankilllib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 282 3081

Join library staff for this fun crafting session where you will learn how to make butterfly masks and hear some butterflythemed stories. All materials provided.



## dlr LexIcon Gaming Club

Tues 24 September,

3.30-4.30pm

The Lab, Level 3, dlr Lexicon

Suitable for 8-12 yrs

To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Ready to play? Whether you are an experienced gamer, or have never held a controller, all are welcome to join library staff on the last Tuesday of the month for dlr LexIcon gaming club.



## **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES**

## UN Sustainable Development Goals Week (20 – 29 Sept 2024)

#### **Fussy Eating Talk**

Tues 24 September, 10.30-11.30am Children's Library, Level 4, dlr LexIcon



Suitable for adults To book, email

dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Join Samatha for an engaging session that delves into the psychology behind fussy eating in children, offering practical strategies for parents and caregivers to manage mealtime challenges effectively.

## Reset your Home - Practical tips on how to declutter and reset your home



Wed 25 September, 6.30-7.30pm The Lab, Level 3, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for adults

To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Join Hazel Burton as she offers practical tips on how to declutter and reset your home with manageable organised systems. Her talk will cover the science behind clutter and why we feel overwhelmed, as well as guidance on how to start the process of decluttering, how to implement an organised system and ways to ensure ongoing maintenance.

## SUSTAINABLE GOALS

## Sustainable Sewing with Tamara Fiabane

Thurs 26 September, 10.30am-12.00pm

Room 4, Level 5, dlr Lexicon Suitable for adults



To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Join textile artist Tamara Fiabane for a Sustainable Sewing workshop. During this eco-upcycling workshop, participants will learn how to repurpose different household items. Materials are included but participants are encouraged to bring some textiles from home into which they can breathe new life!

## Pop-Up Clothes Swap & Talk

Sat 28 September dlr Lexicon

Suitable for adults

Save the date for an adult Pop-Up Clothes Swap and a talk on sustainable fashion.



More information to follow, including times and booking details, on our website and in our fortnightly e-bulletin.

## **Planit Play**

Sat 28 September, 10.00-11.00am: Suitable for 4-8 yrs 11.30am-12.30pm: Suitable for 9-12 yrs Children's Library, Level 4, dlr LexIcon Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147 Make a superhero for climate action! Join PlanIt Plan in dlr LexIcon for these family workshops, where art meets science. Learn about the lifecycle of toys and the circular economy. Become a toy designer and make new toys from old



toys. All materials will be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own toys for upcycling!

## **HIGHLIGHT EVENTS FOR OCTOBER**

## Fadó Fadó Storytelling Festival 2024

Sat 19 October-Sat 2 November Venues include: Dalkey, Deansgrange, dlr LexIcon, Dundrum and Shankill Libraries

Suitable for all ages

Booking required for a small selection of these events via dlr Libraries Eventbrite.

Booking required for all school events by emailing the relevant library.

Join dlr Libraries this October for the third year of our annual storytelling festival, delivering a range of professional Irish and international storytellers for families, adults and schoolchildren to enjoy. Invited storytellers include Fiona Dowling, Baden Prince Junior, Masako Carey, Steve Lally, Senem Donatan Mohan and Pádraig Ó Briain. For full details, pick up a separate flyer in mid-September from your nearest dlr Library or check out our website at libraries. dlrcoco.ie



#### **Murder One**

Thurs 17-Sun 20 October Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for adults

For more details including bookings, please see www.murderone.ie website.



Murder One, Ireland's International Crime Writing Festival, returns to dlr LexIcon for a gripping weekend of murder and mayhem. Featured authors include Claire McGowan, BA Parris, Cally Taylor, Jane Casey, Jo Spain and Andrea Carter, among many others! Friday night's headliner will be bestselling author Peter James, who will be discussing his new novel with reviewer and podcaster, Breda Brown.

For the first time, this year's festival will have a mystery programme for schools featuring well-known names such as Laureate na nÓg, Patricia Forde, and much-loved author and performer, Dave Rudden. See www. murderone.ie for more information, including booking details for all.



