

Bealtaine

Living Earth Festival

May 21st - 29th 2016



Celebrate our Living Earth with guided walks, talks and workshops



**Incorporating International Day
of Biological Diversity on May 22nd**



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Bealtaine Living Earth Festival

Events for Families and the General Public

SATURDAY 21st

Native Irish Trees: Myths and Legends

11:00-12:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

Explore the Shore

11:30-12:30 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Marie Power, The Sea Gardener, Irish Wildlife Trust

Location: Kilfarsy Strand near Fenor Village

A Volunteer Day at the Gracedieu Community Woodland

12:00-14:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Rebecca Doyle, Native Woodland Trust

Meet: Native Woodland Trust Community Woodland, Gracedieu, Waterford City

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15:00-16:00 (General Public/Families)

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SUNDAY 22nd



Variety is the spice of life

11:00-12:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

Sea Creature Identification & Squid Dissection

11:30-12:15 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Oceanics Surf School & Marine Education Centre

Location: Oceanics Surf School & Marine Education Centre at The Red Cottage, Tramore

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MONDAY 23rd

What do you see? There is more to a tree!

15:00-16:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

Curraghmore Estate Dusk Mammal and Bat Walk

20.00-22.00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Andrew Harrington, Waterford Institute of Technology
Meet: Curraghmore Estate, Portlaoise, Meeting at courtyard of Curraghmore House

TUESDAY 24th

The Benefits of Trees

15:00-16:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

Treasures of the Earth

19:00-21:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Tina Keating, Geologist/Gemmologist
Location: Garter Lane Gallery (beside Delaney's Florists), O'Connell Street, Waterford

WEDNESDAY 25th

Birds of Ireland Dusk Walk

19:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Eric Dempsey, Birds Ireland

Location: Mt Congreve Estate, Kilmeehan

THURSDAY 26th

The Benefits of Trees

15:00-16:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

Birds of Ireland - Facts, Folklore and History

19:30-21:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Glynn Anderson, Waterford City and County Council Heritage Office, Portlaoise Heritage Centre

Location: Portlaoise Heritage Centre, the Square, Portlaoise

FRIDAY 27th

Rhododendron Glory

15:00-16:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

SATURDAY 28th

Guided walk along the Red Trail in the JFK Arboretum

11:00-12:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

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15:00-16:00 (General Public/Families)

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SUNDAY 29th

Native Irish Trees: Myths and Legends

11:00-12:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

Giant Mosaic Creation

14:30-17:30 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: Tina Keating, Geologist/Gemmologist
Location: Annetstown Beach, Co Waterford

Native Irish Trees: Myths and Legends

15:00-16:00 (General Public/Families)

Presenter: JFK Arboretum Guides, Office of Public Works

Location: JFK Arboretum, meet at Flagpoles outside visitor centre

All events must be prebooked.

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