CAUSEWAY COAST AND GLENS
CULTURE ARTS AND HERITAGE

EVENTS GUIDE
APRIL–AUGUST 2015

Causeway Coast & Glens
District Council
Welcome to the first Causeway Coast and Glens District Council Culture, Arts and Heritage programme. This brochure offers information on concerts, exhibitions, classes and events across the new Council region taking place in a range of venues from April to August.

Ballycastle Museum
Housed in the listed 18th century courthouse and market building in the town centre, Ballycastle museum explores the story of the Irish Homes Industries Workshop, its role in the 1904 St Louis World Fair and the Arts and Crafts Revival in Ireland. Highlights also include Bronze Age archaeology, Boyds 18th century Ballycastle, Irish artworks and the magnificent Taise Banner from the first Feis na nGleann in 1904.

Ballymoney Town Hall & Museum
Ballymoney Town Hall is the venue for a wide range of cultural and arts events and activities including music, dance, talks and exhibitions. Ballymoney Museum is located within the building and offers visitors the opportunity to explore the vibrant history of the area. The main exhibition includes the mystical Derrykeighan Stone from which the museum takes its enigmatic logo. For many visitors, the highlight is the display of memorabilia belonging to local motorcycle road racing heroes.

Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall
Coleraine Town Hall, built in 1859, is Coleraine Museum’s Accredited exhibition venue. Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall is open for over 6 months of the year. Please refer to the exhibition section in this brochure for dates and times. This season visitors can explore ‘Irish History Starts here’ alongside temporary exhibitions showcasing themes from Coleraine Museum collection. The iconic listed building in the town centre also houses the Tourist Information Centre and other community cultural events. An appointment can be made with museum services to explore other parts of the collection.

See page 35 for further venue information.
Flowerfield Arts Centre
This, Northern Ireland’s very first Arts Centre opened in 1980. It offers exhibitions, performances, professional crafts studios but above all else is a creative learning centre with specialist classrooms hosting courses in everything from painting, pottery, creative writing to digital art and 3DPrinting.

The original listed, Georgian style building was extended in 2004 to include a café/reception/craft shop and a purpose-built 150-seater auditorium. It is currently home to Big Telly Theatre Company. The building supports arts conferencing, outreach provision and offers comprehensive disabled access.

Green Lane Museum
Located within the beautiful surroundings of Roe Valley Country Park, Green Lane Museum gives visitors the opportunity to view historical exhibits relating to local trades, agriculture and linen production and to experience the true flavour of days gone by in Limavady. The museum has seasonal opening hours and is closed for winter but schools and community groups can arrange an out of season visit.

Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre
An award-winning facility situated at the heart of Limavady town, the centre provides a wonderful arts and heritage events programme throughout the year, including theatre, music, visual arts, crafts, local histories, talks, film, creative learning and outreach activities for all. The centre is also home to the Limavady Museum collection. Featuring multi-purpose spaces such as the Danny Boy Auditorium with 238 seating capacity, the O’Hampsey Dance Studio, three exhibition galleries, boardrooms, workshop rooms and an external performance space – Drumceatt Square, the centre includes a Visitor Information Centre and Family Zone.

Other Cultural Venues
In addition to the above, a range of other venues are used to host events. Theatre, dance, film, exhibitions, workshops and more take place in local venues such as Port na Gree House and Sheskburn House in Ballycastle as well as in golf clubs, ferry terminals, shopfronts and even the great outdoors. For addresses and further details on these and all the above venues please see page 35.

See page 35 for further venue information.
General terms and conditions of booking:

1. Patrons are advised that ticket prices, including classes, talks and workshops, cannot be refunded, transferred or exchanged.

2. The venues reserve the right to offer special discounted ticket prices for events at any time and prior bookings may be excluded from promotion.

3. The venues reserve the right to alter or cancel any event or activity without advance notice.

4. The venues maintain a strict latecomers policy – if you are late for an event, you may be required to wait for a suitable break for admission (which may be the interval).

Data protection

We assure you that any personal information submitted to us through a box office bookings or our mailing list will only be used for our own monitoring and will not be passed on to any third parties.

Room hire for your own events

If you’re planning an event of your own, and would like to use some of the council facilities outlined, please get in touch – each venue has a variety of spaces to suit your needs, from meeting rooms to dance studios, auditoriums and workshop rooms. You can have technical and staffing support to stage an event of your own. Some of the dedicated cultural venues, such as the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre welcome corporate and conference bookings and are also licensed for weddings. Please contact each of the venues in your area individually for more details.
Saturday 4 April  
Shows at 1pm and 2pm  
**The Sharp Dressed Men**  
Street Theatre  
Drumceatt Square,  
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre  
Free admission  
Dynamic and entertaining free street theatre featuring object manipulation expertise, high flung diabolo tricks, thunderous whip cracking, dangerous juggling and a fiery finale!

