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Baboró
International Arts
Festival for Children

Fáilte

We've missed you! The Baboró team and I are excited to welcome thousands of children, their families and teachers to this 26th edition of the festival.

This year's programme is full to the brim with shows from Belgium, Italy, Norway, Denmark, Scotland and England alongside performances, exhibitions and workshops from Ireland. We extend a warm welcome to our Creative Europe MAPPING project partners who bring beautiful shows especially for children 6 and under.

Baboró's commission, *Tiny Mutiny/An Ceannairc Beag Bídeach*, celebrates children as artists in their own right as they create colourful, boisterous protest performances in both Ros Muc and Galway city. And Baboró's inaugural Children's Panel will be our young festival critics as they help us shape future festivals.

Immerse yourself in joyous dance, theatre, circus, spectacle, art and stories from near and far with family and friends – Baboró is back!

Aislinn Ó hEocha

Executive Artistic Director

Box Office

General Public

Buy at www.baboro.ie

In person from Tuesday 6 September at Town Hall Theatre, Courthouse Square, Galway. 091 569777

Schools

Online Booking Request Form at www.baboro.ie/schools

First round booking request deadline: Wednesday 14 September

Schools Box Office: 091 532985 | email: schools@baboro.ie

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Day by Day



Image by: ved Mezgoda

Of Bluebells and Butterflies

This interactive dance theatre performance promises to soothe and delight both babies and their adults. As a fantastical garden full of wondrous creatures comes to life in our imagination, audiences are invited to playfully engage through song, gentle movement, touch and play. Celebrate the unique connection between you and your baby in this immersive, multisensory experience.

A TRACKS co-commission from Baboró, Dublin Fringe Festival and Cork Midsummer Festival.

OCTOBER

Th 20 12.00 14.00

Fr 21 10.00 12.00

Venue: Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane

Seating: Cushions

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 30 min + 30 min play

Limited capacity, up to two adults per baby

 Mapping





Image by Oliver Callies

Tiébélé

In the courtyard of a Kasséna house, a young woman paints the walls with clay and water, accompanied by lullabies from a N'goni player. Together, they brighten their home with colour and song.

Tiébélé echoes the beautiful traditions of women from a village in Burkina Faso, West Africa. This show combines poetry and plastic. Soil and song. Organic matter and manmade materials. A creation that links the ancestral gestures of these African women to toddlers' first attempts to draw.

OCTOBER

Fr 14 10.00 11.30
Sa 15 **10.00*** 11.30

Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway

Seating: Cushions and Benches

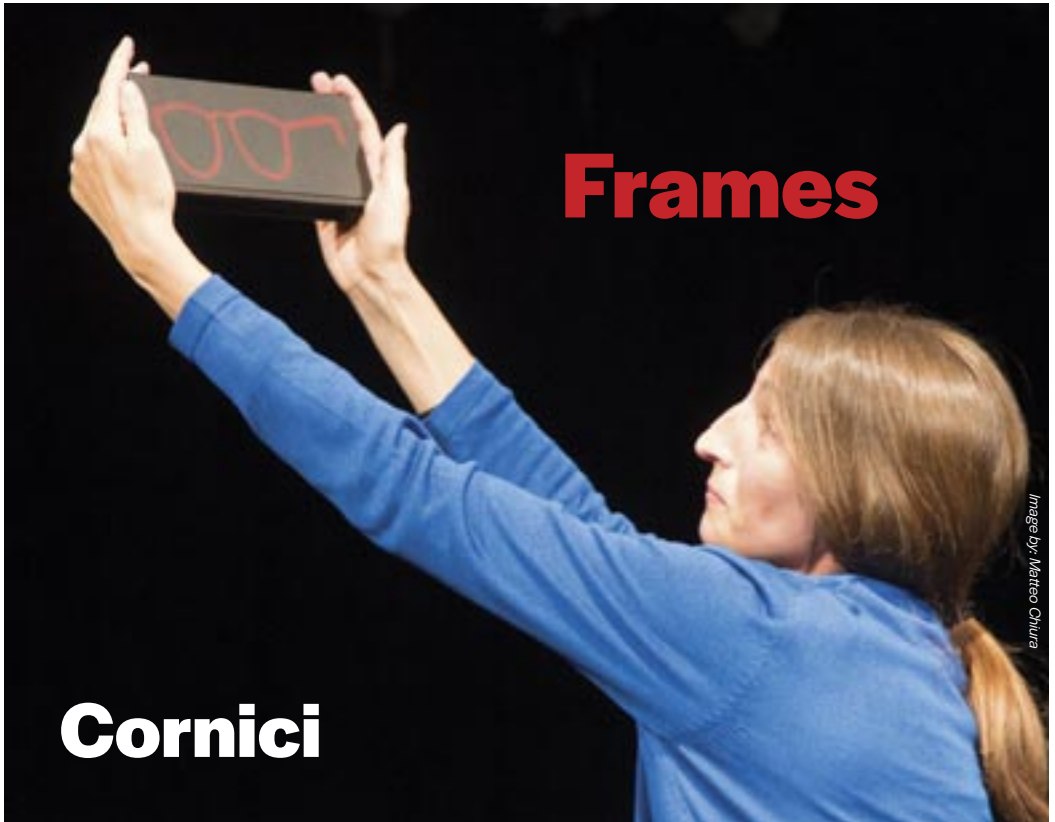
Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 40 min

Limited capacity

*Relaxed event. See page 32 for details.





