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PROGRAMME DECEMBER 2026 – APRIL 2027

# WELCOME TO THE NEXT SEASON

Stewartstown Amateur Dramatics Society return to the Burnavon stage with their 2027 panto *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs,* directed by Brian Morgan.

One of the highlights of the season is the St. Patrick's Concert on Friday 12th March, headlined by The Blackwater Céilí Band. We are delighted to have 15-year-old County Tyrone Champion Banjo player Killian Armour join us on stage as part of the celebrations, as well as children from the Traditional Music in Schools Programme with Donald Canavan and Ryan McGarrity.

A Traditional Irish and Scottish Céilí led by Ronán Eastwood Céilí Caller takes place on Tuesday 9th March as part of the 2027 Seachtain na Gaeilge celebration. *Country Girl – The Musical*, from the pen of Irish Times and UK No.1 bestselling author Emma Heatherington will be on stage on Saturday 20th February!

Enjoy workshops, exhibitions, and events this season including a free Easter Family Fun Day on Saturday 20th March. With lots of fun filled Easter activities including interactive dance, face painting, arts and crafts, sensory play, and more in store!

Paddy McDonnell, Neil Delamere, Talon, Brendan Quinn, The Soda Popz, Declan Nerney, Philomena Begley & Ray Lynam are all on stage between now and the end of April 2027.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Burnavon Theatre this season.

**The Burnavon Team**

## HELPFUL HINTS FOR YOUR VISIT

Arrive on time; all shows start at the time advertised in the programme, and once curtain is up latecomers may not gain admission until the interval. To save time at the interval pre-order any drinks you require at the first-floor bar which is open to patrons before, during and after performances.

Cameras and recording devices are not permitted in the auditorium without prior permission from Burnavon management. All mobile phones must be switched off out of consideration for the enjoyment of other patrons.

Food, drink, E-cigarettes, and vaporisers are not permitted in the auditorium. Smoking, E-cigarettes, and vaporisers are not permitted inside the building.

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| Saturday 5 December | Carol & Jimmy's Christmas Cracker | 6 | Comedy |
| Saturday 5 December | Sew a Festive Robin | 26 | Adult Workshop |
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| Saturday 12 December | Christmas Country Showtime with the Stars! | 7 | Music |
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| Thursday 17 & Friday 18 December | Sperrin Choir Sings Christmas | 8 | Music |
| Saturday 19 December | Fresh Christmas Flower Arrangement | 27 | Adult Workshop |
| Saturday 19 December | The Muddlers Club in Concert | 8 | Music |
| Tuesday 29 December | Jake O'Kane - Subtle as a Sledgehammer | 9 | Comedy |
| Wednesday 30 December | The Christmas Country with the Stars | 9 | Music |
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| Saturdays & Sundays from 9 – 24 January | Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs | 10 | Pantomime |
| Tuesdays from 12 January (10 weeks) | An Mhaidin Ghaelach / Irish Language Social Group | 25 | Language Class |
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| Friday 30 April | The Sperrin Choir – From Nashville with Love | 22 | Music |

Presented by Mid Ulster District Council

## Christmas Celebration Concert

In 2026, we welcome two groups to the stage supported through Mid Ulster District Council's Community Arts Plan: The Traditional Music in Schools Group and Cookstown Youth Choir.

Malachi Cush returns following two sold-out concerts in 2024 and 2025 and brings his much-loved collection of Christmas hits to the stage.

Special guest is acclaimed Dublin Soprano, Helen Hutchinson.

**£14 ADULT**
**£12 CONC.**

**Friday 4 December**
**8pm**

**SOLD OUT**





Presented by Open Door Theatre Company

## Carol & Jimmy's Christmas Cracker (H)

18+

Christmas doesn't start until you see *Carol & Jimmy's Christmas Cracker.* The evening will feature performances from The Hub Choir and Ryan McGarrity as well as special guests Conor Grimes and Philomena Begley and many more…

**Age Guidance: 18+ (contains strong language)**

**£12.50**

**Saturday 5 December**
**8pm**



Presented by Mr Hullabaloo

## Mr Hullabaloo's Winter Wonderland

Mr Hullabaloo the Magical storyteller returns with this festive family show. Combining live storytelling, puppetry, music, movement and lots of audience participation, it is a sleigh ride full of fun for the whole family.

**The school performances on 7th & 8th December are now fully booked.**

**£8**

**Sunday 6 December**
**1pm**






Presented by Sean Wallace Entertainments

## Christmas Country Showtime with the Stars! (H)

*Christmas Country Showtime with the Stars* makes a welcome return on Saturday 12th December. This year's fantastic line-up features Keith and Lorraine McDonald, Michael Mawhinney, Saffron Dixon, Stacey Breen, Caillin Joe, and Kenny Archer, accompanied by the brilliant Country Harmony. Compère is Sean Wallace.

**£20**

**Saturday 12 December**
**8pm**




**Box Office: 028 8676 9949**

Presented by The Sperrin Choir

## Sperrin Choir Sings Christmas (H)

The Sperrin Choir invites you to celebrate the season in *Sperrin Choir Sings Christmas*. This uplifting concert weaves together a rich tapestry of sacred and secular carols, from cherished traditional favourites to lighter festive gems. The Youth and Kidz Choirs will perform on Friday 18th December.

**£15 ADULT**
**£12 CONC.**

**Thursday 17 & Friday 18 December**
**8pm**






Presented by The Muddlers Club

## The Muddlers Club in Concert (H)

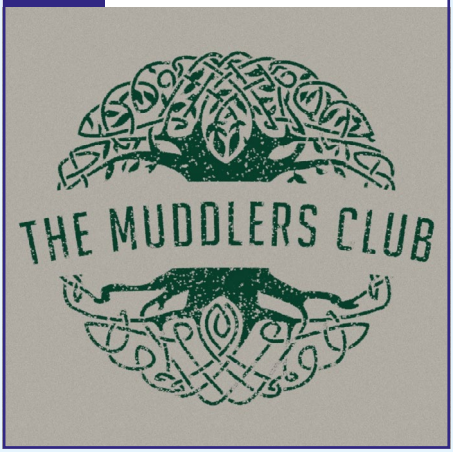
The Muddlers Club is a collective of individually accomplished musicians — festival regulars both as a band and as artists in their own right — who gig throughout Ireland, the UK and far beyond.