**Wednesday 15 April  8pm**  
**McSherry O’Connor Trio**  
Ballymoney Town Hall  
Tickets £9 full, £7 concession  
Equal parts grace and danger – *The Irish Times*  
There’s a great joy in their playing….and a certain roguish swagger that transmits their enthusiasm for the music directly to the listener with irresistible impact – *Herald Scotland*  
With John McSherry (Uilleann Pipes), Dónal O’Connor (Fiddle) & Paul Meehan (Guitar). This outstanding trio will take you on an emotive musical journey, from Ireland to the neighbouring Celtic regions and from the ancient music of the Gael to the modern face of traditional Irish music!
Saturday 18 April
8pm

The 4 of Us in Concert

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Tickets £14 full, £12 concession

Never before have I been to a gig where the atmosphere has been so electric - The Irish News

The 4 of Us present songs from their brand new album, as well as songs from their extensive back catalogue. From their first anthem Mary - still a radio favourite, through to the UK-charting She Hits Me, to Sunlight - the band has notched up over two decades of radio hits and six top 20 charting albums.

Thursday 23 April
8pm

On our Way to Lisbon

Sheskburn House
Tickets £10 full, £8 concession.
Box Office (028) 2076 2024

‘Physical theatre at its best, hilarious slow motion scenes... marvellously executed’ The Mail on Sunday

‘A sublime mix of physical theatre, conversational dialogue and hilarious impersonation...excellent writing, expertly performed.’ The Stage

The story of how, in 1967, Glasgow Celtic won the European Cup with victory over the mighty Inter Milan. Two fans look back and fondly recreate the match, playing a host of different characters. Appeals to soccer fans as well as fans of good theatre. Written by Patrick Prior, directed by Jim Dunk, performed by Pat Abernethy and Dave Marsden.
Thursday 23 April 8pm

**Realta in Concert**

Flowerfield Arts Centre  
Tickets £10

With a sound based on the twin uilleann piping talents of Conor Lamb and Aaron O’Hagan, propelled by a dynamic accompaniment on guitar, bouzouki and double bass, Réalta make full use the intricate melodies and driving rhythms that make Irish music so loved throughout the world. Having toured alongside Altan in Germany, Switzerland and Greece and won the prestigious Danny Kyle Award at Celtic Connections Glasgow, these young musicians have earned a reputation for delighting audiences with the enthusiasm, energy and passion they bring to traditional music. ‘An exciting new name in Irish music,’ says Folk and Roots Magazine. ‘Their approach is distinctive and invigorating and the results amazing’.

Thursday 7 May 8pm

**The Scott Flanigan Trio in Concert**

Flowerfield Arts Centre  
Tickets £10

A Portstewart debut performance by one of the emerging talents of Northern Ireland jazz with an all-star trio: Scott Flanigan on piano, rising bass star Neil O’Loghlin, and acclaimed drummer Steve Davis. Combining contemporary and yet accessible original material with innovative takes on jazz standards, Flanigan is fronting one of the freshest and most dynamic piano trios in Ireland. One of the foremost keyboard players on the Northern Irish jazz scene, Scott works both locally and nationally, and has recently performed with Van Morrison, the Ulster Orchestra, Jean Toussaint, David Lyttle, Linley Hamilton, Dana Masters and Mark McKnight.
**Friday 8 May 6.30pm**  
Steinbeck celebration: Film Screening  
**Of Mice and Men**  
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre  
Admission £2

John Steinbeck’s classic novel about the events that form around two simple farm labourers during the 1930’s depression era in California. Starring Gary Sinise and John Malkovich. The film will be preceded by a short talk on Steinbeck’s article ‘I Go back to Ireland’, published in 1952 in Colliers Magazine and documenting the author’s visit to the Limavady area in search of his ancestry. (*1992, Cert PG, Running time 111 mins*)

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**Friday 8 May 8pm**  
Steinbeck Celebration  
**Jan Carson**  
Open Roads, Lost Highways  
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre  
Tickets £5

A born storyteller, her narratives are uncontainable, fizzing up out of her pages like soda and vinegar in a bottle – *The Guardian*

Join novelist Jan Carson and musical guest as she explores the portrayal of the road within American literature, music and Steinbeck’s own writing. Jan is a published short story writer and recently launched her first novel *Malcolm Orange Disappears* which has garnered rapturous reviews from press including *The Guardian*. 
Saturday 9 May 1-3pm

Your Story: Archiving Open Days

World War One
Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall
Admission free

Help Coleraine Museum develop their Collection by bringing along your photographs to be scanned. Also, enjoy a slideshow of images that are already part of the Collection. On 9 May, residents with any images from the period of the First World War are invited to bring them along for scanning.

Wednesday 13 May 7.30pm

Ballycastle Writers’ Group present

A Creative Causeway Event

Writers’ Exchange
An evening of local writing
Sheskburn House
Admission free

Ballycastle Writers host the first joint reading by writers from across the new council area. The event will happen in a different area each year. Participants will read from their own work. Everyone is welcome – these informal evenings always offer a chance for patrons to hear brand new work from emerging talent, and participants offer a varied menu of writing – short stories, poems, memoir and even extracts from novels in progress. Expect to be inspired!

Please telephone the Arts Officer on 028 207 62225 for further information.

