

**GOOD
RELATIONS
WEEK
2025**

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13th – 19th October 2025

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Coordinated by the Community Relations Council, Good Relations Week 2025 will run from Monday 13 to Sunday 19 October, with a dynamic programme of more than 200 cross-community and multicultural events taking place across all 11 local council areas.

This year's theme, Connect, highlights how lasting progress and a better future for everyone depends on the strong and meaningful links between People, Planet and Prosperity.

The week-long celebration will shine a spotlight on the work of individuals and organisations using connection and collaboration to break down barriers, strengthen community relations and address key societal challenges, including sectarianism, racism, inequality, mental health, poverty and education.

The programme of events will include workshops, exhibitions, storytelling, theatre, musical performances, discussions and cultural showcases, providing a platform for shared learning, civic pride, and collective impact. There are plenty of activities to get involved in across the City and district.





Saturday 18th October
10am - 12pm
ARDBARRON HALL, CASTLEDERG

Good Relations Week: Bird Box Build

Open to all. Come along and build/ paint a bird box. All materials provided. A fun activity for all ages.

Free entry and take home your free bird box. Limited spaces –
To book contact Adrian Sproule
(07793 940 889).

**Ardbarron Mens Shed, Ardbarron Hall,
Ardbarron Road, Castlederg**
Adrian Sproule: ardbarronmensshed@gmail.com



Monday October 13th
6pm - 8pm
MUSEUM OF FREE DERRY

Diverse City Workshop

Open to public; Public workshop guided by the North West Islamic Association and hosted by the Bloody Sunday Trust at the Museum of Free Derry. The first part of the workshop will take the form of an information session, focusing on the Islamic faith, to encourage better understanding of each other's cultures, practices, and faiths. Followed by Henna tattooing, refreshments, and conversations.

**Bloody Sunday Trust, 55 Glenfada Park,
Derry BT48 9DR**
RSVP Constance Lambert:
constance@bloodysundaytrust.org



Thursday 16th October

12pm - 4pm

CATHEDRAL YOUTH CLUB

Pathways to Peace Through Inclusivity

Open to all. This event will celebrate cultural diversity by bringing people together to share and experience traditions from around the world. Through food, music, dance and art participants can explore different cultures in an inclusive and welcoming environment.

**Cathedral Youth Club, 96-98 The Fountain,
Londonderry, BT48 6QL**

Jeanette Warke: jeanettewarke@hotmail.co.uk



Tuesday 14th October

11am - 12:30pm

CULMORE FORT

Exploring Our Shared Past: A Guided Tour of Culmore Fort

Closed to the public. We will host an educational and reflective event in partnership with a group of Year 10 pupils from Thornhill College, centered around a guided historical tour of Culmore Fort. The aim is to connect young people with the layered history of their local area, fostering an understanding of the past that shapes our present and future. The tours will be delivered by a group of local people who recently undertook Tour Guiding training at Culmore Community Hub. Their involvement not only showcases community engagement and empowerment but also brings authentic, local voices to the storytelling of our shared history.

**Culmore Community Partnership ,Culmore
Community Hub, 32-34 Culmore Point Road,
Derry/Londonderry, BT48 8JW**

Una Cooper: una@culmorehub.org



Monday 13th October
10am - 1pm
DENNETT VALLEY HEALTH NETWORK

Dennett Valley Children Investigate: “Awareness and Connection to a shared Environment and Space”

Closed to the public. Environmental education workshops for P6 and P7 schoolchildren from 2 local primary schools. The emphasis will be on biodiversity and the link with it and climate change.

Schoolchildren from both sides of the community will be interacting in a safe environment which will help to improve relationships between the two communities.

**Dennett Interchange, 1 Brook Road,
 Donemana BT82 0PF**
Teresa McGaughey: dennettinterchange@gmail.com



Thursday 16th October
11am - 1pm
**LIGHT SPACE DANCE STUDIO,
 PENNYBURN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

Taiko for Carers

Closed to the public. Foyle Obon invites carers from all backgrounds to connect, recharge and celebrate their vital role through the joyful power of Taiko drumming. This free workshop offers a chance to come together in rhythm—breaking isolation, easing stress, and creating shared energy through this dynamic Japanese art form. No experience is needed—just an open mind and a willingness to try something new! After the workshop, participants will enjoy a relaxed tea and chat session—a moment to connect with others who understand the challenges of caring.

