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MAYOR'S FOREWORD

I am delighted to launch the programme for the 16th annual Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival. This year's festival will be held from 20th – 26th April. At the heart of our Festival is the belief that learning should be fun and accessible for everyone. Following our motto - **Communities, Connecting, Learning** - we invite you to embark on a journey of exploration, engagement, and pure celebration. We are thrilled to offer a week full of free and fantastic learning events spread across the vibrant neighbourhoods of Limerick city and county. The theme of the festival this year is '**Discover Lifelong Learning 2026**' and I invite you all to participate fully in the festival and perhaps take up a new hobby or skill to further your lifelong learning journey.

The list of events taking place over the course of the festival will be of interest to people in communities and neighbourhoods the length and breadth of Limerick city and county and of course further afield. I anticipate strong

participation mirroring the high levels of engagement we have witnessed in previous years.

I am delighted to support Learning Limerick's membership of the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC) and the Irish Network of Learning Cities (INLC). Limerick City and County Council is committed to lifelong learning in all its forms and values its membership of the Irish Network and has actively participated in the Network's Shared Island initiative.

This year marks an important milestone for Learning Limerick with the lead partners signing an updated Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to grow the Learning Limerick initiative. Limerick City and County Council is also delighted to host the launch of the new Learning Limerick Strategic Plan 2026 – 2030 on the first day of the festival.

I wish you all the very best for the Lifelong Learning Festival 2026; as we continue to guide curious minds on their perpetual journey of discovery.

JOHN MORAN

MAYOR OF LIMERICK



INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the 16th annual Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival, taking place from Monday 20th to Sunday 26th April 2026. This is my first festival as Chairperson of the Learning Limerick Steering Group, so it is a particularly exciting one for me. I would like to say a particular thanks and tribute to our outgoing Chairperson Eimear Brophy who headed up the Steering Group and the Festival for many years; helping to guide and grow the initiative to what it has become today.

This year's festival theme is 'Discover Lifelong Learning 2026' and we would like to extend a warm invitation to sample some of the exciting and interesting events that are being presented throughout Limerick City and County during festival week. This festival this year is also based around the power of connections, family-friendly events and AI in everyday life. The success of previous festivals is testament to the interest in learning by the people of Limerick and has been a driving force in maintaining our own enthusiasm and determination to deliver a festival that is as diverse and inclusive as possible. With over 130 free events to choose from this year, featuring activities such as community, arts, wellbeing, guided tours, open days, education pathways, professional and personal development, language tasters, technology, cookery classes, music, dance, business and enterprise, there certainly is something for everyone to choose from.

This year, we are delighted to officially launch the festival programme in Technological University of the Shannon (TUS) Coonagh Campus on 27th March. There is also a key event as part of the festival week itself, launching our new Learning Limerick Strategic Plan 2026 – 2030 in Istabraq Hall on April 20th. This

plan builds on our strong foundation and sets out how we will widen participation, strengthen partnerships, and ensure that learning is embedded in community development, enterprise, culture and civic life.

At this time of year, we are also reflecting on importance of Learning Limerick's proud membership of the UNSECO Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC). We are also deepening our engagement with both our Irish and European and North American Learning City colleagues, sharing ideas and learning from best practice.

The Learning Limerick Steering Group presents the festival each year. This is representative of all the main stakeholders involved in the promotion of learning in Limerick. On behalf of the steering group, I would like to express my thanks to our sponsors who provide vital funding to run the festival. I especially would like to thank all of those involved for their commitment and hard work in the planning and running of the festival. I look forward to seeing you during the week.

MICHAEL MACCURTAIN

Chair of Learning Limerick Steering Group
Network Manager, Limerick Chamber Skillnet



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Launch of

Learning Limerick Strategic Plan 2026 – 2030

Monday April 20th, 11am.

**Instabraq Hall, Limerick City and County Council,
Merchant's Quay, Limerick.**

Learning Limerick are pleased to invite you to the launch
of our new Strategic Plan that will guide our work over
the next five years. To book your spot, please email
ylane@limerickcitypartnership.ie





Irish Network of Learning Cities (INLC)



The Irish Network of Learning Cities has continued to meet both online and in person to support each other in our work. There were also a number of Shared Island Learning Exchanges over the last year around a range of themes:

- Cork Learning City - theme of brainstorming Learning Neighbourhood and community engagement initiatives.
- Belfast Learning City – theme of creativity.
- Waterford Learning City – theme of 'Lifelong Learning and Education for Sustainable Development'

These exchanges provide opportunities for sharing experiences and brainstorming how to tackle challenges together. They also provide an opportunity for cities to gain new ideas to action and to make new connections.

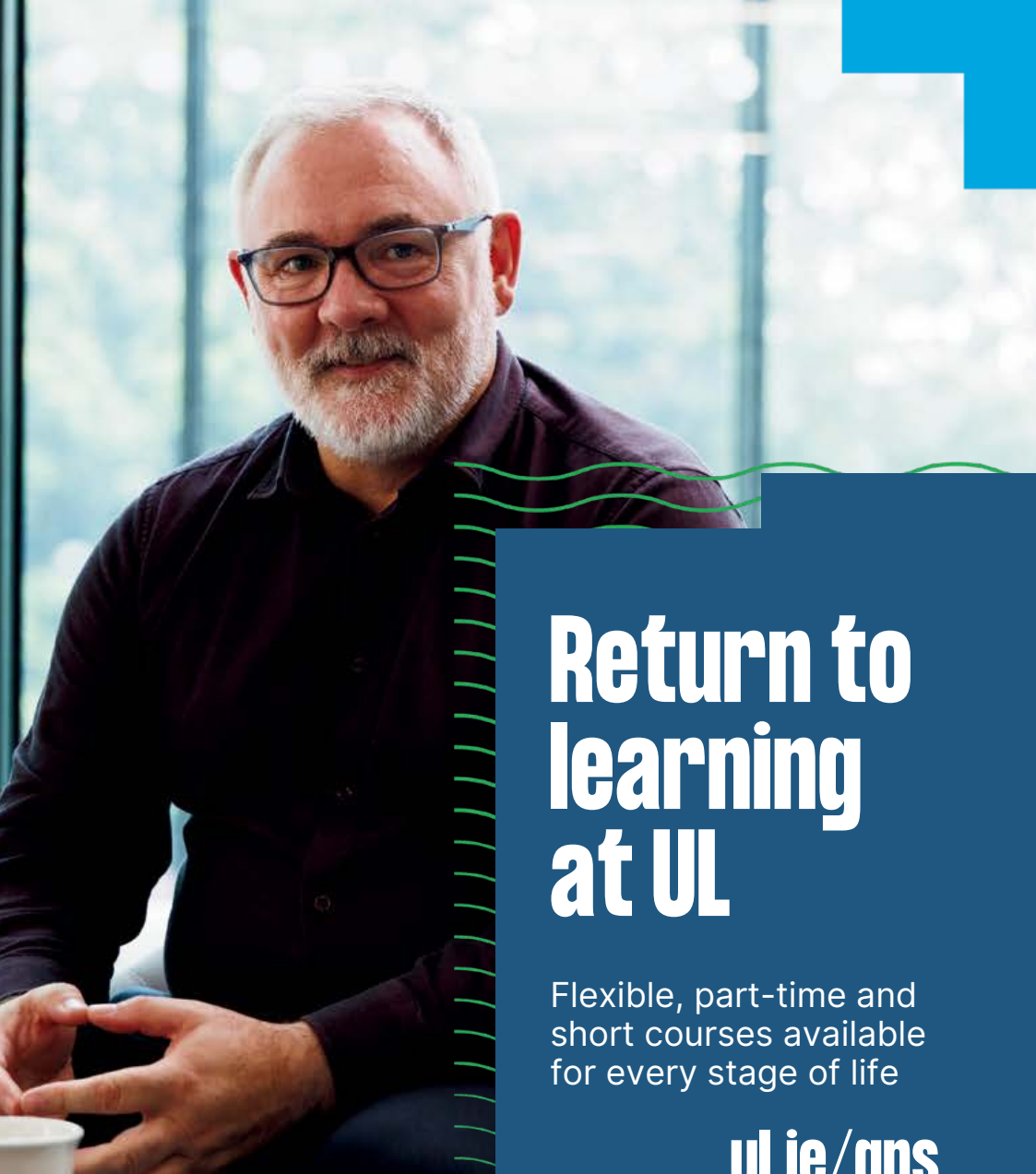


The Forum of North American and European Learning Cities, a joint initiative of Évry-Courcouronnes and Cork, with the support of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning, had its inaugural meeting in France in September 2025. This was to shape the governance of a new international learning network. Cork, Limerick, Belfast and Waterford Learning Cities were all represented at this meeting.

LEARNING LIMERICK NETWORKING MEETINGS



Two Learning Limerick Networking meetings were held in 2025. The first one focused on preparing for the 2025 festival and the flagship 'All Literacies Change Lives' seminar. The second meeting was held in December 2025 and marked the start of preparing for the 2026 festival; while reflecting on the learning from 2025. Michael MacCurtain, Chairperson of Learning Limerick and Limerick Chamber Skillnet, presented on current developments in Learning Limerick and plans for Festival 2026. There were also inputs on - 'AI in Everyday Life' and 'Making Your Events Fun for all the Family'. The groupwork discussions then focused on applying this learning for next year's festival and beyond.



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SME sector, start-ups (existing and potential), owner managers as well as students and individuals thinking of starting a business or getting a Job.

INDIVIDUAL

**I – INDIVIDUAL****(Seniors, Adults, Students, Youth, Teens)**

Personal Development, Professional Development, Communications Skills, for young people, adults and seniors. Learning organised by Third Level Institutions, Adult Education Sector, Private Providers, Community Groups, etc.

COMMUNITY

**C – COMMUNITY**

Events and learning that are taking place in the community; also learning skills that are very appropriate for any individual or community group.

FAMILY

**F – FAMILY**

Fun interactive events for all the family as well as learning sessions for parents and children up to 14 years.

UNIVERSAL

**U – UNIVERSAL****(Universal can include Individual, Family, Community, Work & Enterprise)**

Interactive events across a wide variety of areas such as history, fashion, activities for children and young people, culture, business and personal development, arts and crafts, music and dancing, sports and leisure, health studies, as well as many events exploring more traditional education and training areas.