Friday 15 May 8pm

Danny Boy Festival

Paddy Nash and the Happy Enchiladas

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Tickets £8 full, £6 concession

Paddy and his Happy Enchiladas’ unique blend of Folk-Pop-Punk-Country-Blues have left audiences revelling in the rich lyrics and big melodies. The album Times of Transition released in June 2012 received worldwide airplay and excellent reviews with R2 Rock’n’Reel Magazine describing it as ‘The Saw Doctors jamming with The Undertones at a street party held by Squeeze’ and hailing Paddy as ‘an exceptional songwriter’. 
Saturday 16 May 2pm
Danny Boy Festival.
Film Screening:
Danny Boy - The Ballad that Bewitched the World
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission free
How did an obscure Irish melody become one of the greatest songs of all time, recorded by music’s biggest names, and playing a part in many of the last century’s most significant events? 100 years after ‘Danny Boy’ was first published, the true story of its intriguing past is revealed in this Tyrone Productions film, and contributors including Gabriel Byrne, Rosanne Cash and Barry McGuigan explain the song’s enduring appeal and what it has come to symbolize.

Sunday 17 May 1- 4pm
Danny Boy Festival
Folk and Trad Session
Green Lane Museum
Admission free
Collectively known as Bri, Heather, David and Deirdre’s music consists of Irish and Scottish traditional tunes, a mix of reels, jigs and slow airs and a blend of flute, fiddle and guitar. Singer-songwriter George Murphy is a veteran of the folk music scene. Hailing from Dungiven - a place known as a breeding ground for musical talent - he is well versed in the folk singing tradition.

Saturday 16 May 8pm
Danny Boy Festival
Bagatelle in Concert
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Tickets £14 full, £12 concession
Back by popular demand following their amazing 2014 show, the highly acclaimed and ever popular Bagatelle is the Danny Boy Festival headline act for 2015. The hit songs from this band are endless - everybody remembers the iconic summer song ‘Summer in Dublin’ which was a massive No. 1 and has gone on to become an alternative National Anthem with Irish people worldwide.
Monday 18 - Friday 22 May

**Re-assembled... Slightly Askew**

Flowerfield Arts Centre  
**Free admission but advance booking essential**

Written and composed by Shannon Yee, ‘Reassembled...’ is a mind-blowing, audio-based performance about Shannon’s experience of falling critically ill with a rare brain infection, her journey through rehabilitation. Audiences experience ‘Reassembled...’ individually, lying down on hospital beds, wearing eye masks and headphones. Cutting edge audio technology makes listeners feel they are inside Shannon’s head, experiencing her descent into coma, her brain surgeries, her early days of rehabilitation in hospital and her re-integration into the world. The performance space can take three or four people at a time, with half-hour slots available throughout the day. Call Flowerfield on (028) 7083 1400 to book a space.

Thursday 21 May 8pm

Moving on Music presents  
**The April Verch Band in Concert**

Flowerfield Arts Centre  
**Tickets £12**

Bluegrass doesn’t come much better than world-champion fiddler, step dancer and singer April Verch and her band. These consummate performers have been winning over audiences with their incredible musicianship, charm, humour and seemingly boundless energy. Bassist and claw hammer banjo player Cody Walters and guitarist Hayes Griffin, round off this incredible outfit with style and flair, and the band has been attracting rave reviews. The show’s thrilling grand finale - step dancing while fiddling - needs to be seen to be believed.

Saturdays 23 May, 6 June and 13 June 1- 3pm

**Your Story: Archiving Open Days**

Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall  
**Saturday 23 May: Christenings, Weddings and Funerals**  
**Saturday 6 June: Coleraine Businesses**  
**Saturday 13 June: World War Two**

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Thursday 11 June 8pm

**Rackhouse Pilfer in Concert**
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Tickets £10 full, £8 concession

A fiery & exciting six-piece Irish-Americana Folk band who have been getting international rave reviews for their fusion of Americana, Bluegrass, Irish-Folk, Alternative-Country and Rock roots blend of Irish-Americana. Rackhouse Pilfer have been enthralling crowds throughout Ireland, Europe and Nashville and were special guests to Imelda May on her recent tour. This evening, they mark the launch of this year’s Danny Boy Jazz and Blues Festival 2015!

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Saturday 13 June 8pm

**The Jeremy Lyons Quartet in Concert**
Flowerfield Arts Centre
Tickets £10

Jazz fans are in for a springtime treat on 13 June as Flowerfield Arts Centre welcomes north coast-based saxophonist Jeremy Lyons and his Quartet for a superb evening of jazz. The Jeremy Lyons Quartet plays original compositions alongside modern standards by Pat Metheny and Kenny Wheeler, with a set list that’s strong on both melody and improvisation. The band, who released their debut album, Vestige, in late 2013, features Jeremy on soprano and tenor saxes, Ben McDonnell on guitar, Vicky Tilson on double bass and Buster Birch on drums.

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Friday 26 June 8pm

**Paddy Casey**
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Tickets £15 full, £13 concession

Originally from Dublin, Paddy has quickly achieved international recognition for his unique blend of folk rock and has produced records already gaining multi-platinum status. The singer/songwriter has also garnered multiple Meteor Irish and Hot Press Music Awards and supported U2, REM and The Pretenders on worldwide tours. Superb live, Paddy is considered one of Ireland’s most talented contemporary musical artists—definitely not to be missed!
Friday 31 July 2pm
Clydebuilt Theatre present

Jack and Billy
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Tickets £4 / Family ticket 4 for 3 (£12) /
Group discount available

The enchanting Scottish theatre company return with two magical stories to entertain children. Three Billy Goats Gruff have their tussle with a grumpy troll who is determined to stop them crossing the bridge. In Fee Fi Fo Fum, they recreate family favourite Jack and the Beanstalk. Using wonderful props and stunning puppets, the award-winning Clydebuilt always guarantee quality theatre for children. Duration: 60 mins, Suitable for children aged 3+ years.

