

15 OCT TO 1 NOV



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Kerry County Council



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HALLOWEEN



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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

EVENT DESCRIPTION

TIME

LOCATION

THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER

Samhain Chiarraí Press launch

Radio Kerry OB & The Biddy Film which explores the generational exchange that keeps a centuries-old tradition alive, presented by KIFF with pre-entertainment.

3pm
-5.30pm

Anam Centre
Killarney

Kerry International Film Festival

Details @ <https://kerryfilmfestival.com/>

Daily

Killarney

Children's Book Festival

<https://www.kerrylibrary.ie/>

Daily

Kerry Libraries

FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER

Samhain Chiarraí Opening Ceremony - Fire Ritual Dingle Druid

Our Samhain Fire Ceremony marks the third harvest, gathering in community to reflect, honour our ancestors, and set intentions with fire, music and ritual followed by a harvest banquet celebration.

Supported by the Dingle Food Festival

7pm

Milltown House
Dingle /
Corca Dhuibhne
[TICKETS](#)

Kerry International Film Festival

Daily

Killarney

Lá na Cruite / Harp Day

Details @ <https://www.harpireland.ie/>

Daily

Various

Children's Book Festival

Daily

Kerry Libraries

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

Kerry International Film Festival

Daily

Killarney

Children's Book Festival - Howl at Halloween 'Aine goes to Kenmare' with Author Hazel Mulqueen

Libraries

11am Killarney
3pm Castleisland

Lá na Cruite / Harp Day

Daily

Various

SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER

Kerry International Film Festival

Daily

Killarney

Children's Book Festival

Daily

Kerry Libraries

Lá na Cruite / Harp Day

Daily

Various

MONDAY 19 OCTOBER

Children's Book Festival

Daily

Kerry Libraries

TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER

Children's Book Festival

Daily

Kerry Libraries

WEDNESDAY 21 OCTOBER

Children's Book Festival

Daily

Kerry Libraries

THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER

Children's Book Festival

Daily

Kerry Libraries

Patrick O'Keeffe Traditional Music Festival

Details @ <https://patrickokeeffefestival.com/>

Daily

Castleisland



FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER

Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt

Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.

Daily

Anam Centre
(Killarney)
/ County Museum
(Tralee)

Death Cafe

At a Death Cafe people drink tea, eat cake while bringing death out of the taboo closet. Topics range from Ancestry, Legacy, Folklore and personal Mortality.

5pm
-6.30pm

Anam Centre
(Killarney)
Register [HERE](#)
[TICKETS](#)

Samhain Chiarraí Fire Ritual - Dingle Druid

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7pm

Killarney
[TICKETS](#)

Children's Book Festival

Daily

Kerry Libraries

Patrick O'Keeffe Traditional Music Festival

Daily

Castleisland

Moyvane Village Festival

<https://www.facebook.com/MoyvaneDevelopment>

Daily

Moyvane

COLOUR KEY

CORE EVENTS - Main Samhain Chiarraí Programme

OTHER FESTIVALS - Countywide Associated Events

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EVENT DESCRIPTION	TIME	LOCATION
SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
Park Run Join the weekly Adult 5km Park Run with a Fancy Dress theme and meet our own crew from 'Bones to Run', supported by Kerry Recreational & Sports Partnership. Further Info & Register https://www.parkrun.ie/register/	9.30am	Killarney House
Idir Dhá Shaol - Street Parade A large-scale street theatre spectacle rooted in the liminal space between our world and the Otherworld, marking the threshold of death, rebirth, final harvest and the onset of Winter's darkness. Through giant illuminated puppets, live musicians, massed drummers, fire performers and stilt walkers.	7pm-8pm	Killarney Route: New Rd, St. Marys Terrace, Bohreen na Goun, New St, High St, St. Anns Rd, New Rd)
Children's Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
Patrick O'Keeffe Traditional Music Festival	Daily	Castleisland
Moyvane Village Festival	Daily	Moyvane
An Féile Eile https://www.anfeileeile.ie/	Daily	Killorglin

SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
Park Run Junior Join the weekly Junior 2km Park Run with a Fancy Dress theme and meet our own crew from 'Bones to Run', supported by Kerry Recreational & Sports Partnership. Further Info & Register https://www.parkrun.ie/register/	9.30am	Killarney House
Cailleach Chiarraí Fire Spectacle - Ch. 2 'The Veiling' The story continues of the Veiling of the Goddess of Winter and the daughter of the Sun, born on the Dingle Promontory at 'Teach Mór'. Her story is rich with intrigue as she, along with her Ancient Druids, conjures up a Fire Spectacle.	5pm	Killarney The Green - Station Rd @ Killarney Outlet Centre TICKETS
What's the Scéil & Céilí - Pop-Ups, Stories & Dancing Irish language pop-ups with Céilí Dancing - all levels welcome, from young to old.	6pm-8pm	Anam Centre Killarney
Children's Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
Patrick O'Keeffe Traditional Music Festival	Daily	Castleisland

