



# Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre

May - August 2025

➤ **“This is a great venue and resource for the community.”**



NW Orchestra

# Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre



***Our vision is to be a vital and vibrant celebration of art, culture and community creativity where everyone is welcome to enjoy, learn and participate.***

An award-winning multi-disciplinary Arts Centre situated at the heart of Limavady town, we provide a dynamic cultural programme of activities throughout the year, including the very best of national and international theatre, music, visual arts and heritage exhibitions, film, creative learning and community arts activities for all ages. We are also home to Limavady Museum collection, Limavady Visitor Information Centre and our retail tenants are Café Steinbeck and Row by Roe craft shop.

Relax in our galleries featuring the best of contemporary art or outdoors in

Drumceatt Square. Enjoy our free Wi-Fi, Kids Zone, gift shop and refreshments. We want you to feel at home at Roe Valley Arts and we look forward to welcoming you.

## **We are open**

Monday to Friday, 9.30am-5pm  
Wednesday & Thursday evenings,  
7-9pm. Saturday, 10am-1pm.

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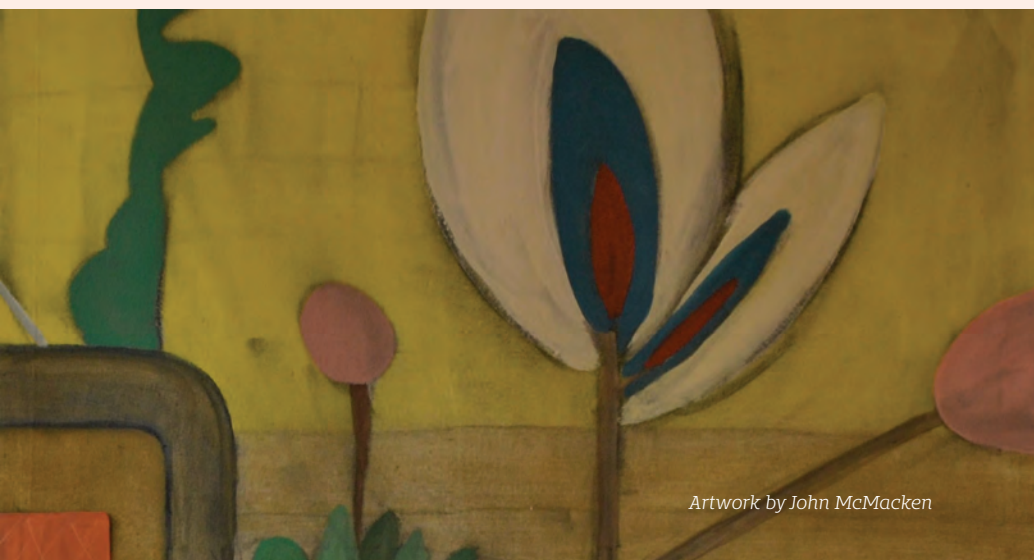


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Artwork by John McMacken

# Exhibitions

## Big Doodles and Wee Doodles

**John McMacken**

**3 April - 16 May**

John McMacken lived in Limavady for 25 years before moving to Belfast where he studied Fine Art at Ulster University. John presents a body of work comprising oil paintings, charcoal and pen drawings – energetic and colourful lyrical abstracts which explore the artist's creativity and imagination. John has exhibited at galleries throughout the island of Ireland.



## Postcards (Ghostwritten)

**James Hughes & John Brown**

**24 May - 29 June**

**Exhibition Launch: Saturday 24 May | 1pm | Free Admission**

An exhibition of stunning atmospheric photographs in postcard format, taken in places across the world by James Hughes. These will be accompanied by imaginary texts written by John Brown as if sent from these places, and in the voices of politicians, philosophers, chefs, and others. A book will accompany the exhibition.

**Workshop:** James is hosting a photography workshop on the 7 June. See page 19 for further information.



➤ *“Another fantastic exhibition.”*

## Joan Miró | Painting and Poetry

A Hayward Gallery touring exhibition from Southbank Centre, London

7 June – 19 July

Known for his innovative approach, Joan Miró’s work embraces free expression, experimentation, and accident, reflecting his rich artistic output. Celebrated as a painter, sculptor, and printmaker, Miró’s collaboration with literary figures reveals his deep connection to Surrealism and Dadaism, highlighting his use of vivid colours and abstract forms in his distinctive prints.