Language Tasters: Discover a New Language in 2026

Time: Various times throughout the week

Venue: Online

Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for these language taster sessions. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick.

German Language Taster: Monday 20th April 6 – 7 pm with Lena

Chinese Language Taster: Monday 20th April 7 – 8pm with Xiaxia

Arabic Language Taster: Tuesday 21st April 6 – 7pm with Hadjer

Japanese Language Taster: Tuesday 21st April 7 – 8pm with Sachiyo

Italian Language Taster: Wednesday 22nd April 6 – 7pm with Patrizia

Spanish Language Taster: Wednesday 22nd April 7 – 8pm with Angel

French Language Taster: Thursday 23rd 6 – 7pm with Emmy

Irish/Gaeilge Language Taster: Thursday 23rd April 7 – 8pm with Helena.

Contact: To register fill out this form: [Registration](#) Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme, Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



Northside FRC Learner Art Exhibition

Time: Tuesday April 21st- to Saturday April 25th, Library Opening Times.

Venue: Watch House Cross Shopping Centre, Moyross, Limerick

Learners from the Art and Craft classes at Northside FRC will be presenting some of their work created during the year at Watch House Cross Library. Exhibition running until Tuesday 28th April. Of interest to all and community members within the Northside of Limerick city. The Opening Event will be held on Tuesday 21st April at 6pm.

Contact: Mary Harty; maryharty@northsidefrc.ie 061 326623



Lifelong Learning: Your Next Step

Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm, Monday 20th – Friday 24th April.

Venue: Online via www.limerickyouthservice.com/got-a-question

Chat with a Youth Information Officer and learn more about the many learning opportunities for young people. For young people, families, professionals. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Dermot Troy 061-412444 yib@limerickyouthservice.com

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Acrylic Painting Workshops and Art Exhibition

Times: 9:30am – 1:30am (Workshop 1 - 10:00 - 11:30; Break - 11:30 - 12:00; Workshop 2 - 12:00 - 1:30)



Venue: The class will be held in the prefab at the back of Our Lady of Lourdes, and the art display will be in the cafe. Our Lady of Lourdes, Childers Road, Limerick.

If you are interested in having fun making a postcard size acrylic painting, please join Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board tutor Paul Quane for this event. All are welcome.



Targeting new learners.

Contact: Eric Johnson eric.johnson@ololcsg.ie 083 4303860



Coffee & Connection - Walk & Talk

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Shelbourne Park followed by a cuppa at Javinos, Ennis Road.

Step out, slow down, and connect with others in a relaxed, friendly space. Join us for an easy community walk through Shelbourne Park followed by a cuppa and conversation. It's a chance to meet new people, share stories, and enjoy the simple pleasure of learning through connection. All ages and abilities are welcome—just bring your curiosity and comfortable shoes. Hosted by Northside Family Resource Centre.



Contact: Rosie Donelan info@northsidefrc.ie 061-326623



Eat Well, Feel Well: Exploring Nutrition and the 5 Ways to Wellbeing

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Hook & Ladder, Sarsfield Street, Limerick.

This workshop is for anyone who wants to learn more about how to feel your best. Join us to explore how what you eat impacts how you feel and learn about the 5 Ways to Wellbeing (Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning, Give). Finally, join us in making a delicious, easy, and healthy snack to enjoy together. Of interest to anyone in the community who wants to learn more about minding their mental health. Hosted by Limerick City Partnership and Mental Health Ireland.



Contact: Register on Eventbrite - <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/eat-well-feel-well-nutrition-and-five-ways-to-wellbeing-workshop-tickets-1982877662466>



Tastes of the World

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Coláiste Nano Nagle, 20 Sexton Street, Limerick.

You are welcome to join us for a taste of the world cookery event. Experience the world through cookery as adult learners will share their cooking with you. Join Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board tutor Maeve Cosgrave and learners at this event. All welcome.



Contact: Maeve Cosgrave / Mary Kavanagh maeve.cosgrave@lcteb.ie 086 8458939.





Introduction to Mary Immaculate College for Mature Students

Time: 10:00am – 12:30pm

Venue: G10, Foundation Building, Mary Immaculate College, South Circular Road, Limerick. V94 VN26.

In keeping with the spirit of the festival 'Discover Lifelong Learning 2026' we would like to welcome you on campus to hear about the Mature Student experience. You will learn about the courses, student life and financial assistance from staff and lecturers but also about lived college experience from current mature students. Tea, coffee, and pastries will be served after the information session. There is a max number of 40 people for this event. Targeted towards Mature Students (anyone over 23 on January 1st 2027) who are interested in learning about Mary Immaculate College.

Contact: Rob O'Halloran, rob.ohalloran@mic.ul.ie, 087 626 7651



Tour of Moylish Campus Library

Time: 10.00am

Venue: TUS, Moylish Campus Library, Moylish Park, Limerick, V94 EC5T.

Tour of Moylish campus library, giving participants an overview of library services and resources in a university library, including TUS library's information literacy sessions for students and the positive impact for lifelong learning. For all audiences, particularly anyone considering returning to education in a university setting.

Contact: To book a place please email Library.midwest@tus.ie Subject: Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival 2026; TUS Library event.



College of FET Sports Department – KRC WellFest

Time: 10.00am - 1:00pm

Venue: College of FET Kilmallock Road Campus, Kilmallock Road, Limerick.

A sample of various events based around being well, feeling well and acting well including yoga, exercise to music, wellness talk and much more. Various events based around wellbeing to be ran at the College of FET, Kilmallock Road Campus. The use of the courtyard (weather dependent, main foyer and library. Targeted towards 18+. Hosted by College of FET KRC Sports Department.

Contact: Aimee McInerney - aimee.mcinerney@lcteb.ie, 083-0389181



Launch of Learning Limerick Strategic Plan 2026 – 2030

Time: 11am – 12:30pm

Venue: Istabraq Hall, Limerick City and County Council, City Hall, Merchant's Quay, Limerick.

Join us for the launch of the Strategic Plan for the Learning Limerick Steering Group. This plan builds on our strong foundation and sets out how we will widen participation, strengthen partnerships, and ensure that learning is embedded in community development, enterprise, culture and civic life. This plan calls on us to promote quality education (SDG 4), reduce inequalities (SDG 10), and contribute to sustainable communities (SDG 11) through lifelong learning. All welcome.

Contact: Email for booking: Yvonne Lane, ylane@limerickcitypartnership.ie 061-419388.



Borborbor: Drum, Song, and Dance Workshop and Performance

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: Room G10, Foundation Building, Mary Immaculate College, South Circular Road, V94 VN26, Limerick.

Join us for a vibrant MIC Student Performance of Borborbor, a traditional Ewe drum-dance from Ghana. The performance will be followed by an open participatory drumming, singing, and dancing workshop. Open to all ages with no previous musical experience needed. Instruments are provided and entry is free. This event is being hosted in collaboration with the MIC Music Department and Enterprise and Community Engagement Committee. For families, children, young people, adults of all ages, community members, beginners, music enthusiasts. Children are welcome with a guardian.

Contact: Marie Edmonds. Limited Numbers. Please register attendance via email:

marie.edmonds@mic.ul.ie



Rathkeale Youth Café

Time: 3:30pm – 6:00pm

Venue: Rathkeale Youth Space, Abbey Court, Rathkeale, Limerick V94 K6K7

Young people in Rathkeale are invited to experience a youth café.

Contact: Dawn MacCarthy lys@limerickyouthservice.org Tel: 061-412444



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Venue: Online via www.limerickyouthservice.com/got-a-question

Chat with a Youth Information Officer and learn more about the many learning opportunities for young people. For young people, families, professionals. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Dermot Troy, 061-412444, yib@limerickyouthservice.com



Fun Maths Activities

Time: 5:00pm – 7:00pm

Venue: TARA Building Room T214, Mary Immaculate College, South Circular Road, Limerick.

Are you a primary or secondary school teacher that is interested in maths?

At this workshop, we will provide sample activities, ideas, methodologies and practical advice that teachers can use to enhance their maths classes.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet like-minded teachers and share your experience in teaching creative problem solving! Targeted towards Primary and Secondary School Teachers interested in maths. Hosted by Irish Maths Trust.

Contact: Stephen Coughlan, stephen.coughlan@mic.ul.ie, 061 204349.

Please register at <http://www.maths.mic.ul.ie/workshop> where you also can find more details.



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Singing for Wellbeing

Time: 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Venue: St Joseph's Health Campus, Mulgrave St. Main door entrance by the clocktower.

Learn to sing in a relaxed, informal group led by Music Therapist Sara from MusicaMoves. Experience the wellbeing benefits of singing with fun vocal games and a mix of popular songs for adults 18+. Discover your voice in a relaxed group choir- no experience needed- or re-discover the joy and feelgood benefits of singing. Tea/coffee and light refreshments provided. Targeted towards adults wishing to try group singing for wellbeing, and for social connection. Provided by Chimers Choir.

Contact: Marie O'Flynn marie.offynn1@hse.ie 0876327746.



German Language Taster

Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Venue: Online

German language taster with Lena. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for the German language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick. To register fill out this form: [Registration](#)

Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme, Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



Chinese Language Tester

Time: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online

Chinese language taster with Xiaxia. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for this Chinese language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick. To register fill out this form [Registration](#)

Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme, Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



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Financial Mentoring for Business Owners and Start-ups

Time: 9:30am – 5:00pm

Venue: Online

1 Hour online session on a 1-2-1 basis, with a Financial Mentor who will answer questions and give guidance to those who have recently set up a business or are thinking of setting one up, who may have difficulty understanding business financials, such as tax and bookkeeping. Max 6 participants for the 1-2-1 slots. Hosted by Local Enterprise Office, Limerick.

Contact: Mike O'Byrne - mike.obyrne@limerick.ie



Social Prescribing Connect Café

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Moyross Community Centre, Moyross, Limerick.

Would you like to try something new? Meet new people? Improve your confidence and your health? Take up a new hobby? Or do you need support and are not sure where to go? Social Prescribing within Limerick City Partnership is a free support offered by the HSE. It aims to reduce social isolation and improve people's health and wellbeing. Come along and meet your Social Prescribers, Kayleigh and Sinead for a cuppa and to learn some more about how Social Prescribing can help. Targeted towards anyone 18+ who would like to learn more about Social Prescribing.

