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Welcome to Tread Softly...

Tread Softly celebrates the legacy of brothers, Jack B. and William Butler Yeats. The festival runs in conjunction with the 58th Yeats International Summer School and this year aligns with Sligo Jazz Festival; all joining forces to create a central cultural festival for Sligo at the height of the tourist season.

The festival offers a broad range of arts and literary events from exhibitions, theatre, music, children's and family events, and guided walks through Yeats County.

This year's highlights include Jack B. Yeats Lives exhibition at The Model; Freddie White, SJP All Stars and Kieran Quinn's Theme Night 18 at the Hawk's Well Theatre; 90 Shades of Crazy Jane at the Hamilton Gallery; and as part of this year's A Country Under Wave, productions of The Cat and the Moon by both The Shigeyama Family and Blue Raincoat Theatre.

We hope you are able to enjoy some of the events we have on offer this year.

Tread Softly

EXHIBITIONS

THEATRE

MUSIC

LITERARY

WORKSHOPS

CHILDREN

TALKS

WALKS

TOURS

Sat 25 March - Sun 1 October

Tues-Sat 10am-5pm | Sun 10:30am-3:30pm

The Model

Map Ref: 3

FREE ADMISSION themodel.ie | 071 9141405

Jack B. Yeats

Lives

Trace characters' development in Jack Butler Yeats' artistic practice, through an exploration of his illustrations, pencil sketches, watercolours, and the iconic oil paintings of his later mature period.

In a practice spanning 70 years and displaying a wide variety of styles, Yeats' subject-matter changed very little from his earliest work to his latest. The characters he encountered in the west of Ireland - seafarer, market-trader, street balladeer - became the mainstay of his artistic life. The meaning of this cast of marginal characters changed over the years, romantic depictions of rural people and ordinary life gave way to more gritty and realistic representations of Irishness, so too, did this give way to a more mature treatment of the human figure as an archetype.



FREE ADMISSION

Tours at 2pm themodel.ie | (071) 914 1405

Exhibition Tours Daily at the Model

No need to book just turn up

Tours at 2 Tue. - Thu., 18 - 20 Jul. Tue. - Thu., 25 - 27 Jul. Daily gallery tours will take place at 2pm





Thurs 1 June - Sat 2 September

Hamilton Gallery

Map Ref: 4

FREE ADMISSION
Mon-Sat 10am-5pm

hamiltongallery.ie | 071 9143686

Orla de Brí, Cathy Carman, Catherine Greene, Eileen MacDonagh

Forged Carved Cast

The primary elements of contemporary Irish sculpture are drawn together in "Forged Carved Cast", an exhibition by four of Ireland's celebrated sculptors. The artists have made a personal selection of works to feature in the exhibition; collectively giving insight into their unique voices, the forging, carving and casting processes they are involved in, and the variety of materials used ranging from bronze to stone. The exhibition is a fascinating and dynamic insight into the world of contemporary Irish sculpture.

Image: The Burden of Joy by Cathy Carman

Tues 13 June - Sat 2 September

Hamilton Gallery

Map Ref: 4

FREE ADMISSION

Mon-Sat 10am-5pm hamiltongallery.ie | 071 9143686

90 Shades of Crazy Jane

"Crazy Jane" is the third iteration of Hamilton Gallery's immensely successful annual invited artists exhibition series themed around the works of W. B. Yeats. Ninety visual artists from all over Ireland bring their own contemporary visual reflections to bear on Yeats' most potent and visceral female foil Crazy Jane. Through her they comment afresh, with the crazy perceptive of an artists eye, on modern Ireland 100 years on from the birth of the state.



Image: Crazy Jane & the Bishop by Conor Walton **Sat 15 - Sat 29 July**

Factory Performance Space

FREE ADMISSION 10-5pm

Map Ref: 2

blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431

Echoes

Sligo born artist Kate MacDonagh explores dualities in a forest of Japanese woodblock prints on Japanese paper. 'Echoes', an installation of suspended prints is a haunting work of overlapping and rippling screens, its textured and indigo palettes echoing a mysterious landscape. The work captures the dualities of light and dark, scale and ephemerality, stillness and movement, the spectral and the material. The installation is theatrical, drawing inspiration from the Yeats play 'At the Hawk's Well'.

