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LAUNCH 18/09/2023

EMER
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SUNDAY 12TH NOV *CONT.*

EBB AND FLO

CONNECT WITH THE PATTERNS AND POWER OF WATER.
Easkey Britton in conversation with Letterkenny based author and poet, Denise Blake. Easkey is a marine scientist, author, marine social scientist and world class surfer, who has a deep love and passion for tapping into the healing powers of the sea. Denise Blake is an acclaimed poet who regularly contributes poetry and prose to Sunday Miscellany on RTE Radio 1.

TIME: 2.00PM
VENUE: THEATRE 2 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE
ADM: FREE

RACHEL O'CONNOR IN 'MARGARET'

A ONE ACT PLAY BY SHAUN BYRNE
Performer: Rachel O'Connor Directed by Monica Doherty Lighting: Niall Cranny Sound: Sean O'Connor Makeup: Brenda Duffy Stage Manager: Gerry Byrne This wonderful one-woman show, first performed last November, deals with the life of Margaret Thatcher during her final days as she faces past ghosts, victories and regrets. Rachel O'Connor delivers a tour de force as the still controversial British Prime Minister and Shaun Byrne's vivid script gives the audience much to consider about the life and times of one of the most important and divisive political figures of the last century. Early booking is advised.

TIME: 4.00PM
VENUE: THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE
ADM: €10 + €1 BOOKING FEE

CONCERT IN ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

William Allingham's own parish church hosts this concert which has become a wonderful finale to our festival. This year's performers will be Bel Canto Choir, Olive Travers, the pupils of Kilbarron Primary School, the Ballyshannon Brass and Reed Band and Linda Gillespie. There is no better way to finish the weekend than by listening to music, poetry and readings in this beautiful historic building. There might even be a cup of tea afterwards.

TIME: 7.00PM
VENUE: ST ANNE'S CHURCH
ADM: FREE
Donations to St Anne's gratefully accepted.

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The Allingham Arts Festival is a community arts festival which takes place in Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal, each November, in honour of the poet William Allingham.

For bookings and information on the festival, visit our website:
WWW.ALLINGHAMFESTIVAL.COM
or email us with any queries on: allinghamfest@gmail.com