Expect Irish folk songs and traditional music from nine musicians and singers with arrangements and harmonies that capture the best of both worlds.

This is a new venture: their first album is in the works, and this gig is both a first live airing of the material and a fundraiser towards the recording costs. It will be a set that can only be done in a theatre - some of it familiar and some brand new.

**£20**

**Saturday 19 December**
**8pm**



Presented by ORW Promotions

## Jake O'Kane - Subtle as a Sledgehammer (H)

Jake O'Kane's legendary End of Year Review Show returns for another year of sharp wit, fearless comedy, and hilarious frustration at the state of the world.

From global political chaos to the madness of Northern Ireland - where somehow the headlines get stranger every year - nothing escapes Jake's trademark biting commentary and brutally funny take on modern life. Joining Jake is crowd favourite Terry McHugh.

**£28**

**Tuesday 29 December**
**8pm**






Presented by JMG Music Group

## The Christmas Country with the Stars (H)

Celebrate the festive season in style with *A Christmas Country with the Stars* on Wednesday 30th December. This special Christmas show features Mick Flavin, Shawn Cuddy, Hugo Duncan, Owen Mac, Curtis Magee, and Boxcar Brian alongside the lively sounds of Country Harmony.

**£28.50**

**Wednesday 30 December**
**8pm**



Presented by Stewartstown Amateur Dramatics Society

## Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs (H)

**£15 ADULT**
**£12 CHILD**

**Saturday 9 – Sunday 24 January**
**Saturdays 2pm + 8pm | Sundays 3pm**




Stewartstown Amateur Dramatics Society presents the captivating story of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs in January 2027. Packed with magical moments, this year's panto promises fun for the whole family. There will be a matinee performance on Sunday 10th, 17th and 24th January.

**Dates:** Saturday 9 January (2pm + 8pm), Sunday 10 January (3pm), Saturday 16 January (2pm + 8pm), Sunday 17 January (3pm), Saturday 23 January (2pm + 8pm), Sunday 24 January (3pm)

**Warning: Contains special effects.**

Presented by Storied Management

## Neil Delamere - Neil's On Wheels (H)

16+

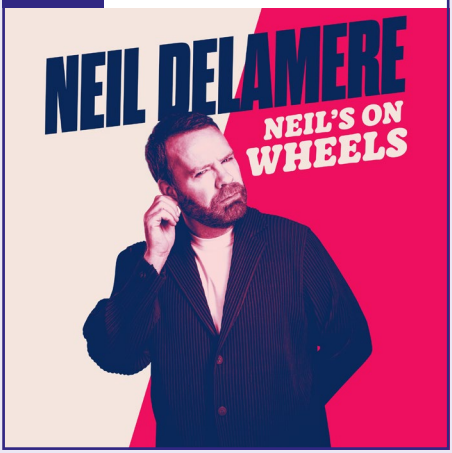
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*"Delamere is a banter bomb, primed to make you explode with laughter... simply put, he is a stand-up comic master"* ***** - The Scotsman

**Age Guidance: Over 16s only**

**£28**

**Thursday 4 February**
**8pm**






Presented by Co Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge

## Co Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge Awards (H)

Co Tyrone Grand Orange Lodge returns on Friday 5th February for their annual Awards Night, celebrating the achievements and dedication of members, lodges, bands and Junior Lodges from across the county.

**£12**

**Friday 5 February**
**7:30pm**




**Box Office: 028 8676 9949**

Presented by MB Creative Agency

## Twistin' the Night Away! – The Ultimate 1950s/60s Rock 'n' Roll Experience featuring The Soda Popz!

Relive the magic of the fabulous 50s and swingin' 60s with chart-topping classics, feel-good favourites and vintage vibes! This nostalgic, authentic show captures the spirit, style and sound of that golden era of music, bringing it back to life with vintage-inspired costumes, impressive musicianship and award-winning vocals from Matt Forsythe and Michelle Baird.

**£24.50**

**Saturday 6 February**
**8pm**






Presented by Carlton Entertainment

## Heaven Can Wait – The Ultimate Meat Loaf Experience (H)

A full-throttle, fire-breathing spectacle. This isn't just a tribute. This is a journey into the heart of one of rock's greatest storytellers - told through soaring vocals, cinematic staging, and the thunder of a powerhouse live band.

Big vocals. Big band. No compromise. Expect the full drama.

**Warning: Contains flashing lights**

**£30**

**Thursday 11 February**
**8pm**



Presented by Aiken Promotions

## Paddy Power Full (H)

16+

Paddy largely bases his comedy from tales of working as a taxi man to everyday tales of being a husband and father. To date, McDonnell has had five one man shows with his *Dagger* show being the highlight of the Belfast Belly Laugh's Festival in 2015, selling out and getting a 5-star review.

**Age Guidance: Over 16s only**

**£20**

**Friday 12 February**
**8pm**






Presented by Leesa Harker Ltd

## Maggie's Menopause

16+

After the shocking revelation that Maggie is now in the menopause, how will Maggie navigate these buck-daft times? Will she lose the plot with the hot sweats? Will she get her lovelorn lust back? Or will she end up in Maghaberry after batein long-suffering Billy round the bap with her leopard-print stiletto?

Written by Leesa Harker
Starring Caroline Curran
You're guaranteed a geg!

**Age Guidance: Over 16s only (contains strong language throughout)**

**£25**

**Saturday 13 February**
**8pm**



Presented by JMG Music Group

## Philomena Begley & Ray Lynam: The Farewell Party (H)

Philomena Begley and Ray Lynam are two household names and true legends of Irish Country music who have both had glittering careers that spans over six decades. Both have enjoyed massive success and have seen their respective careers hit great heights and scoring countless No.1 hit songs.