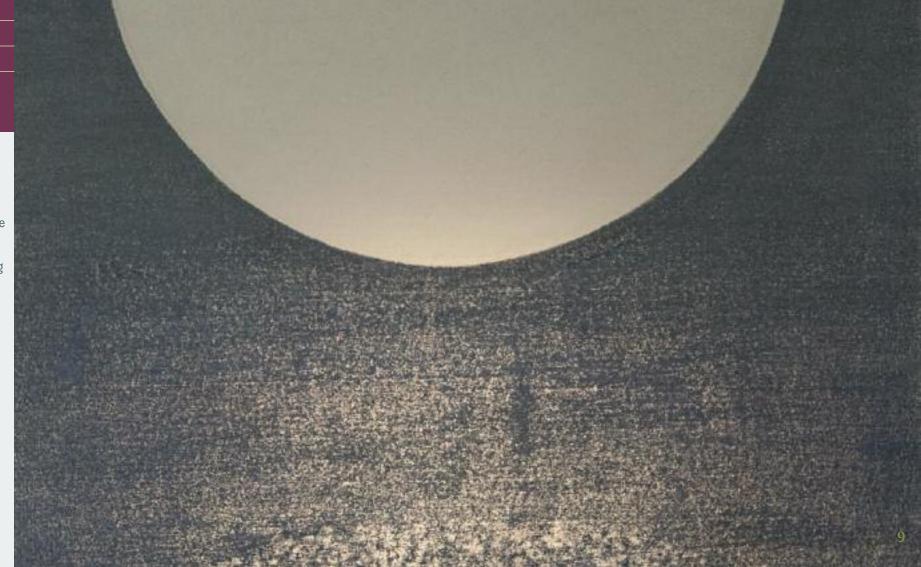


Image by Kate MacDonagh

Tues 18 - Sun 30 July

The Model

Map Ref: 3

FREE ADMISSION

Tues-Sat 10am-5pm | Sun 10.30am-3.30pm themodel.ie | (071) 914 1405

The Art of Harlequins

Drop in to the process room gallery after your tour, or drop in and visit. Explore your thoughts through theatrical processes of making and creating.

All ages welcome.



Mon 17 - Fri 21 July

Factory Performance Space

€10

Map Ref: 2

1pm – 1:50pm Lunch available from 12:30 Bookings: blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431



The Only Jealousy of Emer

by W. B. Yeats

Though Cúchulainn had many lovers, his wife Emer's only jealousy came when he was entranced into love with Fand, wife of Manannán mac Lir, King of the great sea.

Cast

Emer/Chorus Fiona McGeown Eithne Inguba/Chorus Hilary Bowen Walsh Figure of Cúchulainn Ciaran McCauley Ghost of Cúchulainn John Carty Woman of the Sidhe/Chorus Sandra O Malley

Set Design Paul McDonnell
Sound & Musical Direction Joe Hunt
Lighting Design Barry McKinney
Masks Bettina Seitz
Direction Niall Henry



Sat 22 July Sligo Courthous

Sligo Courthouse Courtyard

FREE ADMISSION

Map Ref: 5

3pm, 4pm, 5pm Information: blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431

Blue Raincoat Theatre Company Cúchulainn Players Sligo Drama Circle **Yeats on the Hour**

At the Hawk's Well On Baile's Strand Words Upon the Window Pane



Photo by Tommy Weir

Mon 24 - Fri 28 July

Factory Performance Space

€10

Map Ref: 2

1:10pm - Lunch available at 12:30 Bookings: blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431

BLUE RAINCOAT

THEATRE COMPANY

The Cat and the Moon

by W. B. Yeats

A blind man and a lame man visit the well of St Coleman in search of a cure for their afflictions.

Lame Man Niall Henry Blind Man John Carty St Coleman Ciaran McCauley Musicians Sandra O Malley Brian Devaney

Set Design Paul McDonnell Sound & Musical Direction Joe Hunt Lighting Design Barry McKinney Masks Bettina Seitz Direction Niall Henry

Photo by Peter Martin





Thurs 27 July

Factory Performance Space

Map Ref: 2

€20

7pm

Bookings: blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431

Shigeyama Family

The Cat and the Moon

by W. B. Yeats

W. B. Yeats was inspired to produce some of his finest work by the Japanese theatre forms Kyogen and Noh. The Shigeyama Sengoro Family provide traditional Japanese comedy from Kyoto in the style of Kyogen farce.

Directed by Kaoru Matsumoto Cast: Shigeyama Sengoro, Shigeyama Shigeru, Matsumoto, Kaoru

Talks by Bon Koizumi and Akiko

Wed 26 - Thurs 27 July

Lyons Café

Map Ref: 12

€10

10pm

Bookings: blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431

Words upon the Window Pane

by W. B. Yeats

At a seance the ghosts of Jonathon Swift and his two lovers Stella and Venessa communicate through a medium.

Cast includes Barry Cullen, Brian F. Devaney and Hilary Bowen Walsh



Sat 29 July

Dolly's Cottage, Strandhill

€5

Map Ref: 15

2pm, 3pm, 4pm information: blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431

Endless Theatre The Pot of Broth

by W. B. Yeats & Lady Gregory

Yeats and Lady Gregory's comedy about a Tramp and his magical stone.

Cast Margaret Kilcoyne Kiefer Short Barry Cullen



Fri 21 July
Sligo County Library

FREE ADMISSION

7pm

Amabel Clarke & Fionnuala Gill Stories of Red Hanrahan poet, song-maker and visionary

The stories of Red Hanrahan were written by William Butler Yeats with the help of Lady Gregory. The narratives were based on folktales, which Yeats and Lady Gregory collected amongst the country folk near her home. Yeats infused the stories with themes from Irish mythology and esoteric traditions.

