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**CULTURE  
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**Openness | Discovery | Celebration | Belonging**

Culture Night / Oíche Chultúir is brought to you by the Arts Council in partnership with and led by Carlow County Council Arts Service; it is a national moment, celebrating culture, creativity and the arts and seeks to actively promote the belief that this rich and varied culture is alive, treasured and nurtured in people's lives, today and every day. It is delivered nationwide in cities, towns, villages and rural locations as well as online and through our media partners.

In County Carlow on Friday September 22nd 2023, doors will open across the county with special and unique events from the afternoon and late into the evening.

This year Carlow hosts 'Culture Night Late' which is being held in VISUAL Carlow, in partnership with the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, under the Night Time Economy Taskforce to offer audiences a greater diversity in their Culture Night experience late into the night, and to encourage more-inclusive and innovative late-night arts events suitable for a range of audience types into the future. All events will be available to the public free of charge.

**Cathaoirleach,  
Cllr. Andrea Dalton  
Carlow County Council**



# TULLOW AREA EVENTS

## MYSHALL

### 'Love Your Area'

MYSHALL DRUMPHEA SOCIAL HISTORY CLUB

3-10pm

Myshall Community Centre

An opportunity to explore, pay tribute and add to the natural, cultural, historical and archaeological aspects of the townlands of Myshall through storytelling, singing songs, playing music, reciting poetry or bring along items of interest relating to the local area. The night will be inclusive for the whole community and transcend any age boundaries. For further information please contact Brigid Fox: myshallnews@gmail.com / 087 645 0722



## RATHOE

### Studio Visit & Creative Workshop

WITH ARTIST JIM DONNELLY

Session 1: 4-6pm | Session 2: 6-8pm

Ballybeg Art Studio, Rathoe, Carlow, R93 EP64

Visit Ballybeg Art Studio, nestled within a nine-acre native woodland in Carlow. Learn about current work in the studio and create a unique piece of art as a response to the exhibition and surroundings. Participants are encouraged to use found objects and natural materials from the surrounding woods.

**Booking required by email:** [jimdonnellyart@gmail.com](mailto:jimdonnellyart@gmail.com)

## KILDAVIN

### 'Let's Entertain'

CLONEGAL KILDAVIN VETERAN PLAYERS

7.30-10.30pm

Spellman Hall, Kildavin, Y21 YD43

Clonegal Kildavin Veteran Players invite local singers, musicians, storytellers, poets and writers to perform to a live audience. We encourage performances of original works that reflect both traditional and contemporary cultural expression. Contact: Margaret Doyle: 087 838 0018.



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## 'Tension': Documentary about Creativity & Collaboration in County Carlow

FORM DESIGN MADE IN CARLOW

### 5-7pm: Tullow Library

Come and join us for the viewing 'Tension' documentary, meet the makers and see a selection of collaborative works on display. FORM Designmade in Carlow are a group of makers who undertook a collaborative project of working together to create unique works that would bridge between disciplines. Their collaborative process progressed during the challenge of the pandemic to produce meaningful and exciting work. Contact: Mary Bourke 087 418 6238.

### 'Celebrating My Culture' Window Art Display

Come along and see what Culture means through the eyes of a child. On display in Tullow Library windows. The children of Tullow and surrounding areas showcase their interpretation of their individual cultures through art. With the participation of local schools, crèches and organisations this is a wonderful collection of Cultural art work not to be missed.



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## Celebrating Culture through Arts & Crafts, and African Drumming Workshop

### 4-5.30pm: Cairdeas Centre

A selection of art from the clients of the Cairdeas Centre and local artists from surrounding areas.

### 4-6pm: African Drumming Workshops

**\*Booking essential and places limited – book your place in Tullow Discount Store. T & Cs apply.** "The drum knows no colour". Four 30 minute drumming workshops. Each session can accommodate 40 people. This fun and engaging event is suitable for all ages. In a safe, non-competitive space explore your connection to rhythm and sound.

### 4-5pm: Face Painting by Alia

Everyone come along and get some colour on your face and celebrate Culture Night.

### 4-5pm: Funk Fusion Dance School

Get your feet tapping – enjoy local energetic talented dancers of all ages perform.