## **EVENTS FOR ADULTS**

## Seasonal Paper Lanterns Workshop with Kim Jenkinson

#### Tues 1 October, 3.00pm Dundrum Library

#### Suitable for adults

#### To book, email dundrumlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 298 5000

Join artist Kim Jenkinson for this craft workshop where we will be creating seasonal paper lanterns using a mix of foliage and pressed Autumn leaves.





## **LEGO STEAM for Early Years Educators**

Tues 1 October, 6.30pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

#### For teachers/early years educators

#### To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

dlr LexIcon is delighted to bring back the Learn IT team, for an Autumn workshop specially designed for Junior Infant to 1st class and early years teachers. After attending, teachers will be able to deliver a 5-session STEAM LEGO programme that develops key habits of learning, introduces the engineering design process and engages in computational thinking.

## **EVENTS FOR ADULTS**

## Remembering the RMS Leinster Irish Sea Tragedy with Philip Lecane

## Thurs 10 October, 1.00-2.00pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon Suitable for adults



On 10 October 1918, in the final weeks of the First World War, the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company steamship *RMS Leinster* was torpedoed and sunk by German submarine UB-123. The sinking resulted in the greatest ever loss of life in the Irish Sea and highest ever death toll on an Irish-owned ship. Attempting to return to Germany, UB-123 hit a minefield in the North Sea and was also lost along with its 36 crew. Those who were lost in the sinking of the RMS Leinster came from Ireland, Wales, England, Scotland, Guernsey, Canada, the United States, Australia and New Zealand. The crew of UB-123 all came from Germany. Join Philip Lecane in remembering this tragedy.



Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book Club First Wednesday of each month Level 5, dlr LexIcon, 6.30-7.30pm

#### Suitable for adults

## For enquiries and expressions of interest, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

A brand-new book club is set to commence this Autumn for those who love sci-fi, fantasy, and all things weird and wonderful! The book club meetings will take place the first Wednesday of the month from October onwards. First meeting is scheduled for 2 October.

## dlr Yarnspinners: Storytelling Circle for Adults

Wed 16 Oct, 6.30-7.30pm Complimentary tea/coffee available from 6.00pm The Lab, Level 3, dlr LexIcon

#### All welcome, no booking required



The October meeting of dlr Yarnspinners' monthly storytelling circle welcomes guest performer Vincent Kiely, a writer and storyteller from Moyne, near Thurles in Tipperary. Vincent is a lover of what he calls creative oral storytelling. He is a member of 'The Gab' storytellers in Cork, and of 'Storytellers of Ireland'. Vincent is currently working on an oral epic entitled Scéalta na Muimhneach, The Stories of the Munster Men, set in the ancient Irish kingdom of Munster.

## Blackrock Library Film Club

Thurs 17 October, 5.30pm Blackrock Library



To book, email blackrocklib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 288 8117

Join us for a screening of a cinematic classic or undiscovered gem every third Thursday of the month, followed by a group discussion. This month's screening is *The Spirit of the Beehive* (1973), directed by Victor Erice.

## Foam Printmaking Workshop

Thurs 17 October, 5.30-7.00pm

**Dundrum Library** 

Suitable for adults

To book, email dundrumlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 298 5000



Fortune in this fun printmaking workshop as you learn about intaglio, working in reverse, texture and inking. Each participant will come away with their own finished print and a knowledge of how to create these at home using some very basic materials. Participants should wear old clothes or an apron.



## **EVENTS FOR ADULTS**

## Libraries Online Resources Information Session with Library Staff

#### Tues 22 October, 3.00-4.00pm Dalkey Library

#### To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317

Did you know that dlr Libraries have an entire virtual library to explore? Do you want to use our website or app? Would you like to access e-books

and e-audiobooks, to stream music or select films? Join library staff to learn more about what our virtual library has to offer and have your questions and queries answered.



### Club Leabhar Filíochta Wed 30 October.

6.30-7.30pm dlr LexIcon

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To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Bíonn Club Leabhar Filíochta do dhaoine fásta ar siúl sa Lexlcon ar an gCéadaoin dheireanach ag 6.30pm. Faigh cnuasach an chlub, *Leabhar na hAthghabhála*, ar iasacht ón Lexlcon. Cláraigh don chlub ag dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie!