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<div>SCHEDULE</div> <div>THE ALLINGHAM FESTIVAL WEEKEND</div> <div><div>A</div><div></div></div>				SATURDAY 11 TH NOV		TIME	VENUE	ADM
A NOVEL IDEA BOOKSHOP WILL BE OPEN IN THE ABBEY ARTS CENTRE ON SAT & SUN 12 NOON - 5PM								
WEDNESDAY 8 TH NOV	BALLYSHANNON SAMBA BAND <i>The infectious rhythms of the Ballyshannon Samba Band will get our Festival off to a flying start as the musical sounds of South America put patrons in form for five days of Allingham.</i>		6.30PM	ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE	CHRISTINE FOX CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOP <i>A constant at Allingham from the beginning, Christine Fox's Art Workshop always inspires the young artists who flock to her in Coláiste Cholmcille. Booking is essential .To book phone or text 0860621579</i>		
	THE EMERSON LECTURE <i>Booking Essential</i> <i>175 Years ago, 19 orphan girls left Ballyshannon Workhouse to travel to Sydney, Australia, under the Earl Grey Scheme. Renowned local historian Anthony Begley will reveal all in his own highly informative and entertaining style. Run by the Donegal Historical Society</i>		7.00PM	THEATRE 2 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE	REEL BORDER SHORTS <i>These are four amateur short documentary films exploring the meaning of borders to people who lived through the Troubles, the Good Friday Agreement and includes those from other countries with their own views on what borders represent. Funded by the European Research Council, Vrije Universiteit Brussels, Northern Ireland Screen Digital Archive, the Nerve Centre and the Irish Film Institute. Followed by Q&A with the directors.</i>		
	OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE ALLINGHAM FESTIVAL 2023 - EVERYONE WELCOME.		8.30PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE	LITTLE TOP STARS <i>Little Top Stars return to bring the magic and wonder of circus skills such as Juggling and Diabolo. Drop in any time and experience the sheer fun that Little Top Stars bring to their events. No booking is necessary.</i>		
	ALLINGHAM LECTURE BY DR. NIALL MULDOON <i>Dr. Niall Muldoon, the Ombudsman for Children, will deliver this year's Allingham Lecture on the theme "Children's Rights in Ireland – From the Workhouse to the Family Hub". This fearless advocate for the rights of children is sure to deliver an inspiring and thought- provoking talk.</i>		8.45PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE	THE REGIONAL MEETING OF WORD AN ORGANISATION OF WRITERS <i>This is the first time the event has been held outside Dublin.</i>		
THURSDAY 9 TH NOV		TIME	VENUE	ADM				
SCHOOLS' PROGRAMME SHANE HEGARTY <i>Primary Schools are visited by multi award winning children's author Shane Hegarty. The author of the best-selling series of books 'Boot' and 'The Shop of Impossible Ice Creams', Shane is sure to stir the imaginations of all who get to hear him read from and speak about his wonderful creations. He will entertain, enlighten and delight the pupils from Creevy National School and The Holy Family National School.</i>								
STUDIO PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP WITH MARK FEARON <i>You will learn how to use studio strobe lighting and to light a variety of portrait styles, how to use a light metre and correctly expose a portrait with award winning Photography and Lighting Expert Mark Fearon. A shared DSLR camera will be available or people will be free to bring along their own camera.</i>		5.00PM	WHITE ROOM, ABBEY CENTRE	€20 <i>MAX OF 10 EARLY BOOKING ADV. TEL: 0851482729</i>				
BARRY BRITTON EXHIBITION <i>Artist Barry Britton exhibits his twelve illustrated responses to Olive Travers' scripts as part of the publishing of 'Nets of Wonder' by Beehive Press. One night only to accompany the stage show 'Nets of Wonder.'</i>		7.00PM	ABBEY ARTS CENTRE FOYER	FREE				
NETS OF WONDER: STORIES ON THE WALL <i>A collaboration between writer Olive Travers, artist Barry Britton and musician Eamon Travers, Olive's son. Barry chose twelve scripts from Olive's work on RTE's Radio 1 show, Sunday Miscellany that sparked his creativity and Eamon took the same twelve scripts and composed original pieces of music to reflect the mood and theme of each. This stage show will create a fusion of the spoken word, original art and music.</i>		8.30PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE				
OPEN MIC WITH TONY LISTON <i>Tony Liston will run this popular event where everyone is free to perform their favourite song, poem, dance or whatever. Anything goes. Music by Barry Sweeny & Ciarán Hodgins.</i>		10.00PM	MCINTYRE'S BAR	FREE				
FRIDAY 10 TH NOV		TIME	VENUE	ADM				
SHANE HEGARTY <i>Shane Hegarty will entertain the pupils of Scoil Caitriona, Kilbarron National School, Gaelscoil Éirne & Rockfield National School. This will be a memorable visit to the theatre for these lucky young people.</i>		11.15PM	ABBEY ARTS CENTRE		<div><div>Clár Físe Héilínach Craíon Iníonúil Programúna</div><div></div></div>			
SECONDARY SCHOOLS' FLASH FICTION RESULTS <i>Chairperson Conor Carney announces the results of our Secondary Schools' Writing Competitions. Results will be streamed on our YouTube Channel.</i>		2.00PM	ONLINE	FREE				
COME ONE, COME ALL - POETRY <i>Read or recite your favourite poem. It can be an original work or one you came across years ago that means something special to you: perhaps it was your mother's favourite, perhaps you studied it for the Leaving Cert, perhaps it makes you laugh.</i>		4.30PM	DICEY REILLY'S PUB	FREE				
ADULT FLASH FICTION & POETRY AWARDS <i>Finalists in the Adult Flash Fiction & Poetry Competitions will be joined by judges Kate Newmann (Poetry) & Alan McMonagle (Flash Fiction) to read their entries before the winners of the James B Keane trophy for Flash Fiction & Francis Harvey Poetry trophy are announced. MC : Tom Sigatoo.</i>		6.00PM	ALLINGHAM FESTIVAL YT CHANNEL	FREE				
OBITUARY <i>Currently showing on RTE, this series aroused great interest while being shot in Ballyshannon. We are delighted to be able to show the opening episode. Producer Paddy Hayes will take part in a Q&A after the screening.</i>		6.30PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	€5 + €1 BOOKING FEE				
THE DEEPEST BREATH <i>Directed by Laura McGann, the film follows the story of Stephen Keenan and Allessia Zecchini, their love for each other and their fascination with the very dangerous sport of Freediving. Beautifully shot, this inspiring film is not to be missed and will be followed by a Q&A with the film's producer, Jamie Lee Dalton.</i>		8.30PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	€10 + €1 BOOKING FEE				
		CONT. ON BACK PAGE	TIME	VENUE	ADM			
BOOK LAUNCH: FROM CARN TO CLUAIN BARRON <i>Pat Lynch was born in Carndonagh in 1892 and lived there all his life. In this facinating book, curated by his granddaughter Róisín Lee, Pat's writings from the seminal years of the foundation of this state give us a vivid picture of what it was like to be young, active and alive at that time. The book also contains poems by Róisín and her brother Martin who continue to carry the torch lit by Pat all those years ago.</i>		11.30AM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE				
GATHER AGAIN <i>We 'Gather Again' in the Abbey for one more session of stories, song and fun. This very informal gathering is open to all to attend and, better yet, to perform. The PJ Drummond Cup will be presented to the best performance, reading or recitation. A great morning's entertainment is assured. Fear an Ti Conor Carney. Musician Mark Langan.</i>		12.30PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE				