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PROGRAMME NOVEMBER – MARCH

WELCOME TO THE NEXT SEASON

Christmas is just around the corner and there is lots for the entire family to enjoy at the Burnavon Theatre this season. You won't want to miss the award-winning Frances Black in concert at the end of November or the Burnavon Christmas Celebration Concert, headlined by Malachi Cush and 'Drummond String Quartet' on Friday 8th December.

To get you in the mood for Christmas, why not visit our Winter Craft & Food Fair which takes place in the Burnavon Theatre on Saturday 25th November? There will be artisan food, handmade gifts, including ceramics, jewellery, art, textiles and candles all available to buy on the day. And with the Christmas light switch on taking place in Cookstown on Friday 24th November, this is the ideal weekend to get into the festive spirit and shop for the perfect custom-made presents and food.

Peter Pan glides into the Burnavon Theatre during the month of January. This thrilling pantomime, presented by Stewartstown Amateur Dramatics Society and directed by Brian Morgan is guaranteed fun for the entire family.

Neil Delamere and the Give My Head Peace gang both make a welcome return in 2024. Neil Delamere's February date is now sold out, but don't worry if you missed out on tickets because a second show has just been announced for April 2024.

If you want to keep active this winter there are lots of workshops, classes, and language groups on offer. A six-week 'Irish Language Social Group' under the expert tuition of Irish language tutor Malachy McNamee will take place in the Burnavon from October to December 2023. There are workshops aplenty with Christmas Wreath Making, Christmas Floral Arrangement, Acrylic Painting, and a Creative Writing Masterclass delivered by best-selling novelist Emma Heatherington all available to book.

The Burnavon is an Autism Impact Award Champion venue and has also recently achieved WorldHost Business Recognition, demonstrating an on-going commitment to delivering excellence in customer service. 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.

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Thursday 28 March	Mike Denver and Guests in Concert	22	Music
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An Evening with Cookstown Folk Club

Friday 10 November | 8pm | £10



Cookstown Folk Club was formed in 2011 to take primary school children who received tuition from The Traditional Music in Schools Programme to a higher level of performing. The Folk Club plays a mix of popular folk, bluegrass and traditional music with a few numbers that will take you by surprise.

As a group we have decided to do a worthwhile fundraiser for the charity Mary's Meals. Mary's Meals is a global charity that believes every child should receive one daily meal in a place of education. Mary's Meals was started in 2002 by a young Scottish Farmer Magnus McFarlane-Barrow when he visited Malawi during the famine.

Today the charity provides a daily meal to over 2.4 million pupils in 18 different countries. For every pound donated the charity is committed to spending 93p of it on charitable activities. So, if you would like to hear the best in local talent and support an amazing charity at the same time, we look forward to entertaining you.

PERFORMANCES



Phil Coulter: Four Score and Then...

Presented by David Hull Promotions



Saturday 11 November | 8pm | £30

Having clocked up a major milestone last year, some commentators may have assumed that his 'Phil Coulter at Eighty' National tour was a sort of lap of honour, a last hurrah for his followers. Wrong! At over 30 shows across the country the fans had their say, with packed houses and standing ovations. It was definitely not time to say, Goodbye. They wanted more of that Coulter magic, the songs, the stories, and the touch of Tranquility. After 55 years at the very top of his game Phil has achieved the status of legend in the music business. But his enthusiasm and energy have never waned. He loves his audiences and has happily jumped straight back into planning another show and a new tour, with fresh collections of memories and melodies.

Audiences really responded to the different qualities that his Special Guests brought to the evening, so he's delighted to welcome back his glamorous and ever popular wife Geraldine Branagan and rising star George Hutton.



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Up The Poll: Starring Conal Gallen

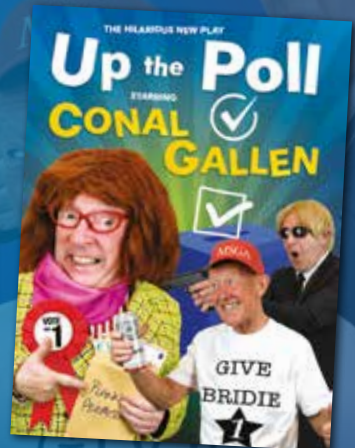
Presented by Little Round Records Ltd



Friday 17 November | 8pm | £25 | Suitable for ages 16+

Conal Gallen and his writing partner and son, Rory have just written their 7th Comedy Play! And it is guaranteed to have audiences in stitches once again! Bridie Murphy is a lovable battle axe, living in Shitholey with her husband, Willie. But when election time comes around, things start to liven up. Father Big Mad Mickey O'Reilly, Betty Head and her son, Dick, all become involved. Whether by choice or by accident. If you only thought that politics was corrupt, wait until Bridie sticks her oar in. As one political commentator put it, "She even makes Trump look intelligent!"

Early booking is strongly advised.



Frances Black

Presented by David Hull Promotions

Thursday 30 November | 8pm | £27.50

Frances Black is an award-winning Irish singer. A pure vocal tone and an energetic stage presence has made Frances one of Ireland's most popular singers.

Frances' music often explores themes of love, loss, and personal growth, resonating deeply with listeners who connect with her honest and heartfelt lyrics. Her ability to convey raw emotions through her soulful voice has earned her numerous accolades and awards throughout her career.