Contact: Kayleigh Mullane Kmullane@limerickcitypartnership.ie 087 – 9820352

Sinead Molloy sinead.molloy@limerickcitypartnership.ie 087 – 0542102



Pathways and Progression Options in Adult, Community and Further Education and Training

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: College of Further Education and Training, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick City V94 W65 1

Visit stands and learn about the wide range of free, part-time and full-time, adult, community and further education and training courses. Hear from current students and past learners about their education journeys. Discover the world of Traineeships and Apprenticeships. Get information on financial supports and grants for education. Meet support agencies. Chat with course providers and the Information and Guidance team about your options. Targeted towards anyone interested in finding about education and training opportunities for adults and school leavers in Limerick and Clare.

Contact: Emma Maher Guidance Counsellor emma.maher@lcteb.ie 087-9812056.

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Wellness as Lifelong Learning

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Venue: St Saviours Community Hall, Parkview, Lord Edward Street. Limerick.

An Introduction to wellness treatments for those who may never have experienced them before, the benefits of, different issues therapies can treat. Of interest to adults with an interest or curiosity in natural therapies. Hosted by the People's Clinic. Refreshments, tea, coffee, biscuits provided. Max 25 people.

Contact: Natalia Cuesta or Sarah Lane thepeoplescliniclimerick@gmail.com; 085-1028105.



Tots Together - Outdoor Play

Time: 10:30am – 12:00pm

Venue: Northside FRC, Clonconnane Road, Ballynanty.

A fun and gentle meetup for little ones to explore, play, and learn outdoors together. Join us for a relaxed morning where children can discover new activities and parents can connect. Location is outdoors, through the blue gates. Please dress appropriately for the weather. For parents, grandparents, carers, children. Refreshments provided.

Contact: Rosie info@northsidefrc.ie 061-326623



Bergerie Trust Digital Inclusion Celebration Morning

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Day Centre, Day Centre, Good Shepherd Avenue, Pennywell Road, Limerick V94A497

Join us to celebrate the launch of our new look website and to celebrate our Residents/Day Centre attendees as they are recognised and presented with IT skill course certificates. There will be a panel discussion on the day on the topic of digital inclusion along with the presentation, with refreshments provided beforehand. All adults welcome free of charge with registration on Eventbrite. Max 15 pax.

Contact: (061) 446608 pennywelldaycentre@bergerietrust.ie Eventbrite: - <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/1984463353310?aff=oddttdcreator>



Mungret Community Walk

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Meeting at the top of carpark of Mungret Park.

Our popular Active Cities walks take place in Limerick City every Tuesday at 11am and explores different walking routes around our beautiful city. The group walks are led by one of our tutors and are a nice social way of getting your steps in! Hosted by Limerick Sports Partnership.

Contact: Our Active Cities Lead for Limerick is Pat Quigley. To contact Pat on any Active Cities queries, you can email him at pquigley@limericksports.ie 061-333600.



Newcastle West Community Walk

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Meet us at the Market House in the Market place.

Launching our new, revamped West Limerick Walk series! Come along for a walk and a chat in Newcastle West! Meet us at the Market House in the Market place and join us for tea and coffee after! Hosted by Limerick Sports Partnership.

Contact: Our Active Cities Lead for Limerick is Pat Quigley. To contact Pat on any Active Cities queries, you can email him at pquigley@limericksports.ie 061-333600.





Free Tour of Limerick Museum

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Limerick Museum, The Old Franciscan Friary, Henry Street, Limerick, beside Dunnes Stores.

Opened in 1916, Limerick Museum is one of the oldest and largest local authority museums in the country with a diverse collection consisting of some 65,000 objects. The story of the city and county is presented through a rich collection of artefacts, from Stone Age axes to medieval coins, to the civic sword of Queen Elizabeth I to a large collection of Limerick lace and silver. The more unusual items include Ireton's Cat; a mummified cat found on Nicholas Street in the 1890s; a fragment of the largest meteorite that ever fell in Ireland in 1813; and a 1940s diving suit. The tour will last forty-five minutes. All welcome. Maximum number is 40. Of interest to the general public, tourists, local people, students, older people, people interested in history, people interested in decorative arts, people interested in natural history. Max number is 40.

Contact: Dr Matthew Potter, Curator, museum@limerick.ie, 061-557740



A Taste of Higher Education

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: TUS Moylish Campus, Moylish Park, Limerick V94 EC5T Room 3B01.

Always wanted to go to university... but didn't know where to start.... Taster lectures will be hosted by lecturing staff from the TUS Certificate in Transition to Higher Education programme to showcase university study in an informal and enjoyable manner. Information and support will be provided for anyone who wishes to explore studying at TUS. Information on the Certificate in Transition to Higher Education programme is available [Transition to Higher Education \(Certificate, L6, 20 ECTS\) - TUS](#) This event is open to all and may be of particular interest to anyone who has been out of education for a long time and may be considering entering TUS as a mature student. Event hosted by TUS Flexible Learning and TUS Access Service.

Contact: Places are limited and booking is required.

Please email Anna Murphy Anna.Murphy@tus.ie



CV Ignition: Launch your Career

Time: 11.00am – 11.45am

Venue: Online on MS Teams

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/39167152910948?p=4zBi9qEQLS8EQz0DBq>

Meeting ID: 391 671 529 109 48

Passcode: xc7ue3to

Join our dynamic online workshop, "CV Ignition: Launch Your Career," and learn the essential strategies to craft a compelling CV that gets noticed. This interactive session will equip you with the tools and techniques to highlight your skills, experience, and potential, transforming your CV from ordinary to outstanding. Of interest to individuals seeking assistance with their CV & job search. Hosted by TUS Careers and Employability.

Contact: Peter O'Reilly Work Placement Co-ordinator, TUS Peter.oreilly@tus.ie



Building Resilience & C.H.I.M.E Workshop

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: The Hunt Museum, Rutland Street, Limerick

CHIME framework helps build resilience in a learning environment, whether it is peer support or community groups. There are five things that we believe that all people need in their lives, no matter who they are, how old they are or where they are from. They are called the CHIME factors. Open to everyone. Hosted by Shine.

Contact: Amanda Clifford, celtichandsdesign@yahoo.ie, 086 8954592

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Childcare Employment & Careers Expo

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: The Longcourt House Hotel, Newcastle West, V24 TD72.

Come and meet prospective employers. Find out about employment opportunities and options for working in Childcare, including Childminding in your own home. Find out about training opportunities and hear from those working in the sector. Bring your CV to share with potential employers or have it reviewed with an Employment Support Officer. No booking required. The event is targeted at those who may be interested in working in childcare, including childminding in their own home, and want to find out more. Stop by any time 11am -1pm. Tea/Coffee/Pastries provided. Hosted by Limerick Childcare Committee in partnership with Employers Relations Unit, Dept of Social Protection.

Contact: Marie McElhinney, info@limerickchildcare.ie, 061 600918 (no booking required)



Lifelong Learning: Craft Showcase

Time: 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Venue: Moyross Community Enterprise Centre Hall, Moyross, Limerick.

We are holding a crafts fair and showcase of our classes and courses tying into the wider Lifelong Learning Festival in Limerick. Targeted towards Local residents and residents interested in community and adult education. We will also be providing finger food and refreshments on the day. Hosted by Moyross Adult Education Group.

Contact: Adrian Power, Chairperson. Adrianpower@corpuschristips.com 0857560821 Moyaded@gmail.com



Social Media: Information for Parents

Time: 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Venue: Limerick Youth Service, 5 Lr. Glentworth St, Limerick, V94 28C4

A overview of the social media & digital world for parents/guardians. Targeted towards adults.

Contact: Dermot Troy, 061-412444, yib@limerickyouthservice.com



Open Choir Rehearsal

Time: 1:00pm – 2:30pm

Venue: Room G37, Foundation Building, Mary Immaculate College, South Circular Road, Limerick.

This event is an opportunity for those who have always wished to sing in a choir to participate in one of MIC Community Choir's regular lunchtime rehearsals. Singers who are members of other choral groups are also welcome to participate. The event will feature relaxation and warm-up exercises, exercises to develop musicianship, and will introduce participants to the experience of singing in parts with others. Come, join us, and have some fun! Refreshments will be provided after the event. For anyone who would like/likes to sing in a choir!

Contact: Paul Collins Paul.Collins@mic.ul.ie 086 823 4464.



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Intergenerational Learning

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: Southill Hub (Southill Area Centre) Southill Limerick V94X431.

Southill FRC, Southill Afterschools and Southill Dining Club are coming together where people from different generations i.e. children, youth and older adults to share knowledge, skills and values where both generations act as teachers and learners, for example seniors will pass down cultural traditions or life skills, while the younger generations teach digital technology, fostering a “two way street” of knowledge. Targeted towards older persons, youth, and children.

Collaboration piece with Southill Dining Club and Southill Afterschools. Refreshments and music on the day.

Contact: Michelle Tynan, michelle@southillfrc.com 086 7857663



Social Prescribing Connect Café

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: Southill Hub, Southill, Limerick.

Would you like to try something new? Meet new people? Improve your confidence and your health? Take up a new hobby? Or do you need support and are not sure where to go? Social Prescribing within Limerick City Partnership is a free support offered by the HSE. It aims to reduce social isolation and improve people's health and wellbeing. Come along and meet your Social Prescribers, Kayleigh and Sinead for a cuppa and to learn some more about how Social Prescribing can help. Targeted towards anyone 18+ who would like to learn more about Social Prescribing.

Contact: Kayleigh Mullane Kmullane@limerickcitypartnership.ie 087 – 9820352

Sinead Molloy sinead.molloy@limerickcitypartnership.ie 087 - 0542102



Did You Know? Fun & Interesting Facts from Limerick's Past

Time: 2:30pm – 4:30pm

Venue: St Saviours Community Hall, Parkview Court, Lord Edward Street, Limerick, V94 N564

Join the St. Saviour's Adult Education Group local history class to hear fun and interesting facts and stories of Limerick. You'll never look at Limerick the same way again! Join Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board tutor Arlene White for this event. All welcome. Cup of tea/coffee will be provided after the event.

Contact: Patrick Fitzgerald patrick@lcn.ie 089 4696654



Introduction to TUS Library Online Resources

Time: 3:00pm

Venue: Online via MS Teams

Overview of TUS library subscribed databases, with particular emphasis on – Kanopy, Irish newspaper archives, One Visual Arts. Targeted towards all audiences, particularly anyone considering returning to education in a university setting.