**Foyle Obon, The Playtrail, 15 Racecourse Road,
 Derry Londonderry, BT48 78RE**
Fiona Umetsu, Artistic Director; info@foyleobon.com

include YOUTH

16th, 23rd and 30th October
DERRY, BENONE, BELFAST

Care to Connect: Building Bonds Through People, Planet, and Prosperity

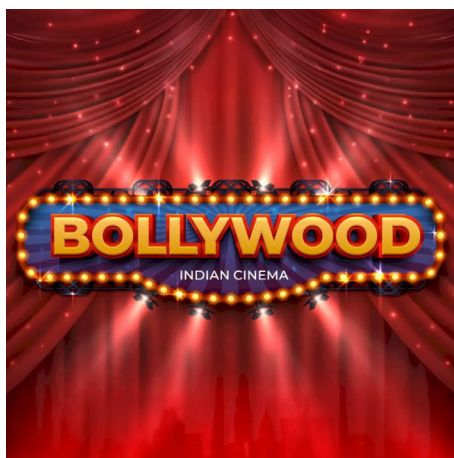
Event closed to public. Include Youth will deliver a three-session programme, engaging care-experienced young people from diverse backgrounds in environmental action, creative expression, and team building. The programme is designed to foster inclusion, promote wellbeing, and build connections across communities through shared, meaningful experiences.

Participants will:

Take part in a beach clean and urban walkway litter pick, promoting environmental responsibility and community pride.

Create eco-friendly tote bags using recycled materials, encouraging creativity and sustainability. Each participant will receive a selection of eco-friendly items to include in their handmade tote bag.

Include Youth, 9 Queen Street, Derry BT48 7EG
Sheila Stalker: sheila@includeyouth.org



Sunday 19th October
6pm - 9pm
THE NERVE CENTRE, 7-8 MAGAZINE ST
LONDONDERRY BT48 6HJ

Bollywood Movie Night (English Subtitles)

Open to all, seats limited: Can be booked via Nerve Centre. A movie from the Indian subcontinent showing at the Nerve Centre and also a display of Indian arts and craft with a facilitator and a distribution of snacks

This event will showcase and teach people from different ethnicities about culture of other people so that they can know, connect and respect people from different countries and race. It will encourage meaningful connections across cultures and communities promoting the values of equality, identity and diversity. It will enhance civic pride within the local Asian community, providing a platform to connect their traditions and culture with a broader audience.

Indian Association Derry/Londonderry
Jyoti Suri: Chugh28m@yahoo.co.uk



Sunday 19th October
2pm - 6pm
FOYLE ARENA'S SPORTS HALL

Philippine Traditional Games and Sports Day

Come and join your local Kabalikat Filipino Community for a half day jam-packed and fun-filled traditional games and sports day. These traditional games are handed down from one generation to the next. No need to bring any gadgets, mobile phones, laptop but just bring yourself and CONNECT with us through games.

Plus a game of basketball for kids from 7-12 years old and badminton for young people.
 Come out and let's play!

Kabalikat in North West, Holywell DiverseCity Building, 10-14 Bishop Street, Derry-Londonderry, BT48 6PW

Jonah Atos : Jonahatos.kabalikat@gmail.com



Thursday 16th October
2pm
PARK COMMUNITY HALL

Good Relations Tea Dance

Open to all. A cross-community Tea Dance at which residents from the Sperrins DEA will be invited to meet and chat over a cup of tea with a few sandwiches and cakes and have a pleasant afternoon of music and dance. It provides the opportunity for people from different areas to meet and enjoy the company of each other. The associations that are made will help to reduce any tension between communities and allow for positive engagement that will help to break down barriers, perceived and real.

Learmount Community Development Group Ltd. 192, Learmount Road. Park Village, Derry, BT47 4BA

Min McCann: manager@learmountgroup.org



Thursday 16th October

10:00am - 2:00pm

**REPAIR AND SHARE FOYLE,
RATH MOR BUSINESS PARK**

Circular Connection

Closed to the public. This event will bring young people together to explore our circular economy in a shared space. Protecting our shared environment will be at the heart of the event as young people from all communities come together to enhance their understanding of how important our planet is for all. Participants in the event will have the opportunity to meet new people and build positive relationships.