**£30**

**Friday 19 February**
**8pm**





Presented by Emma Heatherington Ltd

## Country Girl – The Musical (H)

From the pen of Irish Times and UK No.1 bestselling author Emma Heatherington.

When singing star Luke Adams walks into Rosie Ryan's small-town pub one fateful night, their worlds collide in a story filled with love, heartbreak and the search for home. Featuring brand-new country songs written by Emma Heatherington with Johnny Brady, Catriona O'Sullivan, Lee Rogers, Jim McKee, David McCrory, Dominique Mullin, Caoimhe Loughran, Matt McGlinn and Pauric Mohan.

**£31.50 ADULT**
**£29.50 CONC.**

**Saturday 20 February**
**8pm**



Presented by Talon

## Talon – The Best of Eagles

Talon has risen from humble beginnings to become one of the most successful theatre touring shows in the UK and the **BUSY BEING FABULOUS TOUR (PART 2)** will once again feature the Eagles timeless back catalogue.

**£30**

**Sunday 21 February**
**8pm**





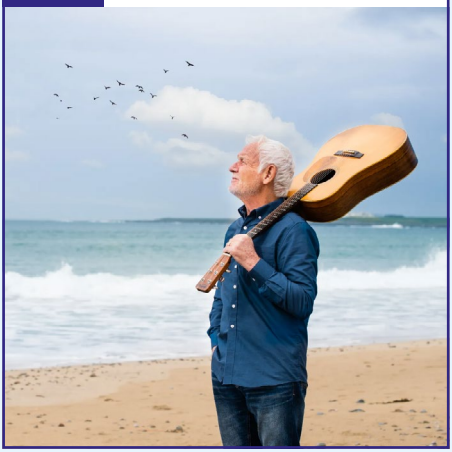

Presented by Rising Management

## Brendan Quinn in Concert (H)

Brendan Quinn first gained widespread recognition in the early 1970s and even secured the coveted No.1 spot on the Irish Charts with his hit song *'Four In the Morning'*. Throughout his illustrious career, he delivered a series of chart-toppers, including beloved tracks like *'Bandy the Rodeo Clown,' 'Daddy's Little Girl,' 'I Can Almost See My Hometown from Here,'* and *'Angeline'*.

**£30**

**Friday 26 February**
**8pm**



**Box Office: 028 8676 9949**

Presented by Joe Gallagher Entertainments Ltd

## Big Love (H)

Big Love are a six piece fully live tribute to Fleetwood Mac. Their exciting show covers all the hits of the phenomenally successful Buckingham / Nicks era of the band as well as paying homage to the classic Peter Green line-up. The band pride themselves on their attention to detail in recreating the timeless classics with intricate harmonies and emotional depth.

**£26**

**Saturday 27 February**
**8pm**






Presented by JMG Music Group

## Declan Nerney in Concert (H)

A dedicated performer and storyteller, Nerney has remained ever-present in the Irish country music scene. Join Declan, his fantastic band and special guests **John Glenn** and **Olivia Douglas** for a memorable night of music, song and fun.

**Warning: Contains strobe lights and haze.**

**£27.50**

**Thursday 4 March**
**8pm**



Presented by Aiken Promotions

## Give My Head Peace Live (H)

16+

After another sell out tour last year, Northern Ireland's favourite most dysfunctional family are on the road again. Featuring favourite characters from the TV, *Give My Head Peace* is a show not to be missed. There will be up to the minute political satire, loads of jokes, silly plots, brilliant stand-up comedy from Tim McGarry plus the odd song or two.

**Age Guidance: Over 16s only**

**£28.50**

**Friday 5 & Saturday 6 March**
**8pm**





Presented by Mid Ulster District Council

## St Patrick's Celebration Concert

**Featuring The Blackwater Céilí Band**

The Blackwater Céilí Band hails from the Clogher Valley region of County Tyrone, in the heart of Ulster's musical landscape. Since their formation in 2015, the band have risen to prominence and are widely recognised as one of the finest exponents of Irish Traditional Music.

The concert also features performances from children from the Traditional Music in Schools Programme with Donald Canavan and Ryan McGarrity. We are thrilled to have 15-year-old Co. Tyrone Champion Banjo player Killian Armour join us as part of the celebrations.

**£14 ADULT**
**£12 CONC.**

**Friday 12 March**
**8pm**



**Box Office: 028 8676 9949**

Presented by Wooden Bridge Productions

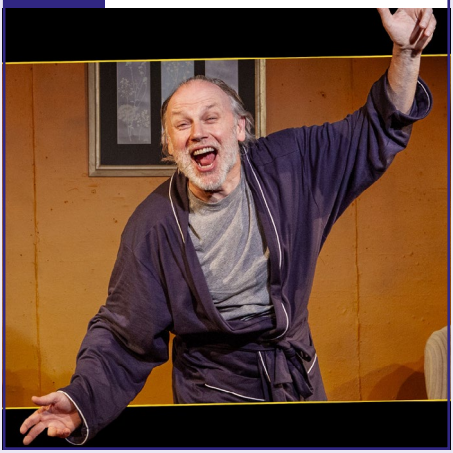
## Paddy – The Life and Times of Paddy Armstrong

A one-man play by Mary-Elaine Tynan, Don Wycherley & Niamh Gleeson. Starring Don Wycherley as Paddy. Fifty years after his wrongful conviction, aged 74, Paddy Armstrong is wrestling with a thousand turbulent memories. Don Wycherley brings unflinching honesty, pathos, and humour to his portrayal of Paddy, a man failed and scarred by a flawed system yet refusing to be defined by it. This is the life story of Paddy Armstrong of the Guildford Four.

**Warning: Contains strong language**

**£22**

**Saturday 13 March**
**8pm**





Presented by Little Round Records Ltd

## Conal Gallen: Over and Out (H)

16+

After 40 incredible years on the road, Conal Gallen is calling it a day! *OVER & OUT* is your final chance to catch one of Ireland's best-loved comedians live on tour before he hangs up his microphone in April 2027.

