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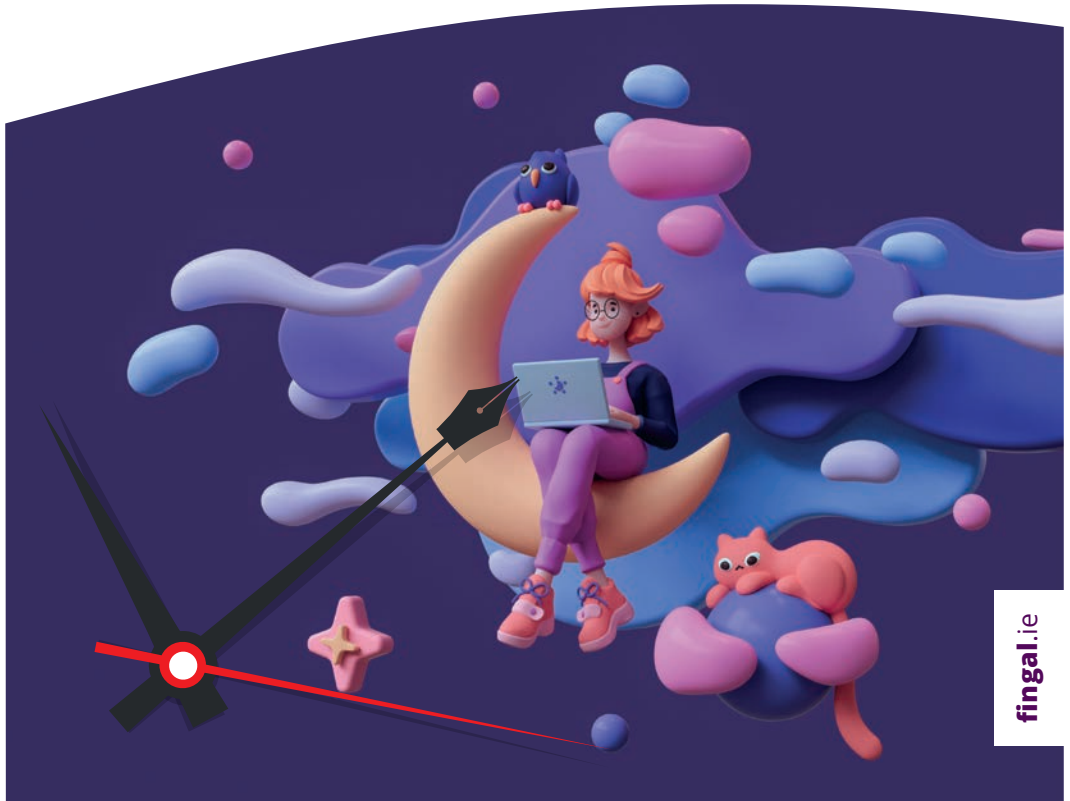
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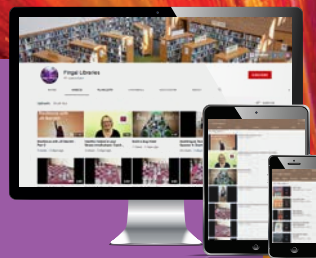
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The Write Time

A Celebration of Creativity & Writing in Fingal



The sixth annual **Write Time Festival** organised by Fingal Libraries celebrates the written and spoken word in Fingal. Fingal libraries will host free online talks, events and courses which will be uploaded to our YouTube channel and shared on our various social media platforms for adults and kids throughout the month of September to spark the imagination and inspire creativity.



For more information about our Write Time events please contact library.events@fingal.ie

Edel Coffey Zoom Interview with Manchán Magan

8.00pm • Tuesday 7th September

To book a place register on the following link.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/edel-coffey-zoom-interview-with-manchan-magan-tickets-166145123537>

Join Edel Coffey in conversation with Manchán Magan where they will discuss his latest book, his previous works and his writing life.