## Celebrating Culture Night with Theatre Performance, Song & Music

4-8pm: Tullow Parish Centre

5-6pm: Face Painting with Alia

4-7pm: Tullow Men's Shed showcase their hand-made items. Tullow Men's Shed is a community based project where men can come together to learn, share skills and make long-lasting friendships together.

4-6pm: Variety of children's fun activities

6-8pm: Amazing Family Entertainment

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- Camp Fire Songs: Dolmen Guides and Brownies
- Celebrating Culture Night with Music and Song: Tullow Youth Project
- Tales from the Ring of the Rath: Bridge the Gap Productions in association with the Cairdeas Centre Tullow. A series of three short theatre performances inspired by local fairy folklore and the Rathgall Hillfort (known locally as 'the Ring of the Rath'). Directed by Andrea Kelly.

The Wolseley Singers: (limited seating)

A selection of songs from Regina Hanely and The Wolseley Singers

## Celebrating Tullow's many Cultures

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4-9pm: Forward Steps Resource Centre

Throughout the evening the centre will be hosting a range of exciting cultural demonstrations. Look out for the authentic costumes from various countries worn by the people who attend the centre. Contact: (059) 915 2776

- View the wide range of displays of beautifully Handmade Art and Crafts celebrating the many cultures of people who attend the centre.
- Enjoy and sample Food Tasting from countries around the world.
- Visual Rock Project exhibition will be on display.

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and also...

9pm 'til late: JJ's Irish Bar, Mill Street

Finish off the evening with traditional Irish music, song and dance.

Culture Night Meal Deals

Participating food establishments will display posters in their windows.

'Zippy the Dog' will be getting up to mischief during the evening.

Display of Dolls from every country around the world: FBD windows





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### 'CT Family Live from the Tullow Road'

PRESENTED BY TAKE A PART CARLOW

From 4pm: Live Podcast online at: [www.takeapartcarlow.com](http://www.takeapartcarlow.com)

Take A Part Carlow presents two events for Culture Night 2023, hosted by our Community Writer in Residence, Clifton Redmond. From 4pm listen online to the Live podcast event 'CT Family Live from the Tullow Road'. Join four of Carlow's most prominent young rap artists in discussion with Clifton about their work and what inspires them with live performances on the evening!

Further information: Aileen Nolan, Take A Part Carlow: 087 358 0224.

### From 7pm: Launch of Poetry Publication

An Gairdín Beo, Old Dublin Road

Launch of the Take A Part poetry publication developed as part of the 'Right to Write' programme delivered by Community Writer in Residence Clifton Redmond earlier this year. There will be live music by Tullow Road performer Duane Ayers, plus poetry and prose from our wonderful community members!

Further information contact Aileen Nolan, Take A Part Carlow: 087 358 0224.



### The Vault Sessions

CARLOW REGIONAL YOUTH SERVICE

5pm

The Vault, 11 Burrin Street, Carlow, R93 X039

THE VAULT



Carlow Regional Youth Service  
Youth Work Ireland

With the support of a Music Educator young people have planned an event/ live gig for this evening and all are welcome to come along for a young persons cultural showcase. Contact: [jimmy@carlowys.ie](mailto:jimmy@carlowys.ie) / Tel: 086 771 3793

### Workshops, Readings and Exhibition

PRESENTED BY MADE IN CARLOW

4-6pm

Made in Carlow Gallery, 139 Tullow St, R93 VK46

Made in Carlow doors will open from 4-6pm inviting artists that would be interested to come and share information about their creative practice encouraging networking opportunities for artists to share ideas and talk together. Contact: [whyweneedart@gmail.com](mailto:whyweneedart@gmail.com)

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## 'Forest Treasures' Workshop

EQUAL CHANCES POLISH SCHOOL

4-6pm

Presentation College, Carlow

The 'Forest Treasures' Workshop proposes to have an impact on the awareness of children and youth about the importance of creativity and cultural diversity, to help them express their emotions through visual art. Free for all to come along.

## Carlow's Less-Known History

4-11.59pm

Club D'Art, Pembroke, Carlow

The hidden treasure of Carlow's cultural scene will open its doors for visitors to prance and wonder through and allow people to discover the unconventional, unnoticed histories of Carlow town. People can come and visit, learn about Carlow's less-known history and see acts that have played there in the last 10 years. Later in the evening there will be literary readings by local authors.