## Deansgrange Library Language Groups

#### Every Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri & Sat, 10.00-11.30am Deansgrange Library

#### Suitable for adults

For further details, email deansgrangelib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 0860

Interested in improving your language skills?

Choose from Italian, Irish, German, French or Spanish with these weekly, informal conversational groups.



## **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES**

## dlr Libraries' Baby & Toddler Groups

Dalkey Library Toddler Group

Fridays, 10.30-11.15am Children's Library, Dalkey Library



Suitable for ages 18 mths-3 yrs

For enquiries, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317

Join us on Friday mornings; something different on each morning, from playtime to music mornings!

## Toddler Time at dlr LexIcon

Every Thurs 5 September-19 December, 10.30-11.30am

#### Level 3, dlr Lexicon

Suitable for ages 18 mths-3 yrs Booking essential, see dlr Libraries Eventbrite

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Suitable for ages 0-18 mths No booking required

Come along and meet other babies and carers in the Children's Library, play with the toys and borrow some books!

## **Dalkey Library Baby Group**

### Wed 9 & 23 October 10.30-11.15am Dalkey Library

Suitable for ages 0-18 mths To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or

Tel (01) 285 5317

Join us for fun baby playtime and sensory social time best suited for our baby borrowers. Set in a quiet library with dimmed lights, colourful eggs and a selection of toys to play with.

## **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES**

## **Children's Board Game Club**

Tues 1 October, 6.00-7.00pm Dalkey Library

Suitable for ages 10-13 yrs

To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317



We are excited to announce

the return of our Board Game Club for Children. This is a great opportunity for children aged 10–13 years to meet new people while also enjoying some classic board games. Some of the games that will be played include Cluedo, Monopoly, Betrayal and many more.



## Studio Saturdays: dlr Libraries' Monthly Workshops for Neurodiverse Children

Sat 5 October, 11.00am-4.00pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

#### Suitable for all Ages

Booking required, tickets available via dlr Libraries Eventbrite from Mon 23 September.

dlr Libraries' monthly Studio Saturdays are tailored for neurodiverse children and their families. Parents must stay for the duration of these events to supervise their children. As always, there will be a quiet room on Level 3 for anyone who may need time and space to self-regulate.

#### Sat 5 October, 11am-4.00pm: Dave's Jungle

Back by popular demand, Dave's Jungle will arrive in dlr LexIcon for October's Studio Saturday! Join Dave and his reptilian pals for an interactive session where you will learn about how animals hunt, use their senses and catch their prey. Each session lasts 40 minutes with plenty of opportunities for attendees to ask Dave their follow-up questions.

Please note that sessions from 11.00am - 2.20pm are for neurodiverse children and their families. 3.20pm session is open to all families.

## dlr Libraries' LEGO Clubs



## **Dalkey Library LEGO Challenge Club**

Sat 5 October, 11.00am-12.00pm Dalkey Library

Suitable for ages 5 yrs+ To book, email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 5317

What LEGO creation will you build? Come for a free play session in Dalkey Library on the first Saturday morning of the month.

## **Shankill LEGO Club**

Sat 5 & 19 October, 11.00am-12.00pm Shankill Library Suitable for 5-9 yrs To book, email shankilllib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 282 3081

Whether you want to build a castle, a zoo, or simply let your imagination run wild, please join in the fun and book your child a space in Shankill LEGO Club!

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LEGO fun for all the family in Blackrock Library, just bring your imagination!

## **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES**

### **Music Workshop Dabbledoo Music**

Tues 8 October, 3.30pm Dundrum Library

Suitable for ages 4 yrs+ To book, email dundrumlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 298 5000



Join us for a music workshop with library staff. The workshop

is designed to be accessible, engaging and fun, focusing on playing together as a group.

## Spooky Storytime and Crafting

Wed 23 & 30 October, 3.30-4.30pm Shankill Library

Suitable for ages 4-6 yrs

To book, please email

shankilllib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 282 3081

Join library staff for a fun Halloween crafting event and Halloween-themed story. Costumes encouraged!

## **Halloween Crafts**

## Tues 29 October, 3.30-4.00pm Dundrum Library

Suitable for ages 5 yrs+

To book, email dundrumlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 298 5000

Join us to make some Halloween crafts with Library staff. Costumes encouraged!