Contact: To book a place please email Library@tus.ie Subject in email – Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival TUS Library Teams event.



Lifelong Learning: Your Next Step

Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online via www.limerickyouthservice.com/got-a-question

Chat with a Youth Information Officer and learn more about the many learning opportunities for young people. For young people, families, professionals. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Dermot Troy, 061-412444, yib@limerickyouthservice.com

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Opening Event for Northside FRC Learner Art Exhibition

Time: 6:00 pm

Venue: Watch House Cross Shopping Centre, Moyross, Limerick

This is the opening event for this Exhibition. Learners from the Art and Craft classes at Northside FRC will be presenting some of their work created during the year at Watch House Cross Library. Exhibition running until Tuesday 28th April. Of interest to all and community members within the Northside of Limerick city.

Contact: Mary Harty; maryharty@northsidefrc.ie; 061 326623



Fun Maths Activities

Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: TARA Building Room T214, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick

Are you a primary or secondary school teacher that is interested in maths?

At this workshop, we will provide sample activities, ideas, methodologies and practical advice that teachers can use to enhance their maths classes. Don't miss this opportunity to meet like-minded teachers and share your experience in teaching creative problem solving! Targeted towards Primary and Secondary School Teachers interested in maths. Hosted by Irish Maths Trust.

Contact: Stephen Coughlan, stephen.coughlan@mic.ul.ie, 061 204349.

Please register at <http://www.maths.mic.ul.ie/workshop> where you also can find more details.



Arabic Language Tester

Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Venue: Online

Arabic language taster with Hadjer. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for this Arabic language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick.

To register fill out this form: [Registration](#)

Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme, Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



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Traditional Crepe Flower Making Workshop and Stories

Time: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Ballyhoura Development, Coote Hall, Kilmallock Co. Limerick.

The Kilmallock Traveller Women's Group, supported by Ballyhoura Development, invite you to learn how to make traditional Crepe Flowers. Crepe flowers are a traditional Traveller craft, shared down through the generations. We will share stories and traditions of the Traveller community and learn a new skill along the way. Targeted towards anybody with an interest in learning about Traveller culture and to learn a new craft.

Contact: Niamh Kelleher, nkelleher@ballyhoura.org 086 2015120



Japanese Language Tester

Time: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online

Japanese language taster with Sachiyo. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for this Japanese language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick.

To register fill out this form: [Registration](#)

Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



Living with Grief and Loss

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Venue: Green Hills Hotel Ennis Road, Limerick.

Limerick Bereavement Network are hosting a free information evening on loss and grief for people bereaved through any circumstance: illness or sudden death, including suicide; the death of a partner, parent, child, friend, sibling, work colleague or relative. The event will provide information about grief, and the range of bereavement supports available in the local area, with a special emphasis on supporting those affected by dementia who experience grief. So, whether you have experienced a bereavement this year or at an earlier time, or you are concerned about a child, family member or friend who is grieving and wish to help, we encourage you to attend. For any member of the public, strictly 18+. Coffee/tea & refreshments provided.

Contact: limerickbereavementnetwork1@gmail.com



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Tiny Tunes - Baby Music Class

Time: 9:30am – 10:30am

Venue: Northside FRC, Clonconnane Road, Ballynanty.

A friendly class filled with soft sounds, songs, and together-time. Ideal for supporting early development while having fun with other families. For parents, carers, grandparents, children under 2, babies, toddlers. Max number 15.

Contact: Rosie info@northsidefrc.ie 061-326623



Family Story Time – ‘The Three Little Piggy’s’

Time: 10:00am – 10:30am

Venue: The Old Library, Knight Street, Ballingarry, Co Limerick V94E095

Storytime with the Tuff tray and engaging props to bring the story alive and encourage the imagination of our younger generation. Targeted towards Parents of/and children aged 0 -3 years. Tea/coffee and biscuits served to adults; snacks served to children. Hosted by Ballingarry Parent and Toddler Group.

Contact: Caroline Considine, caroline@croomfrc.com, 085 2568579



Lifelong Learning Event- A Fun Morning with Music Generation

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Hospital Family Resource Centre, Knockainey Road, Hospital, Co. Limerick. V35 RP26.

A fun morning with Music Generation filled with music and singing, followed by a cup of coffee and a chat. Event hosted by Hospital FRC Older Persons Group. For older people.

Contact: Sheila O'Connell for enquiries. soconnell@hospitalfrc.com 083 332 9764.



International Day

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: College of FET, O'Connell Avenue Campus, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick, V94 W65c.

International Day will bring music, food, dance, stalls, art and crafts together to celebrate all the various cultures we have in O'Connell Avenue Campus. All are welcome to this free event to celebrate culture and diversity. Targeted towards adults of 18 plus.

Contact: Jessie Laffan jessie.laffan@lcteb.ie 061 445700 sheila.mcarthur@lcteb.ie 061 445775



Northside FRC Learner Art Exhibition

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Contact: Mary Harty ; maryharty@northsidefrc.ie ; 061 326623



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Making Connections in Business - Networking for Business Startups

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Strand Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. V94 O3F2.

If you are a new small business owner or are thinking about setting up a business this workshop provides an introduction to help you develop your networking skills. If you are not known and do not have a proven track record it can be challenging to build credibility among prospective customers. While social media is a valuable tool, it may not be enough to build visibility in a competitive marketplace. By connecting with the relevant people and building meaningful relationships, new business owners can access opportunities that may not otherwise be visible to them and build relationships of mutual value and collaboration. This session on effective networking and collaboration is specifically designed for business start-ups, small business owners and individuals who are unemployed and considering starting a business. Speaker: Nuala Rennisson, Enterprise Officer, Limerick City Partnership. Hosted by Economic Team, Limerick City Partnership.

Contact: Joanna Beilinska, jbielinska@limerickcitypartnership.ie 061-419388.



Parent and Toddler Storytime

Time: 10:30am – 11:00am

Venue: Limerick City Library, Barrow House, Michael St, Limerick, V94RF63

Our weekly Wednesday Storytime for toddlers will take up upstairs in the City Library. The children can listen to stories and sing nursery rhymes. For parents with young children.

Contact: Limerick City Library. citylibrary@limerick.ie 061-557510



The Standards for Community Work

Time: 10:30am – 1:00pm

Venue: Limerick Youth Service board Room; 3rd floor; 5 lower Glentworth Street. V9428C4

The All-Ireland Endorsement Body for Community Work Education and Training (AIEB) will facilitate a workshop on the Standards for Community Work. Community Development/Community Work is a unique discipline and distinct professional practice comprised of both a task and a process. The task is social change, to achieve equality, social justice and human rights and the process is the application of principles of participation, empowerment and collective decision making in a coordinated and structured way. The All-Ireland Standards for Community Work were published by the AIEB in 2016 to provide a foundation and guiding framework for Community Work/Development in the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland. Anastasia Crickley and Ciara Shanahan of AIEB will join us in Limerick for a workshop on the Standards. This workshop will provide an opportunity for those involved in Community Work/Development to learn more about the Standards and to explore their value and use for the complexities of current work and the issues faced in practice. This is an AIEB quality assured CPD initiative. CPD Certificates of attendance will be issued after the event to participants who request them.

Contact: Please register your attendance with:

Martina Shanahan mshanahan@limerickcitypartnership.ie

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Storytime

Time: 10:30am – 11:15am

Venue: Adare Library, Main Street, Adare, Co. Limerick, V94 HNHO

Storytime followed by a colouring session. Targeted towards families with children aged 4 – 7.

Contact: Jelena Batista, jelena.batista@limerick.ie or adarelibrary@limerick.ie, 061 396 822



Little Explorers — Discover STEM Through Play (Parents & Toddlers)

Time: 10:45am – 12:00pm

Venue: Ballingarry Family Resource Centre, Main Street, Ballingarry.

A playful, hands-on session where toddlers explore simple science, maths and engineering through sensory play, building, ramps, movement, and light. Parents will join a short learning segment at the end, offering easy ideas for supporting STEM at home using everyday materials, along with practical tips for encouraging curiosity, problem solving and early learning through play. Maximum number of 20 people. Refreshments available. For parents and children under 6. This event is a collaboration between CRAFT Maker Space, Mary Immaculate College and Croom Family Resource Centre.

Contact: Caroline Considine, caroline@croomfrc.com 085-2568579

Eleanor Walsh, eleanor.walsh@mic.ul.ie 061-205108



Rannta le Chéile/Nursery Rhymes Together (Through Irish)

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Láthair na gCeardaithe/ CRAFT Making Space, Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál, Mary Immaculate College, V94 26N4.

Buail isteach chun cúpla rann a fhoghlaim trí Ghaeilge. Call in to learn some rhymes through Irish. Targeted towards parents and toddlers who want to integrate the cúpla focal into the home.

Contact: More information and registration - Elaine Dold, elaine.dold@mic.ul.ie, 061 204300



Kilmallock Community Walk

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Meet at The library

Come along for a walk and a chat at 11am in Kilmallock! Meet us at the library for a walk and a chat! Hosted by Limerick Sports Partnership.

Contact: Our Active Cities Lead for Limerick is Pat Quigley. To contact Pat on any Active Cities queries, you can email him at pquigley@limericksports.ie 061-333600.



Adare Community Walk

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Meet at the Heritage Centre

Come along for a walk and a chat at 11am in Adare! Meet us at the Heritage Centre for a walk and a chat!

Contact: Our Active Cities Lead for Limerick is Pat Quigley. To contact Pat on any Active Cities queries, you can email him at pquigley@limericksports.ie 061-333600.



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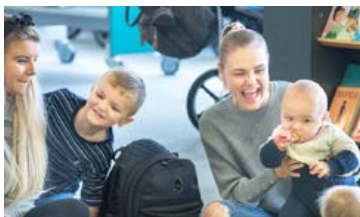


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Planting the Seed of Positivity and Reap What You Sow

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Kings John's Castle Educational Suite, Nicholas Street, Limerick

Have you ever wondered about the connection between the outdoors and your Wellbeing? Come join our workshop to discover the connections between Gardening, Green Spaces and Positive Wellbeing. All Welcome. Hosted by National Learning Network Focus Programme.

Contact: Donna Mc Govern donna.mcgovern@nln.ie 087 9157066.



