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FRIDAY 4 NOV

EVENING

## BALLYCROY

### 19:00 FESTIVAL OPENING

- Drinks Reception
- Music by cellist Patrick Dexter
- Stargazing (weather permitting)

Ballycroy Visitor Centre (VC)  
at Wild Nephin National Park

SATURDAY 5 NOV

MORNING

### ALL DAY - EXHIBITIONS by:

- ★ Chasseurs de Nuits **CANCELLED** (including Photo Nightscape Awards)
- ★ Josh Mathews & Aisling McGuire

### 12:00 PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

w Josh Matthews & Aisling McGuire

### 14:00 GUIDED WALK

with Michael Chambers  
meet at VC

all events take place at  
Ballycroy Visitor Centre (VC)  
at Wild Nephin National Park

AFTERNOON

EVENING

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Visitor Centre

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# Mayo Dark Sky Festival



# 4 - 6 NOV 2022

## MULRANNY

### 10:00 TALK

Pervasive Impacts of  
Artificial Light  
Kevin Gaston  
Mulranny Arts Centre

### 10:00

Seashore  
Safari  
@ Mulranny  
Beach

### 11:30 TALK

Rowing the Atlantic: The night skies  
Karen Weekes  
Mulranny Arts Centre

### 14:00 TALK

Marine Life – Blinded by the Light  
Éanna ní Lamhna  
Mulranny Arts Centre

### 20:00 GALA DINNER

(Drinks Reception 19:30)

GN Mulranny Park Hotel

### 10:30 TALK

The potential for ecological  
restoration in Mayo Dark Sky Park  
Colin Guilfoyle  
Mulranny Arts Centre

### 11:30 TALK

Who Owns the Moon?  
- an Introduction to Space Law  
Rebecca Senior  
Mulranny Arts Centre

### 13:30 PUPPET WORKSHOP

with Miracle Puppets  
followed by **PUPPET SHOW (15:00)**  
Mulranny Arts Centre

### OUR TOP TIPS!

- Please note that talk times in different venues can overlap and that it is not possible to get to EVERY event in the festival
- Take the time to read the programme (both here and online) and choose events that you will most enjoy – a Two Day Ticket offers best value & flexibility
- Make sure to give yourself enough time to travel between venues:  
★ Newport → Mulranny 20 mins ★ Mulranny → Ballycroy 20 mins
- Be sure to take advantage of our FREE SHUTTLE BUS service
- Don't hesitate to ask for advice – and ENJOY YOURSELF!



## NEWPORT

### 11:00 TALK

First Steps in Astronomy  
Derek Dempsey

Hotel Newport

**12:00 Q&A** with  
Newport Astronomy  
Club & KTeC Telescopes  
Hotel Newport

### 14:30 TALK

China in Space  
Brian Harvey  
Hotel Newport

### 16:00 TALK

James Webb Space  
Telescope - first light to new planets  
Mark McCaughrean

Hotel Newport

### 11:30

Planetarium  
Show

Newport NS

### 12:30

Planetarium  
Show

Newport NS

### 15:30

Planetarium  
Show

Newport NS

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Next Steps in Astronomy  
Brendan Owens

Hotel Newport

**12:00 Q&A**  
with Brendan Owens  
and KTeC Telescopes

Hotel Newport

### 14:30 TALK

Seeing into the Darkness -  
Black Holes & the Event Horizon Telescope  
Prof Sera Markoff  
Hotel Newport

### 16:00 TALK

'Catholic' Cosmologies?  
Br. Guy Consolmagno

Hotel Newport

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Planetarium  
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Newport NS

### 15:30

Planetarium  
Show

Newport NS

### 18:00 CLOSING EVENT

Lantern Walk to St Patrick's Church,  
followed by music with Dathanna

St. Patrick's Church



## PERFORMANCES

**Festival Opening Event** with cellist Patrick Dexter

**Ballycroy Visitor Centre** €2  
(registration fee)

Fri 4 Nov ..... 7pm

**Puppet Show** with Miracle Puppets

**Mulranny Arts Centre** FREE

Sun 6 Nov ..... 3pm

**Closing performance** by Dathanna

**St Patricks Church Newport** FREE  
(free for festival ticket holders, others €5)

Sun 6 Nov ..... 6pm

## WALKS/STARGAZING...

**Walks & Stargazing events:** FREE

Stargazing at Ballycroy Visitor Centre (weather permitting!)

Fri 4 Nov ..... 8:30pm

Guided Walks at Ballycroy VC

Sat 5 & Sun 6 Nov ..... 2pm

Seashore Safari in Mulranny (meet at Mulranny Beach)

Sat 6 Nov ..... 10am

Lantern Walk to St. Patrick's Church for closing event with Dathanna

Sun 6 Nov ..... 6pm

## GALA DINNER

GN Mulranny Park Hotel €40

Enjoy a celebratory 3 course dinner, with great food, good company and some special entertainment!

Sat 5 Nov ..... 8pm  
(drinks reception 7:30pm)



Free Shuttle!

## TALKS

**NEWPORT** price per talk: €7.50\*

(\*or buy a ONE DAY or TWO DAY pass)

Derek Dempsey:

'First Steps in Astronomy'

Sat 5 Nov ..... 11am

Brian Harvey:

'China in Space'

Sat 5 Nov ..... 2:30pm

Prof Mark McCaughrean:

'James Webb – from First Light to new planets'

Sat 5 Nov ..... 4pm

Brendan Owens:

'Next Steps in Astronomy'

Sun 6 Nov ..... 11am

Prof Sera Markoff:

'Event Horizon Telescope'

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Br. Guy Consolmagno SJ:

'Catholic Cosmologies?'

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'The Pervasive Impact of Light Pollution'

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Karen Weekes:

'Rowing the Atlantic – the Night Skies'

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'Marine Life – blinded by the Light'

Sat 5 Nov ..... 2pm

Colin Guilfoyle:

'Eco-restoration in Mayo Dark Sky Park'

Sun 6 Nov ..... 10:30am

Rebecca Senior:

'Who Owns the Moon?'

Sun 6 Nov ..... 11:30am

## WORKSHOPS

**NEWPORT**

Telescope Q&As (following 11am talks)

Sat 5 Nov ..... 12 noon

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Planetarium Shows:

FREE

Sat 5 Nov ..... 11:30am

Sat 5 Nov ..... 12:30pm

Sat 5 Nov ..... 3pm

Sun 6 Nov ..... 11:30am

Sun 6 Nov ..... 12:30pm

Sun 6 Nov ..... 3pm

**MULRANNY**

Seashore Safari in Mulranny . FREE

Sat 5 Nov ..... 10am

Silk Puppet Workshop

€10

Sun 6 Nov ..... 1:30pm

**BALLYCROY**

Photography Workshop w Josh

Matthews & Aisling McGuire €10

Sat 5 Nov ..... 12 noon

## EXHIBITIONS/STANDS

**Exhibitions/Trade stands:** FREE

**NEWPORT:**

KTEC Telescopes

Newport Lighting Plan

**BALLYCROY VISITOR CENTRE:**

Photo Exhibition throughout the weekend with photographs by Josh Matthews and Aisling McGuire

+  
**lots of free events!**



## PRICES

CHILDREN (under 16) GO FREE  
TO MOST DAYTIME EVENTS!

**TWO DAY PASS**

€30

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY PASS** (ie ONE DAY PASS)

€20

**GALA DINNER**

€40

**WORKSHOPS** (astrophotography/puppet making)

€10

**INDIVIDUAL TALKS** (pay at the door)

€7.50

**BUY YOUR TICKETS at: www.MAYODARKSKYFESTIVAL.IE**