Moyvane Village Festival	Daily	Moyvane
An Féile Eile	Daily	Killorglin
Samhain na Snádhma https://www.sneemfestivals.ie/	Daily	Sneem
Tralee Half Marathon Details @ https://official-tralee-marathon.com/half-marathon/	Daily	Tralee
Run Ballinskelligs https://hardman.ie/races/ballinskelligs/	8am	Ballinskelligs



MONDAY 26 OCTOBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
Dark Side of the Silvery Moon - Aindrias de Staic An evening of Irish stories for grown-ups - spoken word combined with live harp & percussion, bringing audiences through folklore myths and otherworldly tales.	7.30pm	St. John's Theatre & Arts Centre Listowel TICKETS
Children's Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
Patrick O'Keeffe Traditional Music Festival	Daily	Castleisland
Moyvane Village Festival	Daily	Moyvane
An Féile Eile	Daily	Killorglin
Samhain na Snádhma	Daily	Sneem

COLOUR KEY
 CORE EVENTS - Main Samhain Chiarraí Programme
 OTHER FESTIVALS - Countywide Associated Events

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SAMHAIN CHIARRAÍ 2026 MAP

LEGEND



SAMHAIN EVENTS
MEET THE CAILLEACH



CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL
1ST OCT - 24TH OCT • KERRY LIBRARIES



Green Your Commute

Use Public Transport*, Cycle or Walk
to your local event and help the Environment

*Check our website for schedules

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Moyvane
Village Festival
23rd - 26th Oct

BALLYBUNION

BALLYBUNION
PUMPKIN PATCH

LISTOWEL

Kerry Writers' Museum
Samhain Events
24th - 31st Oct

Closing Ceremony
Fire Ritual
6th Nov

Samhain go Trá Lí
27th Oct - 1st Nov

Tralee Half Marathon
25th Oct

TRALEE

CASTLEISLAND

PATRICK O'KEEFFE
Traditional Music Festival
22nd - 26th Oct

CAILLEACH TRAIL
STARTING POINT

DINGLE

Opening Ceremony
Fire Ritual
16th Oct

KILLORGLIN

An Féile Eile
24th - 31st Oct

KILLARNEY
PUMPKIN FARM

KILLARNEY

Samhain go Cill Airne
23rd Oct - 26th Oct

KIFF
Kerry International
Film Festival
15th - 18th Oct

HALLOWEEN
in CAHERCIVEEN
27th Oct - 1st Nov

CAHERCIVEEN

Run Ballinskelligs
25th Oct

BALLINSKELLIGS

WATERVILLE

Halloween in Waterville
29th - 31st Oct

SNEEM

Samhain na Snádhma
23rd - 31st Oct

Halloween Howl
Spirit of Samhain
27th Oct - 1st Nov

KENMARE

Kenmare
Orienteering
28th Oct

SAMHAIN CAILLEACH TRAIL

- 1 Dunmore Head
- 2 Tralee Bay Wetlands
- 3 The Hag's Head
- 4 The Wailing Woman Rock
- 5 Cailleach Beara Loop
- 6 Cloonee Lakes & Uragh Stone Circle

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TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER		
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Dark Side of the Silvery Moon - Aindrias de Staic An evening of Irish stories for grown-ups - spoken word combined with live harp & percussion, bringing audiences through folklore myths and otherworldly tales.	7.30pm	Siamsa Tíre Theatre, Tralee TICKETS
Children's Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
An Féile Eile	Daily	Killorglin
Samhain na Snádhma	Daily	Sneem
Halloween in Cahersiveen https://www.instagram.com/cahersiveenhalloween/	Daily	Cahersiveen
Halloween Howl https://www.facebook.com/kenmarehalloweenhowl/	Daily	Kenmare



WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
What's the Scéil & Céilí - Pop-Ups, Stories & Dancing Irish language pop-ups with Céilí Dancing - all levels welcome, from young to old.	6pm-8pm	Siamsa Tíre Studio, Tralee TICKETS
Night Orienteering Carnegie Hall to Rinn na gCros. Register https://www.kerryo.net/	7pm	Rinn na gCros

Children's Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
An Féile Eile	Daily	Killorglin
Samhain na Snádhma	Daily	Sneem
Halloween in Cahersiveen	Daily	Cahersiveen
Halloween Howl	Daily	Kenmare



THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
Samhain Chiarraí Fire Ritual - Dingle Druid Our Samhain Fire Ceremony marks the third harvest, gathering in community to reflect, honour our ancestors, and set intentions with fire, music and ritual.	7pm	The Old Barracks Cahersiveen TICKETS
Children's Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
An Féile Eile	Daily	Killorglin
Samhain na Snádhma	Daily	Sneem
Halloween in Waterville https://www.visitwaterville.ie/	Daily	Waterville
Halloween in Cahersiveen	Daily	Cahersiveen
Halloween Howl	Daily	Kenmare