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Carol & Jimmy's Christmas Cracker

Presented by Open Door Theatre

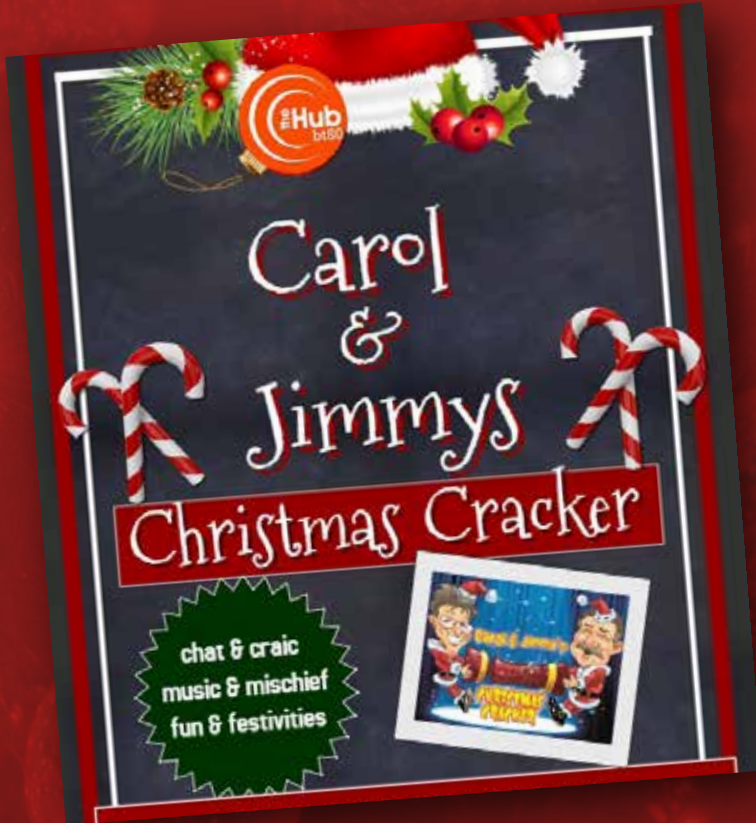
Saturday 2 December | 8pm | £12.50

Christmas doesn't begin until you see Carol and Jimmy's Christmas Cracker.

An eclectic mix of music, song, and dance and a surprise or two...

Guest speakers / performers are:

- Inspirational Youth
- Maisy Lee 'Young Farmer of the Year'
- The Hub Choir
- Guest singers



Mr Hullabaloo's Winter Wonderland

Presented by Mr Hullabaloo

Sunday 3 December | 1pm | £8

Join Mr Hullabaloo, the magical storyteller and his friends for an enchanting Christmas adventure live on stage.

Featuring festive stories and singalongs this show combines the magic of live storytelling and puppetry together with a special visit from Santa. A fun festive treat for all the family.

Please note that children under 2 go free (however a complimentary ticket must be booked via the Box Office on 028 8676 9949)



JD Dance Annual Christmas Showcase

Presented by JD Dance Studio



Thursday 7 December | 7pm
£12 / £8 (under 12)

Join JD Dance students and teachers for a night filled with dance and music as they take to the Burnavon stage showcasing all their hard work throughout 2023!

Enjoy watching a wide range of dance styles from students of all ages and abilities, including World Champion performances!



PERFORMANCES

Christmas Celebration Concert

Friday 8 December | 8pm | £12 / £10

Get into the true spirit of Christmas at the Burnavon's annual Christmas Concert on Friday 8 December. We welcome to the stage the Traditional Schools in Music Group under the supervision of Donald Canavan and Cookstown Youth Choir under the supervision of Meta Bell.

This year's concert is an extra special celebration and sees the return of Malachi Cush who will be accompanied by the 'Drummond String Quartet' and his full ensemble band. Malachi will perform some of his favourite Christmas songs from a range of genres and the festivities are sure to get you into the Christmas spirit. In a Burnavon exclusive he will also perform his brand-new composition, 'Christmas Child'.

Christmas Country Showtime

Presented by Sean Wallace Entertainment



Saturday 9 December | 8pm | £18

The popular "Christmas Country Showtime" with the Stars, makes a welcome return to the Burnavon Theatre and show organiser Sean Wallace proudly presents some of Ireland's top stars who are appearing for the first time along with some new faces. On stage will be the one and only John Glenn from the MainLiners Show and Fame; the Tipperary Girl Aishling Rafferty (Glor-Tíre TG4 Winner) plus the true country voice of Joe Moore, always a big favourite at the Burnavon, while making her way from Creeslough Co. Donegal the charming Ailish McBride.



Yes folks, he's back! Ireland's top balladeer Terry Cowan who went down a storm at last year's show, he will have you all singing along to the very best leading ballads and country classics. It's time to let loose! Omagh's new singing sensation Caillin Joe, Star of RTE's "Late Late Toy Show" plus much, much more! The brilliant Country Harmony with Gerard Dornan on board will take the best out of all the above acts introduced on stage by show host Sean Wallace who just loves the atmosphere at the Burnavon. So, grab your tickets now and join us for an action-packed night of your favourite music, Country Style!

A Christmas Gift from The Sperrin Choir

Presented by The Sperrin Choir



Thursday 14 & Friday 15 December | 8pm | £12

The Sperrin Choir present 'The Promise: A Celebration of Christ's Birth' by Michael Card. This much-loved song cycle has been arranged for mixed choir by conductor Sam Cuddy, and audiences have always been touched by the beauty of the melodic writing and the simplicity of the lyrics. The cycle ends with the well-known 'Immanuel'. This has been specially arranged for solo voice, children's choir, and Sperrin Choir. The choir will also perform a variety of more familiar Christmas songs sure to get everyone in the festive mood. The choir will be joined by Tamlaghtmore Silver Band on Thursday and by Sperrin Kidz and Sperrin Youth Choir for the Friday performance.



The High Kings 'Road Not Taken'

Presented by Joe Gallagher Entertainments **H**

Saturday 16 December | 8pm | £33

The High Kings, known for their electrifying live performances, marked by rich harmonies, masterful instrumentation, and an unmistakable passion for their craft are excited to take this tour across Ireland as a celebration of their incredible achievements in 2023.

And a heartfelt thank you to their dedicated fans, without whom none of this would be possible. Join them on "The Road Not Taken" and experience the magic of The High Kings live.



