









HALLOWEEN

Did you know that 'Halloween' as we know it originates from the ancient Celtic 'Samhain' festival? In Celtic Ireland about 2,000 years ago, Samhain was the division of the year between the lighter half (summer) and the darker half (winter). At Samhain the division between this world and the otherworld was at its thinnest, allowing spirits to pass through. It was believed that various supernatural beings and the dead could visit the living, and the living could visit the otherworld.

An raibh a fhios agat go bhfuil fréamhacha na féile 'Halloween' le fáil sa tseanfhéile Cheilteach 'Samhain'? 2,000 bliain ó shin in Éirinn, is amhlaidh gurbh í Samhain an deighilt idir an dá chuid den bhliain - an chuid gheal (an samhradh) agus an chuid dhorcha (an geimhreadh). Le linn na Samhna bhí an deighilt seo idir an domhan seo agus an domhan-eile an-tanaí agus bhí cead siúil ag spioraíd idir an dá dhomhan. Creideadh go bhféadfadh neacha neamhshaoilte agus osnádúrtha cuairt a thabhairt ar an mbeo, agus go bhféadfadh an beo cuairt a thabhairt ar an domhan eile.

AVOID BUILDING OR ATTENDING BONFIRES

-  Bonfires are bad for our environment, burnt earth on our open spaces takes approximately 18 months to recover.
-  Every year Dublin Fire, Ambulance and Rescue Services answer hundreds of calls over the Halloween period.
-  Do not leave material in places where it may be accessible and targeted for a bonfire.
-  Respect the Emergency Services, Council Staff and An Garda Síochána who are already busy fighting fires and saving lives. Bonfires are an unnecessary and avoidable extra burden on them.
-  Do not give waste to unpermitted collectors.
-  Remember, Halloween can be a dangerous night. Children should be reminded of road safety and take extra care crossing roads, especially in poorly lit areas and in bad weather conditions. Young children should be accompanied by an adult and high visibility armbands / vests should be worn.
-  Do not buy, use or supply fireworks.
-  Keep pets indoors around Halloween they are sensitive to noise.

Bulbs not Bonfires is a reward provided through South Dublin County Council's Social Credit Scheme. This initiative provides communities with flowers in the Spring instead of scarred open space throughout the year.

Last year we spent €5,067.78 on bulbs for this popular scheme and similar will be spent again this year. For more information please contact the office at envawareness@sdblincoco.ie



SPOOKY HALLOWEEN STUFF FOR KIDS TO DO!!

Community Services will be actively assisting a number of small local Community based Halloween Celebrations, organised by Community Centres / Groups across the County, a full list of these events can be obtained by contacting the Community Development Team at community@sdblincoco.ie and will be advertised on the Council's website and social media in the coming weeks. Visit www.sdcc.ie



HALLOWEEN AT SOUTH DUBLIN LIBRARIES

BALLYROAN LIBRARY

Two Sentence Horror Story Competition: Want to give us a fright this Halloween? Tell us a scary story with just two sentences and be in with a chance to win a book voucher.

Age categories: Junior 1 age 8 years and under, Junior 2 ages 9-12 years and Teen ages 13-17 years. Email your entries to ballyroanlibrary@sdblincoco.ie by Tuesday 29 October and don't forget to include your name and age!

Thursday, 10 October 6pm - Halloween Costume Swap

Jump into the scary season with a chance to swap last year's costume for something new and frightful! Drop your old costumes into the library between Saturday 5 October and Wednesday 9 October and collect your token for the swap to take place on Thursday at 6pm. All ages welcome.

Tuesday, 29 October

12.30pm Halloween Family Fun Day with Sarah Sparkles - music and fun for little ones! Booking essential ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

2pm Spooky cartoon workshop with Alan Nolan - Ages 7 to 9 years Booking essential ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie

3pm Spiderman - come and meet the amazing Spiderman as he takes a spin to Ballyroan Library! All ages. Adult supervision required. No booking necessary

4pm Igor's Monster Magic Show - Igor shows us some spooky experiments from his diabolical laboratory! All ages, adult supervision required. No booking necessary

Thursday 31 October 3.30pm - 4.30pm Halloween disco and fancy dress!

Get in the mood for some trick or treating by coming to the library for music, games and some spooky prizes! Ages 3-7 years accompanied by an adult.

Wednesday 6 November 6pm - Movie Showing: Misery

The dark winter nights are upon us, and what better way to be entertained than with a showing of Misery - the Oscar-winning 1990 adaptation of Stephen King's classic thriller.

Kathy Bates won best actress for her portrayal of the murderous number 1 fan, Annie Wilkes. Strictly age 18 years and over. Refreshments provided.