Be enthralled, be entranced with an evening of music and story performed by Fionnuala Gill and Amabel Clarke.

Amabel Clarke is a spellcaster, a storyteller with a passion for folklore and legends.

Fionnuala Gill is a renowned singer and harpist from Dublin, ex-lead Singer with Riverdance and Secret Garden Sun 23 July

Hawk's Well Theatre

Map Ref: 1

€12/10conc.

8pm

Bookings: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

A new show by Paraic Breathnach Straight Outta Connemara

Breathnach comes from a long line of storytellers. From Connemara, he was immersed in the Seanachie tradition. From broke and hungry in a Galway bedsit to living it up with cocktails and canapes on a deck in San Francisco, Breathnach's story telling will lead the audience on a cosán dearg of detours, diversions and devilment finding humour in even the most miserable circumstances.

'A Punk Seanachie...The first genuine meeting of the new and the old storytelling... Brilliant'

- Tommy Tiernan



Fri 21 July

Hawk's Well Theatre

Map Ref:

€18/€15conc/€9 u18s

8pm

Bookings: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

Freddie White

Freddie White has long been synonymous with music of the highest quality. Whether interpreting songs by his favourite writers, or performing his own classy compositions, Freddie's keen ear and undisputed talent for interpretation result in live performances that are nothing short of legendary.

Sat 22 July

Hawk's Well Theatre

Map Ref: 1

€15

11am - 1pm

Bookings: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

Freddie White Song-writing Workshop

A rare opportunity to learn from a master musician whose song-writing skills are quite outstanding.



Tues 25 - Sat 29 July

Hawk's Well Theatre

Map Ref:

Sligo Jazz Festival

in association with the Hawk's Well Theatre Bookings: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

Ladies of Jazz

Sensational songstress and pianist, Liane Carroll is joined by four phenomenal artists on this very special gig. A rare opportunity to hear some of the best female jazz performers on the planet; Liane Carroll, Sara Colman, Emilia Martensson, Meilana Gillard and Shannon Barnett.

Tues 25 July, 8pm €18/€15conc./€9u18s

Kieran Quinn's Theme Night 18

Kieran Quinn has presented seventeen sensational themed nights to date across many musical genres. In this very special concert, Kieran brings a wealth of local talent together with SJP faculty members, all of them seasoned international performers, for an epic night of iconic swing, rat pack and big band standards.

Wed 26 July, 7pm & 9.30pm €20/€10 u18s

Sailing to Byzantium – Christine Tobin

A celebration of W. B. Yeats in words and music from award winning jazz vocalist Christine Tobin and her six piece band. Christine won a British Composer Award for her portrayal of this poetry, which brings the lyrical magic of Yeats' work to life. This concert is presented with the Yeats International Summer School.'...an unqualified masterpiece...(she) perfectly gauges the emotional and spiritual resonances of the texts' - Jazzwise ****

Thurs 27 July, 8pm €18/€15conc./€9u18's

SJP All Stars 2017

Liane Carroll and artist in residence, Soweto Kinch combine to lead SJP's biggest summer school teaching faculty ever. 23 musicians on one stage in an eclectic programme. A truly astonishing line up of talent.

Featuring: Liane Carroll, Sara Colman and Emilia Martensson (UK), Soweto Kinch (UK), Meilana Gillard (USA/NI), Ciaran Wilde (IE), Cathal Roche (IE), Matthew Halpin (IE), Virgil Donati





(AUS/USA), Steve Davis (NI), David Lyttle (NI), Paul Clarvis (UK), John Goldsby (USA/DE), Anton Davidyants (RUS), Shannon Barnett (AUS/DE), Linley Hamilton (NI), Steve Hamilton (UK), Malcolm Edmonstone (UK), Kieran Quinn (IE), Mike Walker (UK), Sandro Gibellini (ITA), Mike Nielsen (IE) and Oleg Ponomarev (RUS/IE).

Fri 28 July, 8pm €18/€15conc./€9u18s

DOUBLE JAM Soweto Kinch & friends Virgil Donati's Fusion Jam

Sligo Jazz Artist in Residence 2017, Soweto Kinch has amassed an unprecedented array of accolades including a nomination for the much-coveted Mercury Award and two MOBO awards. Virgil Donati's astonishing drum performances have prompted collaborations with a huge range of world-renowned artists and he continues to push the limits of the instrument.

Sat 29 July, 8pm €18/€15conc./€9u18s

Thurs 20 - Thurs 28 July Methodist Hall, Wine St & Various Locations

€10 Map Ref: 7 Lecure 1 - 9.30am Lecture 2 - 11.15am

YEATS INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

In Association with Tread Softly...