Mack Fleetwood **H**

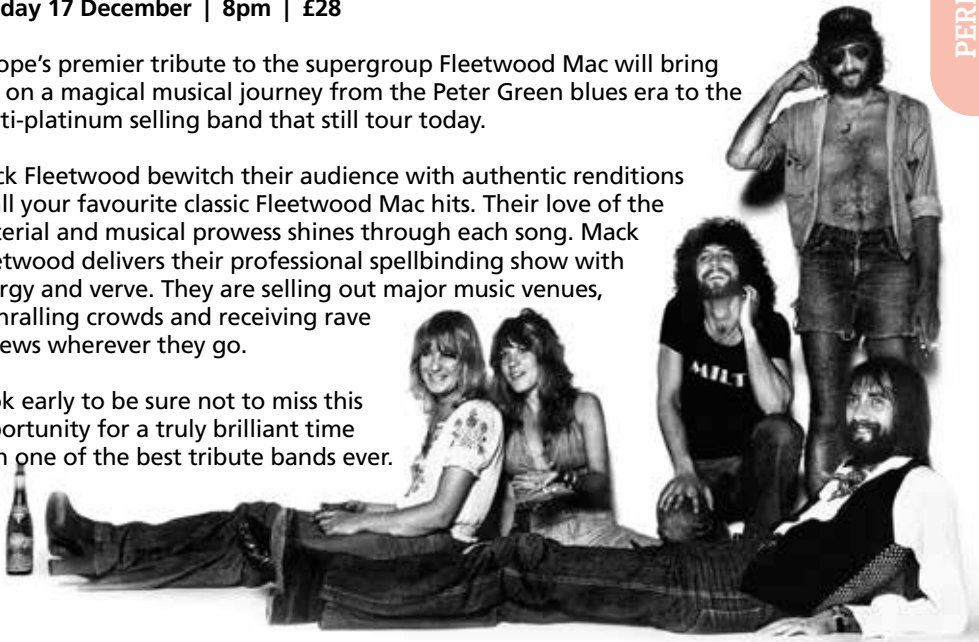
Presented by Joe Gallagher Entertainments

Sunday 17 December | 8pm | £28

Europe's premier tribute to the supergroup Fleetwood Mac will bring you on a magical musical journey from the Peter Green blues era to the multi-platinum selling band that still tour today.

Mack Fleetwood bewitch their audience with authentic renditions of all your favourite classic Fleetwood Mac hits. Their love of the material and musical prowess shines through each song. Mack Fleetwood delivers their professional spellbinding show with energy and verve. They are selling out major music venues, enthralled crowds and receiving rave reviews wherever they go.

Book early to be sure not to miss this opportunity for a truly brilliant time with one of the best tribute bands ever.



Fairytale Christmas

Presented by Mid Ulster School of Music

Saturday 23 December | 8pm | £15

Join us for a Fairytale Christmas. A variety show featuring the talented vocalists and instrumentalists from Mid Ulster School of Music.

Featuring music from Harry Potter, Taylor Swift, Christmas favourites and many more.

A show for all the family.



Jake O'Kane "The Inappropriate Tour"

Presented by David Hull Promotions

Thursday 28 December | 8pm | £25 | Suitable for ages 16+



Roll up, roll up, the Jake O'Kane circus is back in town. After a decade of sell-out tours, Jake is back with his annual multimedia roundup of the year's events in NI and beyond. It's going to be a no holds barred fun fest of puncturing political pomposity. Nobody is safe as Jake turns his keen wit on himself and his personal peculiarities.

As always, he's ably supported by ringmaster two-stroke Terry McHugh. Don't miss this colossal combination of comedic clownery - book early, book often.

A Christmas Country Show with The Stars

Presented by JMG Music Group



Friday 29 December | 8pm | £25

Back by popular demand the Christmas Country with the Stars show returns for another night of toe-tapping festive magic that will have you hand clapping all night long. The stellar line-up which wouldn't look out of place in Nashville will include 6 of Ireland's top performers all on one show.

Join the popular voice of John McNicholl, your uncle Hugo Duncan from BBC Radio Ulster, the energetic dancing feet of Shawn Cuddy, the yodelling Kenny Archer, the entertaining Curtis Magee, and the truckers favourite Boxcar Brian. Each of the stars will perform their trademark hit songs in the company of the fabulous Keltic Storm with a sprinkle of Christmas cheer.

This is a rare chance to see so many super Country Stars all on one show! Early booking is advisable.



Peter Pan directed by Brian Morgan

Presented by Stewartstown Amateur Dramatics Society

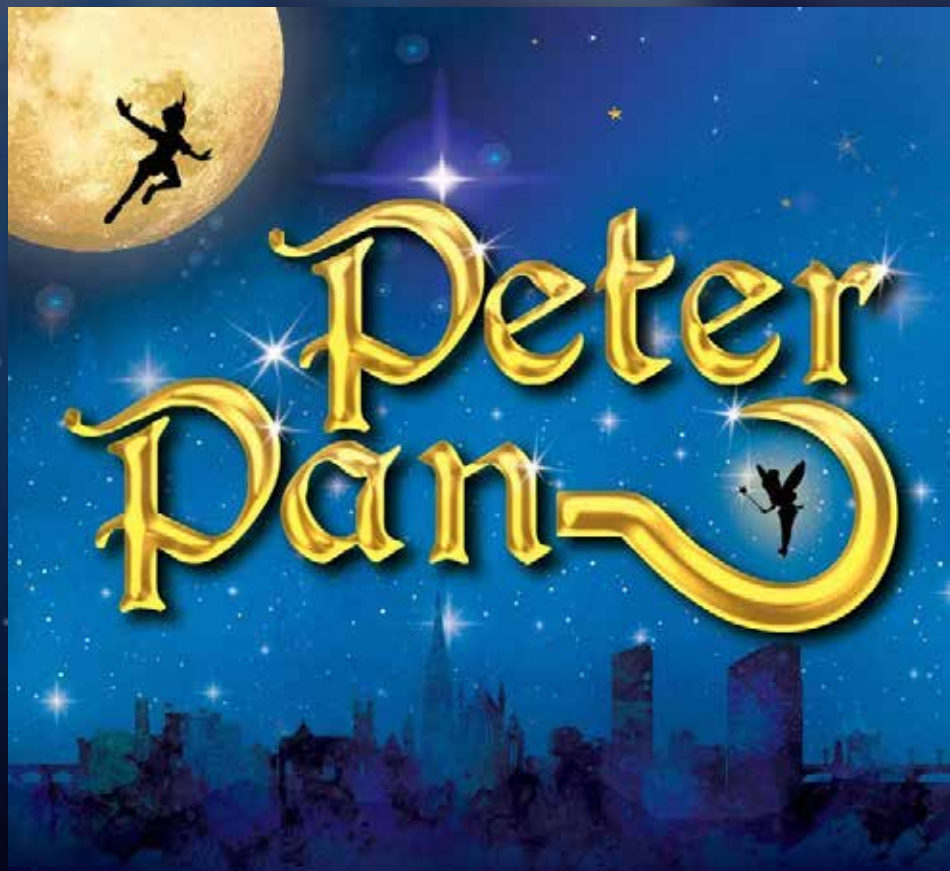


Fridays 5, 12, 19 & 26 January | 8pm | Saturdays 6, 13, 20 & 27 January | 2pm & 8pm
Children £10 | Adults £12.50

"Second star to the right
and straight on 'til morning."

Stewartstown Amateur Dramatics Society returns to the Burnavon Theatre for a magical adventure this January! This thrilling pantomime is fun for the entire family and will see Peter, Tinkerbell, and Wendy take revenge on the evil Captain Hook. Along the way they meet up with mermaids, the lost girls and snappy the crocodile who help them on their adventures in Neverland. Not to be missed!

PERFORMANCES



Neil Delamere: Neil By Mouth

Presented by Bigger Stage

Thursday 1 February | 8pm | £25.00
Suitable for ages 16+

SOLD OUT

A new date has been added
for Thursday 25 April 2024

The Last Leg by Carol Doey

Presented by Open Door Theatre



Friday 9 & Saturday 10 February | 8pm
£12.50 | Suitable for ages 18+

LIMITED TICKETS



Gino Lupari “No Turning Back” Album Launch

Saturday 3 February | 8pm | £22.50 / £20

“This album is like finding a forgotten mix tape of a wide and varied collection of your favourite songs” *Seamus O Rourke*

Gino Lupari is possibly the world's best known bodhran player. He got his first bodhran aged 14 and taught himself how to play. He then teamed up with long-time friend and co musician Cathal Hayden and the rest we can safely say is history. They both went on to create the world-famous band FOUR MEN AND A DOG with Brian Mc Grath, Donal Murphy, and Mick Daly. With the band Gino has released 6 albums to huge critical acclaim and he has played on at least 40 other albums as a guest musician – so he is no stranger to the studio or indeed the stage and has been performing around the globe for the last 3 decades. He has recorded with artists such as Sinéad O Connor, Shane Mc Gowan, Rick Danko, Levon Helm (The Band) and Garth Hudson (all inducted in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame) to name but a few. It's been eagerly awaited, but finally – THIS IS GINO'S FIRST SOLO ALBUM. Join Gino Lupari at The Burnavon Theatre on Saturday 3rd February for the official launch of “No Turning Back”. An evening not to be missed!

The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde

Presented by Bardic Theatre



Saturday 17 February | 8pm | £18 / £15

'Mean Girls' meets 'Succession' meets 'Downton Abbey' in arguably the greatest satire written for the stage. Oscar Wilde's seminal comedy 'The Importance of Being Earnest' takes to the Burnavon stage this February.

Featuring the iconic and formidable matriarch Lady Bracknell, this play is replete with instantly recognisable one-liners that could as easily apply to the social media age as they do to the fin de siècle self-indulgence of Victorian high society.

Brought to you by Bardic Theatre and featuring a stellar cast, this wickedly funny chocolate-box of a comedy is full of thrills, frills, and frivolity. Early booking advised.



Conal Gallen - Funny Business

Presented by Little Round Records Ltd



Thursday 22 February | 8pm | £25 | Suitable for ages 16+



Multi-award winning Irish comedian Conal Gallen is back on tour this year with his hilarious one-man stand-up show.

Conal is well known for his hilarious humour and has been entertaining audiences worldwide for over 30 years. He's even had the pleasure of performing in front of the Duke of Edinburgh, The Prince of Wales, and several other well-known English pubs!

Don't miss your chance to see the master of comedy at work as Conal Gallen brings his Funny Business to the Burnavon stage this year. Book your seats now to secure your place at a night filled with unforgettable laughter.

Philomena Begley and Ray Lynam

Presented by JMG Music Group



Saturday 24 February | 8pm | £25

Philomena Begley and Ray Lynam are two legends of Irish Country music and have both had glittering careers that spans over 6 decades at the very top. They both have enjoyed massive success and have seen their respective careers hit great heights and scoring countless No.1 hit songs like "Blanket on the Ground, Gypsy Joe and Me, The Queen of the Silver Dollar "and playing to packed houses in every hall, festival, and theatre from Ireland to Tennessee.

Both Philomena and Ray have shared stages with the likes of George Jones, Tammy Wynette, and Charley Pride along with all the top Irish stars and are regularly heard on national radio. This upcoming Together Again tour will see both stars duet songs like "My Illusive Dreams, We Go Together and Somewhere Between" to name but a small few. One thing is for sure if it's Country Music you like then this is a rare chance to see real Country Music Royalty!

Early booking advised!



Born To Be Wild – Kids Show

Presented by DreamWorld Promotions



Saturday 2 March | 12 noon and 3pm | £10 | Suitable for ages 1 – 9 years

The new and exciting Jungle themed kids show is sure to keep your little cheeky chimps ENTERTAINED! Join us on our adventure through the Jungle with Henrietta, a clever young Hippo who is always asking "Why?" She is joined by Eddie Elephant, Gilbert Giraffe and Deborah Zebra along the way.

An action-packed stage show with audience participation, games, riddles, sing-along songs and amazing characters.

Please note that children under 2 go free (however a complimentary ticket must be booked via the Box Office on 028 8676 9949).