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 OTHER FESTIVALS - Countywide Associated Events ■

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FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
Death Cafe At a Death Cafe people drink tea, eat cake while bringing death out of the taboo closet. Topics range from Ancestry, Legacy, Folklore and personal Mortality.	5pm -6.30pm	Wetlands Cafe, Tralee Register HERE TICKETS
Samhain Chiarraí Fire Ritual - Dingle Druid Our Samhain Fire Ceremony marks the third harvest, gathering in community to reflect, honour our ancestors, and set intentions with fire, music and ritual. Featuring a display of the Cailleach Chiarrai Willow Effigy .	7pm	The Island of Geese Tralee TICKETS
Children’s Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
An Féile Eile	Daily	Killorglin
Samhain na Snádhma	Daily	Sneem
Halloween in Waterville	Daily	Waterville
Halloween in Cahersiveen	Daily	Cahersiveen
Halloween Howl	Daily	Kenmare
Kerry Writers’ Museum https://kerrywritersmuseum.com/	Daily	Listowel

SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
Park Run Join the weekly Adult 5km Park Run with a Fancy Dress theme and meet our own crew from ‘Bones to Run’. Further Info & Register https://www.parkrun.ie/register/	9.30am	Town Park, Tralee
Idir Dhá Shaol - Street Parade A large-scale street theatre spectacle rooted in the liminal space between our world and the Otherworld, marking the threshold of death, rebirth, final harvest and the onset of Winter’s darkness. Through giant illuminated puppets, live musicians, massed drummers, fire performers and stilt walkers, the production gives physical form to Irish folklore.	7pm-8pm	Tralee (Route: Ashe St, The Mall, Bridge St, Rock St, Island of Geese & return)
Children’s Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
Samhain na Snádhma	Daily	Sneem
Halloween in Waterville	Daily	Waterville

Halloween in Cahersiveen	Daily	Cahersiveen
Halloween Howl - Spirit of Samhain	Daily	Kenmare
Kerry Writers’ Museum	Daily	Listowel



SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Family Treasure Hunt Step into the magical world of The Cailleach Chiarraí, the veiled one of Irish legend, with a playful treasure hunt designed for all the family. Scan QR Code onsite.	Daily	Anam Centre (Killarney) / County Museum (Tralee)
Park Run Junior Join the weekly Junior 2km Park Run with a Fancy Dress theme and meet our own crew from ‘Bones to Run’. Further Info & Register https://www.parkrun.ie/register/	9.30am	Town Park, Tralee
Cailleach Chiarraí Fire Spectacle - Ch. 2 ‘The Veiling’ The story continues of the Veiling of the Goddess of Winter and the daughter of the Sun, born on the Dingle Promontory at ‘Teach Mór’. Her story is rich with intrigue as she, along with her Ancient Druids, conjures up a Fire Spectacle.	5pm	The Island of Geese Tralee TICKETS
Children’s Book Festival	Daily	Kerry Libraries
Samhain na Snádhma	Daily	Sneem
Halloween in Cahersiveen	Daily	Cahersiveen
Halloween Howl - Spirit of Samhain	Daily	Kenmare

FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER		
Samhain Chiarraí Closing Ceremony - Fire Ritual Dingle Druid Our Samhain Fire Ceremony marks the third harvest, gathering in community to reflect, honour our ancestors, and set intentions with fire, music and ritual preceded by a harvest banquet celebration supported by Listowel Food Festival.	4pm-7pm	Listowel Castle & Kerry Writers’ Museum TICKETS

SAMHAIN COUNTYWIDE EVENTS

	<u>START</u>	<u>FINISH</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Children's Book Festival	01 Oct	24 Oct	Kerry Libraries
Kerry International Film Festival	15 Oct	18 Oct	Killarney
Opening Ceremony - Fire Ritual	16 Oct	16 Oct	Dingle
Lá na Cruite / Harp Day	17 Oct	17 Oct	Various
Patrick O'Keeffe Traditional Music Festival	22 Oct	26 Oct	Castlesland
Moyvane Village Festival	23 Oct	26 Oct	Moyvane
Samhain go Cill Airne	23 Oct	26 Oct	Killarney
Samhain na Snadhma	23 Oct	31 Oct	Sneem
An Féile Eile	24 Oct	31 Oct	Killorglin
Kerry Writers' Museum Samhain Events	24 Oct	31 Oct	Listowel
Tralee Half Marathon & Run Ballinskelligs	25 Oct	25 Oct	Tralee Ballinskelligs
Halloween in Cahersiveen	27 Oct	01 Nov	Cahersiveen
Halloween Howl	27 Oct	01 Nov	Kenmare
Samhain go Trá Lí	27 Oct	01 Nov	Tralee
Kenmare Orienteering	28 Oct	28 Oct	Waterville
Halloween in Waterville	29 Oct	31 Oct	Waterville
Closing Ceremony - Fire Ritual	06 Nov	06 Nov	Listowel