The 58th Yeats International Summer School presents its new ten-day programme packed with world-class lectures, readings, trips and seminars

Summer School Opening Thurs 20 July 5pm

Thurs 20 July, 5pm

Friday 21 July

Geraldine Higgins
- Things Fall Apart
Ronan McDonald - Nationalism
versus Cosmopolitanism



Monday 24 July

Nicholas Grene - Knocking Yeats: Five Types of Begrudgery Rosie Lavan - Revival Legacies: Yeats and the Dolmen Press

Tuesday 25 July

Laura Marcus - Yeats and the Subject of Rhythm Rob Doggett - Yeats, Sligo, and the Tourist Mode

Wednesday 26 July

Claire Connolly

- Yeats and the Novel Joep Leerssen
- Yeats and the Hunger Strike

Thursday 27 July

Terence Brown

- Yeats as Love Poet Nicholas Allen - Jack Yeats and the West of Ireland

Friday 28 July

Joseph Hassett - Robert Graves's lunch 'in honour of demise of Yeats' Jill Wharton - Yeats and

Jill Wharton - Yeats and Plantation Modernism

Methodist Hall, Wine St & Various Locations Lunchtime Events 1:15pm Evening Events 8pm

Other events listed separately Events take place in the Methodist Hall unless otherwise stated

Readings and Other Events **Friday 21 July**Evening: Reading by Colette
Bryce

Sunday 23 July

Tour 2: Glencar and Ben Bulben Evensong (5pm): Drumcliff Church

Monday 24 JulyEvening: Reading by Colm Tóibín



Tuesday 25 July

Lunchtime: Joan McBreen Reading Evening: Joan McBreen Launch, Glasshouse Hotel. 6:30pm

Wednesday 26 July

Lunchtime: Curlew Theatre presents History! Reading the Easter Rising Evening: Seisiún at the Glasshouse 6pm

Thursday 27 July

Lunchtime: Open Mic Evening: Christine Tobin Concert Co-Production with Sligo Jazz Festival 2017

Photo by Ciaran McHugh

Sun 23 July City Hall, Sligo

Map Ref: 6

€10 8pm

Emily Flack & Manus Maguire Recital of Sligo fiddle and song/dance from Canada

From their respective cities, Sligo and Ontario, Manus McGuire and Emily Flack are musical powerhouses. Manus co-founded bands Buttons and Bows, Moving Cloud and Brock McGuire Band while Emily grew up steeped in the music of Cape Breton, Ontario and the famous Leahy family.

The duo will perform a recital as part of the Yeats International Summer School.



Wed 19 July

Sligo Central Library Map Ref: 9

FREE ADMISSION

6 - 8pm

Click ClackCreative Writing Session

From the team that bring you Illuminations open mic, Click Clack creative writing sessions are a new way for writers, artists, poets and scribblers of all persuasions to share ideas and get feedback on their work. Here's how a typical night works: A selection of prompts will be laid out and everyone will be asked to write something inspired by them. We tend to write for about fifty minutes. Afterwards, we each read out our work and provide positive feedback.

A great way for aspiring or experienced writers to try out new ideas and meet fellow wordsmiths! Facilitated by writer Eoghan Timoney.



Sun 23 July

Hawk's Well Theatre

€12 (lunch €8 from 12.30pm)

Bookings: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

Literary Lunch

One of the great joys of holidays is finding the time to enjoy a good book in the sun. Join us for a festival highlight and get some great book recommendations from insatiable readers: Elaine Coghill, Stephen Doyle, Geraldine Duignan, Luke Henderson, Benny Daly, Vanessa Job and more. Avid and reluctant readers alike will enjoy this celebration of the joy of reading. Lunch will be provided from 12.30pm by Ethna Reynolds, multiple award-winning chef and owner of Nook Café, Collooney.

Mon 24 July

Sligo Central Library Map Ref: 9

FREE ADMISSION
Booking essential

Stephen St | 071 9111675

A Sense of Place Writing with Louise Kennedy

A strong sense of place pervades the writing of William Butler Yeats, particularly the work inspired by the Sligo landscape he came to love as a boy. This workshop will use guided writing exercises and prompts to help participants to develop a sense of place in their own writing, and hone other skills essential to clear and beautiful prose.

For more information please see treadsoftly.ie





Thurs 27 July

Sligo Central Library Map Ref: 9

FREE ADMISSION

6 – 8pm

IlluminationsLiterary Open Mic

Illuminations is a literary wunderkammer of poetry, fiction, spoken word, music and performance that has been running in Bookmart on The Mall since August 2013. The event provides a welcoming and informal atmosphere in which you can read your own work, the work of others or just sit and listen.

Illuminations is proud to present a very special evening in the wonderful setting of Sligo Central Library as part of Tread Softly. Refreshments provided, but feel free to bring (vegetarian) food or wine!

Wed 19 July

Liber Bookshop

Map Ref: 11

€5

2.30pm and 3.30pm for ages 5+

Bind a Book Together

In these special workshops, artist Vanya Lambrecht Ward will guide you through the process of producing a beautiful notebook. Everyone will produce a beautiful and unique keepsake, taking home their very own hand bound book and the new skills to create more at home. This workshop is ideal for children aged 5 and up, and parental involvement is encouraged, as this is a great family activity. All materials included.