A Night at The Opry

Presented by Rising PR



Thursday 7 March | 8pm | £25

Enjoy a fantastic evening with 3 of Ireland's biggest and best Country stars, as they present some of the most well know hit songs of Country Music. Sing along with iconic hits from Don Williams, Johnny Cash, Tammy Wynette, John Denver, Hank Williams, Jim Reeves, Vince Gill and many more.



Johnny Brady, Claudia Buckley, and John Hogan will showcase songs such as "Rhinstone Cowboy", "Coat of Many Colours" "Ring of Fire" "Blanket on the Ground" plus a whole host of hit Country songs from 1950's right through to today. With a few stories and some fun moments, come along, sit back, and sing along to your favourite Country Music Hit songs, with Ireland's brightest and best!

St Patrick's Day Celebrations Concert

Saturday 9 March | 8pm | £12 / £10

Our annual St Patrick's Day Celebrations Concert will take place on Saturday 9 March 2024.

As always there will be a brilliant lineup of entertainment on the evening.

Full details coming soon...



The Ferryman by Jez Butterworth

Presented by Bardic Theatre



Friday 15 March | 7.30pm | £16.00 / £14.00

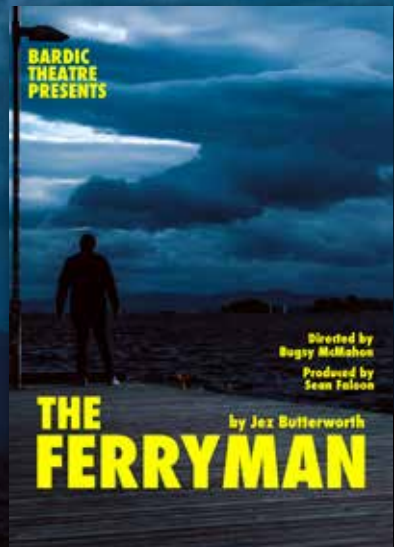
"The Ferryman" - A Gripping Tale of Betrayal, Redemption, and Secrets Unearthed!"

"The Ferryman": In 1981 Northern Ireland, Quinn, a former IRA member, faces his haunting past when his brother's remains are unearthed. A menacing IRA figure demands silence, threatening lives, and secrets. This gripping tale of betrayal, redemption, and survival unfolds in a land torn by conflict. Uncover the truth in this suspenseful journey.

Contains strong language and adult themes. Parental guidance is advised.

Special effects: gunfire

The Ferryman is directed by Bugsy McMahon and produced by Sean Faloon.



Give My Head Peace Live

Presented by David Hull Promotions



Thursday 21 & Friday 22 March | 8pm | £25.50 | Suitable for ages 16+

After yet another sell-out run in 2023 the Give My Head Peace gang return with a brand-new show that's guaranteed to be hilarious. Da, Cal, Ma, Billy the Peeler, Dympna, Pastor Begbie and Sandy the Kneebreakers Barman will bring their unique take on life and the year's events in Northern Ireland,

There will be topical jokes, satire, the odd song and barnstorming stand-up comedy from Tim McGarry. If you've seen the Gang before you'll want to book early. If you haven't been before...book early.



Mike Denver and Guests in Concert

Presented by Tom Kelly Promotions



Thursday 28 March | 8pm | £30

Mike Denver, one of Galway's favourite sons is riding the crest of a wave. His audience is vast throughout Ireland, North and South and he is now making inroads in the UK with some sellout concerts in England and Scotland over the past couple of years. Mike's meteoric rise in popularity culminated with him been voted "Entertainer of the Year 2016" together with No 1 album of the Year 'Cut Loose' at the ACMA Awards on RTE TV.

With his excellent backing band Mike presents a two-and-a-half-hour high energy concert show which features all his 'Hits' including 'Tommy K', 'Wasn't that a Party', 'Galway Girl', 'Blown Away', plus 'hits' from the 60's and 70's.

Special guests on the evening are Gavin Gribbin and Big Chief.



EVENTS

An Mhaidin Ghaelach – Irish Language Social Group

Tuesday 24 October for 6 weeks | 10.30am – 12 noon | £30

Sraith de cheardlanna neamhghoirmeálta faoi stiúir Malachy McNamee. Tá an-mheas ar Mhalachy mar theagascóir agus éascaitheoir agus tá na ceardlanna seo aige bunaithe ar ghnéithe éagsúla de chultúr na Gaeilge, ina measc iontu, logainmneacha, filíocht, amhránaíocht agus comhrá. Tá fáilte roimh gach leibhéal cumais.

A series of informal bilingual workshops under the direction of esteemed Irish language tutor and facilitator Malachy McNamee based on various aspects of the Irish language, including place names, poetry, singing and conversation. All levels of ability welcome.

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EVENTS



Winter Craft & Food Fair

Saturday 25 November | 10am – 5pm | FREE

The Burnavon Winter Craft & Food Fair is back for 2023, and it is better than ever! Showcasing some of the most talented crafters and food producers from across the country. There will be a range of artisan food makers, handmade jewellery, art, textiles, homeware, candles, and toiletries all available to buy on Saturday 25 November.

This is the perfect opportunity to get in the Christmas spirit and shop for the perfect custom-made presents and festive foods.



Easter Family Fun Day

Saturday 23 March | 12 noon - 2pm | FREE

Come and join us for our fun-filled Easter family fun day. There will be arts & crafts taster session, ASD friendly workshops, face painting, music and much more to enjoy.



CLASSES / WORKSHOPS

Christmas Wreath Making

with tutor Therese Quinn of Designs by Therese

Saturday 2 December | 2pm – 4pm | £45
Suitable for ages 16+



Get creative this Christmas and have fun making your very own personal Christmas Wreath. Whether you are a wreath making novice or a seasoned expert, experienced local florist Therese from Designs by Therese will guide you step by step through the various stages to create a wreath to be proud of.

Participants will be using a large straw-based frame with prepared natural spruce.

**All materials supplied.*

**Please bring wire cutters and secateurs.*

Personalised Santa Plate

with tutor Leon Hughes of Artfunkle

Saturday 16 December | 12 noon – 1.30pm | £10
Suitable for ages 6+

Welcome Santa with a festive Christmas Eve plate designed and decorated by you!

