

# Come Together Again



## CULTURE NIGHT 2021

Friday 17 September

**ALL EVENTS FREE**

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## Welcome to Culture Night 2021!

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 over the last 12 months, doors are now re-opening and new plans are being hatched! We are delighted to present Fermanagh & Omagh Culture Night 2021, showcasing the wealth of diversity and talent across our district.

The 2021 programme is again 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!



*Enniskillen Royal Grammar School A Level Performing Arts presents*

## Pop up in the Park

6.00pm & 6.30pm

Enniskillen Royal Grammar School A2 Performing Arts class present a fast, fun and furious retelling of Oscar Wilde's *Fisherman and His Soul*. Performances at 6pm and again at 6.30pm live at The Witches Hat, Round 'O'. Audience should adhere to social distancing guidance when taking their seat outside, and dress appropriately for the weather.



 Round O Park, Enniskillen



*Golden Apple Players presents*

## Celebrating cultures through dance, drama and song

6.45pm

Our Culture Night initiative will celebrate culture through acting, singing and dance!

The event will be a recorded performance with a group of 20 adults from across different Cultures who are living in Omagh and surrounding areas.

Participants will express their culture through the medium of acting, song and dance in a way which is inclusive and open to others.

We include Northern Irish cultures, Irish cultures, European cultures and cultures from across the world represented by Omagh residents..

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

14th Fermanagh Scout Group presents

## A Taste of Scouting


6.15pm

Come and enjoy a range of scouting activities which will showcase our scouting programme through a series of fun games and challenges.

These include: knot tying, navigation, various tent pitching, hammocking, backwoods cooking, bush craft and controlled fire lighting techniques. Try all of these activities under the supervision of our skilled leaders.

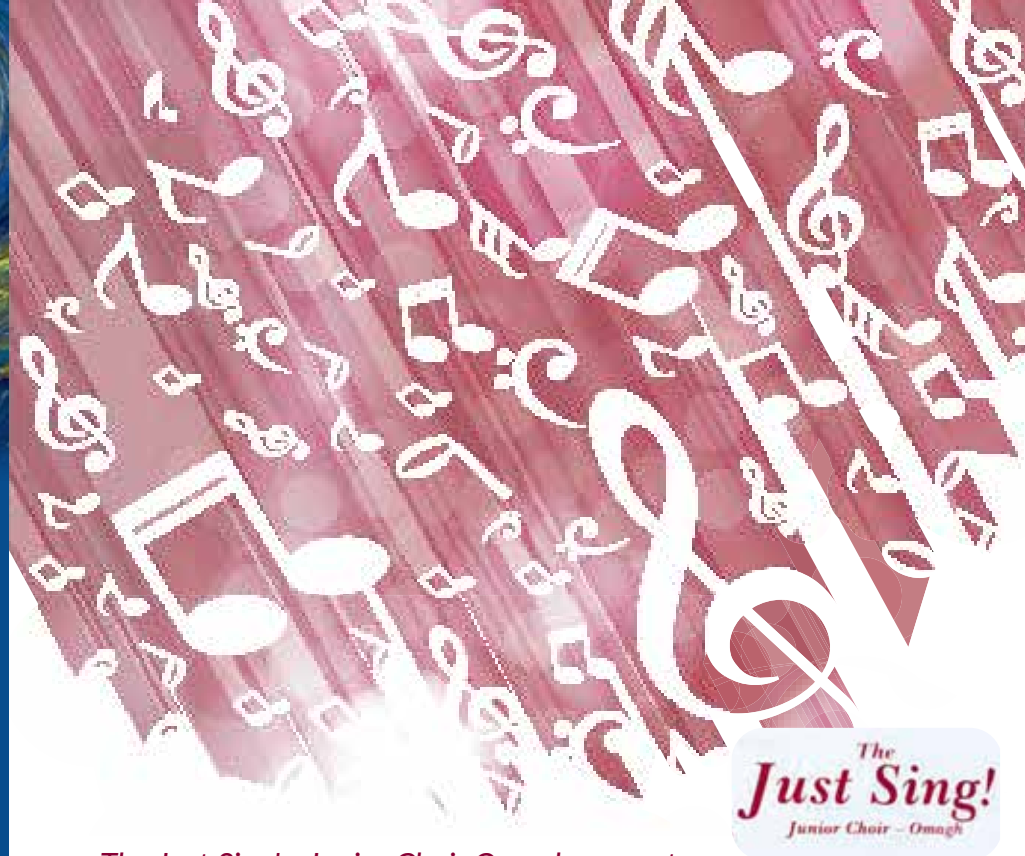
View a slideshow showcasing the many activities, camps locally and internationally, canoeing expeditions and hikes that the group have run and taken part in over the years. Learn how the structured scouting programme works and see how the scouts are rewarded with the badges earned.