Saturday 1 August 2pm
Family Film Screening:

The Wizard of Oz
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission £2

The all-time eternal family classic on the big screen. When a tornado rips through Kansas, Dorothy (Judy Garland) and her dog, Toto, are whisked away in their house to the magical land of Oz. They follow the Yellow Brick Road toward the Emerald City to meet the Wizard, joined by a Scarecrow, a Tin Man and a Cowardly Lion. Pre-screening art workshop for children is also available – please see our Creative Learning for Children section.

(1939, Cert U, Running time 98 mins)

Contact us or visit roevalleyarts.com for our full film programme.
Thursday 13 August  7.30pm
Rites of Passage:
Ulster Customs and Traditions
- a talk by Alex Blair
Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall
Admission Free
Alex Blair is one of the Causeway Coast’s most sought-after speakers, a local historian renowned for his encyclopaedic knowledge of local history and fascinating insights in the culture of the area. His talk at the Town Hall is offered as part of the Museum Service’s ‘Rites of Passage’ exhibition.

Friday 7 August
7.45pm (weather permitting)
Brighter Nights Street Theatre: Bobbins
Ballycastle Seafront
Admission Free
Bob Bobbins is a well-known act at events and festivals across Ireland. This solo show includes comic routines, plate-spinning, fire juggling and more. The Brighter Nights season offers popular summer street theatre performances suitable for people of all ages. All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Further information please telephone 028 207 62024

Friday 14 August
7.45pm (weather permitting)
Brighter Nights Street Theatre
Ballycastle Seafront
Admission Free
The Brighter Nights season offers popular summer street theatre performances suitable for people of all ages, with performers offering comic routines, technical skill and audience participation. All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Further information please telephone 028 207 62024
Saturday 22 August 2pm
Family Film Screening:
Where the Wild Things Are
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission £2
An utterly magical film combining live action and animation adapted from Maurice Sendak’s classic children’s story, where Max, a disobedient little boy sent to bed without his supper, creates his own world - a forest inhabited by ferocious wild creatures who crown Max as their ruler. Pre-screening art workshop for children is also available – please see our Creative Learning for Children section (2009, Cert PG, Running time 101 mins)

Saturday 15 August 12noon and 1.30pm
Moon and Sixpence Puppet Theatre present
Red Riding Hood
Drumceatt Square, Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Free admission
Roll up for the enchantment of a traditional outdoor marionette theatre which will charm young and old alike. Moon and Sixpence present a thrilling update of the classic Little Red Riding Hood story, featuring the well known fairy-tale characters and a talking dustbin! The marionettes (string puppets), perform with music and sound effects and draw plenty of audience participation, as much from adults as from children. Duration: 50 mins.

Wednesday 19 August 11am and 2pm
Tegolin Tales present
Tom O’Connor’s Cat & Finn MacCool and the Dark Pool
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Each performance is followed by a drama workshop themed on the sea. Cost £5 per show including workshop (Parents or guardians go free)
Based in Connemara, Tegolin Tales is an innovative theatre storytelling company who present spellbinding traditional stories using props, handcrafted masks and theatrical effects in an intimate setting. Today they present two magical tales -Tom O’Connor’s Cat & Finn MacCool and the Dark Pool. Please note, each performance is one hour duration including interactive time with set and props, however an interactive hour long workshop follows. Maximum numbers per performance and workshop is 25. Suitable for ages 4-12 years.
Friday 21 August  
7.45pm (weather permitting)  
**Brighter Nights**  
**Street Theatre: Jim and Dr Nick**  
Ballycastle Seafront  
Admission Free

Return of this comic duo in their street circus show which includes fire juggling, 8-foot unicycles and ladder balancing. The Brighter Nights season offers popular summer street theatre performances suitable for people of all ages. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Further information please telephone 028 207 62024

Monday 24 August  
2 - 4pm  
**Lammas Street Entertainers**  
Ballycastle, between Quay Road and Seafront  
Admission Free

Annual street entertainers’ competition which brings a traditional flavour to the Lammas Fair. Good prizes are on offer and there are free entries for junior, intermediate and senior categories. The closing date for entries is Tuesday August 18 at 4pm. For further information please telephone (028) 2076 2225, or download the application form from www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk
1-25 April

Brian Ballard Retrospective 1964-2014
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission free

This stunning exhibition is a selection of work produced over five decades by leading Northern Irish artist Brian Ballard. Curated by Marianne O’Kane Boal, it is a veritable feast of colour and vitality. A major full colour hardback book on the artist will be launched in Limavady in conjunction with this milestone exhibition. Please see our Creative Learning sections for Children and Adults for associated activities.