This exhibition showcases Joan Miró’s dynamic lithographic prints, created to illustrate the writings of French Surrealist poet Robert Desnos. This collection demonstrates Miró’s remarkable versatility, bringing together his unique creative process and lasting influence on the art world.



Image credit: Joan Miró, Untitled, 1974 © Successió Miró / ADAGP, Paris and DACS London 2025

# Interrupted (Journeys)

**Brain Injury Matters NI**

**5 July - 30 August**

**Exhibition Launch: Saturday 5 July | 1pm | Free Admission**

'Interrupted (Journeys)' is a large-scale collaborative installation inspired by aural histories from Limavady. It tells the story of the lost Ross Sea Party, part of Shackleton's Trans-Antarctic Expedition, highlighting courage, survival, and hope through an intricate origami display reflecting their perilous journey and determination.



**Brain Injury Matters**

# I Am

**Brain Injury Matters NI**

**5 July - 30 August**

**Exhibition Launch: Saturday 5 July | 1pm | Free Admission**

Explore 'I Am', an exhibition featuring artists **Wendy Kelly, James Stewart, Stephen Gifford, Rene Boyd, Leah Batchelor, Lesley McClune, Kathryn Clarke, and Lisa Forsythe**. Through mixed media and 3D elements, each artist interprets personal themes like identity, emotions, and dreams, aiming to represent themselves beyond labels or preconceptions.



*Brain Injury Matters (NI) was established in 2013 as an independent regional third sector organisation supporting, promoting and empowering those individuals and families affected by acquired brain injury.*

For more information, please email [ciara@braininjurymatters.org.uk](mailto:ciara@braininjurymatters.org.uk) or telephone 028 9070 5125 or 075 1662 9856

# Pooka Party & Other Stories

**Shona Shirley McDonald**

**2 August - 30 August**

**Exhibition Launch: Saturday 2 August | 1pm | Free Admission**

AUGUST  
CHILDREN'S  
MONTH

**Shona Shirley Macdonald**, an award-winning illustrator and author from Co. Waterford, Ireland, specialises in books and large-scale murals. Her debut picture book, 'The Pooka Party' earned a spot on the 2020 IBBY Honour List and received multiple award nominations. Her recent collaboration, 'Girls Who Slay Monsters', won Children's Book of the Year: Senior at the An Post Irish Book Awards 2022 and was nominated for the 2024 Yoto Carnegie Medal for illustration. This exhibition features a collection of illustrations and drawings from her various publications, including 'The Moon Spun Round', 'An Feileacán agus an Ri', and new etchings, highlighting her artistic journey.



**Kids Workshop:** The artist is facilitating a children's illustration workshop on 2 August. See page 16 for further details.

# Events

## Kimemie Rhodes

Friday 2 May | 8pm (Doors 7.30pm)

Tickets £18

LIVE  
MUSIC

*This event is cabaret style with a limited bar*

*'...a prolific figure in Texas Music' – Austin Chronicle*

We're delighted to welcome **Kimemie Rhodes** back to Roe Valley Arts. A celebrated Austin-based singer-songwriter with 16 solo albums to her name, she is a true "songwriter's songwriter," with her work recorded by legends like **Willie Nelson**, **Emmylou Harris**, and **Mark Knopfler**. Beyond music, she has written and produced three musical plays, published a memoir, and even a novella-cookbook. Inducted into the West Texas Walk of Fame in 2023, Kimemie's artistry blends storytelling, melody, and Texas spirit, captivating audiences worldwide. Whether on grand stages or intimate settings, her songs and stories leave a lasting impression.







*"Just an amazing evening.  
I am so glad we went. Magical."*

## Live Music Now / Songs & Scones Series

# Amanda St. John

Tuesday 6 May | 1-3pm

Tickets £3

*This event is cabaret style with light refreshments*

**Amanda St. John** is a soul inspired singer-songwriter renowned for her powerful vocals. Her main influences are soul, folk and blues style songwriters and she draws audiences in with her infectious energy and storytelling style.