Cornici

Frames

Image by: Matteo Chirra

Our memories act as windows on the past, revealing fragments of stories we have heard, pictures we have seen, emotions we have felt, ever since we were little. By opening these windows we have a chance to relive our memories in our imagination.

Frames, is a visual theatre show with very few words, that celebrates the power of memory and imagination.

OCTOBER

Fr 21 14.30 16.30

Sa 22 10.00 12.00

Venue: Ballybane Library
 Seating: Cushions and Benches
 Tickets: Free, but booking advised
 Duration: 35 min
 Limited capacity

Mapping



You Are Here

Du Er Her

You Are Here is about finding your way in the world - and within yourself. We meet the girl who finds her way to the bakery and back again all by herself; explore a forest of signs and symbols; use the stars to guide us across the sea.

This gentle performance weaves stories of adventures big and small from images, objects, words and musical soundscapes. Why not ride a bike all the way around the world? Just because you can!

OCTOBER

Sa 22 14.30 16.30

Su 23 10.30 12.30

Venue: Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane
 Seating: Cushions and Benches
 Tickets: See page 32
 Duration: 30 min + 15 min play
 Limited capacity





Image by Anita Murphy

Grand Soft Day

Splashing in puddles, wind whipping your hair, crunching frost under your feet, and rain dripping on your nose, now that's a grand soft day. A playful show about always being prepared, even though you do not know what the day will bring.

Grand Soft Day is a curious and charming new show that celebrates the wonder of the world around us. It is a predominantly non-verbal piece combining physical storytelling, live music and colourful wellies.

Commissioned by The Ark, Dublin.

OCTOBER

We 19	11.00	15.30
Th 20	10.00	12.00
Fr 21	10.00	12.00
Sa 22	10.00	12.00
Su 23	10.00*	12.00

Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway
 Seating: Cushions and Benches
 Tickets: See page 32
 Duration: 45 min
 Limited capacity

*Relaxed event. See page 32 for details.





Image by Anita Murphy

Rothar

Where can you go when there is nowhere to go?

In the little bike shop at the end of town, a world of adventure awaits. Two boys and their bikes travel the world in a show that conjures play from the everyday and where anything is possible. This joyful production celebrates the places your imagination can take you.

Produced in association with Drama NUI Galway and Baboró International Arts Festival for Children.

OCTOBER

Th 20	09.30 11.30
Fr 21	11.00 15.00
Sa 22	14.00* 16.00
Su 23	14.00 16.00

Venue: An Taibhdhearc

Seating: Theatre Seating

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 45 min

*Relaxed event. See page 32 for details.

Ionad urraithe ag





Image by Jo Wainstay

Family Portrait

Family Portrait captures Artistic Director, Natasha Gilmore, and her children in an intimate portrayal of family life. Presented on 4 large screens that surround audiences, this video installation introduces Natasha's family through dance, humour and candid "off camera" moments as together they encounter the stunning Scottish landscape.

Through striking imagery, choreography and intricate soundscapes, an honest depiction of family unfolds, in all its relentless, glorious chaos.

OCTOBER

Su 16	11.00	12.00	13.00	15.00*	16.00	17.00
Mo 17	09.30	10.30	11.30	12.30	14.30	15.30 16.30*
Tu 18	09.30	10.30	11.30	12.30	14.30	15.30 16.30*
We 19	09.30	10.30	11.30	12.30	14.30	15.30 16.30*

Venue: Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane

Seating: Stools and Cushions

Tickets: €6 pp or €20 for family of 4

Duration: 35 min

*Relaxed event. See page 32 for details.

Jojo Hynes & Midie Corcoran | Ireland | Spectacle



Image by Jojo Hynes

Tiny Mutiny

An Ceannairc Beag Bídeach

The children of Galway make a stand – join the rebellion! Two youth ensembles from Rosmuc and Galway City proclaim the need for a child-led cultural space in the West of Ireland. Working with local artists, each group will share their vision through boisterous protest performances accompanied by colourful banners, rebellious songs and digital projections.

Seasann páistí na Gaillimhe an fód - glac páirt san éirí amach! Fógraíonn dhá ghrúpa óige as Ros Muc agus Cathair na Gaillimhe go bhfuil gá le spás cultúir faoi stiúir páistí in Iarthar na hÉireann. Agus iad ag obair le healaíontóirí na háite, déanann gach grúpa an fhís atá acu a roinnt trí léirithe agóide bríomhara in éineacht le bratacha ildaite, amhráin reibiliúnacha agus teilgin dhigiteacha.

OCTOBER

- Sa 15** 18.30 Ionad Cultúrtha an Phiarsaigh, Ros Muc
Sa 22 18.30 Spanish Arch, Galway City

Venue: On tour
 Tickets: Free
 Duration: 45 min
 Outdoors: Dress for the weather

A Baboró commission funded by the Arts Council Commissions Award

Urraitheoir Gaelige

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The Glasshouse



Image by Ann Hanly

Fiach is on a mission to keep his last plant alive as the city's smoke and fumes engulf the surrounding greenery. As he gathers new friends, his mission becomes an expedition to repopulate the world with plants and turn it green.

