SATURDAY
12 DEC

10am **KIDS BRACELET WORKSHOP**
at O'Dalaigh Jewellers
Free, thanks to GRETB All donations to Galway Hospice

11am **KIDS CANDLE MAKING WORKSHOP**
with Silvana Katsarska at Clifden Arts Festival Box Office
Free, with thanks to GRETB
Contact Silvana on 087 4515842 to book

11am **CANTAIRI CHONAMARA CHRISTMAS CONCERT** at Kylemore Abbey Fordham Hall. A festive mix of traditional and modern Christmas carols and songs

12pm **KIDS PAPER STARS WORKSHOP**
at CCC with Claire Guy (@craftyclarence!) Make beautiful decorations with this star crafter! *Free, thanks to GRETB*
Contact Claire on Eventbrite to book

1.30 **CHRISTMAS STORY TIME** for little ones in the Library with Amelia Whelan. Parent or guardian supervision kindly requested

2.30 **CHRISTMAS STORY TIME + PUPPET SHOW *as Gaeilge***
for little ones in the library with Julie Anne De Brún for little ones in the library.
Bígí linn for a little Christmas magic with Julie Anne! Enjoy festive scéalta, amhráin, rannta agus cluichí with Gaeilge at the heart of the Christmas fun! Bilingual event- Fáilte róimh. Parental supervision kindly requested

2-3.30 **CHRISTMAS CARD WORKSHOP + MULLED WINE**
with artist + printmaker Clare Henderson at Clifden
4-5.30 Studios, Station House Complex
Make a series of beautiful, quality handmade cards. No art expertise necessary! €35
An Irish-language facilitator will also be on hand throughout the workshop, offering guidance and assistance *as Gaeilge*.
Email Clare on clarehendo@gmail.com to book

2-5 **POP-UP CAROLS AROUND THE TOWN**
with the beautiful Ukrainian Choir. дякую 🙏

2.30 **WIRE TREES WORKSHOP**
with John Cloonan in Clifden Arts Festival Box Office
€35 *Call John on 087 6769820 to book*

6pm **CANTAIRI CHONAMARA + COR COIS FHARRAIGE CHRISTMAS CONCERT OF CAROLS**
at Christ Church, Clifden. A festive mix sung in English and *as Gaeilge*. *€10 on the door, children under 12 free*

SUNDAY
13 DEC

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12-3 **SANTA AT KINGS SHOP**
The annual festive highlight!
Donations to Galway Hospice

2-4 **PLATE PAINTING WORKSHOP**
with Marie Cazou at Clifden Studios. Create two gorgeous plates using different techniques. 16+ yrs
€35 *Call Marie on 089 201 0255 to book*

2.30 **WIRE TREES WORKSHOP**
with John Cloonan in the Garden Room at Foyle's Hotel John will take you through the art of crafting wire trees based on the windswept icons of the Connemara wayside. Make a gift for yourself or for another!
€35 *Call John on 087 6769820 to book*

5pm **WINE TASTING + CANAPES**
Helen Ferguson introduces her festive Christmas wine choice with super-chefs Shane Regan and Kieran O'Shaughnessy demo-ing easy pairing canapé recipes. A delicious evening in store!
€40 at CCC. Call Lisa Foyle on 087 777 0745 to book.
Kindly sponsored by SuperValu

WITH THANKS TO

Our host venues: especially the Alcock + Brown Hotel; our sponsors; our performers; our lighting, printing + AV providers; Dermot Laffey; St Killian Candles; the choirs; our amazing helpers + elves; Connemara FM + Emma Folan; Interface + GRETB, the Connemara Chamber + ALL our supporters x

CHRISTMAS IN CLIFDEN

2026 EDITION

MARKETS / MUSIC / MAKERS

FAMILY FUN / FESTIVE NIGHTS

FRIDAY
27 NOV

5pm **SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR** on the Square

6pm **LIGHTS COUNT DOWN** with very special guests

€100 vouchers from O'Dalaighs + Supervalu for best Christmas jumper - to be judged by our special guests in Lowrys!