We will finish with a campfire where we will sing many traditional scouting songs and make smores and popcorn around the fire.

 **St. Ninnidh's Parish Hall, Main Street, Derrylin**







*The Just Sing! - Junior Choir Omagh presents*

## Exploring Cultures through Song

5.30pm

The Just Sing! Junior Choir - Omagh is made up of young people from local Primary and Secondary schools with the aim of building confidence and esteem through music, song and togetherness.

As a cross community group, so the choir celebrates culture every time they meet! During lockdown, they continued their sessions via zoom every week. The choir of 16 will sing several pieces that will appeal to a wide and varied audience and provides their own keyboard accompaniment. PERFORMING TOGETHER will be a huge celebration in itself, thanks to FODC.

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

**ASTRL**  
PICTURES

*ASTRL Pictures presents*

## Live from Hollywood (not live from Hollywood)

9.15pm

Tune in to this live talk show with surprise guests, announcements and lots of game show antics.

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





*Back Beat Pat presents*

## Songs of Sliabh Beagh

From 6.00pm

Songs of the Sliabh Beagh Region as collected during the Covid lockdown period. Pat Flynn performs some of the favorites in a simple campfire style from the confines of the Back Beat Pat corner.

Culture Night provides an opportunity to revive and bring some of the Sliabh Beagh cultural area songs to a wider audience.

Enjoy these Sliabh Beagh memories.

 [www.facebook.com/backbeatpat](https://www.facebook.com/backbeatpat)

Full Sliabh Beagh Play List available at:  
[www.facebook.com/backbeatpat/videos](https://www.facebook.com/backbeatpat/videos)

*Community Rhythms presents*

## A Rhythmic Intro

6.15pm

Our tutor will introduce Community Rhythms, present a video of some of the highlights of our grand finale concert and a taster class with local children.



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





Belleek Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann presents

## Music for Forest Feasting

7.00pm



In conjunction with a Festival Lough Erne Forest Dining Event that is happening with the confines of the Walled Garden at Castle Caldwell. We will provide music to add to the experience of such a unique setting.

This is a public event but has limited spaces. Booking essential at: <http://www.festivallougherne.com>

 Castle Caldwell, Fermanagh




Dún Uladh Cultural Heritage Centre presents

## Live Trad Session

7.00pm



Dún Uladh will present a virtual evening of traditional Irish Music delivered by some of the most talented musicians from across the province. We have decided to remain virtual for this years Culture Night celebration for the health and safety of our customers. Our night will feature a live session from Shane McAleer and Eamonn McElholm which will go live from our Facebook page.

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




Fermanagh Concert Band presents

## Big Band Music

7.15pm



The only concert band in Fermanagh, and one of the very few in Ireland, Fermanagh Concert Band has been a vibrant presence on the Enniskillen scene for over a quarter of a century. It's a fully independent, self-supporting group of wind and brass players drawn from a cross section of the Fermanagh community. The event consists of a live (in person) performance at the Round 'O' band stand in Enniskillen, celebrating the contribution of Big Band music to the local music scene with a varied and dynamic repertoire ranging from 'Moon River' to 'St. Louis Blues'.

