

CUSHENDUN'S BIG ARTS WEEKEND 4-7 MAY 2018

**4 DAYS OF MUSIC
DRAMA, POETRY, ART &
CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS IN
ONE OF THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL VILLAGES IN
THE GLENS OF ANTRIM**

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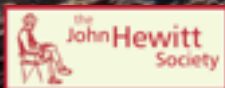
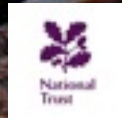


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Welcome to the Big Arts Weekend 2018. This is the sixth year of the festival and as ever we have a fantastic programme celebrating the rich heritage, amazing landscape and wealth of talent that make Cushendun such a unique village. Many of our venues are small, so early booking is recommended. You can book online by following the link from www.cushendunbpt.org. Tickets will also be available on Saturday 28 April from 10am to 1pm at Glenmona. Please check our website for programme updates.

ART EXHIBITION

Art Exhibition - Group show by artists from the Glens of Antrim Painting for Pleasure Group.

Saturday, Sunday & Monday 12-5pm Glenmona House

POP-UP TEA SHOP

Homemade cakes in the elegant surroundings of Glenmona House
Saturday and Sunday 12- 4.30

WILD HARVESTING AND COOKERY TRAINING

A two-day course on how to identify, harvest and cook wild foods. Saturday 5 May and Saturday 8 September 10am to 4pm.
Day one: meet at St Patrick's Church carpark, Chapel Road Cushendun. Day two will be at a coastal site. Bookings for one day only accepted. In association with Heart of the Glens Landscape Partnership Scheme.

For more information and to book, contact Laura on 02820752100 or email laura@lps.ccgtht.org. £10 per day Booking essential

FRIDAY EVENING 4TH MAY

Singing the Glens - An evening celebrating the folksongs of Brian Connors and Glenn Simpson presented by Sean Quinn
8pm - Glenmona House - Free

SATURDAY 5TH MAY

Play-in-a-Day - Drama workshop for young performers aged 8 to 12. A day of games, acting and creative play, with the end goal of a 10 to 15-minute performance at 4pm for friends and family. Please bring a packed lunch. Registration essential
10am - St Ciarans Primary School, 132 Layde Road BT44 0NJ £5

Painting Master Class with Hector McDonnell - Bring your own materials (oils or watercolours) and a painting you are working on, or start a new work. A rare opportunity to learn from one of Ireland's leading painters.
11am to 4pm (with an hour's break for lunch) -Glenmona House - £25 - Booking essential - 450r 07932-776107

Talk - Songs of the Handloom Weavers. - Maurice Leydon, folk-song collector, singer, broadcaster and writer, presents a 'singing lecture' on the the social history and songs of the linen industry. In association with the John Hewitt Society 11am Mary McBride's £3 Booking recommended

Share a Poem - Come along to share poetry, your choice, your own work, or just to listen, with guest poet Mairide Woods. In celebration of International Women's Year, poetry by and about women is encouraged, as is work inspired by the local area. In association with Cushendall Library and Ballycastle Writer's Group 2pm Randal's (Cushendun Hotel, BT44 0PL) Free

'In Conversation with Martin Lynch and Marie Jones' Two of Irelands leading playwrights discuss thirty years of play making in Northern Ireland and their longstanding creative collaboration.
8pm - St Ciarans Primary School, 132 Layde Road BT44 0NJ £5 Booking recommended

Music at Mary's with Danny D From 10pm - Free

SUNDAY 6th May

Walk - Painters, Poets and Playwrights - A walking tour exploring the unique heritage of Cushendun village and its many artistic and cultural associations. Bring sturdy walking shoes and a waterproof coat. In association with the Cushendun Walking Group. Meet 10.30am Glenmona House - Free

Sand Sculpture Competition - 'Treasure Island' is the theme and there are prizes for the finest creations. Cushendun Beach, weather permitting

11am Registration at Glenmona car-park Judging 12.30 Free

Family Fun in Cushendun - Bring along your own picnic to the grounds of Glenmona and enjoy face-painting, traditional games and workshops at this great family event . Including **Makendoo Painting Workshop** 12.30 -2.30 pm Free - **Archery** taster sessions with Causeway Archers 1-4pm £1 - **Puppet Show** 3pm Free

Traditional Singing Workshop - with singer and broadcaster Josephine Mulvena (traditional songs sung in English)
2pm - 5 pm Glenmona House - **£5** - Booking recommended

Historical Talk - Regina Uí Chollatáin, Associate Professor and Head of the School of Irish, Celtic Studies and Folklore at UCD, speaking on Glenswomen in the early twentieth-century Irish Revival movement.
2pm Glenmona House £3 Booking recommended

Music for a May Evening -Cavehill Community Choir will sing a wide range of music from different times and places
7pm St Patrick's Church, Glendun Road £5 Booking recommended

Family Film TBC - 7.30 Glenmona House -

Music at Mary's - Keni - From 9.30 pm - Mary McBride's - **Free**

Monday 7th May

An tSiúlóid - Guided walk through Glenariffe Forest, in the 'Queen of the Glens', a truly enchanting forest, at every turn a different vista. Approximately two-and-a-half hours. Water + sturdy shoes/boots essential

Meet 10.30am Larragh Lodge carpark BT440RG, grid ref:217207
£5 (concessions £2) Pay on the day

Naturally North Coast and Glens Artisan Market will be in Cushendun with an array of hand-crafted goods, delicious foods and local produce
12-5pm - Glenmona House

Craft Skills Special - Introduction to willow weaving with Louise McClean from Atlantic Craft NI. Learn to make a simple willow item such as a dragon-fly or flower.
10.30-1.00 or 2 -4.30 - Glenmona House - £4 Registration essential

Family Story Telling with Sharon Dickson. Last year Sharon delighted audiences with her performance 'A Belfast Story'. We are delighted to welcome her back for some family story telling sessions 1- 1.40 and 2-40 - 3 pm Glenmona House

Treasure Hunt at Glenmona for ages 6-12
Between 1-4pm Free

Drama at Mary's - Lurig Drama Group present readings on the theme of 'Women in Power and Politics'
8.30pm Mary McBride's £5 Early booking recommended

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Cushendun's Big Arts Weekend is a four-day festival of music, drama, poetry, exhibitions, workshops and family fun. Now in its sixth year, the festival celebrates the rich culture and landscape of Cushendun and the Glens of Antrim.

Cushendun's Big Arts Weekend is organised by Cushendun Building Preservation Trust (CBPT), which is working to restore Cushendun Old Church to provide a permanent community, heritage and arts space in the Glens. The project has secured capital funding, building work will start in the summer of 2018 and Cushendun Old Church Centre will open its doors early in 2019. If you have an idea for the space, or would be interested in hiring the venue, we would love to hear from you.

For more information visit www.cushendunbpt.org or e-mail info@cushendunbpt.org

CBPT would like to thank the many individuals, as well as local organisations and businesses, who contribute so much to the Big Arts Weekend, and also our funders - Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council, the Heritage Lottery Fund, the National Trust and Heart of the Glens Landscape Partnership Scheme.

To support the on-going work of CBPT visit

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