Live Music Now 'Scones and Songs' concert series offers older people the chance to share an enjoyable afternoon of music together.

LIVE  
MUSIC



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Box Office: 028 7776 0650 [www.roevalleyarts.com](http://www.roevalleyarts.com)

# The Nettle Dress

Thursday 15 May | 7.30pm

Tickets £5

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

Experience **The Nettle Dress** a heartfelt documentary following textile artist **Allan Brown** as he crafts a dress from locally foraged nettles over seven years. Filmed by **Dylan Howitt**, this intimate film celebrates healing through nature and slow craft, honouring Allan's late wife and inspiring those dealing with loss.

2023 | Duration 68 mins |  
Directed by Dylan Howitt | Cert: 12A

FILM



➤ **"The calibre of events that takes place at this local centre is brilliant."**

**Orchestra Northwest present**

# **The Carnival Of the Animals & Music from Stage and Screen**

**Saturday 17 May | 6pm**

**Tickets £13.50 full, £9.50 concession**

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

Join Orchestra Northwest for an enchanting concert featuring Saint-Saëns' **Carnival of the Animals**, a whimsical journey through the animal kingdom. The performance also includes a vibrant selection of iconic music from stage and screen, blending classical charm with cinematic magic for a memorable, family-friendly evening of musical delight.



**GUEST  
HIRE  
EVENT**

## **Roe Valley Speciality Market**

**Saturday 31 May | 11am–4pm | Free admission**

If you love local fresh food, quirky handmade crafts, fine art and speciality products, the Roe Valley Speciality Market is for you! Taking place in our own Drumceatt Square and delivered by Naturally North Coast and Glens (a not-for-profit social enterprise). Outdoor events are always at the mercy of the weather – check our website/social media for the most current information before you travel.



**MARKET**



*“Very enjoyable night! It was my first event and I loved it.”*

# Paddy McDonnell | Dagger

**Saturday 21 June | 8pm (Doors 7pm)**

**Tickets £15 + Online Booking Fee**

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

Fresh off the success of three sold-out SSE Arenas in 2023 and 2024, **Paddy McDonnell** is back with his brand-new show, *DAGGER*, hitting venues across Ireland in Spring 2025!

*DAGGER* dives into the hilarious chaos of Paddy's legendary stag do in Spain, with stories so outrageous they've already gone viral on podcasts and social media.

GUEST  
HIRE  
EVENT



# Splash

**Friday 4 July | 1.30pm**

**Tickets £3**

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

A poignant film following Adrianna's battle with body image and loneliness. Haunted by a childhood memory, she faces her fear with the help of a red swimsuit and a trip to the beach. Embarking on a journey of self-acceptance and empowerment, this reflective narrative reveals the struggle for confidence in a world shaped by technology.

2023 | Duration 10 mins | Directed and written by Kate Haley

FILM



# Stendhal Tent of Creativity

**Saturday 5 July | 11am-3pm | Free**

The coolest Arts Team around is back at Stendhal Festival! Create vibrant flag pennants, personalised friendship bracelets, festival crowns and more! Experience arts and creativity in our tent of festival vibes!

FESTIVAL





**“Great Music. Lovely atmosphere. Great vibe.”**

# The Darkling Air

LIVE  
MUSIC

**Saturday 26 July | 8pm (Doors 7.30pm)**

**Tickets £20 full, £18 concession**

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating and a limited bar*

*“The purity of voice, the measured intensity of instrumentation and the depth of lyrical portrait...I can’t recommend The Darkling Air’s “Untamed & Beloved” highly enough...” - Stephen McCauley (BBC Radio Ulster)*

**The Darkling Air & Arco String Quartet** return to the stage to perform new material from their upcoming album *Pareidolia* released in Spring 2025. Since their debut album *Untamed & Beloved* in 2016, the Bangor-based duo comprising songwriter Rachel McCarthy and composer Michael Keeney, has gained acclaim and airplay on RTE and BBC. Described as filmic folk, their music features haunting vocal melodies with live strings, piano, and electronics. After recent prestigious performances, this concert offers a unique chance to experience their evolving sound and compelling new songs alongside beloved favourites.



