

Tech Amergin

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Spring 2019 Workshops



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Please note that a deposit must be paid when you make your booking and inadvance of the proposed start date. All workshops are dependent on a minimum number. Start dates will be confirmed only when we have enough interest to make the workshop viable.

First Aid Responder Refresher (AE)

Saturday 26th January & Saturday 2nd February 9.30 - 4pm / 2 days
All participants must have completed the Occupational First Aid (OFA)QQI
Level 5 certificate or the new First Aid Responder PHECC certificate in order to
do this course. This workshop will enable you, over 2 days, to refresh your original certificate & update to the new First Aid Refresher Certificate. Please note all
students must bring, to the class, a copy of their original QQI certificate and their
most recent refresher certificate.

Participants will practice skills such as CPR/Defibrillation, bandaging and management of stroke, choking, seizures, heart conditions, asthma and much more. 1 day. Fee: €90. Attendance certificate issued on completion of the session. Limited places available. *Maura O'Connor*

Rock Art Safari - Save a monument! (AE)

Saturday 16th March 10am - 5pm / 1 day

In many ways it is a race against time to find monuments (as yet to be identified) before land is reshaped and rocks moved, buried or broken. Rock art (a beautiful form of geometric carving dating back to the Neolithic) can be particularly vulnerable to destruction as, dramatic as it is in sun light, it can be easily overlooked being only barely detectable when it is overcast. That coupled with a general lack of awareness of its existence.

Join us on a day-long Rock Art Safari as we tramp the hills in a beautiful remote landscape looking for previously undiscovered rock art. We meet at Tech Amergin where you will be shown images of rock art and guided on how to identify it. You will also get an introduction to 3D recording using photographs. We will drive from Tech Amergin to a remote area that has been identified by Aoibheann as a likely location for new panels. We will see some rock art during the day. Aoibheann has made in excess of 100 reports of new discoveries of monuments to the NMS.

Car pooling. Sturdy footwear, suitable clothing and a level of fitness required. Bring a packed lunch and water. Fee €40. *Aoibheann Lambe*

The Ancient Technique of Raku Pottery

Saturday 2nd March 10am -1pm & 9th March 10am -3pm / 2 days Rake generally refers to a type of low-firing process that was inspired by traditional Japanese raku firing. Western-style raku usually involves removing pottery from the kiln while at bright red heat and placing it into containers with combustible materials.

On the first day you will create the piece for Raku and on the second day you will fire the piece outside. Fee €50. *Anja Gnauck*

Alchemy In Action (AE)

Saturday 9th March 9.30am - 1.30pm / 1 day

Recent copper mine discoveries on Lamb's Head, Caherdaniel in addition to the previously known 'copper caves' in the area highlight the importance of the Waterville/Caherdaniel area in Ireland's transition from the Stone Age to the Metal ages. Our workshop starts at Tech Amergin with an introduction to the technology involved in the alchemy of transforming rock to copper and the implications this had for Stone Age folk. This is followed by a field trip over wet boggy terrain to recently discovered copper workings on Lamb's Head, near Caherdaniel. Suitable walking clothes essential. Wellingtons if you have them. Car-pooling. Fee €25. Aoibheann Lambe

Copper Mine Hike (AE)

Saturday 9th March 2 - 5pm / 1 day

A hike to a copper mine high up in the hills near Coad. This walk includes folklore, history, other monuments and interesting sights on the way as we make our way to the prehistoric copper mine known as St. Crohan's Hermitage. As it is located in uneven boggy terrain, a level of fitness and suitable clothing are essential. Bring snacks and water. Car pooling. Meet at the carpark at Coad at 2pm. Fee €20. Aoibheann Lambe