

LIBRARY IRELAND WEEK: GALWAY BIODIVERSITY TALKS

Library Ireland Week takes place this year from March 5th to 11th. This week celebrates and highlights the role of libraries in the community. During this week, libraries all across the country will be holding events to mark the occasion.

In County Galway, the 'People and Nature' photo exhibition is currently touring a number of branch libraries and will be in Oranmore Library from 1st to 10th

March. This exhibition features photographs depicting images of nature in County Galway including a whole range of plants, animals and landscapes. All the photographs were taken by amateur photographers as part of the 'People and Nature' photo competition which took place last summer.

To mark Library Ireland Week, the 'People and Nature' Project Manager, Elaine O'Riordan will give a talk entitled 'Biodiversity in County Galway' in two libraries during the week: The talk will first take place in Headford Library at 7pm on Wednesday 7th March after which there will be a talk about organic gardening by Dolores Keegan, well known organic gardening consultant. The biodiversity talk will take place in Oranmore Library at 7pm on Thursday 8th March. The talk will provide an introduction to the concept of biodiversity - the variety of all life on earth including plants animals and people and the environment in which they live. Elaine will also highlight the some of the wonderful nature and wildlife in County Galway and describe how the People and Nature project hopes to encourage a greater awareness and appreciation for County Galway's biodiversity.

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