**LEGO Dino Day** 

Wed 30 October, 11.00am Children's Library, Level 4, dlr LexIcon Suitable for ages 5 yrs+ No booking required

LEGO Dino Day encompasses two perennial favourites: LEGO bricks and dinosaurs! This family event has something for everyone, from preschoolers to grandparents. Nine detailed models of dinosaurs in their habitats will be on display, along with three activity stations where young and old get creative either building a T. Rex, creating Your Own Dinos or constructing a habitat. A DUPLO play pit is available for children under 4 years to get stuck in and have fun! Children must be accompanied at all times.

## Make a Trick or Treat Bag for Halloween

Wed 30 October, 2.00-5.00pm The Lab, Level 3, dlr Lexicon

Suitable for ages 9 yrs+

To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

During this staff-led session, participants will be shown how to use software to design and print an image onto a tote bag. All attendees will walk away with a personalised bag for trick or treating! Adults must be in attendance for the entire session.



## **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES**

## Create your own spooky story

Wed 30 October, 2.30 -4.00pm

Deansgrange Library Suitable for ages 8-10 yrs



To book, email deansgrangelib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 0860

Interested in being a writer or coming up with your own adventures? Come and take part in some creative games to get inspired to write a spooky story. Facilitated by Alison at Deansgrange Library.



## Chocolate Apple Mummies for Halloween

#### Thurs 31 October, 11.30am The Lab, Level 3, dlr Lexicon

Suitable for ages 5 yrs+ Booking essential as numbers are limited. To book, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

Are you looking for a healthier Halloween? Then come to dlr LexIcon Lab and make apple mummies with Deirdre from Cool Food School.

## Halloween Storytime

Thurs 31 October, 3.00pm Dundrum Library



Suitable for ages 3 yrs+ To book, email dundrumlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 298 5000

Join us for some Spooky Halloween stories and songs with library staff. Costumes encouraged!

## **EVENTS FOR SCHOOLS**

## Roald Dahl Flying Peach Workshop

Tues 24 September, 10.30-11.30am & 11.30am-12.30pm

The Lab, Level 3, dlr Lexicon

Suitable for 3rd-6th class

To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Can you make a peach fly or even a tea bag? Learn about flight and use this knowledge to do just that.

## Children's Book Festival 2024

School events throughout October



#### Various dlr Libraries / online

Children's Book Festival returns to dlr Libraries this October. This annual celebration helps to spread the enjoyment of books and reading among children and families, authors and illustrators, teachers and librarians all over Ireland. We have a great range of authors, illustrators and storytellers lined up with something for everyone on offer! Our local schoolchildren will be dazzled by authors and illustrators including PJ Lynch, Fiona Longmuir, Juliette Saumande, Megan Wynne, Karen Harte, Sarah Webb, Alan Nolan, Natasha Mac A' Bháird, Helena Duggan, Eve McDonnell, Mary Murphy, Brían Dungan, and Anna James!

Make sure to check our website libraries.dlrcoco.ie for more information and event bookings.

## Author Visit: Chris Ricketts

Tues 1 October, 10.30 & 11.45am The Lab, Level 3, dlr LexIcon



Suitable for Transition Year students To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

As part of Children's Book Festival, YA author Chris Ricketts will read from their new book, *You Don't See Me* and talk about their journey to getting published as well as giving advice to budding writers.



## **EVENTS FOR SCHOOLS**

### First LEGO League Discover with Learn IT

Wed 2 October, 10.00 & 11.30am

The Lab, Level 3, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for ages 4-7 yrs

To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

## These sessions are for teachers and their pupils only.

Using the LEGO Education Discover Set, the children design a new model of their own with LEGO DUPLO elements, discovering STEM skills along the way.

Working in teams of 4, children will imagine and innovate new ways to share their passions, hobbies and interests with others while learning about how experts in a variety of creative fields use STEM in their roles. FIRST LEGO League Discover finishes with a Celebration Event to recognise the children's achievements.



## **Big Bear Planetarium**

Mon 7 October, 9.30am, 10.45am & 12.00pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon Suitable for ages 9-12 yrs

## To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

dlr LexIcon is delighted to welcome Big Bear

Planetarium to the Studio Theatre this October. This mobile planetarium will bring the universe to primary schoolchildren and their teachers while creating a visual experience to help with the learning process.





