Duhallow Choral Society was founded in 1996 to promote music and culture in the Duhallow region. The choir currently has 70 members and has toured in Belgium, USA, Germany and Italy.

Ceoltóirí Sliabh Luachra are a group of talented musicians, singers and dancers who have been trained at *Bruach na Carraige*, Rockchapel since 2010.

The Pards are a military re-enactment group that has performed at Spike Island, Charles Fort and other historic venues during their illustrious career.

Mallow Speak Easy Toastmasters was founded in April, 1993. The club meets on alternate Thursday nights, between September and May, at 8pm in The Hibernian Hotel, Mallow.

Messy Hands will host a "messy art workshop" suitable for 2 to 6 year olds and their parents. Be prepared to get your hands messy and wear some old clothes! To book a place: ring Esther at 086-4095291

Dowtcha are Cork's puppet specialists, best known for producing and touring high quality original puppet shows and for workshops that cover a range of puppetry suitable for a variety of skill levels. To book a place in this workshop: phone Viv at 087-8339137

Diarmuid O'Flynn is the founder of the "Ballyhea Says No" campaign, and in 2014 began working as one of MEP Luke "Ming" Flanagan's parliamentary assistants. He was the *Irish Examiner's* chief hurling correspondent until his relocation to Brussels in 2014.

The Lorraine O'Riordan Gospel Choir has been entertaining audiences throughout Duhallow for many years with their superb vocal harmonies.

Cornelius Patrick O' Sullivan is a comedian, a poet and a mentalist. His unique style fuses anecdotal comedy with poetry, bizarre impressions and quirky one line observations.

Fear na Coillte, Will Fogarty, gives demonstrations in the art of Chainsaw Sculptures. His work is unique, involving breath-taking craftsmanship.

Cian O'Sullivan is an artist and art educator based in Mallow, Co. Cork. He has worked with the Cope Foundation, Alzheimer's Society of Ireland and Kaleidoscope Drama Group. His current work is based in both traditional portraiture and more abstracted work based on the human head.

Mary Bradford is a North Cork novelist and playwright. She has enjoyed many successes with her short stories and books. She is at present working on the sequel to her novel, My Husband's Sin and on a short film script.

Around The Farm Gate is a unique collection of 50 stories written by different authors (including two from Kanturk) detailing their experiences of the rural Ireland in which they grew up. Brigid Daly's & John Dillon's short stories will be read.

"A Night Of Drama" features short plays from Mary Angland, Jacqui Feely, Mike Guerin, Ann Leo O'Connor, Marie O'Halloran and Aidan O' Keeffe.

The Scoil Mhuire Traditional Ensemble, made up of pupils from the local secondary school, will be performing a ten minute set of Irish music including some wonderful sean nós singing.

Mallow Camera Club was set up in 1986 and has been successful in a number of regional, national and international competitions. The club meets every Monday night, except bank holidays, in the Mercy Centre, Fair Street, Mallow at 8pm. No need to book for this workshop. Just turn up with your camera or even your iPhone!

The Clon Jazz Collective has a monthly Sunday afternoon jazz session in De Barra's, Clonakilty. They play songs by Miles Davis and Duke Ellington, along with some bossa nova numbers, and even some funk!

Deirdre Nagle is studying for her Masters in Art Therapy - a form of psychotherapy that uses art media and creative interventions to encourage self-expression within a therapeutic relationship. The aim is to improve mental health and maintain emotional well-being.

Poetry Slam: Try to impress our judge, Marie O'Halloran. €50 book token for the best recitation of your own poem. €50 book token for the best reading of someone else's poem. Prizes kindly sponsored by Kanturk Book Shop.

Marie O'Halloran is a poet, playwright and short-story writer. She is currently editing her debut crime novel.

Noel Walsh is a solo guitar player from Mallow who creates a romantic, relaxed atmosphere and he has a residency in Springfort Hall every Friday night.



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Kanturk Credit Union Schools' Art Competition

Pupils from national schools in Kanturk, Lismire, Kilbrin and Banteer, along with students in Scoil Mhuire and Colaiste Treasa, Kanturk, submitted nearly 300 works of art in this year's competition, kindly sponsored by Kanturk Credit Union.

The paintings are on display in shop windows throughout Kanturk town, with the category winners framed and displayed in Percival Street.

Short Story Competition

1st prize: €300 2nd prize: €125 3rd prize: €75
Entries were received from all over Ireland for this competition. The standard was exceptional.
The winners will be announced during the Festival.

Invited Artist's Exhibition

An exhibition of work by artist-in-residence Cian O'Sullivan is on display in Kanturk Credit Union for the duration of the Festival.

Kanturk Library Paintings Exhibition

Paintings from local artists are displayed in Kanturk Library throughout the Festival.

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ALL EVENTS FREE, EXCEPT WHERE INDICATED

Thursday, March 17th

Duhallow Choral Society musical celebration of mass

- Church of the Immaculate Conception, 10-11am
- Opening of local artists' paintings exhibition
- Kanturk Library, 3-4pm
- "Duhallow Celebrates 1916" with Duhallow Choral Society, Ceoltóirí Sliabh Luachra, The Pards and Special Guests (€10)
- Edel Quinn Hall, 7.30pm

Friday, March 18th

- "Messy Hands" workshop for 2-6 year olds (€5)
- •Trade Union Hall, 10-11am
- "Dowtcha Puppetry" for children aged 7+ (€5)
- •Trade Union Hall, 2-4.30 pm
- " (Mis)information in the Media" a talk by activist Diarmuid O'Flynn
- •Trade Union Hall, 6-7pm

Prize-giving ceremony featuring The Lorraine O'Riordan Gospel Choir and comedian Cornelius O'Sullivan

•Kanturk Courthouse, 7.30-8.30pm

Saturday, March 19th

Chainsaw Art with Fear na Coillte

- O'Brien Street Park, 10am-4pm
- "Still Life With Vibrant Colour" workshop with Cian O'Sullivan (€10)
- Trade Union Hall, 10am-1pm

Book launch by author Mary Bradford; readings from "Around The Farm Gate"

- Trade Union Hall, 5-6pm
- "A Night Of Drama"; recital by Scoil Mhuire Traditional Ensemble
- Kanturk Courthouse, 7.30-8.30pm

Sunday, March 20th

Photography walkabout with Mallow Camera Club

• Trade Union Hall, 11am-1pm

Jazz Session with the Clonakilty Jazz Collective

• The Daily Grind Coffee Shop, 2-4pm

Art Therapy with Deirdre Nagle

• Trade Union Hall, 4.30-5.30

Poetry Slam; music from Noel Walsh

• Kanturk Courthouse, 7.30-8.30

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