Tuesday 14 April 11am-12noon
Brian Ballard Retrospective – Curator’s Talk
Admission free but advance booking essential

Marianne O’Kane Boal, curator of the Brian Ballard Retrospective 1964-2014, will provide an informative overview of the artist’s career spanning the last fifty years, highlighting key moments, styles and developments.

1-30 April

Artefacts of Exception – The Best of Ballymoney Museum
Ballymoney Museum
Admission free

Ballymoney Museum was established by the Town Commissioners in 1860. In the last 155 years, it has passed into the control of Ballymoney Urban, District and Borough Councils and will soon become the responsibility of the new Causeway Coast & Glens Council. This exhibition marks the end of this era with a colourful celebration of the wonderful exhibits in this internationally acclaimed collection.
3 April–27 May

**Townlands, Fieldnames and Feature Names exhibition**

*Green Lane Museum*

Admission free

Have you ever wondered how different places were named? Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust (CCGHT) is pleased to present the initial results of their Townlands, Fieldnames and Feature names research project in the Causeway Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). Travelling along the Causeway Coastal Route the exhibition looks at many well-known place names to discover their fascinating origins.

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4-25 April

**A Creative Causeway event: The Student Showcase**

*Flowerfield Arts Centre*

Admission free

A stunning exhibition of works created by students attending the Creative Classes at Flowerfield Arts Centre. If you stitched it, painted it, potted it, fired it, drawn it, written it or hammered it, it will be on show. This annual exhibition offers a chance to see emerging talent spreading its wings – on canvas, in clay, on the page, through the lens and in glass.
1 May – 30 June

**Irish History Starts Here: ‘Senses of the Past’ and RNIB ‘Sensing the Past’ Exhibition**

Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall  
Admission free  
Explore Mountsandel - the first known settlement in Ireland, 17th century Plantation Coleraine, the story of St Patrick and the blind bards. ‘Irish History Starts Here: Senses of the Past’ is the result of a community engagement training programme connecting visually impaired people with Coleraine Museum Collection and the important history of the area. The RNIB’S Sensing the Past exhibition accompanies this exhibition. Both projects have been funded by HLF.

2-23 May

**Convergence: Painted Landscapes by Anthony Paul Jordan**

Flowerfield Arts Centre  
Admission free  
Paul Jordan is an artist who lives in the Antrim area. With this new body of work working in both paint & ceramics, he interprets the unique but often harsh visual qualities of the landscape which surrounds him. The changing landscape brings fresh inspiration to his work. Paul paints landscapes portraying the elemental atmosphere of the boglands and turf banks, in work that is visually evocative.

8-30 May

**A Creative Causeway event: Limavady Open Art**

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre  
Admission free  
An annual open-submission exhibition presenting creative work by artists currently resident or practising in the Causeway Coast & Glens area. Works include paintings, drawings, crafts, photography, sculpture, mixed media and will be selected by a panel. If you are over 18 years of age and wish to submit work, contact the Roe Valley Arts Centre for further information or visit www.roevalleyarts.com
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8-28 May

A Creative Causeway event: Creative Ballymoney

Ballymoney Town Hall. Admission free
Throughout the year, a variety of creative courses for adults take place in Ballymoney Town Hall including painting, calligraphy, patchwork, crochet and knitting and creative writing. This exhibition features a selection of some of the amazing work which the participants have created during the last year.

8 May – 8 August

The TAS Story

Ballymoney Museum
Admission free
TAS Racing is the world renowned motorcycle team from Northern Ireland which has achieved international road racing success. Many famous riders, including several local heroes, have been associated with TAS and this exhibition explores how the team has become legendary in this exciting sport.

9 May – 27 June

The Furrow and the Plough

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre. Admission free
This exhibition aims to explore the history behind ploughing and will take a look into the advancements that have been made to the plough's structure as well as the techniques used in the process of ploughing. The exhibition will also look at the history of ploughing matches paying particular attention to the World Ploughing Championships, held three times in Limavady.

Thursday 11 June at 1pm

Lunchtime Lecture: People and Ploughs

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre. Admission free
Complementing 'The Furrow and the Plough' exhibition, authors of various books on the history of farming in Ireland, Jonathan Bell, Head Curator, and Mervyn Watson past Curator of Agriculture at the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum will discuss the place of ploughing in farming life, as the most highly valued skill as well as outline the importance of ploughing matches in expressing changing ways in which farming communities saw themselves and their place in society in general.
22-31 May

**Rathlin Sound Maritime Exhibition**
Portnagkee House, Ballycastle
Admission free
Photographic exhibition by the Museum Services
open 9am to 5pm daily

30 May – 25 June

**The People of Limavady Past: A Nelson McGonagle Collection**
Green Lane Museum
Admission free
This exhibition displays only a selection of a fascinating collection of black and white photographs that have been collated over the years from friends and other sources by Nelson McGonagle. These photographs cover the mid-19th century to the early 20th century and serve as a great historic source on the various buildings and people of Limavady past that is sure to bring back happy memories.
1-13 June

**FIN - The University of Ulster Media Studies**

Flowerfield Arts Centre
Admission free
End of year film showcase & digital imaging extravaganza by students taking their degree in Media Studies at the University of Ulster at Coleraine. A media fest’ in every sense of the word, multi-media, multi-faceted, multi-talented, prepare for the visually unexpected!