Manchán Magan has written books on his travels in Africa, India and South America and two novels. He writes regularly for *The Irish Times*, presents *The Almanac of Ireland* on RTÉ Radio 1 and reports on travel for various radio programmes. He has presented dozens of documentaries on issues of world culture for TG4, RTÉ & Travel Channel. His book ***Thirty-Two Words For Field*** explores the insights the Irish language offers into the landscape, psyche and heritage of Ireland.



Edel Coffey is an Irish writer, journalist and broadcaster. She began work as an arts journalist and editor with the *Sunday Tribune*. She has since worked as a presenter and reporter with RTE radio, as editor of the *Irish Independent Weekend Magazine*, and as Books Editor of the *Irish Independent*. Her debut novel ***Breaking Point*** will be published in January 2022.

Creative Writing for Adults with Anne McDonald Online Course - 4 weeks

Feel The Fear and Write it Anyway

- Do you want to try Creative Writing but don't know where to start?
- Have you written before and would like to reconnect with your writing?
- Do you have lots of ideas but struggle with getting them down on paper?



Join Anne for 4 one hour sessions this September on Zoom to see how you can rediscover the joy of Creative Writing and find your own unique voice.

You will learn

Tips and tools to get you started	Ways to deal with procrastination and fear	Finding inspiration in your every-day surroundings	How to set clear and manageable writing goals
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These sessions are free of charge but places are limited to 12 participants so you can book your place by emailing Septemerwriting21@gmail.com

**Sessions will run from 11.00am to 12.00pm
on Saturday, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th September**

Anne McDonald (B.A., M.Phil.) is a creative writing teacher and award winning spoken word performer. She has facilitated *The Artist's Way* and creative writing classes for several years. She has been a winner in the Strokestown International Poetry competition and was shortlisted in the RTÉ Frances MacManus short story competition.

A video of Anne McDonald reading from her new Poetry book will also be available for viewing on Fingal Libraries YouTube channel throughout September.

Her poetry collection **Crow's Books** was published in March 2021
<https://creativelythinkingweb.wordpress.com/>

Creative Writing for Teen Wellbeing with Orlaith O'Sullivan Max participants 12 - Online Course - 4 weeks

Free your writing! Join Orlaith in a four-week journey to explore our unique creativity and to deal with the inner critical voices that can stop us from expressing ourselves.

This is a safe, kind space to:

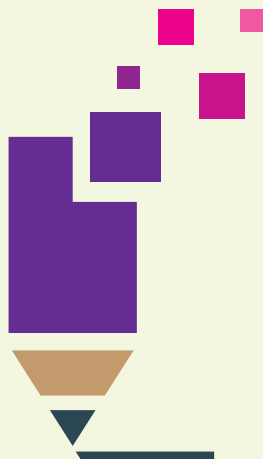
- strengthen your ability to create and develop your own written work.
- learn practices to care for your mind and heart, so that you have the energy and courage to continue to create.

Our approach centres on you and your relationship with your writing. You can focus on a single piece of writing for the 4 weeks or experiment with writing prompts each week during class. Together, we co-create a supportive space of creative decision-making and self-expression. It's 'Zoom-lite', so you can have your cameras off during our guided practices - we want this to feel comfortable and fun.

**Sessions will run from 7.00pm - 8.00pm
on Thursday 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th of September**

To register for the 4 week course:
email Orlaith at hello@orlaithosullivan.com

***Orlaith** is an award-winning writer and is internationally recognized for her teachings on mindfulness and happiness. She has a PhD in English Literature and lots of editing experience, including working as an editor for The British Library. She creates spaces for teens to learn practical ways to care for and express themselves and to tap into their own unique strengths.*



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Children's Events

Shane Hegarty - Video on creative writing and inspiration

Shane Hegarty is the writer of two bestselling children's series'.

Darkmouth is the story of a boy who had to fight the legends of myth invading his town, even though he was reluctant to do so.. The town is based on Shane's hometown of Skerries.