Booking essential

ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie



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TALLAGHT LIBRARY

Saturday 19th of October - Red line book Festival: Family Day events

Saturday 26 October - Spooktacular Halloween Cabaret, 2.00pm - 5.00pm
Dress in your best costume and get ready for a ghoulishly good time! South Dublin County Council Arts Office in partnership with Tallaght library invite you to a Spooktacular Halloween Cabaret in Tallaght Library. You'll be treated to an afternoon of music, magic and mischief that's perfect for all ages! Whether you are a tiny trick-or-treater or a big Halloween fan, there's something for everyone at this frightfully fun cabaret! This event is funded by South Dublin Live and produced by Rebecca McDermott of ThisIsMe Neurodiversity.

Wednesday 23 October - Halloween Creepy Crafts 3.30pm

Using our sewing and knitting skills we will make some spooky Halloween crafts, suitable for beginners, Children aged 6+
Booking essential on Eventbrite

Tuesday 29 October - Design your own trick or treat bag, 3.00pm - 4.00pm
Make your own scary design using graphic design software on our library computers and we'll print them onto Trick or Treat bags. For ages 8- 12 years. Booking essential on Eventbrite

Tuesday 29 October - Spooky story time with arts and crafts
For ages 3-6 years, all welcome

Wednesday 30 October 3.00pm - Surprise spooky movie, for ages 7 years and over
Booking on Eventbrite

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Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite

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Thursday 31 October 2.00pm - Halloween Fun with Genie Mackers
Magic Show / Face Painting. Fun for all the family, all welcome! Feel free to come along dressed up!

Friday 1 November 10.30am - Creative Writing Workshop for Children ages 8 - 12 years with Maeve Devoy
Witches, Wizards and Warlocks - The Art of Writing Magic and Mystery!
When using your imagination, anything is possible, so why not create characters and worlds that are filled to the brim with magic, potions, spells and adventure. This creative writing workshop will help any budding writer bring their fantasy fiction to life, while the author, Maeve A. Devoy details the dos and don'ts of mastering magic on the page. Booking Essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite

Thursday 31 October 10am - Toddler Time with Little Turtles
Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite.





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CASTLETYMON LIBRARY

Tuesday 29 October - 10am - Haunted Ireland

Join master storyteller Kieran Fanning on a visit to every county in Ireland through 32 spooky stories. From well-known hauntings like The Ghost of Loftus Hall and The White Lady of Kinsale, to lesser-known sightings like The Black Pig of Kiltristan and Father Hegarty's Phantom Horse, there's a story and a site to discover wherever you are in Ireland! For ages 9 years and over and their parents!

Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 October - 12pm - Haunted Watercolours Workshop

In this spooktacular Halloween watercolour workshop for adults, learn how to create a frightfully good, haunted house painting. Suitable for complete beginners, all materials provided. Participants must be able to attend both dates.

CLONDALKIN LIBRARY

Tuesday 29 October 2.30pm - Spooky Storytime with library staff

Suitable for kids age 3 years and over. All welcome, no need to book.

Wednesday 30 October - Spooky Science with Anyone 4 Science

1.30pm - Potions ages 6-9 years Make some changing colour potions and watch them bubble

2.30pm - Scary Slime ages 6-9 years Green and gunky perfect for Halloween
Booking via clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie from Monday 14 October

Thursday 31 October 2.00 - 3.00pm - Trick or Treat badge making

Suitable for ages 5 years and over. Design and make your own Halloween themed badge - make it cute or make it spooky the choice is yours. Booking via clondalkinlibrary.eventbrite.ie from Monday 14 October.

NORTH CLONDALKIN LIBRARY

Saturday 5 October - Kids Halloween Craft - IT Room at 1.30pm

Join us for a spooktacular kids' Halloween craft session! Enjoy creative fun and make festive decorations to celebrate the season! Suitable for ages 6-10 years

Thursday 10 October - Kid's Halloween Costume Swap 6 - 7pm

Join us for a spooktacular costume swap event at the library! Dust off your old Halloween costumes and earn a token for each one you bring. Before you drop off your costumes, please make sure they are clean and in good condition. You can bring them to the library from Monday 30 September to Tuesday 8 October between 10:00 am and 8:00 pm, to collect your swap tokens. Everyone is welcome to participate. Any costumes that aren't swapped will be responsibly recycled as part of our commitment to a sustainable 'Green '24 event.'