1 June – 30th June

**Aadita (from the beginning)**

Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall
Admission Free.
This exhibition was produced as part of the Sanskriti Project – a three year heritage project developed by ArtsEkta with funding from Heritage Lottery Fund and The Rayne Foundation which will explore the shared heritage of the ‘local’ community of Northern Ireland and the South Asian community in Northern Ireland. The exhibition gathers together a photographic archive and oral history recordings which have been collected from the South Asian community. These recordings have been collected from groups and individuals from all over Northern Ireland, including Newtownabbey, Belfast, Coleraine, Ballymena and Ballymoney.
12 June – 22 August

**Forming Words**
- a touring exhibition
from Flow Gallery, London

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission free
This beautiful exhibition features the work of nineteen leading international makers, each exploring how text can inspire form and structure. Flow Gallery asked the selected artists to create new work based on a piece of writing of their choice, from poetry to a letter or lyrics. Organised to coincide with August Craft Month, the show consists of jewellery, ceramics, textiles, paper, metal and stone works. Please check the website www.roevalleyarts.com for craft activities accompanying this exhibition.

23 June – 11 July

**A Creative Causeway event: Fair Head Photographic Club Exhibition**

Portnagree House, Ballycastle
Admission free - open daily, please telephone (028) 2076 2024
A fine exhibition of works by local photographers, which transfers to Flowerfield Arts Centre in Portstewart later in July, for a joint display of work with Ballymoney photographers. New members are welcome - for further information please see the fairheadphotographicclub page on Facebook or telephone Jim on 07713159174.

23 June – 11 July

**A Creative Causeway event: Ballymoney Photographic Club Annual Print Exhibition**

Ballymoney Town Hall
This annual exhibition by one of the leading photographic clubs in the area features a selection of both black and white and colour prints covering a wide range of themes including local scenes and landscapes, people, animals and the natural environment. A number of the prints have achieved success in photographic competitions. This exhibition will also be on display from 18 July until 1 August in Flowerfield Arts Centre, alongside work by the Fair Head Photographic Club.
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27 June- 30 July

Recipes of the Past
Green Lane Museum
Admission free

This exhibition displays a selection of recipes from over 100 years ago, showing what you need to make Hodge Podge, Arrowroot pudding, Pigeon Pie, wartime meals and more. If you would like to share your family recipe then please see our website for details.

4 July- 29 August

The Groups of Limavady Past
A Nelson McGonagle Collection
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission free
This exhibition displays another selection of the fascinating collection of photographs that have been collated over the years from friends and other sources by Nelson McGonagle. These photographs cover the mid-19th century to the early 20th century and serve as a great historic source on the people who made up the various groups in Limavady including church groups, shop staff members, choirs, Boys Brigades and Scout groups.

17 July- 29 August

Rites of Passage Exhibition
Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall
Admission free
This exhibition looks at the traditions and superstitions surrounding christenings, weddings and funerals. Local people have contributed their memories, stories, objects and photographs which enhances the material on display from Coleraine Museum’s Collection.

18 July - 1 August

A Creative Causeway event: Joint exhibition - Fair Head Photographic Club and Ballymoney Photographic Club
Flowerfield Arts Centre
Admission free
A joint exhibition of stunning images by local photographers, which showcases fine work from across the new council area.

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30 July– 22 August
Jack’s Century
Ballymoney Town Hall. Admission free
Jack Wilkinson is one of Ballymoney’s best known and most admired artists. He was born in 1915 and this display begins with some of his earliest pieces from 1930-1940. His subjects include the landmarks and street scenes of Ballymoney, while his paintings of the North Antrim landscape are timeless masterpieces. ‘Jack’s Century’ is a unique opportunity to see works from private and public collections and promises to be one of the most popular exhibitions of summer 2015.

1 August – 27 September
Ploughing through the ages: photographic display
Green Lane Museum. Admission free
A selection of local ploughing photographs from The Furrow and the Plough exhibition, on display in the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre, 9 May- 27 June.

4 – 31 August
August Craft Month Exhibition:
Eíbhlín McCarr – Textiles
Portnagre House, Ballycastle. Admission free
Textile artist Eíbhlín McCarr shows contemporary works in batik, hand embroidery, machine stitch, mixed media and felt; both landscape and abstract including large works. Eíbhlín trained in Creative Techniques in Textiles at Belfast Metropolitan College and established Cathaoir an Rí crafts in 2012. In 2013 she worked alongside Artscare NI and residents of a local residential home on a public art installation which was launched at Ebrington Square, Derry as part of the 2014 City of Culture celebrations.