Limited availability - first come - first served





Thurs 20 July

Sligo Central Library Map Ref: 9

FREE ADMISSION Ages 7+
3pm

Magical stories by W. B. Yeats and others told by Amabel Clarke

'The wind is old and still at play While I must hurry upon my way For I am running to Paradise'

Amabel Clarke is a spell-caster, a storyteller with a passion for folklore and legends.



Fri 21 & Sat 22 July

Liber Bookshop

Map Ref: 11

€8 per child

10 – 11.30am: 4 – 5 years with an adult 12 – 1.30pm: 6 – 8 years with an adult

2 – 4pm: 9 – 11 years Booking: Kids' Own 071-9124945

Kids' Own Bookmaking Workshop

Come and make books with us.

The Kids' Own team will be hosting a whirlwind of book-making at Liber bookshop for the Tread Softly festival. Be surrounded and inspired by all the wonderful books Liber has on its shelves and let your imagination and creative ideas come to life.

Limited capacity so book early - call Kids' Own on 071-9124945.

Sat 22 July

Hawk's Well Theatre

Map Ref: 1

€10

2.30pm Suitable for ages 7 - 9. Duration: 2 hrs Booking: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

Books & Lemonade Club

In our junior book club for children we will discover brilliant books and fantastical characters. Children will take part in a fun craft-making activity and enjoy an entertaining storytelling session with a summery lemonade. Created to inspire the joy of reading from an early age. Limited capacity.





Mon 24 & Thurs 27 July

The Mayor's Parlour, City Hall

DONATION

3-4:30pm Ages 5+

Map Ref: 6

Cathy Jordan's Parlour Seisiúns

Join singer, songwriter and musician Cathy Jordan for songs, music, myths and craic with cake and elderflower in her parlour.

Discover things you never knew about the traditions, songs and stories of the Celtic Calendar from the lady of Irish music herself.

Find out about Samhain and Imbolc on Monday 24th and Bealtane and Lunasa onThursday 27th. Bring your good humour and prepare to be entertained. Tues 25, Wed 26 & Fri 28

The Mayor's Parlour, City Hall

€35

Map Ref: 6

9:30am-12:30pm Ages 7-11 Presentation time on Friday 12:30 Booking: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

Una Mannion Flash Fiction Workshop

Join Una for a journey of writing discovery on a fun-packed two days of flash fiction and short poems. Develop character, craft images and create worlds. Every writer will receive a pack of ten postcards with their own edited story, poem and illustration.

We will celebrate the creative work in a reading for family and friends on Friday 28th July at 12.30pm in the Mayor's Parlour, City Hall. Bring a packed lunch to the workshop for break time.



Tues 25 July

Liber Bookshop

Map Ref: 11

FREE ADMISSION

2.30pm For ages 7+ Please note: children under 8 yrs are to be accompanied by an adult.

The Roald Dahl Session

Storyteller and artist, Wayne O Connor brings the anarchic work of best-selling author, Roald Dahl alive in this high-energy storytelling session. Watch Wayne work up a frenzy of storytelling magic using excerpts from some of Dahl's best-loved fairy tales. Audience interaction is compulsory and indeed infectious in these captivating sessions!



Tues 25 July

Liber Bookshop

Map Ref: 11

FREE ADMISSION

4pm For ages 7+ Please note: children under 8 yrs are to be accompanied by an adult.

The J. R. R. Tolkien Session

Join artist Wayne O Connor as he brings the epic, high fantasy work of J. R. R. Tolkien to life in this high-energy story-telling session. Wayne will transport you to the Middle Earth where you will meet the many hobbits, orcs, wizards and dragons that enliven Tolkien's best-selling works.

Wed 26 July

Liber Bookshop

Map Ref: 11

€5 per child

2.30pm and 4pm
For 7-9 year olds Please note: children under
8 yrs are to be accompanied by an adult.

The BFG Dream Jars Workshop

"We is in Dream Country," the BFG said.

'This is where all dreams is beginning."

- Roald Dahl

Join Dympna Cunningham to make a magical Dream Jar in this very special workshop. Create your own fantastical dream and put it in a jar to give to someone you love. The workshop will include imaginative story-making for your dream ideas, and lots of creative craft time to bring your Dream Jar to life.

Limited availability - first come - first served



Fri 28 July

Sligo Central Library Map Ref: 9

FREE ADMISSION

7-8pm Suitable for children aged 8-12 years. Booking essential: Stephen St | 071 9111675

Cloths of Heaven

Bring your imagination...everything else will be provided. Join Jen Emery in the half light to create your version of Yeats' Cloths of Heaven.

Yeats' poems and stories will help kick start your creativity. Using felt, wool, thread, embellishments and lots of originality, you can craft your own miniature cloth to mount in an a box frame and take home.

Hot chocolate will help you enjoy the twilight atmosphere in Central Library before you head off to your own dreams.

