



# Cruinniú na nÓg

## County Wexford Programme

# 11 June 2022

A day of free creativity for young people

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# Welcome to Cruinniú na nÓg 2022

Cruinniú na nÓg is a day that celebrates and encourages children and young people's participation in culture and creativity. It is a day for doing, making and creating, where young people can enjoy a range of fun activities, learn new skills and share ideas.

Saturday June 11th is a day of free creativity for children and young people across County Wexford. This year some events are taking place ahead of Cruinniú na nÓg and will end on June 11th as part of the national celebrations. Have a look through our programme and see what you would like to do, see, and create.

All events are free but for many activities you will need to reserve a place.

Do also visit the official website **[cruinniu.creativeireland.gov.ie](https://cruinniu.creativeireland.gov.ie)** to learn all about the Cruinniú na nÓg Festival and see how it is being celebrated right across the country.

We hope that you enjoy and celebrate Cruinniú na nÓg in County Wexford.

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# Events...

## Circus Explored, ISACS Network - Online Event



Circus Explored aims to encourage every child in Ireland to learn to juggle. Over 5000 FREE juggling balls are being distributed to every county in Ireland. Pick up your set by registering with here, [isacs.ie/isacs/circus-explored-register-now](https://isacs.ie/isacs/circus-explored-register-now), and then receive 4 online tutorials in ball juggling.

**ONLINE EVENT**



## Tobar Draíochta : Magic well- A collective Art Installation

Artbank are busy working with a group of young people to create a magical art installation in the Artbank Gallery, Buncloody. Working alongside artists Caoimhe Dunn and John Renwick over a number of weeks, they will create a unique art piece that will be displayed in the Artbank gallery for Cruinniú na nÓg. Invite friends and family to come along! Exhibition opens at 2pm on June 11th.

**LOCATION: ARTBANK BUNCLODY | AGE: ALL AGES | TIME: 2PM, JUNE 11TH**

## Dance Ireland Pop Up Dances 2 Many Dance Moves

Calling all families, babies, children, and teens! As part of Dance Ireland's Pop Up Dance Project, 2 Many Dance Moves has an incredible line-up of workshops leading up to Cruinniú na nÓg. Keep an eye out for Saturday workshop opportunities in May and June for families and young people – all can come along, enjoy and be creative through movement. Workshops include devising & performance and creating a pop-up prop with a visual artist! The workshops will be fun, energising and encourage the young people's inner artist the freedom to explore! What is created in the workshops generated by the young artist will inspire the "Pop Up" Performance to be performed on 11 June.

Find out more on [www.ruraldanceart.com](http://www.ruraldanceart.com)



**LOCATION: LIBRARY PARK, NEW ROSS**  
**AGE: ALL AGES**  
**TIME: MAY 14TH - JUNE 11TH**



## Let's create a biodiversity parade

Hosted by the Presentation Arts Centre, this series of workshops will seek to encourage young people to get out and about by creating themed costumes for all the roller skaters, skateboarders, cyclists, wheelchair users & scooter enthusiasts in Enniscorthy. Using the local environment as inspiration, young people will learn how to make costumes and decorations for their wheels. Bees, dandelions, swans, trees, and bats will inspire young people to design and create costumes linked to the natural world around

them. Young people will learn how to use upcycled materials from broken umbrellas through to cardboard boxes to make costumes, headpieces and streamers. Participants and their families will come together on Cruinniú na nÓg to share their designs in a fun parade in the Orchard Peace Park.

Open workshops will be held on May 21st for those aged 5-7 years and May 28th for those aged 8-12.

Book your free places on [www.presentationcentre.ie](http://www.presentationcentre.ie) or call 0539233000

**LOCATION: THE PRESENTATION ARTS CENTRE | TIME: 1.30PM - 4PM**

## Veggie Friends in a Box

To celebrate Cruinniú na nÓg, Blackbird Cultur-Lab will offer families a chance to engage with nature and grow their own "Veggie Friends in a Box". Children and their parents will learn how to plant and look after their own vegetables and flowers. Then the young gardeners will decorate their veggie boxes and take their new veggie seedlings home with them and watch them grow.