Boot is the story of a toy robot who wakes up in a grinder and sets off to find its owner. There are no lost robots in Skerries, as far as he knows. His writing has been translated into over 15 languages worldwide. He is also a columnist for *The Sunday Times*.



Jackie Burke - Video on her writing

Jackie Burke grew up with her sister and three brothers in

Dublin. An avid reader and writer since her early school days,

she only recently began writing children's stories, having

dreamed of doing so for quite some time. She has written

two series, the hugely popular **Secrets of Grindlewood** and

the magical, mystery tale of the **Harp Maiden**. She is greatly

inspired by her love of nature and gardens, wildlife and of course magic. She lives with her husband in Bray, County Wicklow.



Lucinda Jacob - Video on her poetry for children

Lucinda Jacob writes poetry and stories for children and

facilitates creative writing workshops for all ages. Her

poetry book **Hopscotch in the Sky**, is accompanied by

the Hopscotch in the Sky Poetry Kit (free to download

from Little Island Books). Her latest book **Climate SOS!**

is published by Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland.

For the festival Lucinda will read some of her poems and encourage participants to write their own.



Fingal Libraries Culture Night 2021

This year's Culture Night is celebrated on September 17th 2021. Fingal Libraries will celebrate Culture Night with online poetry & music events



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Join us for a virtual festival which can be accessed through our YouTube channel & social media platforms

Oblique Techniques: Poetry of Present-Absent Place Premier on Culture Night, Friday 17th September

Fingal Libraries present three poets whose work explores the contemporary world in unusual ways. Documenting the moment in its various forms – public, private, elemental, intellectual, abstract and material – these poets use words, letters and phrases as material objects to surprise the reader with new meanings. Arrangements enact perception, movement and the process of thinking; art accompanies text. Call them experimental, avant-garde . . . or leave the categories and discover where the oblique leads.

Alice Lyons's most recent book is **Oona** (Lilliput, 2020), a novel, which was shortlisted for the 2021 Kate O'Brien Award. Author of three collections of poetry, she is recipient of the Patrick Kavanagh Award and the inaugural Ireland Chair of Poetry Bursary awarded by Nuala Ní Dhomhnaill. She is Lecturer in Writing and Literature, Yeats Academy of Arts, Design and Architecture at IT Sligo.



Catherine Walsh was born in Dublin and now lives in Limerick. She is the author of several books of poetry, including: **Making Tents** (hardPressed poetry, 1987); **Pitch** (Pig Press, 1994); **Idir Eatortha and Making Tents** (Invisible Books, 1996); **City West** (Shearsman, 2005); **Optic Verve** (Shearsman, 2009); and **Astonished Birds Cara, Jane, Bob and James** (hardPressed Poetry, 2012). She is founder and co-editor of hardPressed Poetry with Billy Mills.

Christodoulos Makris has published three books of poetry, most recently ***This is no longer entertainment: A Documentary Poem*** (Dostoyevsky Wannabe, 2019) as well as several pamphlets, artists' books and other poetry objects with presses in Ireland, the UK and North America. A digital publication in collaboration with Kimberly Campanello is forthcoming from Fallow Media. Recent commissions and awards include: Rising Generation poet, Literature Project Award, The Arts Council of Ireland (2020-21); Platform 31, The Association of Local Authority Arts Offices (2021). He is the poetry editor at Gorse Journal and associated imprint Gorse Editions.



Introductions by Máighréad Medbh



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Virtual online performance with The LR Project

(available to view on the Fingal Libraries YouTube Channel)

The LR Project (duo) led by the two experienced and versatile musicians from Brazil: Luana Matos (Vocal) and Robson Rocha (Guitar), will deliver a beautiful musical experience full of the authentic Bossa Nova swing. Together they will take you on a journey of captivating music and entertainment in a unique acoustic style, with that summer feeling no matter what season we are in!

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