Expect an unforgettable night packed with Conal's trademark stories, outrageous characters, hit songs and the kind of belly laughs that have kept audiences coming back for four decades.

**Age Guidance: Over 16s only**

**£26**

**Friday 19 March**
**8pm**



Presented by JMG Music Group

## A Night with the Country Stars (H)

This spectacular concert features six outstanding country stars sharing one stage, making it one of the biggest country music events of the year. The impressive line-up includes Robert Mizzell, John McNicholl, Hugo Duncan, Gary Gamble, Jim Devine, and Gavin Gribben, backed by Keltic Storm Band.

**£27.50** **Thursday 8 April 8pm**






Presented by Aiken Promotions

## Tommy Fleming: The Encore Tour (H)

For over 35 years, Tommy Fleming has been honing his craft and entertaining the masses with his extraordinary talent. His worldwide success has made him a household name in many homes across the globe and his fan base is growing year on year. It's not hard to see why; music is a universal language, and one Tommy is undoubtedly fluent in. Tommy will be joined by his band for this special tour not to be missed.

**£30** **Saturday 10 April 8pm**




**Box Office: 028 8676 9949**

Presented by Ulster Orchestra

## Ulster Orchestra - On Your Doorstep

The Ulster Orchestra returns to Burnavon Theatre along with its Principal Guest Artist, clarinettist and conductor Michael Collins. Works by Weber and Mozart are showpieces for the versatility of the clarinet, from its gorgeous lyricism to its virtuosic fireworks, while Beethoven's Fourth Symphony provides a burst of musical sunshine to close. No under 3s permitted.

**Carl Maria von Weber** Concertino for Clarinet and Orchestra
**Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** Sinfonia Concertante for Four Winds
**Ludwig van Beethoven** Symphony No. 4
**Michael Collins** Conductor/Clarinet

**£18.50 ADULT**
**£16 OVER 60**
**£7 UNDER 18**

**Friday 16 April**
**8pm**





Presented by Tullylagan Pipe Band

## Tullylagan Pipe Band Variety Concert (H)

Join Tullylagan Pipe Band and guests for a marvellous evening of musical entertainment in the Burnavon Theatre, Cookstown. As well as Tullylagan's prize winning Grade 2 and Grade 4 bands and academy band, the concert will include performances from the Sollus Highland dancers and the Hasson family.

**£18 ADULT**
**£10 CHILD**

**Saturday 17 April**
**8pm**



Presented by Rising Management

## A Night at the Opry (H)

*A Night at the Opry* brings together three of Ireland's most celebrated country music stars Johnny Brady, Claudia Buckley and John Hogan for an unforgettable evening of music. Backed by some of Ireland's finest musicians, this spectacular production takes audiences on a musical journey through the greatest songs in the history of country music.

**£30**

**Thursday 22 April**
**8pm**






Presented by H. Sings Productions

## Voices & Dreams (H)

Prepare to be swept away as Dungannon-born and Dublin-trained soprano Helen Hutchinson takes you on a spectacular musical adventure, bringing together the drama of opera, the magic of musical theatre, the emotion of classical crossover, and the pure fun of Disney and ABBA!

Joining Helen on stage is esteemed local baritone Karl McGuckin, alongside Cookstown Youth Choir (with Cindy Young and Meta Bell) and young guest soprano Amy Hutchinson from Co. Tyrone.

*In support of The Niamh Louise Foundation with a minimum of 10% of sales going to the charity.

**£20 ADULT**
**£18 CONC.**

**Friday 23 April**
**8pm**




**Box Office: 028 8676 9949**

Presented by Storied Management

## Neil Delamere - Neil's On Wheels (H)

16+

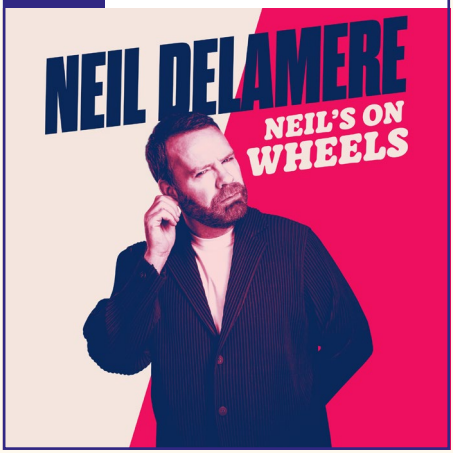
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**Age Guidance: Over 16s only**

**£28**

**Thursday 29 April**
**8pm**






Presented by The Sperrin Choir

## The Sperrin Choir (H)

**From Nashville with Love: Where every song tells a story**

From heartbreak to hope, laughter to longing, country music captures life's journey like no other. Join The Sperrin Choir for a celebration of Nashville's greatest songs and the legends who made them unforgettable.

**£15 ADULT**
**£12 CONC.**

**Friday 30 April**
**8pm**



Presented by Mid Ulster District Council

## The History and Legacy of Robert Burns

Dr. Charles Neville, Development Officer with the Ulster-Scots Community Network, will provide an overview of the history and Ulster-Scots legacy of the National poet of Scotland Robert Burns (1759-1796).

**Suitable for all ages**

**£5**

**Monday 25 January**
**7pm**

Ulster-Scots Community Network
www.ulster-scots.com



Presented by Mid Ulster District Council

## Traditional Irish & Scottish Céilí

Join us at the Burnavon Theatre on Tuesday 9th March for some céilí dancing under the guidance of Céilí Dance Master Ronán Eastwood. From the *'Waves of Tory'* to *'The Peeler and the Goat'* or from a *'Harvest Time Jig'* to the *'Connemara Set'* or *'Gay Gordons'* there is a dance for everyone to get involved and have a bit of craic.

Ronán has taught céilí and set dancing worldwide and was the lead instructor at both Belfast Tradfest and Fleadh Cheoil naÉireann 2026.