The Glasshouse is a compelling new dance show by choreographer Róisín Whelan about the courage of the human spirit, the value of friendship and life's determination to survive. An enthralling, sumptuous feast for the eyes and ears.

OCTOBER

Th 20	11.00
Fr 21	10.00 12.30
Sa 22	14.00 17.00

Venue: Town Hall Theatre

Seating: Theatre Seating

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 45 min

PERFORMANCE

BrokenCrow | Ireland | Audio

7 TO 12 YRS

2nd to 6th Class



The Little Robber Girl

Right and wrong are not so straightforward for Mattie - a thief and trickster raised among sea-faring bandits. She's not one to do what she is told, but she is a brave soul and a loyal daughter, and this time it's up to her to come to her family's rescue.

Join Mattie, her little dog Arthur, and her new friend Finn in an exciting audio drama, as they go in search of Mattie's missing Mammy and return with much more than buried treasure.

Let the listening adventure begin!

OCTOBER

Fr 14 - Su 23 Podcast

Venue: www.baboro.ie and RTÉjr

Duration: 80 min in total (5 episodes)

Associated workshop on page 23



UP-CLOSE

Image by: Michèle Cahill

Hello!
How are you?
Do you want to play with me?

An energetic site-specific dance piece where two strangers meet, connect, and celebrate their new friendship. Together they look to the future with hope, optimism, and an appetite for life.

UP-CLOSE is about trusting each other, building resilience together, and letting go of the past. A highly physical dance show blending contemporary and street dance styles and peppered with humour.

OCTOBER

Sa 22 12.00 14.00

Venue: Spanish Arch, Galway City

Tickets: Free

Duration: 25 min

Outdoors: Dress for the weather

SCHOOLS TOUR

Tu 18 - Fr 21 See baboro.ie



Image by: Jack Orford

I Wish I Was A Mountain

On the day of the famous annual fair, the town of Faldum receives an unexpected visit. A wanderer offers to grant a wish to anyone who wants one. Before long, the city is transformed. Mansions stand where mud huts once squatted, and beggars ride around in horse drawn carriages. And one man wishes to be turned into a mountain.

Written and performed by former Glastonbury Poetry Slam Champion Toby Thompson, *I Wish I Was A Mountain* uses rhyme, live music, and just a smattering of metaphysical philosophy to boldly reimagine Herman Hesse's classic fairytale.

OCTOBER

Tu 18	19.00
We 19	10.00 12.15

Venue:	Town Hall Theatre
Seating:	Theatre Seating
Tickets:	See page 32
Duration:	45 min



ON TOUR

Th 20	10.00 12.15
Venue:	The Mall, Tuam
Seating:	Theatre Seating





Image by: Natalia Oglozka

Der Lauf

Welcome to the surreal world of *Der Lauf*, where nothing is quite as it seems. Two circus performers compete in a series of bizarre challenges as they juggle blindly, spin plates wildly and stack glasses wearing enormous boxing gloves. As the glasses rise, so do the stakes. Will you, their only guide, help lead them to safety or towards further peril?

Expect the unexpected in this series of absurd games played in an offbeat cabaret style that will enthrall young and old alike.

OCTOBER

Sa 15 14.00 17.00

Su 16 13.00 16.00

Venue: Black Box Theatre

Seating: Theatre Seating

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 55 min



Image by: Eoin Carey

Chalk About

Chalk About is a playful, funny and moving look at how we see ourselves and others, featuring dance, chalk, chat, and one perfect scene containing everything you could wish for! Turning the stage into a gigantic chalkboard, the show asks some BIG questions about identity: What makes us who we are? Is it where we are from? How we talk? Our pasts or our futures? Or is it just the way we dance?

A Curious Seed production, created by Christine Devaney and Leandro Kees. Commissioned by Imagine.

OCTOBER

Tu 18	09.30 12.20
We 19	09.30 12.20
Th 20	11.00 19.00
Fr 21	09.30 12.20

Venue:	Black Box Theatre
Seating:	Theatre Seating
Tickets:	See page 32
Duration:	55 min



Image by: Ciara Keogh

The Sleep That Ceased to Settle

It was Joanie's Mum who sang the bedtime songs. Now she's gone and Joanie can't sleep. Encouraged by her dad Malley, Joanie begins to tell a story of a village where sleep has ceased to settle. Can a young girl guide her community to the safety of Mt Torgberg? Can songs return and Joanie and Malley finally find sleep?

This new heart-warming play by internationally renowned playwright Finegan Kruckemeyer is full of heart, fun and great adventure, as a father and daughter try to come to terms with loss, grief and a lack of sleep.

OCTOBER

Su 16	15.00
Mo 17	09.30 12.00
Tu 18	09.30 12.00

Venue:	An Taibhdhearc
Seating:	Theatre Seating
Tickets:	See page 32
Duration:	60 min

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TG4



Graffiti: BEAG | Ireland | Theatre



Image by: George Hanover

Graffiti: BEAG share their unique early years arts encounters with young families. Registered artists will be in attendance as part of BEAG: Creative Process & Play workshop (see page 31).

