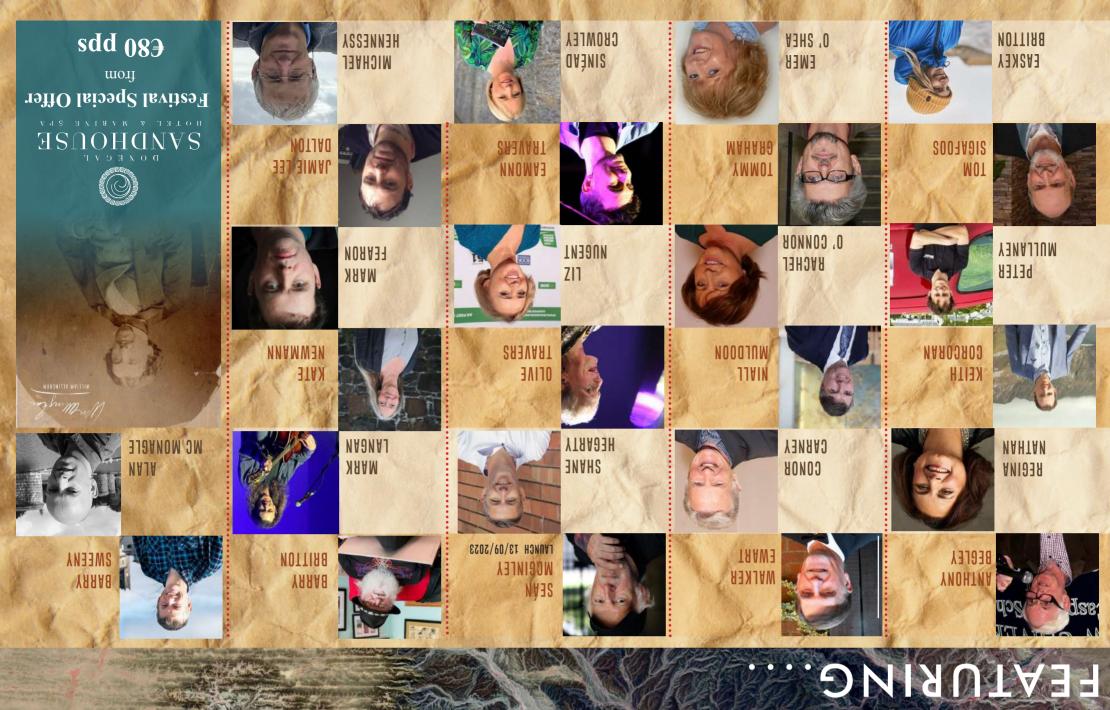
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SUNDAY 12TH NOV CONT. TIME VENUE ADM 2.00PM THEATRE 2 **EBB AND FLO** FREE ABBEY ARTS CONNECT WITH THE PATTERNS AND POWER OF WATER. CENTRE Easkey Britton in conversation with Letterkenny based author and poet, Denise Blake. Easkey is a marine scientist, 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. €10 + €1 **RACHEL O CONNOR** 4.00PM THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS BOOKING Performer: Rachel O'Connor Directed by Monica Doherty Lighting: Niall Cranny CENTRE FEE 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. ST ANNE'S FREE 7.00PM CONCERT IN ST. ANNE'S CHURCH CHURCH Donations William Allingham's own parish church hosts this concert which has become a to St Anne's wonderful finale to our festival. This year's performers will be Bel Canto Choir, gratefully Olive Travers, the pupils of Kilbarron Primary School, the Ballyshannon Brass accepted

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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.



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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	WEDNESDAY 8 TH NOV	TIME	VENUE	ADM
	BALLYSHANNON SAMBA BAND 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.	6.30PM	ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE
	THE EMERSON LECTURE Booking Essential 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	7.00PM	THEATRE 2 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE
	OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE Allingham Festival 2023 - Everyone Welcome.	8.30PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE
	ALLINGHAM LECTURE By DR. NIALL MULDOON 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.	8.45PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE
	THURSDAY 9 TH NOV	TIME	VENUE	ADM
	SCHOOLS' PROGRAMME SHARE HEGARTY <i>Primary Schools are visited by multi award winning children's author</i> <i>Shane Hegarty. The author of the best-selling series of books 'Boot'</i> <i>and 'The Shop of Impossible Ice Creams', Shane is sure to stir the</i> <i>imaginations of all who get to hear him read from and speak about his</i> <i>wonderful creations. He will entertain, enlighten and delight the pupils</i> <i>from Creevy National School and The Holy Family National School.</i>			
	STUDIO PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP WITH MARK FEARON 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.	5.00PM	WHITE ROOM, ABBEY CENTRE	€20 MAX OF 10 EARLY BOOKING ADV TEL: 0851482725
	BARRY BRITTON EXHIBITION 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.'	7.00PM	ABBEY ARTS CENTRE FOYER	FREE
	NETS OF WONDER: STORIES ON THE WALL 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.	8.30PM	THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	FREE
	OPEN MIC WITH TONY LISTON 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.	10.00PM	MCINTYRE'S BAR	FREE
	FRIDAY 10 TH NOV	TIME	VENUE	ADM
1	SHANE HEGARTY Shane Hegarty will entertain the pupils of Scoil Caitriona, Kilbarron National School, Gaelscoil Eirne & Rockfield National School. This will be a memorable visit to the theatre for these lucky young people.	11.15PM	ABBEY ARTS CENTRE	X
	SECONDARY SCHOOLS' FLASH FICTION RESULTS Chairperson Conor Carney announces the results of our Secondary Schools' Writing Competitions. Results will be streamed on our	2.00PM	ONLINE	FREE