Celebration of Achievement

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: College of FET, Kilmallock Town Campus, Railway Road, Kilmallock, Co Limerick, V35 XW71

Join us at the College of FET, Kilmallock Town Campus for a special celebration honouring the achievements of our QQI Level 1–3 learners. This event recognises their commitment, effort, and dedication, and we would be delighted to celebrate this important occasion with you. Light refreshments will be served. Targeted towards Learners who completed courses linked with College of FET, Kilmallock Town Campus, and East Limerick.

Contact: Leesha Foley 063 20246/086 0422317 Simon Ratcliffe 063 20246



Read, Rattle & Rhyme in Rathkeale

Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Rathkeale & Carnegie Library, Newline, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick. V94PX08.

We welcome all families with young babies and children up to the age of 4 years to join us for a free story, song & rhyme session in Rathkeale Library. Hosted by Community Families.

Contact: Mary McMahon mary.mcmahon@lssc.ie 086 0656686. Please call or text Mary to book.



Introduction to Acting

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: College of FET Mulgrave St Campus, Limerick

Join Limerick actress Meg Hennessy for a fun and engaging introduction to acting. This workshop is designed for anyone curious about performance, whether you're stepping into acting for the first time or looking to build confidence on stage or screen. Through a series of practical exercises, games, and scene work, participants will explore character, expression, and storytelling in a supportive and relaxed environment. A great opportunity to try something new, meet like-minded creatives, and develop your skills in a hands-on way. The maximum number of people is 15. Targeted towards General Public and those with an interest in performing.

Contact: meg.hennessy@lcteb.ie

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Social Media: Information for Parents

Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Venue: Northside Youth Space, Ballynanty, Limerick V94 TPP3

A overview of the social media & digital world for parents/guardians. Targeted towards adults.

Contact: Dermot Troy, 061-412444, yib@limerickyouthservice.com



“Meet on the Street” Part-time

Upskilling Options for September 2026 & VR and Generative AI in Higher Education- Virtual Speech Demo

Time: 12.00pm – 2.00pm, Open walk-in event.

Venue: TUS Moylish Campus, Flexible Learning Office, 3A 06

Drop by to our Flexible Learning stand on ‘the Street’ in the Moylish Campus for a coffee and chat about exciting part-time learning options coming up in September 2026. Meet the friendly Flexible Learning team who will walk you through the variety of part-time programmes on offer, support available and amazing funded options: Business; Hospitality & Humanities; Engineering, Built Environment & Informatics; Sciences, Health & Technology; Limerick School of Art & Design Also, join us for an interactive VR experience at the Lifelong Learning Festival, where we'll explore how AI-powered virtual reality can transform the way we learn and develop professional skills. In this hands-on session, you'll step into Virtual Speech, a cutting-edge VR training tool designed to enhance public speaking, interview techniques, leadership skills, and more. All Welcome. For anyone with an interest in upskilling or studying part-time.

Contact: Flexible.midwest@tus.ie 061-293802



Promoting Wellbeing through Nature Based Tourism

Time: 1:00pm

Venue: Online MS Teams (event link will be sent to those who register via Eventbrite)

TUS is a partner in WeNaTour, a three-year European initiative funded through the Erasmus+ program. The project focuses on providing training and networking opportunities to shape the new professionals in sustainable tourism that will be able to find the innovative solutions for a sustainable and responsible tourism future. The project is also developing an Alliance of experts and innovators in Sustainable Tourism Destination Management, green care tourism, and corporate welfare. This talk will focus on the key themes being pursued by the WeNaTour project: Sustainable Tourism, Nature Health and Wellbeing Education and Innovation in Tourism, Company Welfare. Of interest to Professionals working in the tourism sector; students and researchers in Tourism. Hosted by Sustainable Development Research Institute, TUS.

Contact: Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/promoting-wellbeing-through-nature-based-tourism-tickets-1982474938909?aff=oddtcreator>

Dr Shane O'Sullivan, Shane.osullivan@tus.ie



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Literary Legends in Limerick

Time: 1:00pm – 2:00pm (45 mins talk, 15 mins Q&A)

Venue: City Library, 1st Floor, Activity Room, Barrow House, Michael Street, Limerick, V94 RF63.

While Dickens spoke of ducks and Wordsworth of the weather, when major literary figures stopped in Limerick they had strong opinions. This talk by award winning public historian and author Sharon Slater will explore how Limerick was viewed through the eyes of some of literature's most celebrated voices. Targeted towards adults. Bookings are essential as attendance is limited to 25 people.

Bookings can be made via limerick.spydus.ie. Just click on 'Events' at the top of the page.

Contact: Limerick City Library citylibrary@limerick.ie (061) 557 510

Creative Writing Workshop and Open Mic

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Venue: College of FET, O'Connell Avenue Campus, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick, V94 W651.

Come along to create and read your creation at our creative writing community open mic event at the FET Centre, O'Connell Avenue Campus. Pieces should be no longer than 4 mins long. Join Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board tutors Rita Burke and Eileen Nevin for this event. Maximum number of 20 people. Tea/coffee will be provided after the event. Targeted towards any person interested in creative writing. Hosted by Core Skills and Community Education, Limerick and Clare ETB.

Contact: Paddy O'Connor patrick.j.oconnor@lccetb.ie 086-7807515

Wednesday Lunchtime Walk

Time: 1:15pm – 2:15pm

Venue: Meeting at Arthur's Quay Park.

Join us on Wednesday April 22nd for a walk around the three bridges!

Meet us at Arthurs Quay Park where we will set off at 1:15pm heading towards the Shannon Bridge. You can join us at any point around the bridges & walk for as long as suits you. For women over 18 years old. Hosted by Women's Collective Ireland – Limerick.

Contact: Katla, Mary & Yvie. For more information or to arrange meeting us along the way contact limerick@womenscollective.ie or text 087 3283746.

How to Reach Out and Get a Job

Time: 2:00pm and 3:00pm – two 45-minute sessions.

Venue: Employability Limerick, 5 Mallow Street, Limerick. V94 FE8H.

In this interactive workshop, you can learn about how you can use your connections to find your next job. We will discuss the importance of personal and professional connections, as well as opportunities such as trainings, counselling, or volunteering. Targeted towards all jobseekers. Maximum 7 participants per time slot.

Contact: Lilla Kukor lilla@employabilitylimerick.ie 061 493 095



Stitch & Share: Croom Knitting & Crochet Open Day

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: Croom Family Resource Centre, Croom Mills, Ground Floor, V35 E306

This is a friendly, hands on taster session where our knitting group will show beginners the basics of knitting and crochet. All ages are welcome. Please bring your own needles, hooks and yarn, as materials are not provided. Drop in, learn something new, and enjoy a relaxed, creative atmosphere! The max amount will be 15. Tea/coffee/biscuits will be provided.

Contact: Ciara O'Connell Ciara@croomfrc.com, 061 602 878.



Step Into a Youth Café

Time: 3:30pm – 5:30pm

Venue: Northside Youth Space, Ballynanty, Limerick V94 TPP3.

Young people are invited to experience Footsteps Youth Café from music, pool, youth work programmes and lots more!

Contact: Stacey Lyons, Tel: 061-412444, lys@limerickyouthservice.org



Askeaton Youth Café

Time: 3:30pm – 6:00pm

Venue: The Solar Youth Space, Askeaton Community Centre, Askeaton, Limerick V94 EH97.

Young people in Askeaton are invited to experience a youth café. Targeted towards 15 – 18-year-olds.

Contact: Caroline O'Connell lys@limerickyouthservice.org Tel: 061-412444



Lifelong Learning: Your Next Step

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Venue: Online via www.limerickyouthservice.com/got-a-question

Chat with a Youth Information Officer and learn more about the many learning opportunities for young people. For young people, families, professionals. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Dermot Troy, 061-412444, yib@limerickyouthservice.com



Italian Language Taster

Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Venue: Online

Italian language taster with Patrizia. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for this Italian language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick. To register fill out this form:

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Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme, Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



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Wearing Identity: The Psychology of Fashion, Self and Belonging

Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Captains Room, Hunt Museum, Rutland Street, Limerick.

Clothing is never just clothing. In this interactive workshop, we will explore how what we wear (from outfits to tattoos and jewellery) reflects and shapes identity, confidence and belonging, both socially and within ourselves. Held in the Captains' Room at the Hunt Museum and drawing inspiration from the Sybil Connolly collection, this session considers the deeper meanings stitched into our wardrobes. Targeted towards adults, anyone with an interest in identity, clothing and fashion. Spaces are limited to 20 on the day so important to register here: - [Registration. https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/wearing-identity-the-psychology-of-fashion-self-and-belonging-tickets-1983071324715?aff=oddtcreator](https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/wearing-identity-the-psychology-of-fashion-self-and-belonging-tickets-1983071324715?aff=oddtcreator)

Hosted by the Department of Psychology, Mary Immaculate College in collaboration with the Hunt Museum.

Contact: Dr Aoife McLoughlin aoife.mcloughlin@mic.ul.ie



Spanish Language Taster

Time: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online

Spanish language taster with Angel. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for this Spanish language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick. To register fill out this form: [Registration](#)

Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



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Building Connection Through Play

Time: 9:30am – 11:00am

Venue: St. Johns Pavillion, Mulgrave Street, Limerick city.

Join us for a warm, playful morning of building strong, joyful bonds with your baby or toddler. Through simple, fun play activities, you will have plenty of chances to connect, have fun, and enjoy meaningful moments together as part of the Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival's celebration of community and connection. Targeted towards parents with their babies and toddlers. Hosted by ABC Start Right and Partners.

Contact: Michelle O'Doherty, modoherty@limerickcitypartnership.ie to register.



Our Learning, Our Stories

Time: 10:00am - 12:30pm

Venue: College of FET, O'Connell Avenue Campus, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick, V94 W651.

Our Learning, Our Stories is a relaxed, celebratory gathering for adult and community learning groups. Classes from across the LCEN network come together to share, in a few words, what they have been learning over the past year. The event focuses on learner voices, shared experiences, and celebrating learning, confidence, and participation together in the city as part of the Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival. For adult and community learning classes and learners, and members of the public with an interest in lifelong learning.

Contact: Patrick Fitzgerald patrick@lcen.ie; 0877569853.



Explore Alternative Education Pathways for Young People

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

Venue: LYS Community Training Centre, Lr. Glentworth St, Limerick V94 YF95.