Tutor Leon will take you step by step through the process of creating your personalised piece. Then bring the beautiful plate home and oven bake, to set your design, for use year after year! So, you'll be ready to put out your mince pies and carrots for Santa and his reindeer on Christmas Eve!

**All materials provided.*



Christmas Floral Arrangement

with tutor Therese Quinn of Designs by Therese

Tuesday 19 December | 7pm – 9pm | £35
Suitable for ages 16+



Add to your festive decorations with a beautiful Christmas arrangement to enhance your living room or as a Christmas gift for someone special, under the guidance of Designs by Therese. All floral materials provided.

Beginners and the more advanced flower arrangers welcomed.

**All materials supplied.*

**Please bring wire cutters and secateurs.*

Claytastic Kids Winter Themed Workshop

with tutor Róisín Brady of Claytastic Kids

Saturday 6 January | 11am – 12 noon or 1pm – 2pm | £5
Suitable for ages 8+

Join us for a fun filled Claytastic Kids Winter Themed workshop where you will learn the skills of 3D sculpting and modelling using super fun Claytastic air drying clay.

The best bit is your winter themed model is yours to keep!



Tiffany Glass Honeybee Windchime

with tutor Shauna McCann

Saturday 13 January | 10am – 1pm | £30
Suitable for ages 16+

This introduction to Tiffany Glass will offer participants the opportunity to explore new glass techniques ranging from cutting glass, grinding, and soldering. Participants will work on a honeybee-stained glass design which will then be soldered to some windchimes to create a hanger. Participants will have a finished piece to take home at the end of this workshop.



Textile Art (2 pieces)

with tutor Andrea Hayes

Tuesdays 16, 23, 30 January & 6 February | 7pm – 9pm | £50
Suitable for ages 16+



Join local artist Andrea Hayes as she guides you through a variety of textile art methods, she uses regularly to create her own distinctive artwork. You will create two small artworks using painting techniques with applique, utilising a variety of fabrics to create textural surfaces. Your artwork will be finished with hand stitching and free motion machine embroidery.

**All materials and equipment provided.*

Lego Animation

with Can Do Academy (ASD friendly)

Saturday 20 January | 10.30am – 12.30pm | £15

Suitable for ages 6+ (this workshop is not suitable for children under 6 years, they will not be permitted to attend)

These mini animation master classes by Can Do Academy are a great introduction for children to the colourful world of Lego animation!

This workshop will allow participants to make a complete animated Lego film on an iPad, using sound effects, visual effects, titles and lots of imagination!

Each child will learn to use special iPad apps and will receive a copy of their film at the end of the session! They can bring their own Lego characters or use the ones supplied by Can Do Academy.

**All equipment provided.*



2D Cartoon Animation workshop

with Can Do Academy

Saturday 20 January | 2pm – 4pm | £ 15

Suitable for ages 10+



This fun interactive workshop run by Can Do Academy will allow participants to draw their own 2D cartoon characters in a way that is suitable for animation. Participants will learn about the essentials of good 2-dimensional character creation and get to animate their characters, using iPads and user-friendly apps for kids.

The use of special iPad apps is an integral element of this workshop. Participants will receive a copy of their film at the end of the session!

**All equipment provided.*

St. Brigid's Crosses

with tutor Rose Keenan

Saturday 27 January | 10.30am – 12.30pm | £7
Suitable for ages 16+

Celebrate the return of Spring by weaving your very own St. Brigid's Cross or Triskele symbol.

Making a St. Brigid's Cross is a custom in Ireland. St. Brigid's Day is celebrated on the 1st February each year and the crosses are made around this time. The St. Brigid's Cross is traditionally made from rushes for hanging above the entrances to dwellings to invoke the help of St. Brigid's in warding off disease and protect against fire.

**All materials provided.*



Create your robot / monster from recycled materials!

with tutor Shauna McCann

Saturday 3 February | 2pm – 4pm | £5
Suitable for ages 8+

Let your imaginations go wild and invent your own robot / monster! Using recycled waste materials children will have the opportunity to build their own creations to take home. After the construction and design of their creations, markers, coloured papers, and other colourful items will be available to finish off each piece.



Photographic image transfer to wood, textiles, and ceramics

with tutor Riona Kearns

Saturday 10 February | 1.30pm – 4.30pm | £20

Suitable for ages 16+

Create a new style artwork by transferring your personal photographic images onto wood, fabric, and ceramics. Under the guidance of photographer and visual artist Riona Kearns participants will transfer images onto wood, fabric, and ceramics.

Participants will be required to email Riona their images in advance to enable the transfer process preparation. Email details will be provided to participants. At this workshop Riona will explain and demonstrate the process as well as providing an instruction sheet to take home.

If you have an interest in photography print or textiles this workshop is a creative way of presenting your images and bringing new life back to old photographs by adding colour to black and white images using colourful embroidery threads and painting techniques.

Participants are asked to bring an A5 size photograph they wish to use along to the workshop as well as emailing it in advance to Riona.

**All materials provided.*



The Art of Crochet – Improvers

with tutor Nancy Moreland of Nifty Needles

Saturdays 10, 17, & 24 February | 2pm – 4pm | £35
Suitable for ages 16+

Take your crochet basics to the next level with this 3-week Intermediate Crochet course where you will learn the techniques of crocheting in rows, learning to increase / decrease and changing colours correctly.

During the course you will master the 'Corner 2 Corner' (C2C) technique to create a simple, yet textured blanket. The C2C techniques works a little differently from standard crochet, as you start at one corner and work back and forth in diagonal rows until you reach the opposite corner.

The C2C may look daunting, but it's easy to master if you can work a treble stitch and a chain, you can create this blanket.

You will need to bring a total of four [4] different colours of 100-gram balls in Double Knit wool and a 4.5mm crochet hook.



Acrylic Painting

with tutor Brian Donaghy of Artworks

Tuesdays 13, 20, 27 February & 5, 12, 19 March | 7pm – 9pm | £45
Suitable for ages 16+



This course is designed as an introduction for those new to acrylic painting. Offering the opportunity to practise and develop drawing skills, learn about mixing colour, and explore composition arrangements, all important elements in creating a painting. Various painting techniques will be explored over the 6 weeks.