**May appeal to 50+ age group**

**£3**

**Tuesday 9 March**
**1pm – 3pm**



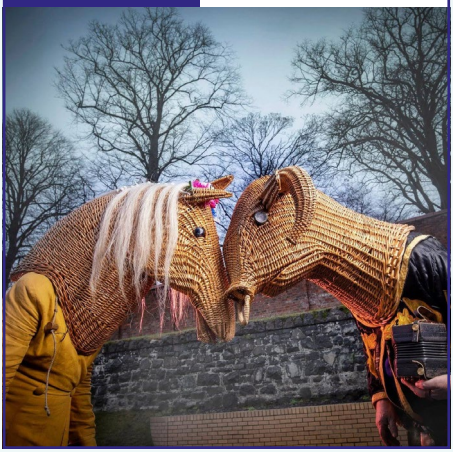
Presented by The Armagh Rhymers

## Theatre, Music, and Storytelling for Schools

The Armagh Rhymers present a bi-lingual theatre and music style session exploring language and identity through the rich poetic traditions of Irish mumming, storytelling, and traditional music at the Burnavon Theatre on Monday 8 March. Through mask, music and mischief children will go on a journey to where myth meets melody, and where handcrafted masks and iconic straw costumes recall centuries of ritual, rhyme, and rural drama. This is an interactive workshop and is **suitable for Key Stage 2 pupils.**

**£1 PER CHILD**

**Monday 8 March**
**10am**





Presented by Mid Ulster District Council

## Easter Family Fun Day

Join in the fun at our Easter Family Fun Day in the Burnavon Theatre on Saturday 20th March 2027. Enjoy lots of FREE fun filled Easter activities such as interactive dance sessions, face painting, clay and sand art, sensory play, a gaming zone, puppet shows, and much more! No advanced booking required.

**FREE**

**Saturday 20 March**
**10:30am – 11:30am (Quiet Hour)**
**12 noon – 2pm (Public)**



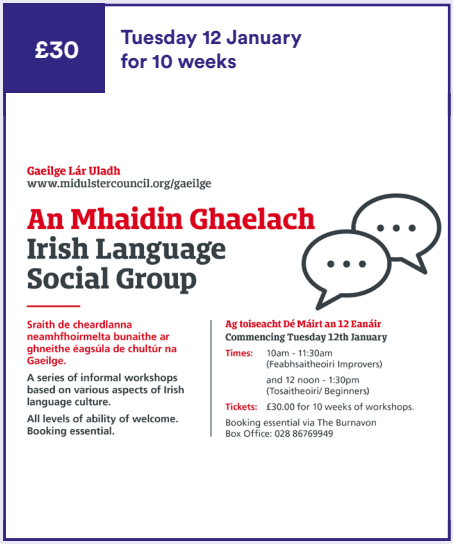
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## An Mhaidin Ghaelach / Irish Language Social Group

Sraith de cheardlanna neamhfhoirmeálta bunaithe ar ghnéithe éagsúla de chultúr na Gaeilge.

A series of informal workshops based on various aspects of Irish language culture. All levels of ability of welcome. Booking essential.

**Times:** 10am – 11:30am (Feabhsaitheoirí/ Improvers) and 12 noon – 1:30pm (Tosaitheoirí/ Beginners)



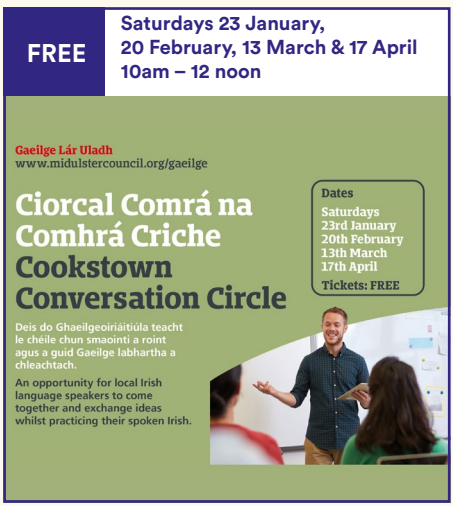



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## Ciorcal Comhrá na Comhrá Críche / Cookstown Conversation Circle

Deis do Ghaeilgeoirí áitiúla teacht le chéile chun smaointí a roinnt agus a gcuid Gaeilge labhartha a chleachtadh.

An opportunity for local Irish language speakers to come together and exchange ideas whilst practicing their spoken Irish.




**Box Office: 028 8676 9949**

With Rachael of Little Perch Designs

## Sew a Festive Robin

16+

Learn to sew or develop your skills at our fun Christmas sewing workshop, choosing from a range of pretty, festive fabrics that have all been prepared and cut in advance.

This is a two-hour workshop suitable for all levels of sewing experience, including complete beginners.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£27**

**Saturday 5 December**
**10am – 12 noon**





With Shauna McCann

## Kiln Fused Glass Painting

10-14

Come along and create in glass. Learn the colourful technique of kiln fused glass painting. A choice of Christmas themed designs will be provided to work off. Participants will create a frame of kiln fused glass around their design, using frits, stringers and other decorative glass pieces, to complete their glass hanger. All work will be taken away and fired in a glass kiln. Attachments added after to create a beautiful window glass hanger. Work can be collected the following week once kiln fired.

*Please note masks will be provided to use during workshop for lung safety.