Explore the alternative education and training courses for young people. As part of this interactive tour, you can speak with learners about their educational journey. You can also sample some of the famous treats with a cuppa! For young people, families, professionals. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Graham Quantrell Tel: 061-412444 lys@limerickyouthservice.org



Northside FRC Learner Art Exhibition

Time: 10:00am – 8:00pm

Venue: Watch House Cross Shopping Centre, Moyross, Limerick

Learners from the Art and Craft classes at Northside FRC will be presenting some of their work created during the year at Watch House Cross Library. Exhibition running until Tuesday 28th April. Of interest to all and community members within the Northside of Limerick city.

Contact: Mary Harty ; maryharty@northsidefrc.ie ; 061 326623

For more information www.limerick.ie/lovelearning



AI in Everyday Life

Time: 10:30am – 11:30am

Venue: Hospital Family Resource Centre, Knockainey Rd., Hospital, Co. Limerick V35RP26.

AI is already part of our everyday lives, often in ways we don't even notice. This one-hour interactive session introduces AI in a practical, accessible way, focusing on how it appears in everyday activities such as using smartphones, searching online, social media, and digital services. The session will explore common myths about AI, highlight simple and useful examples, and provide guidance on safe, responsible, and critical use, including privacy, misinformation, and bias. Designed for people of all levels of digital confidence. Targeted towards the Women's Group. Light refreshments will be served. Hosted by Hospital FRC in collaboration with Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board.

Contact: Maria Frazer mfrazer@hospitalfrc.com 061383884.



Neurospicy Women!

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: Women's Collective Ireland – Limerick, 28 John Street, Limerick City, V94 K5N5.

Welcome to our information session about Neurospicy Women.

"Neurospicy" is a, often playful, slang term for neurodivergent, describing individuals with brain functions that differ from the norm, such as ADHD, autism, dyslexia, or OCD. It acts as a less clinical, more community-driven label to embrace unique cognitive styles, often emphasizing the intensity, complexity, or "spicy" aspects of these experiences. The purpose of this event is for women to share their experiences as a neurodiverse person in a world not made for them, and to learn more about common symptoms, side effects and tricks to cope. We encourage all curious women to stop by, diagnosis is not a necessity! No need to register. We offer tea and biscuits. This building is wheelchair accessible through the back door. For women over 18 years old.

Contact: Katla Thorhildardottir, limerick@womenscollective.ie 087 328 3746



Discovering Your Story: Creative Writing Workshop

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: College of FET, Mulgrave Street Campus - Learning Hub 2.

A Creative Writing Workshop focusing on learning the shape of stories in popular fiction to inspire your own work. Featuring a presentation, discussions, and writing exercises, this workshop will help you embrace the fun of writing and connect to your inner author. No previous writing experience is necessary. Targeted towards Adults, 18+ (16+ with Parent/Guardian Permission)

Contact: Nial Hehir, Nial.Hehir@lcteb.ie, (061) 414344 Ext. 3981. Maeve Shanahan-McCormack, maeve.shanahan@lcteb.ie

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The Colourful Kitchen - Parent Project

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: Northside FRC, Clonconnane Road, Ballynanty, Limerick

This session will be an introduction to a 4-week project run by a nutritional therapist who will share simple tips, colourful food ideas, and easy ways to bring healthy habits into the home. Children are welcome if they'd like to join. Targeted towards Parents, carers, grandparents. Refreshments provided.

Contact: Rosie info@northsidefrc.ie 061-326623.



Portrait Artist of the Festival

Time: 11:00am – 1:30pm

Venue: College of Further Education and Training, Mulgrave Street Campus, Limerick City
Calling All Budding Portrait Artists! Join us for a live portrait event where artists come together to create a portrait of a well-known Limerick personality.

Working from a live sitter, this is a chance to immerse yourself in the process, respond in your own way, and create alongside other artists in a relaxed, creative environment. Open to all levels, from complete beginners to experienced painters, come along, take part, and be part of a shared creative experience. Targeted towards General public- those interested in Art.

Contact: Jayne Foley Jayne.foley@lcetb.ie



Telling Fact from Fiction: Countering Disinformation in the Age of AI

Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Venue: City Library, 1st Floor, Activity Room, Barrow House, Michael Street, Limerick, V94 RF63.

The timely presentation by lecturer Anthony Angelini and facilitated by Europe Direct Limerick will look at the changing nature of online disinformation and the growing influence of AI software. It will look at the attention-based infrastructure of social media and how this need for engagement encourages the spreading of extreme, hyper-partisan content. It will discuss how AI generated media can be used to mislead users and highlight the steps we can all take to better protect ourselves from deceptive material online. Targeted towards Adults. Booking is essential as attendance is limited to 25 people. Bookings can be made via limerick.spydus.ie. Just click on 'Events' at the top of the page.

Contact: Limerick City Library citylibrary@limerick.ie (061) 557 510

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An Cló Gaelach & Ogham

Time: 12:30pm

Venue: Seomra/Room G08, Coláiste Mhuire Gan Smál, Mary Immaculate College
Come and learn about the Irish traditional typeface (seanchló), together with the tradition of Ogham. Tar agus foghlaim faoin tseanchló Gaeilge, in éineacht le traidisiún an Oghaim. Targeted towards: Anyone with an interest in Gaeilge.

It will be a bilingual event. Teas and coffees available. A maximum of 20 people.

Contact: More information and registration - Elaine Dold, elaine.dold@mic.ul.ie, 061 204300



Social Media: Information for Parents

Time: 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Venue: Northside Youth Space, Ballynanty, Limerick V94 TPP3.

An overview of the social media & digital world for parents/guardians.

Contact: Dermot Troy 061-412444 yib@limerickyouthservice.com



Pathways to Possibilities: Alternative Journeys to Further Education

Time: 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Venue: Ceim ar Cheim, Unit 5, Shannon Development Units, Knockalisheen Rd, Moyross, Limerick

In this workshop adult learners from the CWELL programme in the University of Limerick share experiences of their many various educational journeys. This session will be of interest if: you're interested in returning to education? you're re-thinking your education options and ambitions? you want to understand more about educational access and inclusion? you like positive stories with happy endings? Hosted by University of Limerick, CWELL Programme.

Contact: Garreth Keane, Email: 24357499@studentmail.ul.ie; T: 085 737 5880



Information Session: Exploring the 1926 Census

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: Watch House Cross Community Library, Watch House Cross Shopping Centre, Limerick V94 NH51

This event comprises an introductory talk on the history of the just-released 1926 Census of Ireland and a demonstration of the National Archives' online portal by Dr Seán Gannon (Limerick Local Studies), followed by an interactive session in which attendees are assisted in navigating the portal themselves. Refreshments. Places are limited - booking is essential.

Contact: Watch House Cross Community Library watchhousecrosslibrary@limerick.ie
Please phone 061-557726 to secure your place.



Power, Plate & Possibility

Time: 2:30pm – 4:30pm

Venue: King's Island Youth & Community Centre, Verdant Place Castle Street, Limerick, V94 N996

A Hands-On Family Sustainability Experience. Join us for an engaging and interactive community event that brings together nutrition, climate action, and creative upcycling in a fun, accessible way for families. This unique workshop experience invites children and families to explore how everyday choices around food, energy, and waste can make a positive difference — both at home and in the wider community. This dynamic community event will feature three engaging learning stations designed to empower children and families to think differently about food, energy, and waste. Hosted by Limerick City Partnership Empowering Communities, Climate Action and Food and Nutrition.

Contact: Mary Hughes mhughes@limerickcitypartnership.ie
087 1249180



Step Into a Youth Café

Time: 3:30pm – 5:30pm

Venue: Northside Youth Space, Ballynanty, Limerick V94 TPP3.

Young people are invited to experience Footsteps Youth Café and explore music, pool, youth work programmes and lots more!

Contact: Stacey Lyons Tel: 061-412444 lys@limerickyouthservice.org



Public Participation Networks: Participative Democracy in Action

Time: 4:00pm – 5:00pm

Venue: Limerick City Library, Barrow House, Michael St, Prior's-Land, Limerick, V94 RF63

Have you ever wondered how you can have a say in decisions that affect your community? Participative democracy gives people the opportunity to get involved and help shape local policies. Public Participation Networks (PPNs) are Ireland's main way for community and voluntary groups to connect with local government. They link local authorities with over 21,000 community, voluntary, social inclusion, and environmental groups across the country. Established in 2014, PPNs give people the chance to influence local policy through council committees such as Strategic Policy Committees (SPCs) and Local Community Development Committees (LDCCs). Come along to learn how participative democracy works and how you can get involved at a grassroots level to make a difference in your community. Everyone is welcome, and refreshments will be provided.

Contact: PPN Limerick ppn@limerick.ie | (061) 556347. Please reserve a place. Max. 25 people.



Lifelong Learning: Your Next Step

Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online via www.limerickyouthservice.com/got-a-question

Chat with a Youth Information Officer and learn more about the many learning opportunities for young people. For young people, families, professionals. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Dermot Troy 061-412444 yib@limerickyouthservice.com





Social Media: Information for Parents

Time: 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Venue: Limerick Youth Service, 5 Lr. Glentworth St, Limerick. V94 28C4

An overview of the social media & digital world for parents/guardians.

Contact: Dermot Troy 061-412444 yib@limerickyouthservice.com



French Language Taster

Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Venue: Online

French language taster with Emmy. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Do you want to help your teenager choose the right foreign language for them at secondary school? Then join us for this French language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick. To register fill out this form: [Registration](#)
Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



Kate O'Callaghan and the Limerick Curfew Murders

Time: 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Watch House Cross Community Library, Watch House Cross Shopping Centre, Limerick V94 NH51

A public lecture by Dr Seán Gannon (Limerick Local Studies) on Kate O'Callaghan's campaign for justice for her husband, the former mayor of Limerick, Michael O'Callaghan, one of three men murdered by a Crown forces death squad on the night of the 6/7 March 1921. (90 Mins). Free event, all welcome.