15 August – 31 October
Fate of Our Nation
Ballymoney Town Hall. Admission free
A compelling exhibition which commemorates the 70th anniversary of the end of World War Two and 75 years since the Battle of Britain. The display will highlight the experiences of local people who enlisted during the conflict and the lives of their families back home in North Antrim. On 15 & 16 August Ballymoney Museum in association with Ballymoney First Presbyterian Church and the Ulster Aviation Society, will be supporting the visit to the town of a full size replica of the classic World War Two Allied Spitfire fighter plane.
Events April - August 2015
Creative Learning for Children & Young People

Friday 3 April 10am-1pm
Horse Sculptures
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission free, advanced booking essential
Join experienced artist and facilitator Sinead Smyth for a fun creative morning, sculpting your own Clydesdale horse which will have the opportunity to be displayed within the upcoming ‘The Furrow and the Plough’ exhibition at the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre.
Maximum 15 children, ages 6-12 years

Friday 3 and Saturday 4 April
3 - 4 Years of Age  10.45am - 12.15pm
5 - 12 Years of age 10.30am-12.30 pm
Easter Craft Workshops
Flowerfield Arts Centre
Cost £6

Craft workshops with an Easter theme for Big’uns and Little’uns. Get cracking and paint, glue, make and decorate something nice to take home. The class is suitable for 3-12 year olds.

Monday 6 April 1.30–3.30pm
Pop-Up Arts Tent - Children’s Arts with Smudges Inc
Ballycastle Seafront
Admission free - for further information please telephone the Arts officer on 028 2076 2225
Decorate a beautiful clay egg you can take home - with artist Jackie Dougan. Suitable for ages 3 +. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Please note: If a workshop does not attract enough students it will not run and refunds will be made.
Monday 6 April 2 - 4pm
Easter Crafts Drop-in workshop
Green Lane Museum
Admission free
Join experienced craft tutor Thelma Whitehead for an afternoon full of fun and creativity, giving children aged 6+ years a chance to discover new skills. For other workshops taking place at Green Lane Museum, please check the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre website at www.roevalleyarts.com

Saturday 11 April 10.30am to 12.30pm
Easter Birdhouses
Ballymoney Town Hall
Cost £5 (includes all materials)
Use juice cartons to create a wonderful birdhouse, just in time for Spring, to entice some feathered friends into your garden. The workshop is hosted for 5-11 year olds by tutors from Salvage NI. Maximum 16 students.

Saturday 11 April 2 - 4pm
Bunny Jars for 5-11 year olds
Ballymoney Town Hall
Cost £5 (includes all materials)
Make a funky bunny using old jam jars. Perfect for storing mini Easter eggs! The workshop is hosted for 5-11 year olds by tutors from Salvage NI. Maximum 16 students.

Tuesday 14 April 10.30am to 12noon
Cool for Schools: Drawing with Brian Ballard
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Free - bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Contact the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre for further information.
A unique opportunity for a local school to benefit from a creative workshop with the renowned artist Brian Ballard, coinciding with his exhibition. Pupils aged 9-11 years will explore portraiture, producing their own artwork with Brian’s guidance. Maximum 25 pupils.
Saturday 2 May  10.30am to 12.30pm
**Design a T-shirt**
Ballymoney Town Hall
Cost £5 (includes all materials)
Children aged 5-11 years can join talented tutor Elaine Harkness in a fun morning and enjoy being a designer for a day – and you get to take home your own unique t-shirt! Maximum 14 students.

Saturday 16 May  1– 3pm
**Danny Boy Festival**
**ArtCart from WheelWorks**
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission free
The ArtCart is WheelWorks' unique dedicated mobile arts vehicle: an amazing purpose built vehicle featuring sound recording studio, digital music and photography computer workstations with all the latest software and stage facilities. The ArtCart will be delivering a drop-in style ‘Live Electronic Music’ taster workshop, so don’t miss out - experience this wonderful digital arts hub!

Friday 10 July  5.30 – 7.30pm
**Pop-Up Arts Tent**
**Children’s Arts with Smudges Inc**
Ballycastle Seafront
Admission free - for further information please telephone the Arts officer on 028 2076 2225
Revive the lost art of making paper planes, in the company of artist Jackie Dougan. The class is suitable for ages 3 +. All children must be accompanied by an adult throughout.

Monday 20 - Friday 24 July
10am - 1pm each day
**Summer stART Club**
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Cost £30 (includes all materials)
Sign your kids aged 5-7 years up for a week of spectacular creative fun. Participants will work to a summer theme each day, creating lots of wonderful artwork letting their imaginations take flight.
Monday 20 - Friday 24 July
10am - 1pm each day

**Summer Artspark**
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Cost: £30 (includes all materials)

Participants aged 8-12 years will use famous artists as their inspiration each day to make their own wonderful summer themed artwork. Learning about world renowned artists to fuel their own creativity, they will explore writing, visual arts and craft on their week-long Artspark journey.

Saturday 25 July 2-4pm

**Edible Art Drop-in Workshop**
Green Lane Museum
Admission free

Join experienced craft tutor, Sheila Byrne at Green Lane Museum for an afternoon full of edible fun and creativity, giving children a chance to create art that both looks good and tastes good!

**July - August**

**Summer Arts & Crafts**
Flowerfield Arts Centre

Join us for the 2015 Summer Arts and Crafts School at Flowerfield. It’s coming soon (July & August 2015)! This year’s making it beano for 5-16 year olds will open for enrolment from Monday 11 May 2015. Contact Flowerfield Arts Centre for more details on (028) 7083 1400, and you can also e-mail info@flowerfield.org for details.