**Suitable for ages 10-14 years**

**£15**

**Saturday 12 December**
**10am – 12 noon**



With Kelli of Lets Craft NI

## Fresh Christmas Flower Arrangement

16+

Celebrate the season, making a stunning holiday table centrepiece arrangement. Using fresh seasonal greenery, decorative berries, baubles, and festive embellishments, participants will create a beautiful centrepiece bursting with Christmas charm. This workshop is the perfect way to embrace the spirit of the holidays. Suitable for all abilities. Participants will leave with a unique handmade arrangement and plenty of festive inspiration.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£55**

**Saturday 19 December**
**11am – 1pm**





With Eileen Quinn

## Genealogy and Family History

16+

Participants will learn how to research a wide range of historical sources, including birth, marriage and death (BMD) records, census returns and land records. Whether you're just beginning your family history journey or looking to develop your existing research skills, this course will give you the confidence to discover, preserve and share your unique family heritage for generations to come.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£27.50**

**Tuesdays 12, 19, 26 January**
**& 2, 9 & 16 February**
**7pm – 9pm**



With Andrea Hayes

## Silk Painting

16+

In this workshop participants will be guided through a variety of painting techniques using specialist paints and will discover how to paint freely onto silk. At the end of the workshop, participants will have an A4 sized silk painting to take home. Example images will be provided but feel free to bring a reference image or ideas (A4 sized) to use as a starting point.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£64**

**Tuesdays 12, 19, 26 January & 2 February**
**7pm – 9pm**





With The Sensory Submarine

## Dive into fun with The Sensory Submarine

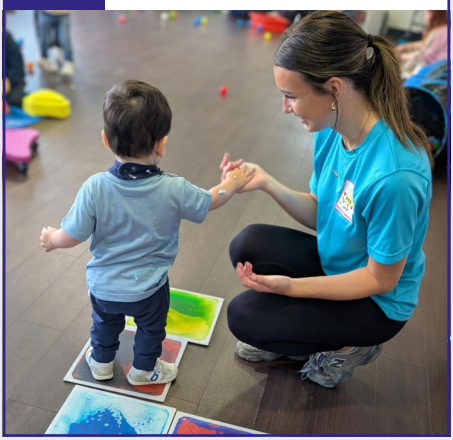
Dive into fun with The Sensory Submarine! Designed for children aged 6 months to 5 years, our inclusive classes combine messy play, movement, games, songs, arts and crafts, and sensory exploration. It's a playful, welcoming space where children of all abilities can explore, build confidence, and thrive together.

All workshops are ASD-Friendly. Parent / carer is required to stay at this session. **Child only to pay.**

**Suitable for 6 months – 5 years**

**£10 per session**

**Saturdays 6, 13 & 20 February**
**10am – 11am (child only to pay)**



With Tina of Modern Country Moves

## Learn to Jive!

16+

Join us at the Burnavon Theatre during February / March 2027 for five weeks of jiving classes with Tina of Modern Country Moves. Classes include both Country Jiving and Line Dancing and are full of energy, fun, laughter and likeminded people. Everyone is welcome. No previous experience needed.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£52**

**Mondays 8, 15, 22 February & 1, 8 March**
**7:30pm – 9pm**






With Cooking with Kids

## Valentine's Chocolate & Pizza Making

7-12

During this workshop children will make their own heart-shaped mini pizza, choosing from their favourite toppings, before moving onto creating their own Valentine's chocolates. The workshop involves heart-shaped pizza making, Valentine's chocolate making, chocolate decorating, Valentine-themed pancake art.

**Suitable for ages 7-12 years**

**£18**

**Saturday 13 February**
**1pm – 3pm**



With Rachael of Little Perch Designs

## Learn to Sew a Japanese Style Apron

16+

This class is suitable for those with some knowledge of sewing. Using a pattern, participants will learn how to follow instructions, cut fabric and using straight stitches construct a garment. Participants will also learn about some nice finishing details such as under stitching.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£55**

**Wednesdays 17, 24 February & 3, 10 March**
**7pm – 9pm**





With Lucy of Navar Willow

## Mother's Day Willow Garden Flower

16+

Learn to weave in this fun relaxed willow flower making workshop. Participants will learn traditional basketry techniques to create a beautiful willow flower to take home. These are a lovely decorative piece that you can choose to adorn the inside of a home or garden. Suitable for beginners and improvers.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£55**

**Saturday 27 February**
**10am – 1pm**



With Rachael of Little Perch Designs

## Sew a Stuffed Squishy Chick!

10+

Children will learn how to operate a sewing machine and use fabric creatively whilst making an adorable chick squishy. Using pre-cut fabric, children will use a straight stitch to construct their chick and choose accessories to make it totally unique.

**Suitable for ages 10+**

**£20**

**Saturday 27 February**
**10am – 12 noon**





With Andrea Hayes

## Watercolours

16+

Explore watercolour techniques with local artist Andrea Hayes. During the four weeks participants will focus on experimental background washes, colour mixing and specific uses of brushes. Participants will be guided through the image attached and then apply the techniques to a further painting. Suitable for beginners and those who wish to develop their painting skills.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£64**

**Tuesdays 2, 9, 16 & 23 March**
**7pm – 9pm**



With Féilín Campbell

## Acrylic Painting

16+

Féilín will guide participants in techniques using brushes and palette knives to create beautifully textured floral paintings in an impressionistic style, capturing our interest in vibrant colours on a canvas ready for you to bring home. This workshop is suitable for beginners and for those who would like to develop their painting skills in a relaxing and creative environment. All material supplied.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£20**

**Saturday 6 March**
**11am – 1pm**






With Andrea Hayes

## Spring Meadow Felting

8-12

A fun, tactile activity for children aged 8 -12 years! Using a beautiful array of fluffy merino wools participants will create a stunning artwork using wet felt making techniques.

**Suitable for ages 8-12 years**

**£20**

**Saturday 13 March**
**10am – 12 noon**



With Sonia Brown

## Fresh Easter Flowers

16+

Make a beautiful floral presentation gift box using fresh seasonal flowers and foliage. Participants will create a stunning box arrangement to take home or gift to someone very special for the Easter holidays. A lovely way to relax and get inspired.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£50**

**Saturday 27 March**
**10am – 12 noon**





With Thai Cooking NI

## Healthy Thai Cooking

16+

This interactive Healthy Thai cooking workshop offers participants a hands-on introduction to the fresh, vibrant and nutritious world of Thai cuisine, while exploring everyday life, food traditions and culture in Thailand. Led by an experienced Thai chef, participants will learn how to prepare a selection of authentic Thai dishes using fresh vegetables, herbs, spices and traditional ingredients.