Booking: [www.blackbirdcultur-lab.com/blog](http://www.blackbirdcultur-lab.com/blog)

**LOCATION: BLACKBIRD CULTUR-LAB, FOULKSMILLS.**

**AGE: 6 - 10 YEARS | TIME: 11 AM - 12PM, JUNE 11TH**



## The Magic of Trees and Charcoal



Join artist David Begley on an exploration of the magic of trees and charcoal at the Blackbird Cultur-Lab. This family workshop, suitable for young people ages 6-12 years and their parents, is designed to make connections with the biodiversity around us. After going on a short walk to look at trees (weather dependent), participants will learn about how charcoal is made, and make their own charcoal drawings of trees.

Booking: [www.blackbirdcultur-lab.com/blog](http://www.blackbirdcultur-lab.com/blog)

**LOCATION: BLACKBIRD CULTUR-LAB, FOULKSMILLS.**

**AGE: 6 - 12 YEARS | TIME: 1 PM - 2PM, JUNE 11TH**

# The Big Dig



Join the School of Irish Archaeology and New Ross Library for the Big Dig Workshop for Cruinniú na nÓg. The workshop gives children the chance to experience what it is like to be an archaeologist by learning how to excavate the remains of a Viking house. As they dig through the site, participants will unearth Viking treasures and artefacts dating back 1,000 years. They will learn about the lives of our Viking ancestors as history is brought to life.

Booking is online through the New Ross library:

[www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com](http://www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com)

**LOCATION: NEW ROSS LIBRARY | AGE : 5-12 YEARS | TIME: ALL DAY**

## Foraging & Forest School fun at Kilmokea Country Manor & Gardens

Kilmokea Country Manor & Gardens has created an exciting adventure for Cruinniú na nÓg 2022. Join Emma Hewlett for flower foraging in the extensive Gardens at Kilmokea, foraging for elderflowers & dandelions and then transforming them into refreshing cordial & dandelion gummy bears. You will also experience the Forest School with Wildtime leader Johanna Brown who will introduce you to having fun in our beautiful woodland gardens. Savour the chance to be creative and imaginative by experiencing den building, using nature's abundant resources around the woods.



Find joy, wonder and excitement by cooking your own food over an open fire. Relish the effects of connecting with nature - mentally, physically and socially.

Both workshops are free but booking is essential.

To book contact: Email; [stay@kilmokea.com](mailto:stay@kilmokea.com) Phone 0866641946

**AGE: 7 - 12 YEARS**

**TIME: 10AM - 11.30AM, 11.30AM - 1PM, 1.30PM - 3PM, 3PM - 4.30PM**







## Explorers of the Imagination

Join The Explorer of the Imagination and the jovial and bumbling Wonderous Walter Wizard, on an imaginative journey as part of the Cruinniú na nÓg celebrations. Children will make their own characters come to life through interactive drama games and creative activities. There will be two workshops, one for those aged 4-7 years and another for young explorers aged 8-10.

Booking is online through the Bunclody library:

[www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com](http://www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com)

**LOCATION: BUNCLODY LIBRARY | WORKSHOP 1: 4-7 YEARS, 2.30 - 3.30PM**

**WORKSHOP 2: 8-10 YEARS, 3.50 - 4.50PM**

## Bodhrán Workshop

Learn to play the bodhrán, the traditional Irish drum, with Conor from Sound Out Rhythm. You don't need to have your own drum, all drums will be provided!

Booking is online through the Gorey library:

[www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com](http://www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com)

**LOCATION: GOREY LIBRARY | AGE: 5 YEARS +**

**TIME: 11AM - 12PM**



## Paper Puppet Animation Workshop

As part of Cruinniú na nÓg, artist Rebecca Tighe, will help you design and create your own animation sequence using paper cutting and stop-motion techniques. Each participant will learn how to design their own character and then as a group discover the basics of stop motion animation techniques. This workshop is the perfect introduction to stop motion animation for young people aged 9-12.