Saturday 1 August 11am – 1.30pm

**Wizard Workshop**
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Cost £5 (includes all materials)

A brilliant creative workshop for budding magicians and wizards before the ‘Wizard of Oz’ film screening at 2pm. Kids aged 7-11 years will make their own magic wands and spellbinding accessories with our professional artist. Materials provided but please wear clothes you don’t mind getting a bit messy.

Saturday 1 August 1- 3pm

**Rites of Passage Craft Day**
Coleraine Museum at Coleraine Town Hall
Admission free

Join local artists and crafts people to make some heritage inspired creative pieces to take home. Suitable for all the family.
**Monday 3 - Thursday 6 August**

**10.30am-12noon**  
**Arty Kids 4-day Workshop**  
Ballymoney Town Hall  
Cost £15 (includes all materials)

Have fun with tutor Elaine Harkness, exploring different arty materials from clay to paint - and at the end of the week, take home your own unique piece of art! Suitable for ages 5-11 years. Maximum 14 students.

**Monday 17- Friday 21 August**  
**10am-1.15pm**  
**Summer Youth Dance Intensive Workshop**  
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre  
Cost £40

This Youth-Intensive workshop will run from ages 12-17 years. Participants will have the chance of learning different styles like Contemporary, Jazz and Hip Hop, then followed by a creative session where they will get to create dance pieces as solos, duets and groups. It will be a fun and energetic week, learning different skills and meeting new friends!

**Saturday 22 August**  
**11am-1.30pm**  
**Dragons and Dinosaurs Workshop**  
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre  
Cost £5 (includes all materials)

Before heading in to enjoy the wonderful ‘Where the Wild Things Are’ film at Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre, sign up for this fab creative workshop and let your imagination create all sorts of wild creatures in paper and clay to take home with you. Materials provided but please wear clothes you don’t mind getting a bit messy.

Suitable for ages 7-12 years.
Tuesday 14 April  1-2.30pm
Drawing with Brian Ballard
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Admission free but advance booking essential
Complementing his exhibition, Brian hosts an interactive workshop exploring portraiture. You will create your own work led by the renowned artist with over fifty years’ experience as a successful practising artist. Please bring along your own materials (paints, pastels, paper and/or canvas if required). Only 12 places available.

Silver Jewellery Workshops for Adults

Saturday 18 April – Knot Ring
Saturday 16 May – Necklace
Saturday 6 June – Stacking Rings
Saturday 25 July – Linked bracelet
Friday 21 & Saturday 22 August (as part of August Craft Month) – Necklace, Earrings or Bracelet
Ballymoney Town Hall
Cost for one-day workshop £35 full, £30 concession and for two-day workshop £60 full, £50 concession (includes all materials).

Jeweller Diane Lyness will facilitate a number of silver jewellery workshops for adults (over 18). Each participant will be taught jewellery techniques including soldering, shaping, piercing, texturing and polishing. No previous experience is required and all you need to bring is an apron and bundles of enthusiasm!

All workshops will run from 10am to 4pm each day, with a maximum of ten students per workshop. Tea & coffee will be provided but participants are asked to bring their own lunch. Places at all workshops are limited and must be booked in advance 028 2766 0230.
Saturday 9 May  10am- 4pm
Steinbeck Celebration:
A Creative Writing Workshop
Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Cost £15

Join professional writer Bernie McGill for a one-day workshop using Steinbeck’s own writing and his links with the Limavady area as inspiration for new creative work. This informal course is open to beginners and experienced writers. Bernie has written for the theatre, the novel, The Butterfly Cabinet and a short story collection, Sleepwalkers. Her short fiction has been nominated for numerous awards and in 2008 she won the Zoetrope: All-Story Short Fiction Award in the US.

10.30am-12.30pm

Flower Arranging Workshops for Beginners
Saturday 9 May – Ikebana Style Flower Arrangement
Saturday 16 May – Buttonholes & Corsages
Saturday 6 June – Tall Rose Arrangement
Ballymoney Town Hall
Cost £5

Join tutor Heather Colvin for this exciting series of one day workshops, offering tuition in a range of floristry styles. Participants are required to bring their own materials – details of what to bring will be supplied at enrolment. Numbers are limited to 15 per class.
Saturday 1 August 10am to 4pm

Painting Workshop for Beginners

Ballymoney Town Hall
Cost £20 full, £15 concession (includes all materials costs)

This painting workshop with tutor Freda McKeown offers participants (over 18) the opportunity to try out various mediums in an informal, relaxed atmosphere. While aimed primarily at beginners, all abilities are welcome and will be catered for. Tea & coffee will be provided but participants are asked to bring their own lunch. Places are limited to 14, and must be booked in advance on 028 2766 0230

Only 12 places available.

Thursdays 21 May - 9 July 7– 9pm

Rediscovering Movement with Echo Echo Dance Company

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre
Cost £40

This course is a way to rediscover your comfort and ease in movement, find new ways of relaxing or de-stressing, become more in tune with your body and develop your creative movement voices. Learning new skills, becoming more confident and physically fit, you don’t have to be athletic or experienced in dance, as this course is open to anyone who is interested in movement. The course may also involve some photography and creative writing on your movement journey.

Only 15 places available.

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Please check with the venue either by telephone or their website for opening hours.