**Suitable for ages 16+**

**£35**

**Saturday 27 March**
**10am – 12 noon OR 1pm – 3pm**



With Clodagh Ryan

## The Magical Story-Making Workshop

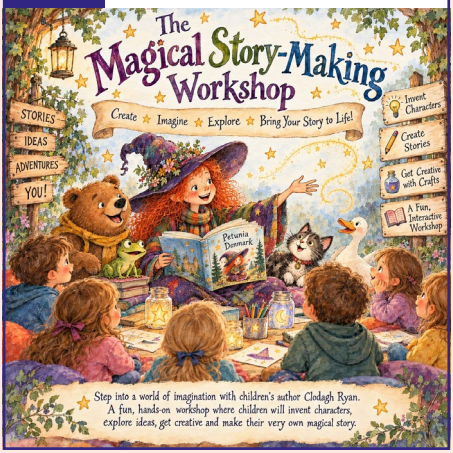
8-11

Step into a world of imagination with children's author Clodagh Ryan. Inspired by her whimsical character Petunia Denmark and her magical collection of Just-in-Case Jars, children will discover how characters, problems and a little bit of magic can grow into their very own story. A fun, interactive workshop designed to get young imaginations buzzing!

**Suitable for ages 8 - 11 years**

**£15**

**Saturday 3 April**
**10am – 11:30am**






With Diane Lyness

## Silver Necklace or Earrings Workshop

18+

Design and make a unique necklace or earrings under the guidance of goldsmith Diane Lyness. Each participant will be taught traditional jewellery making techniques such as piercing, soldering, shaping, texturing and polishing to create a beautiful piece of jewellery to take home. Please bring an apron to protect clothing.

**Suitable for ages 18+**

**£80**

**Saturday 3 April**
**10am – 4pm**



Presented by Ardboe, Moortown and Moneymore Art Groups

## The Wider Community Exhibition

Ardboe Art Group has teamed up with Moortown and Moneymore art groups to present a collection of their members beautiful pieces at The Burnavon Theatre during December 2026. The artwork includes oil, watercolour and acrylic paintings, pastel drawings, and mixed media. There will also be a display of paintings on silk and artwork created by felting and needle felting. A launch night will take place in the Burnavon on Wednesday 2 December at 7pm. Original artwork, prints and cards will be for sale on the night and during the month of December.

Call / text Dona Kelly on 07742181583 to register attendance at launch.

**FREE**

**Wednesday 2 – Tuesday 29 December**





Presented by Alistair Prentice

## Imperfect Focus

Alistair Prentice explores the beauty of uncertainty and the expressive power of photographic imperfection. Through soft focus and subtle visual ambiguity, *Imperfect Focus* invites viewers to slow down and experience images beyond sharp detail, embracing mood, memory, and interpretation. Alistair Prentice is a lens-based photographer from Portadown who enjoys experimenting with simple, analogue photographic techniques. His work focuses on the creative possibilities of film photography, particularly using Holga cameras and pinhole cameras to produce distinctive images.

**FREE**

**Monday 4 – Friday 29 January**



# General Information

## How to Book

**At The Box Office:** 028 8676 9949
**Opening Hours:** Mon – Sat 9am - 5pm and 1hr before scheduled performances
**Book Online:** www.burnavon.com 24hrs a day, 7 days a week
**Please note:** Tickets can be posted for a £1.00 fee.

## In Person:

The Burnavon, Burn Road, Cookstown, BT80 8DN

## Conditions of Sale

**Please note that once tickets are purchased, they cannot be exchanged or refunded under any circumstances.** Management reserves the right to alter or cancel performances without prior notice if circumstances make this unavoidable. Management accepts no responsibility for unused tickets if a performance proceeds as scheduled. This includes issues such as customer error, inclement weather, or transport difficulties.

## Concessions

Concession rates, when applicable, are included in the ticket price and apply to individuals under 16 and over 60, unless stated otherwise. Please bring photo ID for age verification.

## Attendance of Children at Performances

The Burnavon Arts & Cultural Centre requires all attendees, including children, to have a valid ticket. Complimentary 'Babes in Arms' tickets for children up to 2 years are available at the manager's discretion for certain children's performances. Please note that not all shows are suitable for children. For health and safety reasons, baby carriers and prams are not permitted in the auditorium. We kindly ask parents and carers to adhere to the recommended age guidelines for events, ensuring everyone's safety and enjoyment.

## School & Group Bookings

For schools or groups of 10 or more, please contact the Box Office to find out about potential discounts on your booking.

## Accessibility

For comprehensive accessibility details, visit www.burnavon.com/your-visit/accessibility. Contact our Box Office Team at 028 867 69949 for further information.

The Burnavon adheres to DDA legislative standards and has received multiple accessibility awards. The theatre features designated seating, an induction loop hearing system, a lift, and an adapted WC.

Please inform us of any specific requirements at time of booking, so staff can assist you effectively. This brochure is available in alternative formats, including Braille, CD, audio tape, and large print upon request. To obtain a copy, contact the Box Office at 028 8676 9949.

## Data Protection

The personal details required to administer your booking will be securely stored by the Burnavon. Please inform us if you do not wish to receive Burnavon information. We will not pass on your details to other arts organisations unless you have given your permission to do so. All information detailed within the Burnavon Season Programme is correct at time of going to print. From time-to-time additional events may be added and patrons are advised to check out www.burnavon.com for new performances, exhibitions & workshops.