## Space Week Talk with Astronomy Ireland

Tues 8 October, 10.00am The Lab, Level 3, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for 3rd-6th class

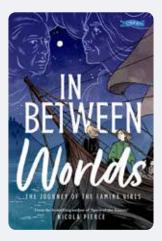
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Ireland's best-known astronomer, David Moore, will explore The Universe in a highly-illustrated and exciting talk aimed at young enquiring minds. We start at the Sun, its family of planets, asteroids and comets before looking out into the wider universe. Black holes, dark matter, dark energy, and the Big Bang will all be laid bare!

## Nicola Pierce, Dublin Festival of History 2024

Wed 9 October, 10.30-11.30am Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for 4th-6th class To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie



Author Nicola Pierce discusses her latest historical fiction novel, *'In Between Worlds, the Journey of the Famine Girls'*. The book was inspired by the Earl Grey Scheme, which ran from 1848-1850, and saw over four thousand orphaned teenage Irish girls bravely volunteer to leave their overcrowded workhouses and sail off for a new life in Australia. Pierce gives a fully illustrated talk on the writing of her novel, the story of the Famine, the Workhouse and Irish emigration.

## **EVENTS FOR SCHOOLS**

## RMS Leinster: The Forgotten Tragedy' with Carmel Uí Cheallaigh

Thurs 10 October, 11.00am-12.00pm

Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for ages 8-12 yrs

To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Join Carmel Uí Cheallaigh for an event for children discussing the RMS Leinster. Carmel is a retired Librarian. Her book *RMS Leinster: The Forgotten* 

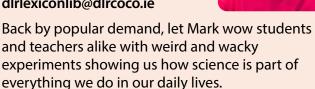
*Tragedy* is about the sinking of the RMS Leinster, the largest tragedy to happen in the Irish Sea, just off the coast of Dún Laoghaire. This very local history story is also available as Gaeilge.



## **Mark the Science Guy**

Mon 14 October, 10.00am & 11.30am Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie



## Mind Reading Maths with anyone4science

Thurs 17 October, 10.00-10.45am & 11.00-11.45am

The Lab, Level 3, dlr Lexicon Suitable for 2nd-6th class To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie



In this workshop we have some fun with maths. Using our special cards we can read everyone's minds and explain the maths behind the numbers on each card. On the way we'll do some logic puzzles in this fun, interactive workshop!



## The Tower Ghost: Schools Event with Natasha Mac A' Bháird

Thurs 17 October, 10.30-11.30am

#### Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for 4th-6th Class

To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

In The Tower Ghost, three girls race to uncover the secrets of their haunted school – before a killer strikes again. Join author Natasha Mac A'Bháird to find out all about writing a whodunnit. Can YOU be a detective? Examine clues, interview suspects and solve a mystery!

It's a Mystery – Story Event for Schools with Laureate na nÓg Patricia Forde, and Much-loved Author & Performer, Dave Rudden

Thurs 17 October, 12.30-1.30pm Studio Theatre, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for 4th-6th Class

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This is the perfect event for amateur sleuths and ne'er-do-wells-in-training. Learn how to plot, scheme and snare your readers into thinking you're an incredible mystery writer, while hiding clues, suspects and twists in plain sight. Impress your hired goons, flummox your foes, and learn why a good hat is crucial to committing the perfect crime.

## **EVENTS FOR SCHOOLS**

#### TY STEM ENTREPRENEUR CAMP

Every Wednesday 9 October -27 November, 9.30am-12.00pm

The Lab, Level 3, dlr LexIcon

Suitable for Transition Year Students

## To book, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown's entrepreneur learning camp for Transition Year is open to all TY students in DLR secondary schools, with a maximum of four students per school. The Camp incorporates handson workshops and maker days within the realm of STEM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). Hosted in the dlr Lexlcon Lab from October to November, students will attend eight weekly sessions exploring CAD design, Electronics, Coding, Computer Programming, 3D Printing and Design. Also included is a Q&A session with guest technology developers and entrepreneurs. Students will learn the skills to design and develop their own prototype, which they will produce during the maker days and present to a group of school peers and community members in a Show and Share Event.