Free event. Limited spaces. Booking essential at Sligo Central Library

Sat 29 July

Starting point:
Sligo Central Library

Map Ref: 9

FREE ADMISSION

Any time between 12-3pm

Sligo Myths & Legends **Treasure Hunt**

Can you follow the clues that will take you around the centre of Sligo town to find the treasure?

You will need to break an ancient code, put stickers on your treasure map and look high and low for the answers.

This Hunt is recommended for 7-9 yr olds. All children MUST be accompanied by an adult. The Hunt will take approx. an hour. Start time can be anytime from 12 noon until 3pm.



Wed 19 July

Factory Performance Space

€10

Map Ref: 2

7pm

Bookings: blueraincoat.com | 071 9170431

'Among the deepening shades':

Yeats and visual arts practice in Sligo

Seamus Heaney draws on Yeats when he suggests our experience of place enhances 'our sense of ourselves as inhabitants not just of a geographical country but of a country of the mind.'

Una Mannion, lecturer in Performing Arts and Hennessy Literary Awards 2017 Emerging Poetry winner, discusses how the Yeats legacy impacts on the Sligo artist's sense of place and aesthetic sensibility, and how the work helps us to reimagine Yeats and our own connection to language, landscape and place.

Mon 24 July

Hawk's Well Theatre

Map Ref: 1

€10/€6conc.

8pm

Bookings: hawkswell.com | 071 9161518

What We See and What We Know

The death of British intellectual John
Berger in January resulted in an
outpouring of tributes from the worlds of
art, history, media and the wider public.
A prolific writer, his seminal 1972 BBC
television series and book Ways Of
Seeing has framed debate on the very
question of what is art and how we
interact with it. In this lively panel
discussion with John Molyneaux, Andy
Parsons and more we note Berger's
legacy and humanity.



Wed 26 July

Sligo Central Library Map Ref: 9

FREE ADMISSION 7pm

Yeats and Zen and a Horseman Passing By:

A Buddhist Source for W. B. Yeats' Epitaph Lecture

'Cast a cold Eye On Life, on Death. Horseman, pass by!'

David O'Grady has researched the Buddhist link to Yeats' Epitaph, and the 13th Century Zen Buddhist text Yeats discovered and took inspiration from, shortly before his death.

This lecture explores the enlightenment Yeats attained prior to his death and was delivered at the International Yeats Society Symposium in Barcelona in December 2016. All Welcome.



Thurs 27 - Sat 29 July

Kesh Caves, Co. Sligo Map Ref: 19

9.30 pm-11.30 pm

FREE ADMISSION - Booking essential entirelyhollowasidefromthedark.com

Alan James Burns Entirely hollow aside from the dark

Come along and have some fun! In the dark! In a cave!

Entirely hollow aside from the dark is a sound and visual installation promising to be something a little bit different.

Booking essential. For ages 18+ This is a challenging nighttime walk with variable uneven terrain in an enclosed space. Not for the faint-hearted!!

Tickets, event information & booking guidelines at: entirelyhollowasidefromthedark.com



Fri 21 & Sat 29 July

Various venues Map Refs: 6, 14, 16, 17, 18

FREE

Note: Sturdy boots, water, appropriate raingear, a pleasant disposition recommended for all walks. No dogs allowed. All walks guided free.

WALKS

Friday 21 July

Relaunch Sligo Walks as part of Tread Softly... Festival City Hall, 4pm

Mon 24t July

Cranmore's 'boat trip up the lake' on Rose of Innisfree 11-2.30pm. Organised by Cranmore Co-op. Booking direct with Cranmore Co-op 071-9149951. Sponsored by George and Tina McGoldrick

Lake Isle of Innisfree

Martin Enright, President of Yeats Society. Poetry expected – all contributions welcome. Slish Wood to Lake Isle of Innisfree.

Meet at Slish Wood car park, 4.30 pm. Duration 2 hours

Tues 25 July Carrowkeel

Sam Moore, archaeologist lecturer with a keen interest in prehistory in general and Irish passage tombs specifically. Meet at Carrowkeel car park - 4km above Castlebaldwin en route, follow the signs - 2:30pm. Duration 3 hours

Wed 26 July 'Out to the rocks'

Cllr Rosaleen O Grady walks with you from Maugheraboy to Gibraltar. Meet outside Merville Community Centre, Maugheraboy, 2.30pm. Duration 3 hours

Thurs 27 July

The wind has bundled up the clouds high over Knocknarea

Padraig Meehan, expert guide with mythical wisdom shares his stories. Knocknarea car park, 2.30pm. Duration 2.5 hours



Fri 28 July Rosses Point

Willie Murphy RNLI/Anne Joyce, Rosses Point Sea Shanty Festival Committee. Can you spot where Jack painted 'Leaving the Far Point'? Meet at Harry's Bar, 2.30pm. Duration 2 hours

Sat 29th Coney Island

Led by Island resident Anne Gilligan. Meet at The Mill Road/Beach (Mainland side of island causeway), 2pm. Duration 4 hours

As walks are weather dependent they are subject to change at short notice. Walkers participate at their own risk. Tread Softly... accept no responsibility

Image by Jon Sullivan - Wikipedia

Thurs 27 July 10:30am

Sligo/Rosses Point

Map Ref: 13

€40

Telephone: +353 (0)87 2405071

Email: info@seatrails.ie

TOURS

The Special Yeats Experience

Meet at Austies Pub at 10:30 for a guided historic walk at Rosses Point in the morning followed by lunch and a guided historic tour of Sligo Town.