Booking is online through the Gorey library:

[www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com](http://www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com)



**LOCATION: GOREY LIBRARY | AGE: 9 - 12 YEARS**

**TIME: 2.30PM - 4.30PM**



# Tara Hill Art Trails: A Hybrid Event



Gorey School of Art's interactive Art Trail is back. Partnering with a local community group, the Tara Hill Community Development Association LTD, Gorey School of Art has developed a hybrid event to take place outdoors in the beautiful setting of Tara Hill. This self guided family event explores the natural landscape of Tara Hill, which is known for walking trails that play host to a wide range of heritage sites, biodiversity, and scenic views overlooking the Gorey district.

The activities will be broken into three categories: visual art, craft, and biodiversity or the environment. All three categories will have an educational element, and they will be a fun and creative way for the whole family to engage with their surroundings. Once families have booked this event, they will be given a time slot and further instructions that will enable children, teenagers, and their families to collect ready-made art packs.

To book your slot contact: [www.tarahill.org/cruinnu-na-nog-2022](http://www.tarahill.org/cruinnu-na-nog-2022)

**LOCATION: TARA HILL | AGE: 5- 18 YEARS**  
**TIMES: SLOTS CAN BE BOOKED FROM 10AM - 4PM**



## Seomra Traidisiúnta: Traditional arts & film

Want to learn how to combine traditional arts, performing and film?

Seomra Traidisiúnta is an immersive space where young people can actively engage in the traditional arts and digital technology under the guidance of Rachel Uí Fhaoláin from Ceol Mo Chroí and John Ó Faoláin from Traditional Archive Channel. During the workshop young people will have an opportunity to learn and perform traditional/sean nós songs, music, poetry and stories while also learning how to use cameras, recording devices, microphones, lights & editing equipment. Bring your instruments along! There will also be a selection of traditional instruments available to try out on the day. There are roles for everyone to get involved in, in front of and behind the camera. Bígí linn!

To book your free place please email John at [traditionalarchivechannel@gmail.com](mailto:traditionalarchivechannel@gmail.com)



**LOCATION: GOREY SCHOOL OF ART | AGE: 8- 18 YEARS**  
**TIME: 10AM - 12PM**



## Growing Imaginations/Ag Cothú Samhlaíocht agus Cruthaitheacht

Join artists Jeni Roddy and Bríd Colloton for a fun filled morning of creativity at the Enniscorthy Library. Young artists will bring the story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' to life by creating backdrops, characters and their own stage. They will then plant magic beans to take home and grow into a Beanstalk!

Ag baint úsáide as bosca cairtchláir mar stáitse, déanfaidh gach páiste a gcúlra agus a gcarachtar féin chun scéal 'Seaic agus an Gas Pónaire' a thabhairt beo. Cuirfidh siad pónairí draíochta ansin le tabhairt abhaile leo agus fásfaidh siad ina Gas Pónaire

Booking is online through the Enniscorthy library:

[www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com](http://www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com)



**LOCATION: ENNISCORTHY LIBRARY | AGE: 5 - 8 YEARS**

**TIME: 10.30AM - 12PM**

## Uke 'N' Sing with Music Generation Wexford



Pick up the ukulele, discover new chords, play new rhythms, warm up your voice, sing together and perform new songs!

Music Generation Wexford will host a singing and ukulele workshop for young people in County Wexford to celebrate Cruinniú na nÓg this year with special guests, Yellow Bellows. These workshops are for young people, ten to eighteen years old from across the county. The young participants will work with Music Generation Wexford musician educators Anita Mahon, Diarmuid Comerford and Gayle Murphy on Saturday

11 June from 2-4pm followed by a fun performance for an audience from 4-4.30pm in the Presentation Arts Centre, Enniscorthy. This performance will be showcased as part of the Wexford Cruinniú na nÓg programme.

To book contact Music Generation Wexford [here](#).

**LOCATION: THE PRESENTATION ARTS CENTRE**

**AGE: 10-18 YEARS | TIME 2 PM - 4.30PM**

## Bodhrán Workshop

Learn to play the bodhrán, the traditional Irish drum, with Conor from Sound Out Rhythm. You don't need to have your own drum, all drums will be provided!