# August Children's Month

## August Children's Month Launch

Saturday 2 August | 1- 3.30pm | FREE

Join us for the launch of August Children's Month with the opening of a very special exhibition – **The Pooka Party & Other Stories** - led by Illustrator and Writer Shona Shirley McDonald.

On the day, enjoy pop-up art workshops, children's theatre, enchanting walkabout characters, get your face painted, and experience music and storytelling.



## Wicked Singalong

Monday 4 August | 11am

Tickets £3

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

Immerse yourself in the untold story of the witches of Oz, featuring unforgettable songs. This interactive event invites audiences to sing along and celebrate friendship and bravery.

2007 | Directed by Gregory Maguire |  
Duration 135 mins | Cert PG.

MONDAY  
MOVIE





*“Love the feeling of community.”*

# The BFG

**Monday 11 August | 11am**

**Tickets £3**

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

Follow a young girl and her giant friend as they embark on a whimsical adventure to save the world from monstrous giants in this charming adaptation of Roald Dahl’s classic tale.

2016 | Directed by Steven Spielberg | Duration 117 mins | Cert PG



# Makey Uppers Present

# Granny D’s Treehouse

**Thursday 14 August | 11am**

**Tickets £5**

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

Granny D(oherty) and her granddaughter live in a magic treehouse where they see all with their mysterious bag of eyes. Join them for stories, games and craic, as they share tales of their travels in a magic bubble.



# The Little Mermaid

**Monday 18 August | 11am**

**Tickets £3**

*This event is in our auditorium with unreserved tiered seating*

A spirited young mermaid dreams of joining the human world in this enchanting live-action adaptation, featuring beloved songs and a heartwarming story of identity, love, and courage.

2023 | Directed by Rob Marshall | Duration 135 mins | Cert PG.



# Make + Do for Kids & Young People

Book via our website, call our Box Office team on 028 7776 0650 or pop in to pay.

We want to make sure that all children and young people participate in an enjoyable and safe environment. Therefore, please complete and return consent forms for each under-18 no later than 24 hours before the activity begins. Completed consent forms are a condition of participation. **The best creativity is messy! Please make sure your child wears suitable clothing.**

## Miró Mobiles for 7-11 yrs

Saturday 7 June | 11am-1pm

Cost £12 | Tutor: Linda Mulholland

Experience our Joan Miró-inspired kid's mobile workshop! Create colourful, abstract mobiles using playful shapes and primary colours. Encouraging creativity and imaginative play while making fun, unique art pieces that brighten any space.



## Pooka Party Illustration for 7-11 yrs

Saturday 2 August | 11.30am-12.30pm

Cost £15 | Tutor: Shona McDonald

A magical children's illustration workshop as part of our Pooka Party exhibition! Set your creativity free, explore enchanting characters, and bring stories to life with fun activities. Perfect for young artists eager to express their imagination!







*“Everyone is helpful and friendly and the space is wonderful.”*

## **Wizard of Oz Science for 6-11yrs**

**Tuesday 5 August | 11am-1pm**

**Cost £15 | Tutor: Adam from Mini Professors**

A wonderful ‘Wizard of Oz’ inspired science workshop. Explore fascinating experiments such as creating colourful tornadoes and dazzling potions, all while learning the science behind the wonder of Oz!



## **Magical Marbling for 6-11yrs**

**Wednesday 6 August | 11am-1pm**

**Cost £12 | Tutor: Linda Mulholland**

Explore the art of marbling in this interactive workshop, where kids will create unique patterns on paper. Designed for all skill levels, children will master techniques and create cards and a framed picture.



## **Jelly Cat Ceramics for 8-11yrs**

**Friday 8 August | 11am-1pm**

**Cost £25 | Tutor: Jane McCluskey**

Get ready for a delightful Jellycat ceramics workshop. Kids will explore their artistic side, sculpt adorable Jellycat inspired characters and enjoy a day fill with laughter, creativity and fun.



➤ *"It is a fantastic creative resource."*

## Harry Potter Science for 6-11yrs

**Tuesday 12 August | 11am-1pm**

**Cost £15 | Tutor: Adam from Mini Professors**

Engage in a hands-on Harry Potter themed science workshop and reveal the magic of the wizarding world. Perfect for aspiring scientists and fans alike.