Tues - Sat

Sligo County Museum Map Ref: 10

FREE

11am

County Museum Tours

The County Museum will host guided tours on the following days at 11am

Museum Opening Times: Tues to Sat 9.30 to 12.30 and 2.00 to 4.50. Also open on Bank Holiday Sat. The Museum can accommodate up to 20 visitors and we are wheelchair accessible.

Tourist Office Tours

Booking essential on all tours except free walking tours. All Bookings (and further information) can be made through the Tourist Information Office on O'Connell Street Sligo.

Bus and Boat Tour of Inspiring Yeats County: Drumcliffe, Glencar, Parke's Castle.

Lough Gill and Lake Isle of Innisfree. Pick up and return from Tourist Information Office. Mon, Wed & Fri 10.30am €30/15 ul2s

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Date Title	Event Type	Venue	Time	Price
Thurs 6 July	Launch Date	Sligo City Hall	4:30 pm	Free
Mon 17 July				
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
The Only Jealousy of Emer performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1:10pm	€10
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Tues 18 July				
Jack Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
The Only Jealousy of Emer performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1:10pm	€10
Exhibition Tours	Exhibition	The Model	2pm	Free
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Wed 19 July				
Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
The Only Jealousy of Emer performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1:10pm	€10
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Exhibition Tours	Exhibition	The Model	2pm	Free
Bind a Book Together with Vanya Ward	Children	Liber Bookshop	2:30 & 3:30	5pm
Among the Deepening Shades: Yeats and Visual Arts Practice in Sligo by Una Mannion	Talk	The Factory Performance Space	7pm	€10
Click Clack	Literary	Sligo Central Library	6-8pm	Free
Thurs 20 July				
Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free

90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
The Only Jealousy of Emer performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1:10pm	€10
Exhibition Tours	Exhibition	The Model	2pm	Free
Magical Stories - Amabel Clarke	Storytelling	Sligo Central Library	3pm	Free
Yeats Summer School Opening	Literary	Hawk's Well Theatre	5pm	

Fri 21 July

Things Fall Apart - Geraldine Higgins	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	9.30am	€10
Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Kid's Own Bookmaking Workshop	Children	Liber Bookshop 10-11.30am: 4-5	yrs 12-1.30pm: 6-8yrs 2-4pm: 9-11yrs	€8
Nationalism versus Cosmopolitanism - Ronan McDonald	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	11.15am	€10
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
The Only Jealousy of Emer performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1:10pm	€10
Relaunch Sligo Walks	Launch	City Hall	4pm	Free
Stories of Red Hanrahan, Storytelling with Amabel Clarke. Accompanied by Fionnula Gill on harp	Storytelling with Music	Sligo Central Library	7pm	Free
Freddie White	Music	Hawk's Well Theatre	8pm	€18/15conc/9 u18s

Sat 22 July

Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Children	Hawk's Well Theatre	2:30-4:30pm	€10
Theatre	Sligo Courthouse Courtyard	3pm, 4pm, 5pm	Free
Music Workshop	Hawk's Well Theatre	11-1pm	€15
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Sun 23 July

Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Su	n 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5	5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Literary Lunch	Literary	Hawk's Well Theatre	1:30pm	€12 (lunch €8 fro	m 12.30pm)
Glencar & Benbulben Evensong	Yeats Summer School	Drumcliffe Church	5pm		Free
Straight Outta Connemara	Literary	Hawk's Well Theatre	8pm		€12/10conc.

Mon 24 July	

Knocking Yeats: Five Types of Begrudgery - Nicholas Grene	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	9.30am	€10
Sense of Place Writing Workshop - Louise Kennedy	Literary	Sligo Central Library	10-5pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Rosie Lavan - Revival Legacies: Yeats and the Dolmen Press	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	11.15am	€10
Cathy Jordan Parlour Seisiuns	Children	Mayor's Parlour, City Hall	3-4:30pm	Free
The Cat and The Moon performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1.10pm	€10
Martin Enright Slish Wood to Lake Isle Innisfree	Walk	Slish Wood Car Park	4:30-6:30pm	Free
What We See and What We Know	Literary	Hawk's Well Theatre	8pm	€10/6conc.
Reading by Colm Tóibín	Yeats Summer School	Methodist Church, Wine St	8pm	€10