Booking is online through the Wexford library:

[www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com](http://www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com)

**LOCATION: WEXFORD LIBRARY | AGE: 5 YEARS +**

**TIME: 2PM – 3PM**





## The science and art of colour



Artist Órla Bates offers a hands-on and engaging workshop exploring the science of art and colour. The session will stimulate children's curiosity and creativity through visual art and learning. The workshop will feature a range of art making elements, including design and print making and will allow participants to explore colour in a new and unique way. The session is facilitated by Calmast STEM Engagement Centre, based in South East Technical University as part of Cruinniú na nÓg.

Booking is online through the Wexford library:

[www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com](http://www.wexfordcoco.libcal.com)

**LOCATION: WEXFORD TOWN LIBRARY**

**AGE: 7-12 YRS | TIME: 11.00 - 12.30**

## A Musical Discovery at the National Opera House

Discover the wonderful world of music in these interactive workshops with Aileen and Pete. Learn about how sound is made, how we can make different types of sounds not only with our voices but with instruments (provided!). At the end of the workshop you will have learned about pitch (high to low sound), rhythm and dynamics (loud to quiet sounds) through singing and playing together. One adult and child counts as one place.

No prior experience of music necessary – just an open mind!

Please advise of any special needs at time of booking.

Booking: [www.nationaloperahouse.ie](http://www.nationaloperahouse.ie)



**LOCATION: NATIONAL OPERA HOUSE | AGE: 18 MONTHS UP TO 5 YEARS (PRE-SCHOOL)**

**TIMES: 10.00AM, 11.30AM, 1.00PM (EACH SESSION IS 35 MINUTES)**

## Sounding Seams III - Sound Chimes Workshop



Wexford artist, Laura Hyland in collaboration with Music Generation Wexford is inviting young people to take part in an experimental sound chimes workshop. Make music and sound art together by exploring sound with chimes and everyday objects - from glass bottles, to metal, water & wooden blocks. Sounding Seams III sees Laura continue her project with the Irish National Heritage Park which includes her chimes sculpture positioned high on the hill of Carrick, overlooking the Slaney. Participants can visit the chimes after the workshop has finished.

To book contact Music Generation Wexford [here](#).

**LOCATION: IRISH NATIONAL HERITAGE PARK**

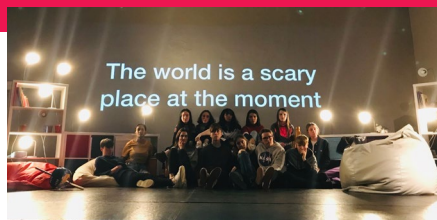
**AGE: 10 - 18 YRS | TIME: 1PM - 2PM**

# County Wexford Youth Theatre - 'Acting Out'

'Acting Out' is a half day workshop designed for young people with little or no drama experience. The workshop explores how drama may be used to tackle issues relevant to young people in a safe and controlled environment. Using drama exercises, games, role play, improvisation, workshop participants will learn how to create and devise a new piece of theatre.

Drop in workshops- Workshop 1 1pm -2.30pm and Workshop 2 3.00pm - 4.30pm

**LOCATION: BARE CHEEK STUDIOS, WILLIAM ST LOWER, WEXFORD**  
**AGE: 13 YEARS AND UP**



## Historical Fiction Writing Workshop with Author Caroline Busher



Travel back in time with Irish Times Best Selling Children's author Caroline Busher. Children will explore the strange and wonderful world of the Victorian Era. Participants will learn how to write a story that is set in the past. They will consider the importance of setting and discover how to create believable characters. Whether history is the backdrop to the story or the story itself.

Caroline will provide advice and tips that will make their writing come alive.

Booking is essential so please contact the Stella Maris Centre on 053 9129922  
or email [manager@stellamariscentre.com](mailto:manager@stellamariscentre.com)

**LOCATION: STELLA MARIS CENTRE, KILMORE**  
**AGE: 8-12 YEARS | TIME 11AM-12PM**





## Unleash your creative spirit

More information and booking links to all events can be found here:

**[www.cruinniú.creativeireland.gov.ie](http://www.cruinniú.creativeireland.gov.ie)**

**[www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries/cruinni-na-ng-2022](http://www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries/cruinni-na-ng-2022)**

Events subject to change. Check the national website & County Wexford Libraries social media for up to date information. Cruinniú na nÓg is an initiative of the Creative Ireland Programme at the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht and is presented in partnership with RTÉ and the Local Authorities.

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