## Launch of Project Revolution!

CARLOW COUNTY MUSEUM IN ASSOCIATION WITH  
CARLOW PRIDE FESTIVAL



5pm

Carlow County Museum

Unveiling of an interactive screen of videos, photographs and archival collections which have been carefully sourced and curated to tell the stories of LGBT+ people in Ireland, and the growth of the Irish LGBT+ rights movement. This is a collaboration by the National Museum of Ireland with the Local Authority Museums Network (LAMN). This is a follow up on the ground-breaking 'Rainbow Revolution Trail' in 2019 at the National Museum of Ireland Collins Barracks, which highlights the stories of the LGBTQ+ community.



## Tullow Road Fairy Walk & Storytelling

TULLOW ROAD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

5pm | 5.30pm | 6pm | 6.30pm

Tullow Road Linear Walk, Tullow Road, Carlow

Members of the public will be escorted up the linear walk to the Fairy Ring by a Storyteller who will bring the history of fairy's and folklore to life. As the stories are told traditional Irish music will fill the air and dancers will perform for the crowd's entertainment. The emphasis will be on the linear walk to the fairy ring.

Further Information of exact start location please email:  
tullowroaddevelopmentgroup@gmail.com

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## Culture Night @ Carlow Library

5-9pm: Carlow Library, Tullow Street, R93 FT54

### 5-6pm: AHA Story Tellers

Performance with dance, music, singing, poetry. AHA Story Tellers attempt to broaden an understanding of the diverse African cultures and help the community experience this first-hand without having to travel to the continent of Africa. Contact: fotoole@carlowlibrary.ie

### 6-7pm: A Fusion of African Music with Greg and Ola

No booking required.

### 7-9pm: An Evening of Miscellany of Song, Dance & Culture

An evening of Miscellany with the Carlow Storytellers, with contributions from the Dargan Dancers, Jolly O'Rock & AHA Story Tellers, the Butler Sisters & Carlow Little Theatre with an excerpt from the Stewart of Christendom.

No booking required.

## 'Buail Isteach' Music, Chat & Verse

GLOR CHEATHARLACH



6-7pm

Lambert's Coffee House, Dublin Street, Carlow

'Drop In' for a bilingual taste of Irish culture in music, chat and verse. Audience participation welcome. Booking not required - fáilte isteach.

## One Million Stars Weaving Workshop & Community Exhibition

AMBER'S ONE MILLION STARS PROJECT IRELAND

6-8pm

Carlow College St. Patrick's,  
College St, Carlow, R93 A003

An exhibition of thousands of hand woven eight pointed stars, representing light, hope and solidarity against domestic, sexual and gender-based violence (DSGBV) and promotes the project's eight points of healthy love within relationship. Stars have been woven by refugees, asylum seekers and International Protection Applicants and are curated into a travelling art installation titled 'LOVE', designed to communicate a message of love and hope for a future free from violence and abuse for all. Audience participation welcome. The LOVE installation will be on view until November.







# The Carlow Art Collection presents 3 Events for Culture Night in Carlow

6-9pm: Carlow College St. Patrick's, College Street



## 6-9pm: CAC Sculpture Night Exhibition (front lawn)

The Carlow Art Collection presents a selection of sculptures from the collection outside on the front lawn of Carlow College St. Patrick's. No booking required. [www.carlowartcollection.ie](http://www.carlowartcollection.ie)

## 6-9pm: Art installation: 'Birding the Future - Barrow Valley, Ireland Series' (Front Hall)

'Birding the Future - Barrow Valley, Ireland Series' is a new work by Krista Caballero & Frank Ekeberg. This art project explores how declining bird populations signal profound changes over our entire planet. The 'Barrow Valley, Ireland Series' concentrates on our home birds around the River Barrow. Come and listen to a sound installation of local, endangered and extinct bird calls and view our avian landscapes through stereographs.

No booking required. [www.carlowartcollection.ie](http://www.carlowartcollection.ie)

## 7pm: 'Birding the Future - Barrow Valley, Ireland Series' Artists Talk

The Carlow Art Collection presents artists Krista Caballero & Frank Ekeberg who will talk about their project 'Birding the Future - Barrow Valley, Ireland Series', made for the collection. The artists speak about their ongoing project, focusing on birds of the River Barrow Valley. Visitors can hear a sound installation of local, endangered and extinct bird calls and look through stereographs at visionary avian landscapes.