## Fused Glass Bunting for 8-12 yrs

**Friday 15 August | 11am-1pm**

**Cost £25 | Tutor: Natasha Duddy**

Create your own fused glass bunting in this hands-on workshop. Design unique flags inspired by your drawings or initials, explore layering techniques, and experiment with colours and textures to craft beautiful, ready-to-hang decorations for your home



## Lego Workshop

**Tuesday 19 August**

**5-7 yrs: 11am-1pm | 8-12 yrs: 1.30-3.30pm**

**Cost £20 | Tutor: Joel Simon**

This fun Lego animation workshop introduces children to stop-motion filmmaking. Using iPads, they'll create a complete animated film with sound and visual effects, and titles—unleashing their imagination and taking home their own finished movie!



## Mixed Media Collage for 8-11 yrs

**Wednesday 20 August | 11am-1pm**

**Cost £12 | Tutor: Linda Mulholland**

Using vibrant materials, textures and colours, kids will craft unique cards and bookmarks ready for the new school year.



# Make + Do for Adults

Book via our website, call our Box Office team on 028 7776 0650 or pop in to pay.

\*All course costs include materials unless otherwise specified\*

## Feasting on Weeds Foraging for 18+yrs

Friday 16 May | 10am-12.30pm

Cost £25 full, £20 concession | Tutor: Clare McQuillan

Join foraging guide Clare of Feasting on Weeds for a slow adventure through Downhill Forest to discover what edibles you can gather during spring. This event will finish with some seasonal edible treats inspired by the plants we find along the way.



## Landscape Glass for 18+yrs

Saturday 17 May | 11am-1.30pm

Cost £45 full, £40 concession | Tutor: Natasha Duddy

Design and create your own fused glass framed artwork inspired by local landscapes. Learn glass-cutting techniques, explore natural tones and textures, and layer colours to add depth, creating a stunning landscape or seascape masterpiece.



## Photography Masterclass for 16+yrs

Saturday 7 June | 10am-1pm

Cost £25 full, £20 concession | Tutor: James Hughes

Esteemed photographer James Hughes leads a masterclass, where he'll share techniques from his current "Postcards" exhibition, focusing on engaging not just the eyes and brain, but also the heart, in photography.



➤ **“The space is great.  
Very modern and welcoming.”**

## **Miró Abstract Glass Panel for 18+yrs**

**Saturday 14 June | 11am-1.30pm**

**Cost £45 full, £40 concession | Tutor: Natasha Duddy**

Immerse yourself in creativity at our abstract glass panel workshop, inspired by Joan Miró's vibrant exhibition. Discover techniques, explore colours, and craft your unique masterpiece, blending Miró's playful spirit with your artistic expression. All levels welcome!



## **Summer Solstice Gin & Truffles for 18+yrs**

**Thursday 19 June | 7-9pm**

**Cost £45 full, £40 concession | Tutor: Erin Bunting**

Join “The Edible Flower,” a culinary luminary featured in Vogue and The Irish Times and explore botanical folklore, infuse gin with natural ingredients such as hawthorn, elderflower, roses and herbs, and craft delicious chocolate truffles—blending tradition, storytelling, and flavour. You'll leave with your own jar of naturally infused gin and bag of delicious truffles.





“Wonderful facility and staff.”

## Stacking Rings Silversmithing for 18+yrs

Saturday 21 June | 10am-4pm

Cost £70 full, £65 concession | Tutor: Diane Lyness

In this class you will be taught how to craft your own silver stacking rings, using traditional techniques like piercing, soldering, shaping, and texturing, personalising with semi-precious stones. No experience needed; just bring an apron.



## Fermenting for Beginners for 18+yrs

Thursday 26 June | 7-9pm

Cost £35 full, £25 concession | Tutor: Erin Bunting

Explore the art of fermenting and its health benefits, learning about salt ratios and storage techniques. Create, and take home your own delicious sauerkraut, kimchi, and pickled vegetables.

Suitable for people who follow a vegetarian, vegans and gluten free diet. For other dietary requirements, please give us a call.