 Bandstand, 'Round O' Park, Enniskillen




Fermanagh/Tyrone Brass Band Summer School presents

## Brass Blast!

7.45pm

Brass Blast! is a culture event celebrating brass band music and the versatility of the ensemble through different genres of music to suit all ages.

This event will be pre recorded and available online. It can be viewed at the Fermanagh/Tyrone Brass Band Summer School Facebook page (FTBBSS) A selection of brass players from FTBBSS will come together and perform several tunes for the public.

 <https://www.facebook.com/FermanaghOmaghArts> and  
[https://www.facebook.com/Fermanagh/Tyrone Brass Band Summer School Page \(FTBBSS\)](https://www.facebook.com/Fermanagh/Tyrone Brass Band Summer School Page (FTBBSS))





Together in Music presents

## A Flavour of Scotland

9.30pm

The Phila Sophia Ensemble is a new group exploring the links between British and Irish folk traditions. We have commissioned a number of new arrangements to reflect this. The event will be music based and will explore the rich folk tradition of Scotland.



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



Omagh Jazz & Big Band Festival presents

## Late Night Jazz

10.15pm

The Bob Quick Quintet will perform some accessible easy listening jazz numbers recorded from the Gallery bar, Strule Arts Centre, Omagh.



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Jim Ledwith presents

## Mumming Memories

All day Friday 17  
September

Local mumming enthusiast Jim Ledwith will offer information on the music, instruments, dance, poetry and song of the mumming traditions in Fermanagh between 7 – 9pm.

The exhibition of previously unseen photographs of dance in mumming continues from 9am -1pm Sat 18 September.



Fermanagh House, Enniskillen

Booking essential, numbers strictly limited  
To book email: [jim.ledwith@btconnect.com](mailto:jim.ledwith@btconnect.com)



Tempo Maguires present

## Rounders Taster Event

6.30pm

We will be organising a taster event for rounders, one of Ireland's national sports that is not currently organised in the area.

It will be an outdoor event for around 40 persons from the local community.