Contact: Watch House Cross Community Library watchhousecrosslibrary@limerick.ie Tel: 061-557726



Author Talk: 'Falling Stars - Exploring Shannon Airport's Darkest Moments' with Author Peter McGarry

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Abbeyfeale Library, Bridge Street, Abbeyfeale, Co. Limerick V94VH79

Join author and aviation historian Peter McGarry on a remarkable journey into Shannon Airport's darkest moments. Between 1946 and 1961 over 200 lives were lost and many others changed forever in a series of fatal air disasters at Shannon Airport. 'Falling Stars' is the result of almost twenty years of incredible research into Shannon Airport's darkest moments and shares the almost forgotten stories of heartbreak and heroism. Targeted towards adults, both young and old, who have an interest in aviation and local history.

Contact: Meadhbh Nolan, meadhbh.nolan@limerick.ie, 068-32488



"We Never Stop Learning..."

Time: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online MS Teams.

UL Webpage: [The Widening Participation Office | University of Limerick](#)

Targeted towards mature students (23 years old and above) and QQI students, transitioning from FET. Hosted by the Widening Participation Office – Student Affairs Division, University of Limerick.

Contact: Maturestudentoffice@ul.ie 061 213 100.



Irish/Gaeilge Language Taster

Time: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online

Irish/Gaeilge language taster with Helena. Are you interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture, but you are not sure whether language learning is for you? Then join us for this Irish language taster session. Targeted towards members of the general public and all those interested in learning a new language and discovering a new culture. Hosted by School of Modern Languages and Applied Linguistics, Language Outreach Programme (LOP) & Aonad na Gaeilge, University of Limerick. To register fill out this form: [Registration](#)
Contact: Catherine Jeanneau, Language Outreach Programme Catherine.Jeanneau@ul.ie



Repair & Reuse Textiles Café

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Venue: Bruff Heritage Centre, Newtown, Bruff. V35 XY63

Discover or remember how to stitch and darn so instead of "binning" or "paying" for repairs, you can enjoy traditional skills and make good by using circular economy practices - like our grandparents did! *Practical Skills demonstrations/lessons using your textile item for repair or reuse as something as new - bring 1 item of cloth or wool. *Clothes Swap - bring maximum of 3 items, take 3 items, in washed and good condition. Targeted towards adults wishing to learn new and practical skills, declutter and get "new to you" clothes, all while doing good for the environment and enjoying a social evening. Book your FREE place using the QR code or see link here [Repair & Reuse Textile Café Event](#). Learn skills, build confidence, save money, reduce waste, shop sustainably, climate benefit. Hosted by Ballyhoura Development CLG.

Contact: Clare Jordan, cjordan@ballyhoura.org, 063-20555



FRIDAY 24th April 2026



A Collaborative Art Piece of Connection, Hope, Identity, Meaning and Empowerment

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Recovery and Wellbeing Programme, Acute Psychiatric Unit, University Hospital Limerick, Dooradoyle.

Join us in a collaborative art workshop where participants create small pieces of artwork that are combined into a larger, unified piece. This collective creation reflects CHIME, Connection, Hope, Identity, Meaning, and Empowerment and celebrates the power of people coming together to create, connect, and inspire. This is a closed event for service users and clinical and non-clinical staff – recovery and wellbeing for all. Light refreshments provided.

Contact: Sarah Danagher, sarah.danagher1@hse.ie, 061482354.



Community Open Mic

Time: 10:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: UL Access Campus, Unit G, LEDP, Roxboro Road, Limerick. V94 WEC9

Community Open Mic! Poetry? Fiction? Memoir? Come along and read your work at our community open mic event at UL Access Campus. Pieces should be no longer than 4 mins reading. Not a writer yet? Come join us and listen! Join Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board tutor Sheila Quealey for this event. Targeted towards any community writing groups or people in the community who would like to read their creative work. Or anyone who would like to come and listen to what creative writing groups do and share in the readings. Hosted by Queen of Peace Creative Writing Group.

Contact: Sheila Quealey sheila.quealey@lcteb.ie



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Contact: Mary Harty ; maryharty@northsidefrc.ie ; 061 326623



FRIDAY 24th April 2026



University Supports Information Session for Parents/Guardians

Time: 10:30am – 11:30am

Venue: LEDP Campus Boardroom, Roxboro Road, Limerick. V94 C66H

Would you like to feel more knowledgeable and empowered in supporting a young person who is entering university? The Technological University of the Shannon (TUS), Mary Immaculate College (MIC), and Engage in Education are inviting anyone who may be supporting someone who is making the transition to university to join us for an informal information session over tea/coffee where we share information on the supports available to students studying at university, how best to prepare for entering university, and what to expect over the first few weeks of university life. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions. The main target audience are parents/guardians of a young person applying to attend a higher education institution in September 2026.

Contact: Places are limited and booking is required.

Please email Anna Murphy. Anna.Murphy@tus.ie



Snapshot of National Learning Network

Time: 10:30am – 12:00pm

Venue: National Learning Network, Raheen Business Park, Limerick, V94 YNX3

Plan your future with a tour of National Learning Network, see our Raheen Campus, get an overview of our free full-time courses, meet our staff and students. This event is of interest to anyone out of work due to an accident, illness or disability and looking to explore new career options and for school leavers needing extra support before going on to further education or employment.

Contact: Katherine Maher, college.midwest@nln.ie Tel: 061 229777. Mobile: 0873454408



Creativity in the Community

Time: 10:30am – 4:30pm

Venue: Lower Bedford Row, Limerick V94 PT 93.

Our event will showcase the creativity of Bedford Row Family Project. We will display the artwork of all peer support groups, from crocheting, candle making to and Art on Canvas. All art will be on full display for the week, and we will open our doors on the Friday to all stakeholders, where the artists will be available to chat about their work. Targeted towards members of the community, other agencies, stakeholders. We will display the artwork for the week but will provide refreshments on the Friday only.

Contact: Alison Curtin alison@bedfordrow.ie 087 69 29 646

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Dishes of Old Times

Time: 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Venue: St. Mary's Adult Education Centre, Island Road, Limerick.

Come Join us in our community kitchen to take a trip down memory lane as we cook dishes from old times! From pigs' toes to stew we're sure there will be a story or two! All are welcome! 12 max number. Refreshments provided.

Contact: Sorcha/Phoebe/Diarmuid/Annette stmarysadedworker@gmail.com 061 313993



New Stories Inspired by Hunt Museum Objects

Time: 1.00pm – 2.30pm

Venue: Hunt Museum Education Wing/Garden Gallery (Ground Floor), Rutland Street, Limerick. Explore how renowned Irish artist, Rita Duffy, and current 4th year students in Visual Arts Education at Mary Immaculate College have reimagined Hunt Museum objects to tell new stories through art. Workshop facilitator, Dr Julie Brazil, will support participants in guided looking to reveal these stories. Participants will also create a monoprint of a Hunt Museum object. Of interest to museum docents and friends, art lovers, Mary Immaculate College students, Limerick School of Art and Design (LSAD) students, Higher Education students in Art.

Contact: Maria Cagney, maria@huntmuseum.com 061 312833.

Booking link: <https://www.huntmuseum.com/whats-on/new-stories-inspired-by-hunt-museum-objects/>



Information Session

Time: 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Venue: TUS Midwest Campus, Moylish, Limerick.

This session provides an opportunity to learn about the programme and provide some information on recent research projects. For anyone working in early years education and care, school age services, youth services and other childhood settings. Hosted by Department of Sport & Early Childhood and MA Early Intervention & Inclusive Practice of Children – Programme Team, TUS. Register your attendance [Limerick Lifelong Learning Event - 24th of April 1-2pm](#) [TUS – Fill out form](#)

Contact: Programme leads: - Craig Coffey Craig.Coffey@tus.ie, Ashling SheehanBoyle Ashling.SheehanBoyle@tus.ie



Mature Students Ireland Information Session

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Venue: Limerick City Library, Barrow House, Michael Street, Limerick V94 RF63

Thinking about returning to education as a mature student? As part of the Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival, Mature Students Ireland (MSI), in partnership with TUS, MIC, and UL, invites adults considering higher education to a relaxed and supportive drop-in information session. This session will offer practical information on pathways into higher education, and the supports available to mature students. Whether you are just beginning to explore your options, or ready to take the next step, this session will provide you with encouragement, guidance, and useful information to help you on your journey.

Contact: Anna Murphy, Anna.Murphy@tus.ie, 061 293130



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"AI, Imagination & Learning": A Philosophical and Historical Look at Where We May be Headed

Time: 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: University of Limerick, City Centre Campus, Sarsfield Street, Limerick. V94 DW21

A presentation on the history and philosophy of AI, from Turing to Claude, leading into a Socratic discussion of where we go from here and how AI will transform our understanding of learning and productivity more generally. Targeted towards all those interested in questions about how AI is going to change our way of leaning, working & operating.

Contact: Dr Fionn McGrath fionn.mcgrath@ul.ie; philosopher at University of Limerick's Academic Integrity Unit.



Connect and Collage

Time: 3:30pm – 4:15pm

Venue: Learning Hub, Kileely House, New Road, Kileely, Thomondgate, Limerick, V94 YT26.

In this interactive and engaging collage workshop, participants work in pairs, getting to know one another, finding similarities and differences in their lives and form connections through creating work about the other. Participants will play a simple quiz game where the questions will jump start creating connections. They will work as a team, to create a collage that represents their teammate. As their connection grows while working and conversing as a team, they will add additions drawings and marks using a variety of materials to create a clear connection in their work. Targeted towards kids between 8 – 12 years, working in pairs. Parents may also participate too if they are staying.

Contact: Anna Carey anna@learninghub.ie 083 116 6832

or James Blake james@learninghub.ie 083 487 8704



Understanding Intelligence

Time: 4:00pm – 5:00pm

Venue: University of Limerick, City Centre Campus, Sarsfield Street, Limerick. V94 DW21

This talk describes the different types of intelligence across the whole of nature. It will help you understand and develop your own intelligence and provide you with the tools and techniques to help interact with artificial intelligence (AI). General audience, all are welcome.

Contact: Professor Billy O'Connor William.OConnor@ul.ie 086 3501107.



Explore a Youth Café

Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Lava Javas Youth Café, Limerick Youth Service, 5 Lr. Glentworth St, Limerick V94 28C4.

Music, fun, games and lots more at Lava Javas Youth Café. For young people.