Paper Play

A captivating non-verbal storytelling performance where movement and white paper create endless transformational possibilities whilst encouraging children to gently explore, making sense of the world around them.

OCTOBER

Mo 17 10.00
 Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway
 Seating: Cushions and Benches
 Tickets: See page 32
 Duration: 15 min + 45 min play
 Limited capacity, up to two adults per baby

What Colour is the Rain?

A gentle and colourful exploration of sound and senses. The excitement, anticipation and sense of wonder build as boxes burst open to reveal the colours of the rainbow, set to the gentle and playful sound of chimes.

OCTOBER

Mo 17 12.00
 Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway
 Seating: Cushions and Benches
 Tickets: See page 32
 Duration: 15 min + 45 min play
 Limited capacity, up to two adults per baby



Widden Ar Geels

The Community
Speaks



Image by: Leanne McDonagh

Immerse yourself in Traveller stories of vixens, owls and horses who live alongside humans as guides, protectors, friends and foes, while spirits, giants and fairies blur the lines between this world and the otherworld.

Artist Leanne McDonagh and poet Oein DeBhairduin invite us to celebrate the stories and oral traditions of the Irish Traveller community, creating an inclusive space for all to enjoy the magic and wisdom imbued in the craft and stories of the Mincéirí.

Curated by the Galway Arts Centre.

OCTOBER

Sa 15 - Sa 29	Daily
Mo - Sa	10.00 - 17.00
Su	11.00 - 17.00

Venue: Galway Arts Centre, Dominick St.

Tickets: Free

Schools: Weekday exhibition tours available, see www.baboro.ie/schools

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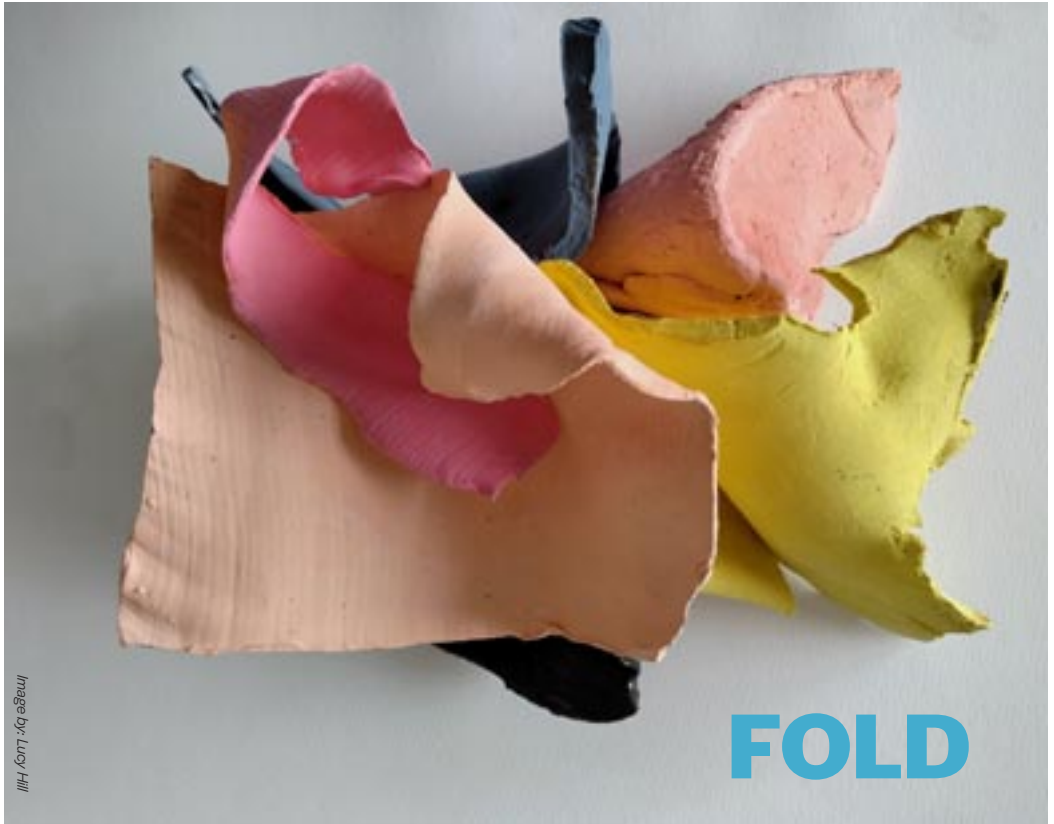


Image by: Lucy Hill

FOLD

FOLD explores ideas of openness, relationships, colour, form and line, language development, movement, feeling, and seeing, toward ever more expansive yet inclusive forms of possibility.

Inspired and informed by Early Childhood Education and Care philosophies, this visual art exhibition explores the relationship between art and early childhood learning elements including colour, shape, form, line and texture. *FOLD* works with these art elements to present a plethora of paintings that offer playful, imaginative possibilities, which can endlessly adapt to unique perspectives and experiences.