## **EXHIBITION PROGRAMME**

#### World Alzheimer's Month

#### **Colours Chasing Me by Friday Friends**

September 2024 Deansgrange Library

Launch: Fri 6 September, 11.00am-12.00pm.

#### All welcome

## For enquiries, email deansgrangelib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 285 0860

Living Well with Dementia is delighted to exhibit its Art Piece '**Colours Chasing Me**' during September in recognition of World Alzheimer's Month.

LWwD aims to raise awareness about dementia, reduce stigma, promote early diagnosis, and provide support for people living with dementia in HSE Community Healthcare East, including weekly activity groups that are open to all but are particularly welcoming to people with dementia, their families and carers.

'**Colours Chasing Me'** is a collaborative artwork created by talented weekly art group 'Friday Friends'. The creation of this art piece was facilitated by artist Caroline Schofield and funded by dlr Arts

Office. Caroline is particularly interested in participatory and collaborative art & health work and her work has been exhibited both nationally and internationally.





## Consultation on Dún Laoghaire Harbour Masterplan: Join dlr in charting the future for Dún Laoghaire Harbour!

### September & October

#### dlr Lexicon, Level 3 & 4

Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council are embarking on an exciting journey to shape the future of our iconic Harbour, and we need you on board! A pop-up will take place in September and October in dlr LexIcon as part of the consultation, with an opportunity for adults to share feedback, and for children to submit a 'Dún Laoghaire Harbour – Wish You Were Here!' postcard for consideration. The Dún Laoghaire Harbour Masterplan will be our directional chart for decades to come guiding how we want to use, develop and enjoy the Harbour, and its environs. Have your say!

## **EXHIBITION PROGRAMME**

## George Fox (1624-1691) and the Irish Quaker tradition. Presented by the Friends Historical Library Dublin

Exhibition: Mon 2 September-Thurs 10 October

Talks series: 6.00pm, Wednesdays

Level 3, dlr Lexicon

All welcome to attend launch and talks series, no booking required.

Quakerism, a sect inspired by the preaching of George Fox, arose during the

religious upheavals of seventeenth-century England. The Society of Friends of the Truth, as they called themselves, attempted to return to the simpler values of the early Christian church. The fundamental belief was that there is that of God in every human being, and that intermediaries, such as priests, between God and man are unnecessary.

The first Irish Quakers came from England in the early 1650s and the exhibition will reflect their history and life since then, showing how this dissenting minority group came to play a significant role in the development of industry and society in Ireland. Quakers believe in equality of all humans, regardless of ethnicity or gender and their commitment to pacifism has, in more recent years, led to mediation during the troubles in Northern Ireland and crosscommunity reconciliation since. Quakers also have accredited United Nations offices in Washington and Geneva and a house in Brussels, the Quaker Council for European Affairs.



#### Associated talks series over 5 weeks at 6.00pm The Lab, Level 3, dlr LexIcon

All welcome, no booking required

Launch of exhibition and talk: light refreshments will be served.

#### **Wed 4 September:** Toward Understanding George Fox, his formation and early message, 1624-1654

Charles Lamb: A Quaker with a lifelong interest in George Fox, on whom he has published several papers and articles.

#### Wed 11 September: Quakers and the arts

Peter Lamb: Specialist in Irish pottery and author of the definitive study on the art potter John French.

#### Wed 18 September:

The Quaker response to the "Troubles" in Northern Ireland

Felicity McCartney: Active for years in Community Development in Northern Ireland, she has been directly involved in matters relating to the Troubles.

#### Wed 2 October:

#### Quakers in the Monkstown and Dún Laoghaire area

Rob Goodbody: Quaker historian well-known for his writings on local history and topography, as well as publications on the Famine.

#### **Wed 9 October:** The Quaker contribution to Irish education

Clodagh Grubb: A former teacher and author of *Samplers, Sewing and Simplicity in Quaker Ireland*.



## Summer Stars Art Competition Exhibition

Thurs 12-Tues 17 September Dundrum Library

Join us in Dundrum Library for our Summer Stars Art competition exhibition. Wonderful artwork created by children during the summer will be on display for one week.



