

Fri

Aug 23rd



7.00pm Film "Bats of Ireland"

Inkwell Theatre. P17NP40. Adm Free.

Dr Dara Fitzpatrick presents this documentary on how to identify, study, appreciate and care for Irish Bats.

Tea/ Coffee Followed by

9.00pm Batwalk on the Millenium Walk Led by Dr. Dara Fitzpatrick. Walk from Tracton Arts Centre

Bats are vital to earth's ecosystems and equally crucial to agriculture, being important pollinators and feeding on insects. In Ireland, bats remain vulnerable to water pollution, increased artificial night lighting, habitat and hedgerow loss and pesticides.

A fascinating opportunity to learn more about bats so we can care for them !

Arrive early and view our exhibition upstairs. Inspiring, creative and thought-provoking art and craft exhibits



Sat

Aug 24th

10.15am Café open - Tea/ Coffee / Cake
Exhibition upstairs

11.00am Official Opening of the weekend with a stunning presentation of Irish Birdsong by **Seán Ronayne - Irish Wildlife Sounds. Inkwell Theatre. Tickets €7.00 Eventbrite. Accompanied children free.**

Short Coffee Break

12.15pm 'People, the Future and the Sea'
Dr. Aisling Lannin - Marine Biologist.

1.30pm 'Activism and Action for Biodiversity'
Donal Chambers - Course Co-Ordinator Kinsale College - Sustainability and Permaculture.

2.00pm. Free Children's Clay Workshop. Working with clay promotes calmness, focus, creativity and self awareness and boosts many life skills including resilience, with each child creating a piece that is completely unique to them.
Art Therapist- Sabina Nagle.

3.00pm Guided Walk Nohoval Cove Eco Farm. Ann Maria and Michael Desmond share their wonderful journey with farming for biodiversity. Adults €10 (includes pick your own bag of organic potatoes). Pay at Farm.

3.00pm The Moth Man Documentary on the life and fascinating work of entomologist Ken Bond
Inkwell Theatre. Adm Free.

8.00pm Ceilidh Mór
Ultan Walsh agus a chairde ceoil, with dancing ably directed by Fionnán Cogan, so come for the craic. No experience necessary !
Inkwell Theatre. Tickets €10. Pay on arrival. Accompanied children free.

10.00pm Close.

Sun

Aug 25th

10.30am Café and Exhibition open

11.00am - 1.00pm Tracton Community Market with local food and crafts, tea, coffee, cake.
P17NP40

11.30am Guided walk on Murphy's Newfoundland Organic Farm. Aidan and Aishling share their experience of Korean Natural Farming and the benefits of putting life back into the soil. Donation at farm. Car share from Nohoval car park.

1.00pm 'Looking Towards Our Future' in conversation and song with **Larry Staudt, Author and deep thinker.**

What is our vision for a future society? What inner qualities are necessary? What activities will help advance this vision? Can we realistically be hopeful, and if so how can we bring hope to others? **Inkwell Theatre**

2.00pm Free Children's Art Workshop. A freely imaginative artistic exploration using natural materials to make hanging mobiles, butterflies, dragonflies etc. Will encourage children's creativity, powers of observation, and connection with the natural world. **Visual Artist Nano Culliton.**

2.30-4.30pm Outing with Ted Cook
'The soul and science of the forest.' Intriguing and inspirational as usual, Ted takes us through Tracton Woods (Car share from Minane Bridge car park at 2.15pm) **Donation.**

5.00pm The Moth Man Documentary on the life and fascinating work of entomologist Ken Bond.
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6.00pm Béile le Chéile. Tracton's first *Street Feast* in celebration of community. Bring your favourite dish to share with family, friends, neighbours and visitors. Everyone welcome!