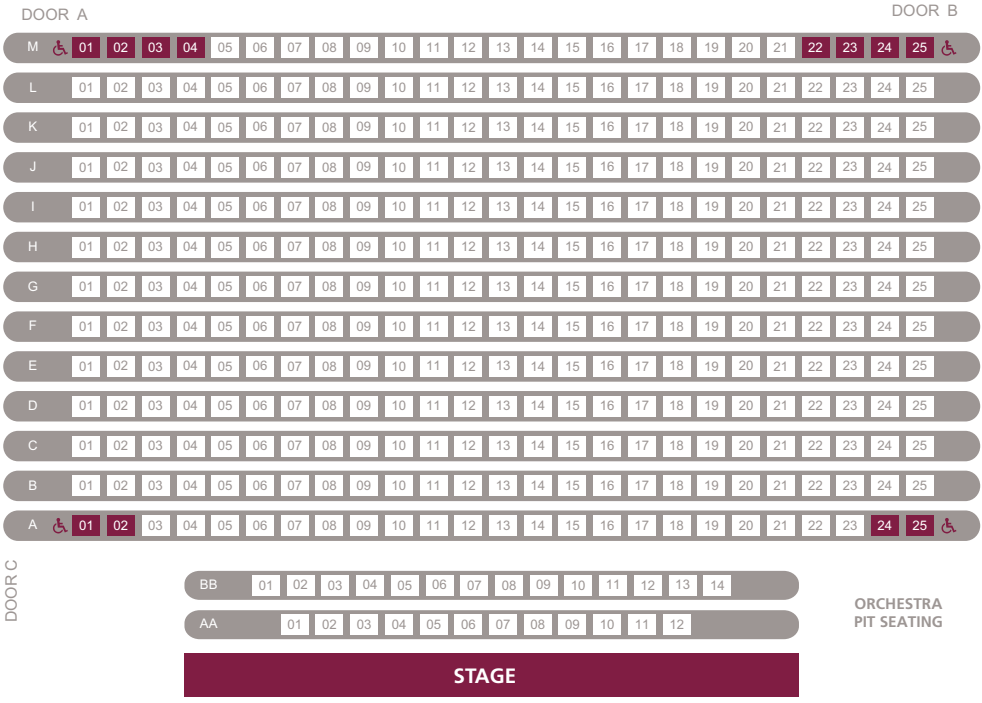
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## Take a Seat

**Please note:** Please inform Box Office at the time of booking if you have any access requirements. Further information on accessibility at the Burnavon can be found at **www.burnavon.com/your-visit/accessibility**

# Auditorium Seating Plan




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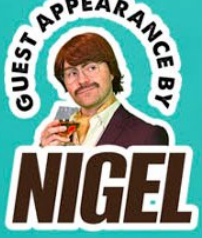
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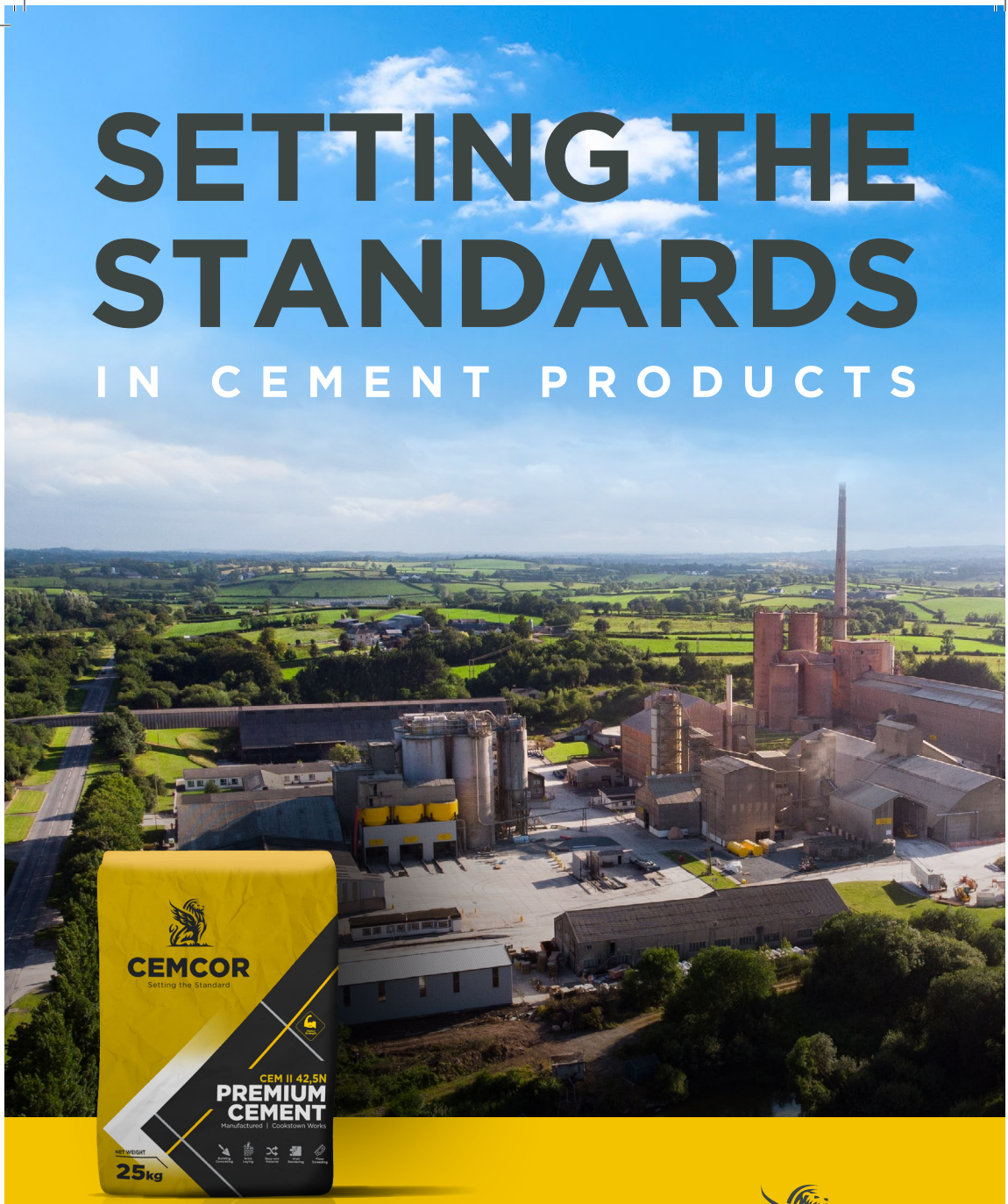
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