## Linocut Printing for 18+yrs

Saturday 28 June | 10am-3pm

Cost £35 full, £30 concession | Tutor: Ivan Frew

Learn the fundamentals of linoprinting from expert Ivan Frew. You will learn cutting techniques, ink application, and printing methods to produce unique and professional-quality prints, encouraging both skill development and artistic expression.



## The Creative Way for 18+ yrs

Friday 4 July | 10am-1pm

Cost £35 full, £30 concession |

Tutor: Ursula McHugh

Unlock your hidden talents in writing, art, music, or business with this transformative workshop. Gain clarity on your passions, discover new opportunities, and leave feeling inspired, motivated, and ready to pursue what truly brings you joy. Participants are invited to attend a free screening of 'Splash' following this workshop.



## Beach Yoga and Cacao for 18+ yrs

Saturday 5 July | 11am-12.30pm

Cost £20 full, £15 concession |

Tutor: Luna Yoga / Zara McIntyre

Enjoy a rejuvenating beach yoga session at Benone Beach, where sun, sand, and serenity meet. Wind down with a soothing cacao ritual, nourishing both body and spirit. Embrace wellness, community, and relaxation in this blissful coastal experience!





*“Engaging and brilliant!”*

## Mums Meet and Make



This series of creative workshops is specifically designed for new parents, giving you the opportunity to tap into your creativity, relax, and practice mindfulness.

These workshops are enriching, enjoyable and budget-friendly and offer new mums the chance to foster friendships that will last a lifetime. After each workshop, we encourage you to stay and enjoy some refreshments.

These workshops are suitable for those with children under 1 who are not yet mobile or who will sit in a pram or car seat throughout. Roe Valley Arts Centre is proudly breastfeeding-friendly, and baby-changing is available.

## Watercolour Pictures with Elaine Harkness

**Tuesday 20 May | 9.30-11am | Cost £8**

Join artist Elaine Harkness and turn a favourite family photograph into a beautiful watercolour picture. Please send photo to [information@rvacc.com](mailto:information@rvacc.com) before workshop.

## Nursery Wall Hanging Decorations with

### Fiona Shannon

**Wednesday 4 June | 9.30-11am | Cost £8**

Hand-mould clay into trinket dishes and hanging ornaments, imprinting them with unique patterns or the precious imprints of your baby's tiny footprint or thumbprint.



## Sound Connections

Are you aged 18-25 years and a singer/songwriter or in a band? We want to support emerging local musicians by providing FREE rehearsal space on Wednesday and Thursday evenings between 7-9pm on specific dates when our auditorium may be free. Interested? Contact [information@rvacc.co.uk](mailto:information@rvacc.co.uk) or call us on Tel: **028 7776 0650**.

# General terms and conditions of booking:

## Your Tickets:

Patrons are advised that ticket prices cannot be refunded, transferred or exchanged unless in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the venue manager.

You can make a booking either in person or by telephone through cash, cheque or debit/credit card or online for selected main events via Eventbrite. Tickets will be held, pending payment, for 48 hours after your initial booking. Tickets can also be posted to you directly but may incur additional postage costs. We reserve the right to offer special discounted ticket prices for events at any time and prior bookings may be excluded from promotion.

## Concession Rates:

Enter promo code **Concession** on Eventbrite and **click Apply** to activate the discount at the online check out. Concession rates apply to students, those aged 65 years and older and those who are unwaged. Please note that you may be asked to supply your student ID or ID at the door of the event when presenting your concession ticket.

## Events:

Please note: Latecomers to live events may not be admitted unless there is a suitable break or interval. We reserve the right to alter or cancel any event

without advance notice. Outdoor events are weather dependent and subject to change. Official photographers will at times take photos of events for Council purposes and may be used for future promotional purposes. In outdoor events, all children must be accompanied by an adult. All details of events are correct at time of going to press.

## Data Protection:

We assure you that any personal information submitted to us through a box office booking or our mailing list will only be used for our own monitoring/marketing purposes and will not be passed on to any third parties.

**Flowerfield Arts Centre and Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre are non-smoking venues.**

**Flowerfield Arts Centre and Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre are fully accessible.**

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[roevalleyarts.com](http://roevalleyarts.com)