Also welcome are the more seasoned painters who seek guidance in developing their individual projects.

**Materials are NOT provided - a list of requirements will be provided to participants.*

Creative Writing Master Class

with Emma Heatherington

Saturday 24 February | 10am – 3pm | £50
Suitable for ages 16+

The Burnavon welcomes local best-selling novelist and scriptwriter Emma Heatherington. Emma will share with you her creative writing skills. In this master class you will learn how to develop characters, find ideas for plots, take part in constructive exercises and hear how-to pick-up tips on how to get published!

Emma is the international best-selling author of fifteen novels, including the Amazon UK and USA Kindle hit *THE LEGACY OF LUCY HARTE*, *SECRETS IN THE SNOW*, *THE PROMISE*, *ONE MORE DAY* and the forthcoming *THIS CHRISTMAS*.

Her novels are set in Ireland where they intertwine life affirming issues with heart-warming love stories. Emma's distinctive style, full of poignancy and warmth has developed a loyal and growing fan base. She has been hailed as 'the Queen of Hearts' and has been compared to the late Maeve Binchy.

Emma's books have been published in the UK, Ireland, USA, Canada, Hungary, Germany, Italy, and the Netherlands. She collaborated with country superstars Philomena Begley and Nathan Carter on writing their respective autobiographies, both of which were Irish Times bestsellers.



Minecraft Esports Build Challenge

Hosted by Minecraft Global Mentors from the Cube Club

Saturday 2 March | 10.30am – 12.30pm | £15

Suitable for ages 8+



The Cube Club team is back. Dive into the Epic Builds Esport Challenge, where young minds come together to showcase their creativity and skill. Whether you're a seasoned builder or just starting out, this is your platform to share, learn, and inspire. Craft, collaborate, and celebrate the boundless imagination of every participant. Join us for a journey of creativity and fun! Delivered by Minecraft Global Mentors.

**All equipment provided.*

Silver Linked Bracelet

with tutor Diane Lyness

Saturday 2 March | 10am – 4pm | £50

Suitable for ages 16+

Spend a day of fun and make a beautiful silver linked bracelet 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 bracelet to take home.

No previous experience is required. All you need to bring is an apron and bundles of enthusiasm!

Naturally Soap

with tutors Pamela Mawhinney and Irene Gourley

Wednesday 6 March | 7pm – 9pm | £22
Suitable for ages 18+

Interested in making your own hand made soap using only natural ingredients, then this hands-on workshop is for you. Tutors, Pamela Mawhinney, and Irene Gourley from local business Naturally Soap, will teach you the ancient craft of soap making using the traditional cold process method. The basic skills taught in this workshop will enable you to go home and make your own soap with ease.

Please bring an apron to protect your clothes, disposable gloves, a small towel and wear long sleeves and full shoes.

**All materials provided.*



**Mother's Day Gift Idea.*

Pastel Painting

with tutor Grace Scott

Wednesdays 6, 13, 20 & 27 March | 7pm – 9pm | £40
Suitable for ages 16+



Accomplished pastel painting artist returns to the Burnavon to offer her popular pastel painting classes aimed at those with some experience of pastel painting and those who would like to enhance their skills with this medium.

Participants can choose from photos supplied by Grace or can bring along their own photograph. Photographs must be your own or you will need to have permission to use a picture taken by someone else. Photographs must be A4 size. Participants have the choice of working on A4 or A3 size paper.

**All materials provided.*

Mother's Day Box Framed Artwork Activity

with tutor Martina Mc Gleenan

Saturday 9 March | 2pm – 4pm | £10
Suitable for ages 8+

What better way for a child to express their love on Mother's Day than to create their very own special personalised framed sentiments. Using colourful die-cut shapes i.e., hearts for love, flowers for a garden each child will design and create their own picture selecting their own message to add to their own unique art work before it is presented in a box frame to take home.



Mother's Day Suncatcher Craft Workshop

with tutor Martina Mc Gleenan Parent / carer & child activity (ASD friendly)

Saturday 9 March | 10.30am – 12.30pm | £10
Suitable for ages 4+ with parent / carer

In this creative workshop parents / carers will work with their child to create a beautiful sun catcher using a variety of materials.

This fun, bonding team activity is a wonderful way to encourage imagination and fine motor skills as well as spending quality creative time with a loved one in the lead up to Mother's Day.



Easter Wreath Making

with tutor Sonia Brown

Saturday 16 March | 11am – 1pm | £40
Suitable for ages 16+

Enjoy a seasonal burst of floristry fun at this Easter wreath making workshop with experienced local florist Sonia Brown.

Create your own eye-catching Easter wreath to enhance your front door and welcome your visitors this Easter.

Sonia will take you step by step through the process. Using a straw ring base you will incorporate artificial flowers and foliage with the addition of Easter bits and pieces (mini eggs, chicks, nests, a bunny etc).

**All materials provided.*



Easter Chicks Workshop

with Lina Morgan of A Misty Kind of Blue

(ASD friendly)

Saturday 30 March | 11am – 12.30pm | £10
Suitable for ages 4 + with parent / carer



Create a colourful Easter chicken sculpture.

Draw and cut out your own Easter chick on cardboard, mount it on a base and have loads of fun decorating with paint, stickers, feathers, gems, felt & other crafting goodies.

We will be wrapping, gluing, painting & drawing together to create your own unique Easter decoration full of imagination & fun.

Easter Bunny Collage

with Lina Morgan of A Misty Kind of Blue

Saturday 30 March | 2pm – 3.30pm | £10
Suitable for ages 8+

Taking inspiration from contemporary artist Kenzie Kae Elston (SnippetsofWhimsy), we will create an egg-citing mixed media Easter Bunny collage. Using acrylic paints as well as a variety of markers, pens, patterned and coloured paper your very own Easter bunny will come to life.