St Patrick's Park, Edenmore Tempo



Dromore GFC presents

## History and origin of local surnames

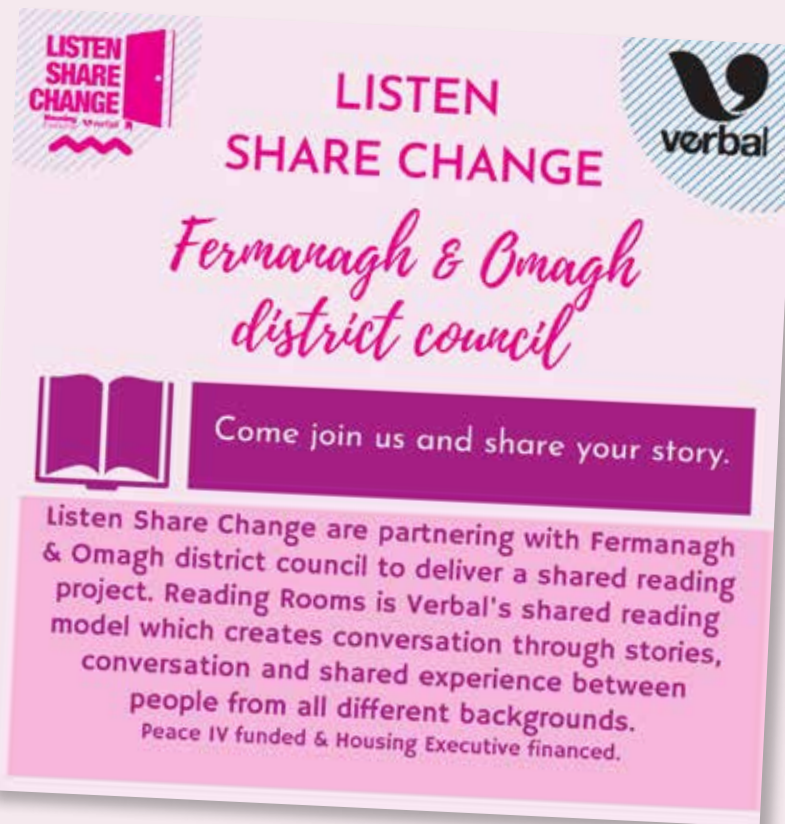
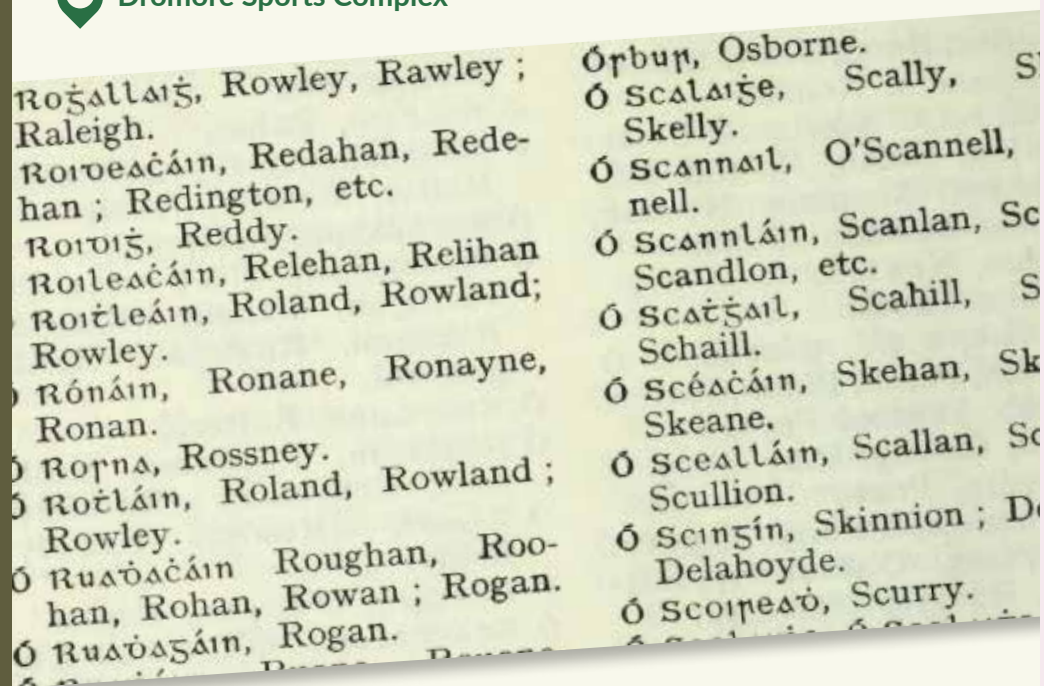
8.00pm



This event will give local people an insight into where their surnames originated from and what their surname means. It is hoped that this will give everyone in the locality a better understanding of the Irish language, and that it is a language shared by many for generations, as a lot of surnames derive from the Irish language.

It is our plan to have an expert in this field to host the talk for us, and people will be able to have question and answers at the end of the talk. While we are planning on having this in person, we will also look at the option of streaming it live to those who are unable to attend.

 Dromore Sports Complex




The Verbal Arts Centre presents

## Listen Share Change

11.00am & 2.00pm

Listen Share Change are partnering with Fermanagh & Omagh District Council to deliver a shared reading project. Reading Rooms is Verbal's shared reading model which creates conversation through stories, conversation and shared experience between people from all different backgrounds. Funded by Peace IV funded and financed by Housing Executive. This will be delivered via zoom, a short story will be read to the participants, followed by a facilitated discussion.

 Zoom (Online) Booking essential at:  
<https://www.theverbal.co/listensharechange>



Omagh Literary Festival present

## Selected Readings

8.30pm

Local writers, speakers, artists and musicians read and perform in a celebration of classic and contemporary Irish arts and literature.