Contact: Emily Panter Tel: 061-412444 lys@limerickyouthservice.org



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Lifelong Learning: Your Next Step

Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Online via www.limerickyouthservice.com/got-a-question

Chat with a Youth Information Officer and learn more about the many learning opportunities for young people. For young people, families, professionals. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Dermot Troy 061-412444 yib@limerickyouthservice.com



Learning the Natural High: Life Beyond Alcohol

Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Venue: Northside Youth Space, Ballynanty, Limerick V94 TPP3

An interactive health & wellbeing session on life beyond alcohol. The event will include information session on alcohol, Zumba, yoga & more. Targeted towards young people, twentysomethings. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service.

Contact: Niamh Taylor Tel: 061-408122 lys@limerickyouthservice.org



Restoration of the Art Deco Gates and Iron Work in Cappamore Campus

Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Venue: College of Further Education and Training, Cappamore Campus, Dromsally, Cappamore, County Limerick, V94 TH2T.

Our master blacksmith will give a talk about the restoration work of the Art Deco gates in Cappamore Campus, and about restoration in iron work in Ireland. Of interest to blacksmiths, people interested in restoration work, people with an interest in blacksmithing, general public.

Contact: Ciaran O'Donnell, ciaranoconnell@lcebt.ie, 061-381 272



Rathkeale Women's Group Art Exhibition

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Venue: First floor, The Library, Limerick City & County Council building, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick. V94 PX08. Art exhibition of the work from Rathkeale Women's Group after an 8-week painting programme. Open and free to all but may be of particular interest to women who might think about joining the Rathkeale Women's Group. Refreshments provided on the night. Hosted by Rathkeale Together.

Contact: Adrienne O'Connell; aoconnell@wlrie; 0872773294



Youth Club Night

Time: 7:00pm till late!

Venue: Youth Clubs across Limerick – www.limerickyouthservice.com

Explore your local youth club and the many opportunities for young people & volunteers. Hosted by Limerick Youth Service. Visit www.limerickyouthservice.com for more!

Contact: Caroline O'Connell Tel: 061-412444 lys@limerickyouthservice.org

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Learning Later in Life: Exploring Pathways, Possibilities and Support

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: University of Limerick City Campus

Have you ever thought about going back to education but wondered “is it too late?” This mini open day is designed to show that learning later in life isn't just possible, it can be incredibly rewarding. Join us for a morning of short talks, where guest speakers share their own education journeys that began later in life, offering honest reflections on confidence, change, and the opportunities that opened up along the way. You'll hear real stories, have the opportunity to ask questions, and explore what lifelong learning can look like at any stage of life. The event also includes an open drop-in session with University of Limerick Graduate & Professional Studies and Limerick Chamber Skillnet who will be available to chat about flexible study options, pathways back into education, funding supports available, and how prior experience can count. Tea and coffee will be provided, and no preparation or prior knowledge is needed. Just curiosity. Targeted towards adults including adults 50+ and anyone considering returning to education, exploring new learning opportunities, or seeking personal and professional development later in life.

Contact: Anna Souness, anna.souness@ul.ie



Migrant Youth Groups

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

Venue: Limerick Youth Service, 5 Lr. Glentworth St, Limerick V94 28C4.

Young people from Limerick's migrant communities are invited to experience a weekly youth group!

Contact: Shay Moloney lys@limerickyouthservice.org Tel: 061-412444



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Contact: Mary Harty ; maryharty@northsidefrc.ie ; 061 326623



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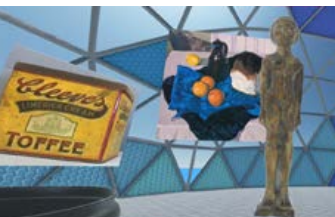
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Making Friends with Your Brain

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: Limerick City Partnership Building, 6 Verdant Crescent, King's Island. V94 XF40
Join Psychotherapist Amanda Clifford & Craniosacral Therapist Ann McDwyer for an experience of creativity & movement. As when we let go and enjoy being creative, it opens a space to experience being playful. Remember what it is to have fun in a safe environment. Open to all ages. Open to all. Hosted by A.B.C. for Mental Health.

Contact: Amanda Clifford, celtichandsdesign@yahoo.ie, 086 8954592



Yarn Spinning on a Traditional Spinning Wheel

Time: 11.00am – 1.00pm

Venue: College of FET, Mulgrave Street Campus; in the Fashion Textile Prefab.

I take raw fleece and draught it onto a spinning wheel and the wheel spins it into yarn. Of interest to Fashion students, persons that have spinning wheels, and sheep farmers.

Contact: Dara Ennis, 0879671027, dara.ennis@lctetb.ie



Children's Author Visit with Liliana Walsh

Time: 11:30am – 12:15pm

Venue: Children's Library in Limerick City Library, Barrow House, Michael Street, Limerick, V94 RF63. Liliana Walsh will read her newly published Children's Picture Book - Finn's Big Adventure. Afterwards the children will do a small colouring activity. Targeted towards parents and young children.

Contact: Limerick City Library citylibrary@limerick.ie 061-557510



Age Friendly University Learning – Valuing Lifelong Learning, Inclusion and Engagement for Older Adults

Time: 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Venue: Special Collections Training Room, Ground Floor, Glucksman Library, University of Limerick, Plassey Campus.

University of Limerick is delighted to welcome older learners to pursue new interests or rekindle long-held passions through its inclusive and enriching "Age Friendly University" lifelong learning opportunities. This event offers an introduction to UL's commitment to opening its award-winning campus to learners in later life. Attendees will hear from lecturers and staff who will outline what the initiative involves and why it plays an important role within the University. Current participants will also share their experiences of engaging in a vibrant academic community without pressures of formal assessment. The event concludes with a guided tour of the impressive Glucksman Library. Designed for retired adults or those in the "third age", this initiative offers the chance to engage in university-level study alongside undergraduate students in a supportive and stimulating environment. Targeted towards: Adults aged 65+ and/or retired who have an interest in exploring new learning opportunities, at every stage of life.

Contact: Sarah Brady gps@ul.ie Registration link: <https://ul.libcal.com/event/4513712>

SATURDAY 25th April 2026

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Family Circus Day

Time: 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Venue: Irish Aerial Creation Centre, Gillogue Office Park, Corbally, V94 EYK6

As you turn in the gate, we're immediately left up the hill. It's the red door in the corner behind the gas tank.

Join us in the Irish Aerial Creation Centre for a fun day of circus skills! This day is designed for different generations to explore and play together. Support each other in trying new skills and having a laugh while you do it! Spin some plates! Sit on a trapeze! It's all possible in a safe and encouraging environment. Maximum amount of 50 people. Bring a bottle of water. It is an accessible venue. For people and families of all ages – everyone participates together.

Contact: To book email Belén - belen@iacc.ie

For questions call Paul on 0858661748 or email info@iacc.ie



Play Without Borders: Games, Culture & AI for the Whole Family

Time: 3:00pm – 5:30pm

Venue: St. John's Pavillion, Mulgrave Street, Limerick, V94 V2PD

Join us for a joyful family event where traditional games, friendly competitions, and playful AI learning come together! Step into a world of games from different cultures—learn Mancala, Kabaddi and more through fun movement workshops designed for kids and adults alike. Team up with families from different backgrounds in our Games Without Borders challenges. Curious about AI? Explore hands-on activities - no tech experience needed! Because games—and curiosity—have no borders. Refreshments will be provided. Hosted by Limerick City Partnership in collaboration with Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board.

Contact: Mariola Jurgas, mjurgas@limerickcitypartnership.ie, 087-4952484 / Alalei Cusipag, acusipag@limerickcitypartnership.ie, 087-0380281



Youth Café Saturday

Time: 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Venue: Lava Javas Youth Café, Limerick Youth Service 5 Lr. Glentworth St, Limerick V94 28C4.

Music, fun, games, and lots more at Lava Javas Youth Café.

Contact: Emily Panter Tel: 061-412444 lys@limerickyouthservice.org



For more information www.limerick.ie/lovelearning

SUNDAY 26th April 2026

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Online Launch of Lifelong Learning Videos

Time: 2.00pm – 3.00pm

Venue: Online - Learning Limerick Social Media Platforms

Follow Learning Limerick's Social Media Platforms ([Instagram](#) - [@limericklifefestival](#), [Facebook](#) - [@Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival](#)) and it's YouTube channel to watch a selection of short lifelong learning video clips that will be shown throughout the afternoon. These short videos will showcase Learning Limerick's involvement in the festival, in the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities, the Irish Network of Learning Cities, and its Learning Ambassadors Programme. Enjoy the flavour of what the group has been up to in recent times! Event hosted by Learning Limerick Steering Group.

Contact: Yvonne Lane, Lifelong Learning Facilitator, ylane@limerickcitypartnership.ie



LEARNING LIMERICK AMBASSADORS



The Learning Ambassadors Sub-group continued to meet in 2025/2026. Learning Limerick also held a 'Learning Ambassadors Seminar' in October 2025. Two of our Learning Ambassadors, Yvonne Madden and Dave Doherty, shared their Lifelong Learning stories on the day. Adrienne O'Connell, West Limerick Resources, outlined the goals of the Learning Ambassadors programme; and attendees brainstormed together how to grow the initiative and how to link the Learning Ambassadors more closely with the Limerick Lifelong Learning Festival. Lots of ideas were brainstormed, including some of the following:

- Increase the number of ambassadors to 15 approximately.
- Hold an ambassadors-led event for the 2026 festival.
- Ambassadors to help distribute brochures to classes and speak to learners in classes around the festival.
- Involve the ambassadors in the radio media and social media campaigns for the festival.
- Produce an updated 'Learning Ambassadors booklet.
- Develop a 2-year workplan for the Learning Ambassadors Programme.



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Festival Organising Committee Members

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Yvonne Lane	Festival Coordinator - Learning Limerick

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- Mary Immaculate College
- National Learning Network
- Limerick Childcare Committee

Thank you to Orla O'Connor and her team at Limerick City and County Council for coordinating the website event listings on www.limerick.ie/lovelearning.

Many thanks to Courtney Anslow, Limerick City Partnership, for assisting with the drafting and editing of the festival events listings; and with the overall Communications campaign.

All details correct at time of going to press. The organisers cannot accept responsibility for losses incurred due to cancellation/alteration of events.

If you are interested in participating in future festivals, please contact:

Yvonne Lane, Festival Co-ordinator,
Telephone: 061 419388. Email: ylane@limerickcitypartnership.ie

Check website for all latest details www.limerick.ie/lovelearning; and for details on how to register and links on how to join for the online events.

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