OCTOBER

Sa 15	11.00 - 17.00
Su 16	11.00 - 17.00
Mo 17	Closed
Tu 18	13.00 - 17.00
We 19	Closed
Th 20	13.00 - 17.00
Fr 21	13.00 - 17.00
Sa 22	11.00 - 17.00
Su 23	11.00 - 17.00

Venue: Engage Art Studios, Salthill

Tickets: Free

Schools: Weekday exhibition tours available, see www.baboro.ie/schools

Associated workshop on page 28



Lullaby LEAF

Prepare for whooshing winds, gigantic raindrops, busy bugs, and bursts of colourful canopy! A soothing world comes to life through music, light, smell, movement, and touch in this joyful multisensory performance. Produced and performed by Ceol Connected for children with Down Syndrome and complex needs.

Crèche to 2nd Class

OCTOBER

We 19 - Fr 21

Venue: The Connacht Hotel

Tickets: Limited availability.

Call Schools Box Office at 091 532 985

The Wonder Project

I Wonder, I Wonder... Live music, movement and a feast of sensory engagement lead children to discover and explore their own stories, dance, and creativity in this week-long residency in a special school, where stories evolve, and performance can happen unexpectedly.

The Wonder Project, by Phillida Eves, is a week-long residency in St. Joseph's Special School and is not available for booking.

Supported by



Spéirscéalta

Stories of the Air

5th to 6th Class

A bilingual project run by the Samhail Collective - a team of scientists, artists, musicians and researchers.

Creative Writing Workshop as Gaeilge with Brid Treasa Wyndham

Create a story as gaeilge that explores our special relationship with the atmosphere and points towards solutions to protect our air, environment and climate.

Illustration Workshop with Lara Luxardi

Learn how to bring a character to life on the page, organise a storyboard and plan the interplay of rhythm, space and time, finding the threads that bind a story.

Venue: Classroom
Tickets: See www.baboro.ie/schools
Duration: 150 min

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Urraitheoir Gaeilge

**OCTOBER****Fr 14**

My Little Album

2nd to 3rd Class

Join illustrator Tarsila Krüse on a brief illustrated tour of Ireland. Meet known and unusual characters from various backgrounds, discover places from all over the island and create your own *Little Album*.

OCTOBER**Fr 14**

Venue: Classroom
Tickets: See www.baboro.ie/schools
Duration: 150 min

Sound Secrets

2nd to 6th Class

Dive into the world of radio drama with Moonfish Theatre who created *Into the World Within* for Baboró 2021. In five short videos you'll learn tips and tricks for creating your own radio play in the classroom.

OCTOBER**Fr 14 - Su 23**

Venue: www.baboro.ie
Tickets: Free
Duration: 40 min in total (5 videos)

Storyboard Workshop

2nd to 5th Class

Meet Deirdre Dwyer, the creator of the audio play *The Little Robber Girl*, on a Zoom call in your classroom. Deirdre will guide you through creating and illustrating a radio play storyboard.

OCTOBER**We 19 - Fr 21** 9.30 11.30

Venue: Zoom
Tickets: See www.baboro.ie/schools
Duration: 60 min + 15 min
instructional video



Image by: Laura Sheeran

The Lighthouse Project

The Lighthouse Project is a site-specific initiative curated by Dani Gill that takes place around Ireland annually featuring writers and artists collaborating to realise a unique shared work. As part of Baboró 2022 the project will work with visual artist Linda Fahrlin and writer Sadhbh Devlin in Claddagh National School in Galway city and Scoil Chaomhain on Inis Oírr.

This project is in collaboration with designated schools and is not available for booking.

Supported by



Get Curious on the Shore

3 YRS +

Join experts from Galway Atlantaquaria and CÚRAM on a seashore treasure hunt at Grattan Beach as we find animals that make glue, drill holes and shoot stinging cells - note: no danger to humans!

Attendees receive a 25% discounted entry to the aquarium immediately after the workshop.

OCTOBER

Fr 14 **3-5yrs** 13.30 14.45

Sa 15 **5yrs+** 14.00 15.15

Venue: Grattan Beach, Salthill

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 45 min

Outdoors: Dress for the weather

Children must be accompanied by a ticket holding adult.

The Ministry for All Beings

5 YRS +

Monkeyshine Theatre

Come and play the game!

As an Agent of Change for The Ministry for All Beings, your task is to shift the paradigm and design a positive future. Tune into your senses, see the world from a different perspective, fight for the rights of nature and celebrate the diverse and beautiful planet we call home.

OCTOBER

Su 16 14.00 15.00 16.00 17.00 18.00

Venue: St. Nicholas' Church car park

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 45 min

Outdoors: Dress for the weather

Children must be accompanied by a ticket holding adult.

Seisiún na nÓg

ALL AGES

Join us for an open traditional music session where children and adults play together in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere, led by teachers Liz Coleman and Páidín Breathnach. We welcome all instruments, as well as singers and dancers. All you need to bring is your instrument and cúpla focal!

Bígí linn do sheisiún oscailte ceoil thraidisiúnta ina mbeidh páistí agus daoine fásta ag seinm le chéile in atmaisféar cairdiúil, suaimhneach, faoi stiúir na múinteoirí Liz Coleman agus Páidín Breathnach. Cuirimid fáilte roimh gach uirlis, chomh maith le hamhránaithe agus rincoirí. Níl le déanamh agat ach d'uirlis agus do chúpla focal a thabhairt leat!