 Lecture Theatre, Strule Arts Centre, Omagh



Fermanagh & Omagh District Council presents

## 'From Around the World: Celebrating Our Cultures'

This exhibition is open from 9am - 5pm daily Monday - Saturday in Strule Arts Centre Omagh.



## From Around The World Celebrating our Cultures

As part of Fermanagh & Omagh District Council's Good Relations Programme, this exhibition celebrates cultural diversity within the Council area. It presents different cultures and traditions through photographs, personal stories, artefacts and the participants' voices.

Through this exhibition, the participants enthusiastically share their love and passion for the preservation and promotion of their cultures. This intercultural display highlights the many similarities between different cultures: showcasing that while we may differ, we are in many ways the same.



*Community Arts Partnership presents*

## Reflections on Covid exhibition

7.00-10.00pm

Presentation : 7.30pm

The exhibition "The Good Room" at Fermanagh House will feature locally created crochet arts, stories and photography made by older Fermanagh residents, carers and friends. The exhibition will tell a story of this unique period in our lives where for the past year and a half our lives have been centred at home with our precious and vulnerable shielded, often behind glass or perspex. We hope to comment on our experiences of what life was like during lockdown and Covid, its challenges and loss. We will show how we have managed to come through this period by reconnecting with one another through conversation and the arts and, in spite of the great difficulties, we remain.

The exhibition was created by Fermanagh residents in collaboration with the Rural Housing Association and Community Arts Partnership. Community Arts Partnership received support for this project from the Community Foundation for Northern Ireland through the Community Arts, Culture & Heritage Fund, as well as the Department for Communities. The Rural Housing Association received support for this project from the Prince's Countryside Fund.

 **Fermanagh House, Enniskillen**

The exhibition will continue until the end of September.



*Mountfield Community Association presents*

## A Taste of Culture

6.00pm

We are opening the doors of your community centre to provide you with an insight into the traditions and practices of a range of different cultures that add to the rich diversity that exists within our local area. This is a free event and promises to be a great evening out for families and children. There will be free arts and crafts workshops suitable for all ages. Taste samples and pick up recipes of home made Thai Food. Try on traditional costumes and view traditional arts and cultural displays. COVID restrictions and guidelines will be followed.

 **Mountfield Community Centre**

Booking essential, numbers strictly limited

To book email: [mariemeenagh@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mariemeenagh@hotmail.co.uk)



An Creagan presents

## Stories and Songs of the Sperrins

7.00pm

Stories and songs of the Sperrins with traditional Irish Food.

Delivered in person with max number of 15 in attendance.

Pre booking essential.



 An Creagán Cultural Centre, Creggan



Fermanagh and Omagh District Council with the Access Centre NUIG presents

## Celebrating the Travelling Community's Connections with Irish Culture

8.00pm

The event will look at and celebrate the contribution that the Travelling community has made to traditional Irish music and at the connection that exists between Cant (language used by the Travelling community) and the Irish language.

This event is being organised by the Council in partnership with Áras Uí Chathail Access Centre in the National University of Ireland, Galway. The aim of the Access Centre is to encourage people from the Travelling community to take more advantage from formal education. Lack of formal education is seen as one of main reasons why the Travelling community experiences a high rate of social problems.

The event will begin with short talks by Oein De Bhairduin, from the travelling community, and Professor Dónall Ó Baoill on the Cant language and the link between Cant and Irish. This will be followed by an open discussion on this topic.

The rest of the event will feature music, stories and songs associated with the Travelling community. This will include singing in Cant, piping music and traditional music tunes, that relate to the travelling tradition, from top class local musicians Shane McAleer (fiddle) and Peter McKenna (uilleann pipes). This is a follow-on event to training that was made available by the Good Relations unit of Fermanagh and Omagh District Council to members of staff during which the link between native Irish language and culture and that of the travelling community come to light.