## **EXHIBITION PROGRAMME**

Woodspace: Exhibition of Wood Designers of the Present and the Future Wed 25 September – Wed 9 October Level 4, dlr LexIcon



Rotary Ireland and dlr Lexlcon present *Woodspace,* an exhibition that features posters, video, design models and information on sustainable use of wood from forest to end product, including case studies of award-winning architects and designers alongside third level students. Collaboration is the theme of many of the projects featured in



*Woodspace* including Venice Vessel and The Seamus Heaney Walk Seating Project. Both depended on support from communities, foresters, sawmillers, designers and makers.

*Woodspace* is an acknowledgment of the importance of forestry in climate change as outlined in Ireland's Climate Action Plan. The plan identifies afforestation as the single largest landbased climate change mitigation measure available to Ireland. It maintains that our existing forests increase carbon stores, and our forest products extend the carbon sink especially in construction where it displaces fossil-based concrete, brick and steel while wood energy displaces oil and gas.

Woodspace is supported by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine and Rotary Ireland.



## Glass Reflections of 19th Century Dún Laoghaire Exhibition: Fri 27 September - Fri 13 October Talk: Tues 1 October, 6.30-7.30pm Level 5, dlr LexIcon

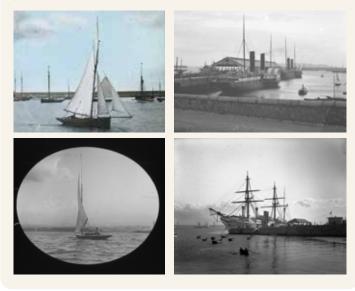
To attend the talk, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

## The exhibition is free to attend during branch opening hours, 27 September - 13 October 2024

Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown Libraries present an exhibition of digitised glass plate slides from the dlr Local Studies' Charles Hamilton Oswald Collection.

Oswald, from Dún Laoghaire, had a special interest in yachting, and either acquired or inherited the collection which mainly depicts life in and around Dún Laoghaire Harbour. A digitised version of this unique collection will be available to view for the first time, reflecting an important period in the town's history.

The Local Studies team will also present a talk on the history of glass plate photography, the importance of preservation and the digitisation process.



## **EXHIBITION PROGRAMME**

## Ahoy, Young Explorers! Welcome to the Ouzel Galley Adventure!

Tues 1 October – Fri 29 November Exhibition Launch: Wed 2 October, 6.00pm. Children's Library, Level 4, dlr LexIcon

#### All welcome.

To attend the workshops, email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie or Tel (01) 280 1147

**Discover the Legend:** Step back in time to 1695 and set sail on an incredible journey with the legendary ship, the Ouzel Galley. This magical exhibition brings to life the exciting story of a ship that left Dublin Bay over 300 years ago. Discover what happened to the ship and its brave crew through the illustrations of artist Bex Shelford.

**Fun Activities for You:** Come and pick a spot on the map to guess where the treasure from the Ouzel Galley might still be buried in Dublin Bay! Explore the exhibition with a special activity booklet, full of drawings, fun things to spot, and creative ideas for your own artwork. The story of the Ouzel Galley is waiting for you. Let's discover the legend and maybe even find some treasure along the way!

Associated Workshops, Children's Library, Level 4, dlr LexIcon (see booking details above)

#### Make Your Own Sea Bird!

Sat 12 October, 10.00am-11.00am: Suitable for ages 5-7 yrs

Join us for a fun workshop where you'll create your very own 3D seagull with flapping wings! Use your imagination to design your sea bird with a cool seaside theme. Get ready to craft a unique seagull that's ready to soar over the ocean!

#### **Create Your Own Treasure Chest**

#### Sat 12 October, 11.30am-12.30pm: Suitable for ages 8-11 yrs

Join us for an exciting art workshop where you'll make your very own treasure chest! Using different materials, design a 3D treasure chest. What is a treasure to you? What will you hide inside? Come and let your creativity shine as you create something truly unique!