OCTOBER

Su 23 14.30

Venue: Áras na nGael, Dominick St.

Tickets: Free

Duration: 90 min

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Urraitheoir Gaeilge





Charlie Byrne's Bookshop Literature Sponsor



A Hug for You

3 YRS+

Adam King's virtual hug travelled around the country, the globe and even into space, lifting our hearts at a time when we most needed a hug. Join author David King and his son Adam for a special family event about a new hug's adventure and the boy who shared it with the world.

Sa 15 10.30 | Venue: Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane | Tickets: €6 pp | Duration: 60 min

Manage your Moody Monsters with Sir Adam the Brave!

3 YRS+

What do you do when a Moody Monster arrives? How do you find out why they're so very moody? Sir Adam the Brave has the answer! Join David King and his son Adam on a brand new adventure where we'll learn the importance of kindness, inclusion and bravery when managing our moody monsters.

Sa 15 14.00 | Venue: Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane | Tickets: €6 pp | Duration: 60 min

I Want to Speak Ukrainian

8 YRS+

Bláithín Breathnach and Lindsay Myers welcome Ukrainian friends to Galway with *I Want to Speak Ukrainian*. Hear readings in English, Ukrainian and Irish, learn how to draw the story's characters and learn some words in a new language.

Suitable for English, Irish and Ukrainian speaking families.

Sa 15 15.00 | Venue: Ballybane Library | Tickets: Free | Duration: 60 min

Storytime with Charlie Byrne's Bookshop

ALL AGES

Join Meabh for an even bigger and better storytime in The Cornstore outside Charlie Byrne's Bookshop. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Sa 15 & Sa 22 11.00 | Venue: The Cornstore Mall | Tickets: Free | Duration: 60 min





Image by Anita Murphy

Ba Boom! Ba Boom!

Dancing our way to happy hearts

Being active is vital to keeping our hearts happy and healthy - but who says it can't also be great fun?

In this heart-thumping dance workshop, Toodlelou will get our toes tapping and tushes shaking while teaching us about the inner workings of the heart. We'll learn the reasons why getting our heart rates up, especially to the beat of music, is so very important. So bring your dancing shoes and we'll get your heart pumping!

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Sa 22 09.30* 10.50 12.10 14.00 15.30

Venue: Áras na nGael, Dominick St.

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 60 min

*Relaxed event. See page 32 for details.

Children must be accompanied by a ticket holding adult.

SCHOOLS

Mo 17-Fr 21 Weekday workshops available, see www.baboro.ie/schools

An Mala Lesko / Hand Telling

6 YRS +

Join award-winning author Oein DeBhairduin as he explores a traditional Traveller storytelling technique that relies on intuitive body wisdom and the fluency of the spaces in which tales are told. He will combine drawing, finger storytelling and Irish Traveller folk tales.

Associated exhibition see page 20.

OCTOBER

Sa 15 12.00

Venue: Galway Arts Centre, Dominick St.

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 60 min

Children must be accompanied by a ticket holding adult.

Family FOLD

2 TO 8 YRS

Come and play with different materials and ideas through movement, games, and artistic prompts with artist Lucy Hill. Be guided through a series of experiments, many of which you can try again and again at home and in different contexts.

Associated exhibition see page 21.

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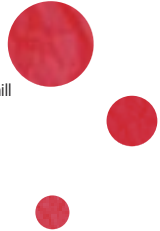
We 19 14.30

Venue: Engage Art Studios, Salthill

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 45 min

Children must be accompanied by a ticket holding adult.



Mincéir Flower Making

6 YRS +

Maggie McDonagh passes on the skill of traditional Mincéir flower making as it was passed on to her. Join her as she guides you through the making of these delicate and beautiful paper flowers using traditional Mincéir craft.

Associated exhibition see page 20.

OCTOBER

Sa 22 10.30

Venue: Galway Arts Centre, Dominick St.

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 90 min

Children must be accompanied by a ticket holding adult.

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Designer Minds

Designer Minds is for the curious kids who like to ask why, the creative kids who love to design and make, the little engineers who like to tinker and build and for the tech kids who love gaming, computers and robots.

Venue: PorterShed, Bowling Green

Tickets: See page 32

Duration: 60 min

*Relaxed event. See page 32 for details.

Children only, but must be accompanied to and from venue by an adult. For relaxed events, Adults must stay at the venue.

Robot Races

Put your engineering hat on and design, build and race a chariot for a robot. During these hands-on workshops, children work in pairs to engineer and build a chariot for Sphero Robots, which they then race. May the best designers win!

OCTOBER

Su 16 **10.00*** 11.15 12.30 14.30 15.45

Upcycling Design Challenge

Help to save the planet and turn junk into art! Bring your own brilliant ideas or be inspired by upcycling artists to create unique sculptures and amazing inventions from trash.

OCTOBER

Su 23 **10.00*** 11.15 12.30

Japanese Drawing Workshop

Dive into Japanese art in this drawing workshop. Learn to draw your anime alter ego or be inspired by Japanese pop art to create bright and quirky artworks.