Admission to this event will be free of charge but places must be reserved. This can be done on-line at [www.struleartscentre.co.uk](http://www.struleartscentre.co.uk) or by contacting the Box Office at 028 82247831



Derrylin Dramatic Society presents

## Cabaret Evening

9.00 – 11.00pm

This is a Cabaret style event, a selection of pre-recorded performances, featuring local drama, local All Ireland Fleadhfest winners from Derrylin locally written poetry by Matt Duggan, local mumming and dance, recorded in various parts of Derrylin including Knockninny Rock and Knockninny Marina.



### Poetry Set released at 9pm

- **From Mountain to Lough** – Poetry from Matt Duggan  
Introduced by Gerry Duggan and recitals by Mary Cassidy and Tracey Hallett
- **Dúchas / Traditional Connection** by Councillor Chris McCaffrey
- **The Mountain Face** performed by Shane Burke

### Culture Set released at 9.30pm

- **Hip Hop and Street Dance** with Urban Motion featuring Jaime Fagan
- **Sister Act** with Eileen McGovern and Pauline Corrigan featuring Jiving and an Anniversary Waltz
- **Aughakillymaude Traditional Mumming** with TP Owens and Brian McManus
- **Yarn Bomb** by Derrylin Crochet Group featuring Christina O'Reilly

### Drama Set released at 10pm

- **Don't Marry Me** by Gabriel Davis. Short monologue performed by Ella Clarke
- **What My Fangs Are For** by Tara Meddaugh. Short monologue performed by Maeve Mooney
- **THE THRILL OF LOVE** by Amanda Whittington performed by Ciara Fitzpatrick and Claire Gilheaney.  
A short play telling the real-life story of Ruth Ellis who shot her husband David Blakely and was subsequently hanged for the murder.

### Music Set released at 10.30pm

- **Séan McBride** performs Ride On and With Or Without You
- **Shauneen Maguire** performs Eleanor Plunkett and Swan
- **Damian McCionaoíth** performs Raglan Road, River Finn and Second-hand trousers bought in Belcoo
- **Aoife Cathcart** performs Grace and The Voyage

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



Hambly & Hambly, Dunbar House, Fermanagh presents

## French & Irish Culture: Past Present Future

9.15pm

A video presentation exploring the links between Irish and French culture, past, present and future, featuring:



- French opera from Andrew Irwin
- Readings from Beckett
- A selection of French & Irish Visual Arts
- A visit to the Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris.

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# AT A GLANCE...

9.00am	Mumming Memories, Fermanagh House
9.00am	'From Around the World: Celebrating Our Cultures' Strule Arts Centre
11.00pm	Listen, Share, Change (online)
2.00pm	Listen, Share Change (online)
5.30pm	Just Sing! (online)
6.00pm	Pop up in the Park, Round O, Enniskillen
6.00pm	Mountfield Family Culture Night
6.00pm	Songs of Sliabh Beagh (online)
6.15pm	A Taste of Scouting, Derrylin
6.15pm	A Rhythm Intro by Community Rhythms (online)
6.30pm	Rounders Taster, Tempo
6.45pm	Celebrating Culture through dance, drama and song with Golden Apples Drama Group (online)
7.00pm	Music for Forest Feasting, Castlecaldwell
7.00pm	Stories and Songs of the Sperrins, An Creagan
7.00pm	Traditional Music from Dun Uladh (online)
7.15pm	Fermanagh Concert Band
7.30pm	Reflections on Covid, Fermanagh House
7.45pm	Brass Blast! (online)
8.00pm	Origin & history of local surnames
8.00pm	Celebrating the Travelling Community's Connections with Irish culture
8.30pm	Omagh Literary Festival
9.00pm	Candlelight Cabaret (online)
9.15pm	French & Irish Culture Past Present Future (online)
9.15pm	Live from Hollywood (not live from Hollywood) (online)
9.30pm	Together in Music (online)
10.15pm	Late Night Jazz (online)