Finish off your whimsical bunny and its floral surroundings by mounting the pieces on a backing board.

So brushes and scissors ready..... let's hop to it!

**All materials and equipment supplied.*



EXHIBITIONS @ the BURNAVON

A Right Royal Exhibition

Presented by Pamela Glasgow Baxter Artist

Wednesday 1 November – Thursday 30 November

This exhibition celebrates King Charles III and his coronation year.

Working with the artist, schools have collaborated on this project, producing their own portraits of the King. Pupils ranged from 3 – 11 and included students from learning support and autistic support classes.

This was a great way to mark the coronation as well as celebrate creativity. The exhibition coincides with King Charles III actual birthday.



GCSE and A Level Exhibition

Presented by Cookstown High School and Holy Trinity College

Friday 1 December – Friday 29 December

Cookstown High School and Holy Trinity College are delighted to present this joint exhibition of works created by pupils within their schools. Cookstown High School and Holy Trinity College will have on display a selection of two dimensional and three -dimensional artwork by GCSE and A-Level pupils.



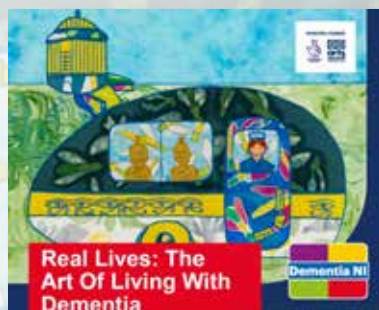
Real Lives: The Art of living with Dementia Art Exhibition

Presented by Dementia NI

Friday 5 January – Wednesday 31 January

An art exhibition exploring what it is really like living with dementia is opening at the Burnavon Theatre in Cookstown on Friday 5 January 2024. The exhibition, which challenges stigma about the condition, runs from 5 January – 31 January 2024 and is presented by Dementia NI, the local charity for people in the early to middle stages of dementia.

It showcases thought-provoking photography, striking patchwork quilts and moving poetry created by Dementia NI members, all of whom live with dementia. It shares a message of hope that many people with dementia can still enjoy life in the same way as before their diagnosis and live well with dementia.



Creative Therapy from the Palette Art Exhibition

Presented by Ardboe & Moneymore Art Groups

Thursday 1 February – Thursday 29 February

This is the second joint art exhibition by Ardboe & Moneymore Art Groups. Following on from a very successful launch and joint art exhibition in 2022, the groups have decided to come together for another joint exhibition in 2024.

Ardboe & Moneymore Art Groups are a cross community group of artists producing a variety of artwork.

Artists have used watercolour, oil, pastels, and other mediums to produce beautiful paintings/artwork that will be on display at this free exhibition in the Burnavon Theatre throughout the month of February 2024. There will also be an opportunity to talk to the artists and find out more at the launch event which will take place at the Burnavon on Thursday 8th February from 7.30pm to 9pm. Artwork will be for sale at the launch and throughout the month of February 2024.

This exhibition has been supported by the National Lottery through the Arts Council of Northern Ireland. Thanks to National Lottery players and money raised for good causes.

Community Portrait

Presented by Dungannon and Cookstown Camera Club

Friday 1 March – Friday 29 March

They say the world is becoming a smaller place.

Today the population across Mid Ulster includes many different communities, different cultures and different nationalities.

A photographic exhibition by Dungannon Cookstown Camera Club captures a snapshot of Mid Ulster 2024.



PRINCIPAL FUNDER





Gifts @ the Burnavon

Why not take a look at the wonderful range of locally produced crafts we have on display with items for all budgets and occasions. We are stockists of:

- Andrea Hayes Textile Art
- Bags & Bunting (handmade kitchen textiles)
- Colverhill Ceramics
- Conemara Marble (Irish themed gifts)
- Dasalee Textile Art
- Denis & Rosemary Ferguson
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- Earth Works Jewellery
- George Gourley Prints and Cards
- Island Turf Crafts
- Katie Larmour Linen Decorations
- Kilkenny Silver (Astra Jewellery)
- Lyndab Ceramics & Jewellery
- Northern Ireland Maps & Postcards
- Touch Design Ceramics
- Ulster Weavers (including children's aprons and hats)
- A range of local interest books



General Information

How to Book

At the Box Office:

Tel: 028 8676 9949

Opening Hours: Monday – Saturday
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 50p fee.

In Person:

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exchanged or money refunded.
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alter or cancel performances without
prior notice if circumstances make this
unavoidable. Where a performance
goes ahead we accept no responsibility
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General Information

Concessions

Where applicable, concession rates are clearly identified as part of the ticket price for the show and apply to under 16s and over 60s, unless otherwise indicated. If you have a concession ticket, remember to bring photo identification for proof of age at the performance.

Children at Performances

Under two's (babes in arms) will only be admitted free of charge to productions aimed at children and must have an allocated seat ticket issued by the Box Office in compliance with the facility's Health and Safety requirements. Buggies and carrycots are not permitted in the auditorium. Please check show information for age suitability prior to booking.

School & Group Bookings

If you are a school or a group of 10 or more, contact the Box Office to find out if a discount is available for your booking.

Accessibility

Full details on accessibility are available at www.burnavon.com/your-visit/accessibility Or contact our Box Office on 028 867 69949 for information or any queries.

The theatre is fully accessible meeting DDA legislative standards. The theatre has also been awarded the Arts & Disability Equality Charter and the RNIB Model of Excellence. The facility is also approved by the William Keown Trust and Adapt NI and includes designated seating and induction loop hearing system in auditorium, lift and specially adapted WC. Please make your requirements known at time of

booking so that staff can best assist. This brochure is available in alternative formats such as Braille, CD, on audio tape and in large print on request. To receive a copy, contact Box Office on 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.

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Hire Symbol



This show is a hire performance from an independent organisation.

The Burnavon Arts Centre have recently been presented with the Autism NI Autism Impact Award. This award is bestowed upon the Burnavon as a result of their efforts to create a more 'Autism friendly environment' for their customers.



Take a **Seat**

Main Auditorium Seating Plan

Please note:

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

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