OCTOBER

Su 23 14.30 15.45

A Journey in Education, Art & Creative Practice

Leanne McDonagh, award-winning artist and member of the Travelling community, speaks about her creative practice and journey into the professional art world, sharing insights as to why she creates the work that she does. Associated exhibition on page 20.

Sa 15 10.30-11.30 | Venue: Galway Arts Centre, Dominick St. | Tickets: Free but booking advised

Opening Doors



A panel discussion exploring national and international models of practice for presenting performances in early year education settings. Artists and educators will share their experiences and explore the challenges and opportunities in bringing work to these settings.

Mo 17 17.30 - 18.45 | Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway | Tickets: Free but booking advised

Towards Sustainability

In partnership with Branar's Meitheal Initiative, this panel discussion will explore models of practice which support the sustainable development of career paths for independent artists making work for young audiences.

Tu 18 14.45 - 16.00 | Venue: Town Hall Studio | Tickets: Free but booking advised

What Do Artists Need?

What does meaningful support for artists look and feel like? How could a considered process impact their creativity and development? Super Paua share insights from recent collaborations on multilingual, digital and participatory art projects. Associate artists will reflect on the process and share a taste of new work.

We 19 17.30 - 18.30 | Venue: Town Hall Studio | Tickets: Free but booking advised

Reflecting on LEAP

Hear from participants and stakeholders of Baboró's LEAP artist support programme, specifically developed for artists from ethnically diverse and/or migrant backgrounds, on its development and execution. What role does diversity play in the TYA sector in Ireland?

Th 20 16.00 - 17.15 | Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway | Tickets: Free but booking advised

The Art of Collaboration

How do companies work collaboratively across genres and borders? Fidget Feet and Ceol Connected bring the worlds of aerial dance and traditional music together to create *Halfflight*. Branar and NIE bring artists, designers, producers and directors together to create *Grand Soft Day*. Hear how they each approach collaborations.

Fr 21 16.30 - 17.45 | Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway | Tickets: Free but booking advised

Delegate Pass

Baboró invites industry professionals and creatives to experience the festival as a delegate by purchasing a Delegate Pass. This pass gives access to delegate-only events, including works-in-progress, networking opportunities and social evenings. You will also receive a Delegate Programme and Delegate List for networking purposes.

€15 (€10 student or unwaged) | Performances, Talks and Workshops sold separately.

BEAG: Creative Process & Play

Graffiti: BEAG share their practice in making participatory work for young children. Having observed two Graffiti: BEAG Encounters, *Paper Play* and *What Colour is the Rain?* (see page 19), participants will reflect on the works and engage with Graffiti: BEAG facilitators to learn their approach. Dress comfortably.

Mo 17 10.00 - 17.00 | Venue: O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway | Tickets: €25 (€20 student or unwaged)

Making work with & for autistic young audiences

How might we give young people agency from process to performance? Natasha Gilmore, Artistic Director of Barrowland Ballet, shares her insights into creating dance theatre and film work with and for autistic young audiences, exploring the creative challenges, opportunities and impact on the work. Dress comfortably.

We 19 14.00 - 17.00 | Venue: Nun's Island Theatre | Tickets: €15 (€10 student or unwaged)

Teacher FOLD

Using play, movement, and different materials, artist Lucy Hill will prompt teachers to explore the potential of an open ended idea. Share discoveries with peers in a supportive, playful environment, understanding how materials matter in early learning contexts, particularly in relation to Aistear.

We 19 16.00 - 17.30 | Engage Art Studios, Salthill | Tickets: €15 (€10 student or unwaged)

Croí and Gaoth: sing, dance, play!

Chantal McCormack, Fidget Feet, and Thomas Johnston, Ceol Connected, lead you through a range of exercises and improvisation that will inform, inspire and connect us to that interesting in-between space where different art forms meet. Dress comfortably.

Th 20 14.00 - 17.00 | Venue: Nun's Island Theatre | Tickets: €15 (€10 student or unwaged)

An Immersive Deep Dive

Work with Punchdrunk Enrichment's team, led by Artistic Director Peter Higgin, to develop the skills required to create immersive work for children. Explore Punchdrunk Enrichment's creation process, signature practice, playful imaginative techniques and brand new content creation game. Dress comfortably.

Fr 21 10.00 - 16.00 | Venue: Nun's Island Theatre | Tickets: €25 (€20 student or unwaged)

FAMILIES

BOOK AT

www.baboro.ie

Phone 091 569777

In person from 6 Sept at Town Hall Theatre, Galway

TICKET PRICES

Performances - €10 per person or €35 for a family of 4

All other events - €6 per person

Please note all tickets subject to Town Hall Theatre €1 booking and development fee.

ACCOMPANYING ADULTS POLICY

All persons attending a show or workshop, including accompanying adults, must have a ticket.

ADDITIONAL NEEDS OR SEATING REQUIREMENTS

Please highlight any specific requirements at the time of booking and we will work to facilitate your needs.

AGE GUIDELINES are provided to ensure the best possible experience for your child and others attending. Please trust us and adhere to these guidelines. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a guardian, unless otherwise stated.