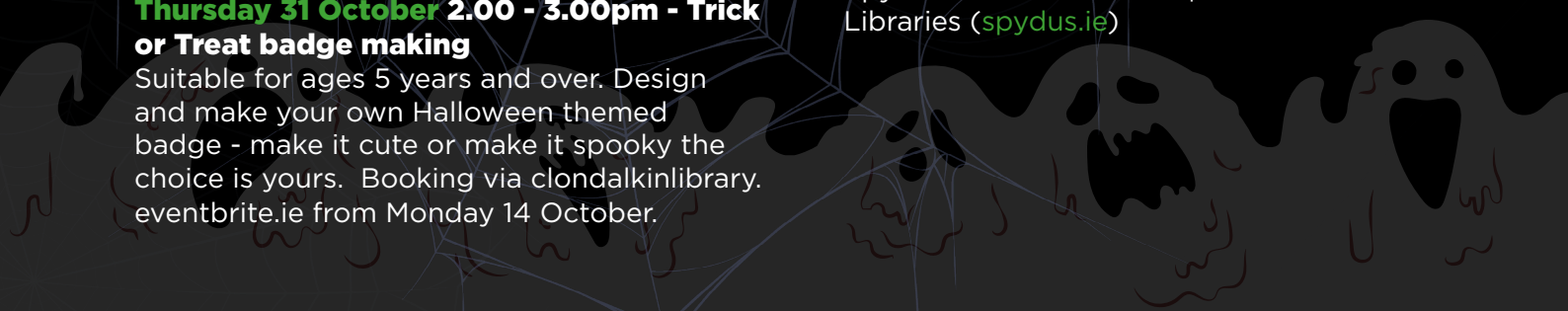
Friday 25 October 2 - 4pm - Halloween fun day at N.C. HELL. All welcome.

Join us for a spooktacular Halloween Fun Day at N.C. HELL with spooky games and a fancy dress disco! Don't miss out on the Halloween excitement!

Tuesday 29 October 3 - 5.30pm - Kids' Halloween Movie Screening

Bring the little ghouls and goblins to our Kids' Halloween Screening at NCL Library and enjoy a spooky, family-friendly movie at the library! All welcome.

Events can be booked through NCL on Spydus at Search results | South Dublin Libraries (spydus.ie)





A Free Pass to Ballymount Civic Amenity

Centre will be provided to every Social Credit applicant / group. One pass allows entry for one car and will be valid from Tuesday 22 October until Friday 29 November 2024. Last year a total of 179 passes were provided.

In 2023 the Council spent in the region of €150,000 on clean-up operations associated with the 213 bonfires which took place. Just think what this kind of money could provide for YOUR community.



ELECTRICAL RECYCLING COLLECTIONS FOR HALLOWEEN 2024

Recycle IT, in partnership with South Dublin County Council and WEEE Ireland, is offering free electrical recycling for Residents' Associations and estates in South Dublin before and during **Halloween 2024**. You can easily book a free electrical recycling collection for your estate by calling **01 4578321**.

Our collection teams will pick up all types of old or unused household, garden, and small office electrical equipment for safe recycling. We will collect items from outdoor areas like gardens or driveways on a date that suits you. Please ensure that all items are easy to see, accessible, and ready for collection.

If you're not part of a Residents' Association, you can still drop off your electrical items for free in the weeks leading up to Halloween.

We accept all types of electrical, electronic, and battery-operated items, including old heaters, electronic toys,

TVs, washing machines, cookers, kettles, phones, computers, cables, chargers, and more. Recycling these items helps protect the environment by keeping hazardous materials out of landfills and conserving natural resources.

If you prefer to drop off your items, the Recycle IT recycling centre is open from 8:30 am to 4:15 pm Monday through Thursday, and from 8:30 am to 3:15 pm on Fridays. You can bring your old electrical items to Recycle IT at Unit 14/2 Crag Terrace, Clondalkin Industrial Estate, Clondalkin, Dublin D22 TK37.

For more details, call **01 4578321**.

If your Residents' Association would like to arrange an electrical recycling collection for your road or estate before Halloween or at another time during the year, please call **01 4578321** or email info@recycleit.ie

Recycle IT is a not-for-profit social enterprise based in Clondalkin. Visit www.recycleit.ie to learn more.



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Brace yourself for the ultimate Halloween experience!



Cutting Edge, Multi-Media spectacle featuring:

-  **LIVE PERFORMANCE**
-  **AR MOBILE GAME**
-  **LASER LIGHT SHOW**

A storm is brewing, unleashing an ancient force within Tallaght Library that brings the library's darkest tales to life. Monsters, demons, and zombies are escaping the pages and descending upon Parthalán Place!

DATE: 19th of October

TIME: 5.30pm

VENUE: Parthalán Place (Outside the Civic Theatre)

ADMISSION: Free (booking required - see redlinefestival.ie)

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