SUNDAY
29 NOV

12pm **SANTA CYCLE** - meet at Clifden Bike Shop, cycle up to Sky Rd, back down through town to the Boat Club for warming refreshments.
Wear 🎅🎅! *Donations to Galway Hospice.*
Bikes for hire from Clifden Bike Shop

3pm **KIDS MOVIE** at Clifden Boat Club *12 +under*

SATURDAY
05 DEC

10am **KIDS BRACELET WORKSHOP**
at O'Dalaigh Jewellers
Free, thanks to GRETB All donations to Galway Hospice

10-3 **TRADITIONAL SPINNING + WEAVING WORKSHOP**
with Seamus Kirwan at CCC
€60 *Call Seamus on 087 1916711 to book*

11am **KIDS CANDLE MAKING WORKSHOP**
with Silvana Katsarska at Clifden Arts Festival Box Office
Free, with thanks to GRETB
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with Julie Anne De Brún for little ones in the library.
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12-3 **FESTIVE CYANOTYPE PRINT WORKSHOP**
for adults + kids with Biddy Mulligan at Interface H91 VW58. *Free, with thanks to GRETB. Book via Eventbrite*

12-4 **THE JUST A COLLECTIVE CHRISTMAS MARKET**
at the Station House Theatre
Find handmade gifts and much more: music, delicious treats, mulled wine…and Flashbox!

2pm **CHRISTMAS STORY TIME** for little ones in the Library with Amelia Whelan. Parent or guardian supervision kindly requested

2-5 **POP-UP CAROLS** with Cantairí Chonamara at the Christmas market in the Theatre and then outside EJ's

2.30 **WIRE TREES WORKSHOP**
with John Cloonan at Fernwood €35 *Contact John on 087 6769820 to book*

5-7 **PILATES + PROSECCO!**
Join Ellen and Sadhbh for some wellness and beauty prep ahead of the season. Christmas make-up demo + beauty goodies! €25 Venue TBC
Contact Ellen on 086 320 1977 to book

6pm **WHISKEY TASTING** at Lowry's Irish Whiskey Bar
Discover the flavours and stories of Irish whiskey with a drop or two of the good stuff.
€25 *Contact Mark +61 468 517100 to book*

SUNDAY
06 DEC

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with Seamus Kirwan at CCC
€60 *Call Seamus on 087 1916711 to book*

12pm **SANTA 5K FUN RUN**
meet Ellen Curley on the Square for a Fun 5K Run (or Walk) to the Monastery Field and back. Coffee afterwards.
Wear !
Donations to Galway Hospice

12-2 **CLOTH + STITCH COLLAGE WORKSHOP**
for adults + kids with Deirdre Stephens at Interface H91 VW58.
Free, with thanks to GRETB. Book via Eventbrite.

12-3 **SANTA AT CCC!**
Come and see Santa, bounce in the snowglobe visit Flashbox! + receive a small gift
€5 per child

12pm **THE TOWN HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET**
The annual festive community makers and bakers festive shopping event! Live music, refreshments and tasty treats

1pm **TINSEL WREATH WORKSHOP**
with Polly and Claire (@craftyclarence!) at Clifden Studios (Station House Complex
€35. *Contact Polly on 086 129 1315 to book 16+ yrs*

3pm **CLIFDEN COMHALTAS CHRISTMAS CONCERT**
at the Theatre. The incredible annual Christmas concert with 70+ performers showcasing the very best of traditional Irish music, song and dance. Don't miss!
€10 on the door, children free

FRIDAY
11 DEC

5.30pm **MEMORY LANE 2026**
Gather together again beside AIB bank for a special moment lighting the lights, for prayers, music, hot drinks + mince pies. Buy a candle to remember your loved one at Whistlestop, Connemara Blue, Beautiful You, Foyle's and wherever you see our signs
Donations to Galway Hospice

8pm **CLASSIC FILM**
The 1947 Christmas classic *Miracle on 34th Street* at the Theatre. With complementary mulled wine and delicious homemade treats. Kindly sponsored by the Clifden Film Society. *Admission free*

GOOD TO KNOW

Locations

CCC is Candy Cane Corner, at the Alcock + Brown Hotel!

Other locations:

Clifden Arts Festival Box Office; Clifden Studios; Clifden Bike Shop; Clifden Boat Club; the Library; Fernwood; Foyle's; Interface; Kings Shop; Lowry's Whiskey Bar; O'Dalaigh's; the Theatre; the Town Hall. Please check individual listings.

Booking

Some workshops and events require advance booking. Contact details are listed beside each event

Supporting Galway Hospice

Look out for our donation buckets throughout the festivities. Thank you

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