RELAXED EVENTS

These events are specifically for parents who may have concerns about bringing their children to the festival. We aim to provide a comfortable and relaxed space for children, and a stress-free environment for parents. Our artists adapt their show, by altering the light and sound for example, and our Front of House Managers create a supportive atmosphere where audiences can move around or make noise, etc. For more information about our relaxed events see www.baboro.ie



PLEASE ARRIVE 10 MINS EARLY

to the venue and allow time for traffic and parking.

Due to the nature of some performances, it may not always be possible to admit latecomers.

SCHOOLS

BOOK AT

All schools and group bookings via the **Online Booking Request Form at www.baboro.ie/schools**.

Contact Kirsty and Annie on schools@baboro.ie or

091 532 985 for assistance with show selection, online booking, bus subsidies and any other queries.

TICKET PRICES

- Schools €6.50
- DEIS Schools €5.50
- No booking fees apply

TEACHERS GO FREE

- Schools 1 per 10
- Pre-schools 1 per 5
- Additional Needs - as required

HOW TO BOOK ONLINE

1. Browse the festival programme.
2. Select your top 3 performance preferences and consider making a day of it with free workshops or visual art exhibitions.
3. Visit www.baboro.ie/schools and complete the Online Booking Request Form by Wednesday September 14. Here you can select your 3 preferred performances and free workshop and visual arts preferences.

First round booking request deadline is Wednesday September 14. Booking requests ARE considered after this date.

4. Await confirmation from Baboró.

SCHOOLS & GROUPS WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

Contact our Schools Box Office for information about suitable performances, what to expect, the venue, access, etc. Further information available at www.baboro.ie.

BUS SUBSIDY SCHEME

Schools can apply for financial support after the festival. Please reach out if transport is a barrier to your attendance. See www.baboro.ie/schools for more details.

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skills and infectious enthusiasm. We couldn't do it without you!**



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PERFORMANCE						
Tiébélé	O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway	5	18 mths to 5 yrs	10.00 11.30	10.00 11.30	
Der Lauf	Black Box Theatre	16	8 yrs +		14.00 17.00	13.00
Tiny Mutiny / An Ceannairc Beag Bideach	Ionad Cultúrtha an Phiarsaigh, Ros Muc & Spanish Arch, Galway City	11	5 yrs +		18.30 Ros Muc	
Family Portrait	Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane	10	4 to 12 yrs			BETW AND 1
The Sleep that Ceased to Settle	An Taibhdhearc	18	9 yrs +			
Paper Play	O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway	19	0 to 3 yrs			
What Colour is the Rain?	O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway	19	0 to 3 yrs			
Chalk About	Black Box Theatre	17	8 yrs +			
I Wish I Was A Mountain	Town Hall Theatre & The Mall, Tuam	15	7 to 12 yrs			
Grand Soft Day	O'Donoghue Centre, NUI Galway	8	3 to 6 yrs			
Rothar	An Taibhdhearc	9	4 to 8 yrs			
The Glasshouse	Town Hall Theatre	12	6 to 12 yrs			
Of Bluebells and Butterflies	Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane	4	0 to 12 mths			
Cornici/ Frames	Ballybane Library	6	2 to 5 yrs			
UP-CLOSE	ON TOUR & Spanish Arch, Galway City	14	7 yrs +			
Du Er Her/ You Are Here	Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane	7	2 to 6 yrs			
VISUAL ART						
Widden Ar Geels	Galway Arts Centre, Dominick St.	20	All Ages		10.00 - 17.00	11.00
FOLD	Engage Art Studios, Salthill	21	2 to 8 yrs		11.00 - 17.00	11.00
MUSIC & NATURE LITERATURE						
Get Curious on the Shore	Grattan Beach, Salthill	25	3 yrs +	13.30 14.45 ages 3-5 yrs	14.00 15.15 ages 5 yrs +	
The Ministry for All Beings	St. Nicholas' Church car park	25	5 yrs +			14.00 17.00
Seisiún na nÓg	Áras na nGael, Dominick St.	25	All Ages			
A Hug For You	Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane	26	3 yrs +		10.30	
Storytime with Charlie Byrne's Bookshop	The Cornstore Mall	26	All Ages		11.00	
Manage Your Moody Monsters	Mick Lally Theatre, Druid Lane	26	3 yrs +		14.00	
I Want to Speak Ukrainian	Ballybane Library	26	8 yrs +		15.00	
CREATIVE CONNECTIONS WORKSHOPS						
An Mala Lesko/ Hand Telling	Galway Arts Centre, Dominick St.	28	6 yrs +		12.00	
Robot Races	PorterShed, Bowling Green	29	7 to 12 yrs			10.00 14.30
Family FOLD	Engage Art Studios, Salthill	28	2 to 8 yrs			
Ba Boom! Ba Boom!	Áras na nGael, Dominick St.	27	8 to 12 yrs			
Mincéir Flower Making	Galway Arts Centre, Dominick St.	28	6 yrs +			
Upcycling Design Challenge	PorterShed, Bowling Green	29	7 to 12 yrs			
Japanese Drawing Workshop	PorterShed, Bowling Green	29	7 to 12 yrs			



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