Tues 25 July

Yeats and the Subject of Rhythm - Laura Marcus	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	9:30am	€10
Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Flash Fiction with Una Mannion	Children	Mayors Parlour, City Hall	9:30-12:30pm	€35
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Yeats, Sligo, and the Tourist Mode	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	11.15am	€10
The Cat and The Moon performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1.10pm	€10
Joan McBreen Reading	Yeats Summer School			€10
Exhibition Tours	Exhibition	The Model	2pm	Free
The Roald Dahl Session with Wayne O'Connor	Children	Liber Bookshop	2:30pm	Free
Carrowkeel - Sam Moore	Walk	Carrowkeel Car Park	2:30-5:30pm	Free
The JRR Tolkien Session with Wayne O'Connor	Children	Liber Bookshop	4pm	Free
Joan McBreen Launch	Yeats Summer School	Glasshouse Hotel	6.30pm	
Ladies of Jazz	Sligo Jazz Festival	Hawk's Well Theatre	8pm	€18/15conc./9u18s

Wed 26 July

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Yeats and the Novel - Claire Connolly	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	9:30am	€10
Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free

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Flash Fiction with Una Mannion	Children	Mayor's Parlour, City Hall	9:30-12:30pm	€35
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Yeats and the Hunger Strike - Joep Leerssen	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	11.15am	€10
The Cat and The Moon performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1.10pm	€10
History! Reading the Easter Rising - Curlew Theatre	Yeats Summer School	Methodist Church, Wine St	lunchtime	€10
Exhibition Tours	Exhibition	The Model	2pm	Free
Gibraltar - Cllr Rosaleen O Grady	Walk	Outside Merville, Maugherboy	2:30-5:30pm	Free
The BFG Dream Jars Workshop	Children	Liber Bookshop	2:30 & 4pm	€5
Yeats and Zen and a Horseman Passing By Epitaph Lecture by David O'Grady	Talk	Sligo Central Library	7pm	Free
Seisiún at the Glasshouse	Yeats Summer School	Glasshouse Hotel	6pm	Free
Kieran Quinn's Theme Night 18	Sligo Jazz Festival	Hawk's Well Theatre	7pm	€20/10 u18s
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Words Upon The Window Pane performed by Branching Out	Theatre	Lyons Cafe	10pm	€10

Thurs 27 July

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Yeats as Love Poet - Terence Brown	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	9:30am	€10
Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Jack Yeats and the West of Ireland - Nicholas Allen	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	11.15am	€10
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
The Cat and The Moon performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1.10pm	€10
Open Mic	Yeats Summer School	Methodist Church, Wine St	Lunchtime	Free
Exhibition Tours	Exhibition	The Model	2pm	Free
Knocknarea – Padraig Meehan	Walk	Knocknarea Car Park	2.30-5pm	Free
Cathy Jordan Parlour Seisiúns	Children	Mayor's Parlour, City Hall	3-4:30pm	Free
The Cat and The Moon performed by Shigeyama Family	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	7pm	€20
Illuminations	Literary	Sligo Central Library	6-8pm	Free
Sailing to Byzantium - Christine Tobin	Sligo Jazz Festival	Hawk's Well Theatre	8pm	€18/15conc./9 u18s
Words Upon The Window Pane performed by Branching Out	Theatre	Lyons Cafe	10pm	€10
Entirely Hollow Aside from the Dark - Alan James Burns	Walks/Exhibitions	Kesh Caves	21:30pm	Free

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Robert Graves's lunch 'in honour of demise of Yeats' - Joseph Hassett	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	9:30am	€10
Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Presentation of Flash Fiction with Una Mannion	Children	Mayors Parlour, City Hall	9:30-11:30pm	€35
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Yeats and Plantation Modernism - Jill Wharton	Yeats Summer School	Hawk's Well Theatre	11.15am	€10
The Cat and The Moon performed by Blue Raincoat Theatre Company	Theatre	The Factory Performance Space	1.10pm	€10
Cloths of Heaven	Children	Sligo Central Library	7pm	Free
Rosses Point - Willie Murphy/Anne Joyce	Walk	Outside Harry's Bar, Rosses Point	2:30-4:30pm	Free
SJP All Stars 2017	Sligo Jazz Festival	Hawk's Well Theatre	8pm	€20/10 u18s
Entirely Hollow Aside from the Dark - Alan James Burns	Walks/Exhibitions	Kesh Caves	21:30pm	Free

Sat 29 July

Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Echoes - Kate MacDonagh	Exhibition	Factory Performance Space Foyer	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
Forged Carved Cast	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
90 Shades of Crazy Jane	Exhibition	Hamilton Gallery	Mon-Sat 10am-5pm	Free
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
Treasure Hunt	Children	Sligo Town	12-3pm	Free
The Pot of Broth performed by Endless Theatre	Theatre	Dolly's Cottage, Strandhill	2pm, 3pm, 4pm	€5
Coney Island - Anne Gilligan	Walk	Mill St/Beach Mainland side of Causeway	2-6pm	Free
Entirely Hollow Aside from the Dark - Alan James Burns	Walks/Exhibitions	Kesh Caves	21:30pm	Free

Sun 30 July

Jack B Yeats - Lives	Exhibition	The Model	Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free
The Art of the Harlequin	Exhibition	The Model	Drop In Tues-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10.30am-3.30pm	Free

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