#### Mythical Sea Creatures from the Past!

Tues 15 October, 10.00-11.00am Suitable for classes aged 7-9 yrs

11.30am-12.30pm Suitable for classes aged 10-12 yrs

## To book a space for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Dive into our art workshop and bring your imagination to life as you create your own mythical sea creatures! Inspired by the fantastical marine life of the Ouzel Galley age, sculpt magical sea animals from plasticine. Transform your creative ideas into amazing sea creatures, just like the ones from ancient ocean stories!

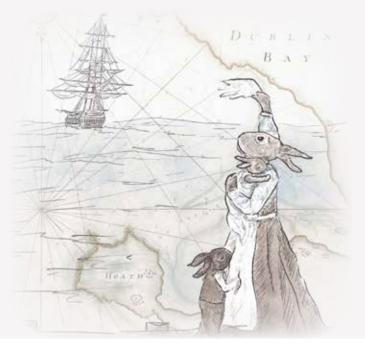
#### **Create Your Own Maps!**

Thurs 17 October 10.00-11.00am Suitable for classes aged 5-7 yrs

11.30am-12.30pm Suitable for classes aged 9-12 yrs

## To book a place for their class, teachers should email dlrlexiconlib@dlrcoco.ie

Dive into our art workshop and discover the art of map-making! We'll explore what maps are and experiment with unique ways to design them. Think about mapping out your favourite experiences and memories in creative and personal ways. Come and turn your stories and adventures into your own custom maps!



## **EXHIBITION PROGRAMME**



## Girls in Crisis Photo Exhibition by Plan International Ireland

Level 4, dlr Lexicon

#### Fri 11 October - Fri 1 November

Plan International Ireland, the development and humanitarian organisation advancing children's rights and equality for girls, is marking International Day of the Girl (11 October) with a powerful photographic exhibition. Girls in Crisis aims to raise awareness about the specific challenges faced by girls and young women dealing with conflict and displacement in Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan through compelling visual stories. Girls are disproportionately impacted by conflict, with displacement often forcing them to drop out of school and putting them at greater risk of child marriage, sexual and genderbased violence and trafficking.

The exhibition features moving and effective images from these contexts including a shoot by Peter Caton, commissioned by Plan, taken in the refugee camp in the small border town of Renk in South Sudan, where over 1,000 refugees fleeing the conflict in neighbouring Sudan cross over every day, seeking water, food and shelter in what is regarded as the world's largest displacement crisis. Plan International specialises in offering Education in Emergencies and creating child-friendly spaces where we offer mental health and psychosocial support and play therapy to traumatised children. For more information about Plan's work, visit plan.ie

### Seamus Heaney Listen Now again Fri 11 October - Fri 15 November Level 3, dlr LexIcon



Enjoy an immersive experience that guides you through the poet's life and work, revealing the internal and external forces that shaped his work. This banner version of the exhibition currently on display in Bank of Ireland Cultural and Heritage Centre, Dublin 2, draws on the extensive archive that Seamus Heaney and his family donated to the National Library of Ireland in 2011.

Curated by Professor Geraldine Higgins, Director of Irish Studies at Emory University, this exhibition was created in partnership between the NLI, the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, and Bank of Ireland.

## dlr Podcasts

Let us keep you company while you walk the dog, clean the house or on your commute!

dlr Libraries host a varied programme of events throughout the year, some of which we record. These have included conversations with authors such as Edna O'Brien, Margaret Atwood and Donal Ryan, parenting discussions on subjects like screentime

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and anxiety, and advice for writers with Sarah Webb among others. You can listen to the back catalogue of recordings through our Soundcloud page: soundcloud.com/dlr-soundcloud.

## dlr Libraries: Our resources and services

To find out more about our Clubs and Groups, our ASC (Accessible Services Collection), Reader Pens, Acorn Tablets, Home Energy Saving Kits, Book Sets and all our online resources, call in and chat to a member of staff, visit our website at **libraries.dlrcoco.ie**, sign up for our fortnightly ebulletin on our website, and follow us on social media.



dlr Libraries and dlr LexIcon will be closed from **Saturday 26 October** to **Monday 28 October** inclusive. All Libraries will re-open as normal on **Tuesday 29 October 2024**.

During these times, My Open Library (MOL) hours will be in operation in Deansgrange and Dalkey Libraries\*\*

\*\*You must register for this service in advance with library staff.

All our online services are available 24/7; all you need is your library card and PIN



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