SATURDAY 11TH NOV TIME VENUE ADM A NOVEL IDEA BOOKSHOP WILL BE OPEN IN THE ABBEY ARTS CENTRE ON SAT & SUN 12 NOON - 5PM COLÁISTE 10.00 AM CHRISTINE FOX CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOP €5 CHOLMCILLE 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 REEL BORDER SHORTS THEATRE 2 FREE 11.00AM ABBEY ARTS These are four amateur short documentary films exploring the meaning CENTRE 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. LITTLE TOP STARS 11.00AM ТВС FREE TO 4.00PM 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. 11.30PM THE REGIONAL MEETING OF WORD TO 1.00PM **AN ORGANISATION OF WRITERS** This is the first time the event has been held outside Dublin. 12.00 PRIMARY SCHOOLS' WRITING AWARDS THEATRE 3 FREE ABBEY ARTS NOON Our aspiring Primary Schools' writers and artists will get the chance to read CENTRE their work to a live audience and pick up their awards. Sponsored by the Donegal Education and Training Board. MC: Conor Carney LIZ NUGENT IN CONVERSATION WITH €10 + €1 2.30 PM THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS BOOKING SINEAD CROWLEY CENTRE Best-selling author Liz Nugent has written five novels to huge critical acclaim. She has won four Irish Book Awards and the James Joyce Medal for Literature. Her gripping, chilling books have been readers' favourites from the word go and Liz's latest best seller, 'Strange Sally Diamond' certainly continues this trend. It has been described as 'a dark masterpiece', 'utterly addictive' and 'mesmerizing, shocking and yet uplifting'. Festival favourite Sinead Crowley will explore what makes this wonderful author tick in a not- to- be missed interview. 3.30PM FREE THEATRE 2 PETER MULLANEY & KEITH CORCORAN ABBEY ARTS Shot and Directed by Peter Mullaney, based on a script by Keith Corcoran, CENTRE with a cast of local actors, this is a window into the storied History of the Ballintra area of South Donegal. In a companion presentation Keith Corcoran launches his latest book 'Finding Fairy Belief and Mysteries in Donegal'. WALKER EWART WALKING WITH MEMORY 4.30PM €5 + €1 THEATRE 3 ABBEY ARTS BOOKING Since his college days, Walker Ewart has been immersed in the world of Drama CENTRE as an actor, director and more recently as an adjudicator. Today he will bring us on a journey in prose and poetry from birth through the different stages of life towards the inevitable end. As William Allingham wrote in the poem Autumnal Season "Pensive and glad....we shall have leave To walk with memory. **HISTORY HEDGE SCHOOL** with tommy graham 6.00PM THEATRE 2 FREE To what extent did the Irish Free State's joining the League of Nations a ABBEY ARTS century ago realize Robert Emmet's ambition? Join History Ireland editor, CENTRE Tommy Graham, in discussion with John Gibney, Michael Kennedy (Royal Irish Academy's Documents on Irish Foreign Policy series) and Zöe Reid (National Archives) THEATRE 1 THREE SHORT FILMS 7.00 PM FREE ABBEY ARTS We follow Friday's evening of national and international cinema CENTRE events with 3 short movies by local filmmakers. 7.00p.m. Mysterious Shenanigans Directed by Michael McMonagle (16 mins) 7.17p.m. Trump in Derry - Directed by Manus Brennan (3 mins) 7.20p.m. DRUID - Directed by Emer O Shea (8 mins) Directors will be on hand for a brief Q & A after the films . The event is free and everyone is welcome so please come along to support and enjoy these emerging talents REGINA NATHAN Directed by Robert Chevara THEATRE 1 €20+ €1 8.30 PM ABBEY ARTS One of Ireland's leading sopranos, Regina has sung in Carnegie Hall, in BOOKING CENTRE many of Europe's major opera houses, in the National Concert Hall, at the FEE Commonwealth Games and tonight will perform an eclectic programme of popular, classical and operatic pieces in this special Allingham

COME ONE, COME ALL - POETRY

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.

ADULT FLASH FICTION & POETRY AWARDS 6.00PM

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 Sigafoos.

OBITUARY

YouTube Channel

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.

THE DEEPEST BREATH

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. DICEY REILLY'S PUB ALLINGHAM FESTIVAL YT CHANNEL

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8.30PM THEATRE 1 $\in 10 + \in 1$ ABBEY ARTS CENTRE BOOKING FEE experience of joy, laughter, loss and love in this heartwarming musical evening. Her accompanist will be Michael Hennessy who is a retired secondary school music teacher with a BA & B.Mus from UCC and an Honours Masters Degree in piano performace from CIT Cork School of Music. He has a wide range of interest in all styles of music and loves directing choirs and collaborating with soloists. Highly recommended and early booking is advised.

Concert. She will transport the listener to the heart of song and share an

SUNDAY 12TH NOV CONT. ON BACK PAGE TIME VENUE ADM

BOOK LAUNCH: FROM CARN TO CLUAIN BARRON 11.30AM

Pat Lynch was born in Carndonagh in 1892 and lived there all his life. In this facinating book, curated by his granddaughter Róisin 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 Roisín and her brother Martin who continue to carry the torch lit by Pat all those years ago.

GATHER AGAIN

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. THEATRE 1 ABBEY ARTS CENTRE

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