**LifeHack Project, Creggan Enterprises,
Ráth Mór Centre, Bligh's Lane, Derry, BT48 0LZ**

Richie McRory: richie@lifehackproject.org



Saturday 18th October

11am - 4pm

**REACH ACROSS YOUTH CAFÉ, 12-14 THE
DIAMOND BT48 6HW, FIRST FLOOR**

P.A.U.S.E Event (Parental Awareness, Understanding, Synergy and Empowerment)

Closed to the public.

The primary aim of this workshop is to increase parental involvement in:

- our cross-community youth programmes,
- our Good Relations and Citizenship in Schools Programme
- fundraising for our cross-community programmes
- the management of a cross-community youth group

**REACH Across, 10 – 14 Bishop Street,
L'Derry BT48 6PW**

Barney Mc Guigan: reach_across@hotmail.com



Tuesday 14th October
10am - 1pm
GASYARD CENTRE

Connect through Heritage Art

Closed to the public. Open to attend event with invitation only (Hive cancer support Group)

Explore Indian Heritage Block Printing workshop.

Everyone from the Council area will come together to explore the opportunity to learn Indian heritage BLOCK painting and Heritage Culture and art History through to creating some of the unique items of BLOCK printing.

Sarika Art, 100 Stoneypath, Londonderry, BT47 2AF
Sarikah Shah: sarikashah100@gmail.com



Tuesday 14th October
7pm - 8pm
CARLISLE ROAD METHODIST CHURCH HALL

Songs Without Borders

Songs Without Borders will perform songs from around the world. The group was formed to provide a space for newcomers to the city to make connections and integrate with long term locals. We have members from Bangladesh, Syria, Yemen, Iran, Nigeria, Ghana and Ukraine. Directed by professional singer and natural voice facilitator Maeve Leahy, the performance / workshop will include songs from the homelands and songs that the audience can join in with. It will be a beautiful evening of connection, joy and sharing.

This is a public event, refreshments will be served after the interactive performance.



Sole Purpose Productions, C/O The Playhouse ,
Artillery Street, Derry BT48 6RG

Patricia Byrne: solepurpose@mac.com



Void

Monday 13th - Friday 17th October
ST MARY'S COLLEGE, DERRY

St Mary's College **Connect our** **Young People**

Closed to the public.

- Origami workshop for Year 8
- Indian arts and crafts workshop for Year 9
- Presentation for Year 10
- Food tasting for Year 11
- An exhibition for Year 12
- Bollywood Dance for 6th years

**St Mary's College, 35 Northland Road,
Derry, BT48 0AN**

Ms Deirdre Jamison: Djamison048@c2kni.net

Sunday 19th October
2pm - 4pm

VOID CENTRE, 10 WATERLOO PLACE, DERRY

Counter-mapping **the River:** **A workshop with** **Emily McFarland and** **V'cenza Cirefice**

Counter-mapping the river is a workshop with ecofeminist activist, writer and researcher V'cenza Cirefice and artist Emily McFarland. The workshop will focus on counter-mapping methods and during the event, we will work together to collectively gather, walk, observe, listen, collect, discuss and record the River Foyle in Derry city.

This is a free public workshop, with limited spaces, to sign up check out Void's website derryvoid.com

Please note that this event will involve being outside, so appropriate footwear and clothing is suggested for the weather.
For access needs, please get in touch with us at cecelia@derryvoid.com.

Void Art Centre, 10 Waterloo Place, Derry, BT48 6BU
Cecelia Graham: cecelia@derryvoid.com



Friday 17th October
7pm - 9:30pm
ST.COLUMBS PARK HOUSE

Screen Scenes

Pop up film night programmed and presented by young people to share with the wider audience.

Planning workshops will be held in the run up to the screening in the Waterside area.

[Workshops are closed to the public]

Screening event is open to young people 13+

Excite Waterside Neighbourhood Partnership,
Shared Future Centre, 61 Irish Street, BT47 3DB
Mara Cavalli: mara.watersidenp@gmail.com

CARLISLE ROAD METHODIST CHURCH HALL

Awakening. Explore Connections.

Open to applications by email. Exploration by young people of a series of subjects. Emotional, social, digital and physical connections. Barriers to Connection. Connections and Peace. Healthy Relationships. This 4 week programme will conclude during Good Relations Week providing a perfect opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our young people.

The workshops will be delivered in central, neutral grounds, to enable all young people feel comfortable in a safe, inclusive environment.

Youth Action Northern Ireland, Waterside Library,
23 Glendermott Rd, Londonderry BT47 6BG
Leah Moore: Leah@youthaction.org



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