No booking required.



## The Kōän of Yin & Storytelling

RACHEL ROBERTS

6.30-8.30pm

Carlow Mandala Yoga Studio, 1 Lismard House, Tullow St, Carlow, R93 FT54

A two-hour, in-person workshop, utilising the embodiment practice of Yin Yoga to give space and time to feel the stories locked in the nervous system. Insightful reflections of poetry, prose, etc. are used to give those sacred stories a narrative, offering a new approach to accessing and engaging with your creativity.

Spaces limited - book at [www.rachelroberts.ie](http://www.rachelroberts.ie) or email [info@rachelroberts.ie](mailto:info@rachelroberts.ie)

## Music Performance at the Brownshill Dolmen

PRESENTED BY CARLOW COLLEGE OF MUSIC

7.30-8pm

Carlow College of Music present a variety of music and song that includes music from the movies.

Further information contact: [carlowcollegeofmusic1@gmail.com](mailto:carlowcollegeofmusic1@gmail.com) / Tel Majella Swan: 083 012 9762

\*Please note there is limited parking at the Dolmen, please park safely.

## Youngblood Sessions

YOUNGBLOOD MUSIC

8-11pm

Scraggs Alley, Carlow, R93 FT54

Youngblood Music presents a Culture Night special featuring some of the very best local songwriters and artists that Carlow has to offer. 'Youngblood Sessions' is a new monthly music event giving a local stage to local songwriters to perform to a local audience. This is a free event, and no ticket booking is required.

8.30pm: Just Alice

9.15pm: Duane Ayres

10pm: Beef Supreme

11pm: FÉNIX

## VISUAL Carlow presents 2 Events for Culture Night Late\*

### 9pm-1am: VISUAL Carlow

Awarded by The Arts Council of Ireland in partnership with the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media under the Night Time Economy Taskforce to offer audiences a greater diversity in their Culture Night experience late into the night, and to encourage more-inclusive and innovative late-night arts events suitable for a range of audience types into the future.

### The Big Sing

9-10pm

EVERYONE WELCOME! We begin the night with a largescale choral event gathering 100s to learn a popular song in various parts. Once practised, everyone will come together for a special recording of the final performance which will be shared across our digital channels. THE BIG SING will be led by conductor Mary Amond O'Brien and is the first event of a new initiative led by VISUAL which sees the launch of The VISUAL Choir.



### Ping Pong Disco - Club! Art Space! Dance Floor!

PRESENTED BY CARLOW NATIVE AND ARTIST IN RESIDENCE @ VISUAL, CIAN KINSELLA

10pm-1am

**\*This is an over 18's event. Alcohol will be on sale.**

Push your wild instincts and demented desire in our joyously outrageous, flashy, trashy, paradise! This DIY collective of creatives, artists and queerdo's, blends the concepts of clubbing and performance set in the beautiful surroundings of VISUAL's gallery spaces. There will be performances and dance routines from the Ping Pong Girls plus special guests. Guest DJ's will bring the audience on a magic carpet ride through Nu Cosmic Disco, 80's italo house, dark bubbling electronic synths and just the right amount of high energy! Throw your heels in the air, paint your face and ditch your preconceived ideas, this will be a club/cabaret night for all.

For further information please contact Box Office @ VISUAL Carlow: [boxoffice@visualcarlow.ie](mailto:boxoffice@visualcarlow.ie)

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## Creative Places Bagenalstown presents Culture Night

Join Creative Places Bagenalstown to celebrate Culture Night 2023! Creative Places Bagenalstown is a 3 year project, bringing a culturally diverse creative programme to the people, places and spaces of Muine Bheag. Keep an eye out on [www.creativeplacesbagenalstown.ie](http://www.creativeplacesbagenalstown.ie) for up-to-date information on upcoming events. Explore the culture and creativity near you with Creative Places Bagenalstown this Culture Night!



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CARLOW COUNTY COUNCIL



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Carlow County Library

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Creative Places Bagenalstown  
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Carlow County Museum

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