

Dublin Civic Trust presents

DUBLIN GARDEN SQUARES DAY

Saturday 3rd of July from 10am!



DUBLIN CIVIC TRUST INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE THE GLORY OF DUBLIN'S GEORGIAN GARDEN SQUARES

Enjoy walking tours, live performance, stalls and children's events in a fun family day out for all. Walk or cycle between the squares and discover the

history of these unique gardens, their plants and wildlife, the people who once used them and the historic buildings that embrace them.

Events taking place at all five squares from 10am onwards.

See www.dublincivictrust.ie for more details.

MERRION SQUARE

10.00AM Number 29 ESB Georgian House
-5.00PM Museum open for guided tours

11.00AM Walking Tour with Nicki Matthews, Conservation Architect, Dublin City Council (meet at Oscar Wilde statue at corner of square)

11.30AM Special Event: Natural History Museum tour for families

12.00PM National Gallery of Ireland art workshop for children (in atrium of gallery with materials provided)

1.00PM Imaginosity present creative street games for children, with hopscotch, throw rings, sack race, hula hoop and much more (in centre of park)

1.00PM Guided walk with tree specialist Joe McConville, arboriculturalist

2.30PM Punch and Judy Theatre with Conor Lambert's Custard Pie Puppet Company

3.00PM Special Event: Natural History Museum tour for adults

3.30PM Live music

4.30PM Hot Air Balloon commemorating hydrogen balloon flight by Richard Crosbie, Ireland's first aviator, in July 1785

- Mount Venus Nursery plant stall
- Sales of frozen yoghurt, tea, coffee, cakes and crepes

FITZWILLIAM SQUARE

Fitzwilliam Square open all day to the public

12.00PM Walking Tour of the square (meet at Pembroke Street corner of square at Baggot Street end)

12.30PM Learn the Art of Watercolour: free painting class for adults with artist Veronica Heywood

-2.30PM

7.30PM Shakespeare's Twelfth Night performed by Trusty Villians Theatre Company (admission at gate €10)

ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN

11.00AM Garden tour with Eileen Brennan, Office of Public Works (meet at Fusiliers' Arch entrance)

11.45AM Tango Argentino – dance at the bandstand with Beatrice Cisneros

12.00PM Garden tour with Eileen Brennan, Office of Public Works (meet at Fusiliers' Arch entrance)

12.00PM Simultaneous Chess Exhibition with Sam Collins, International Chessmaster and former Irish National Chess Champion (at lakeside summer house, opposite Shelbourne Hotel)

1.00PM Dublin Concert Band performs at the bandstand

2.00PM Architectural tour of St. Stephen's Green with Graham Hickey, Dublin Civic Trust

3.00PM Norwegian Choir – afternoon recital at the bandstand

MOUNTJOY SQUARE

11.00AM Walking tour with Ruadhán MacEoin (meet at Gardiner Street entrance to square)

12.00PM St. George's Brass Band and hot food/roast hog in the Park

2.00PM Tango Argentino – dance at the bandstand with Beatrice Cisneros

3.00PM Chinese cultural exhibition of dance and kite flying

- Plant stalls
- Mr Whippy
- Hot food

PARNELL SQUARE

10.00AM Dublin City Gallery, The Hugh Lane and Dublin Writers Museum open

-5.00PM

2.00PM Historical tour of square and its gardens with architect James Kelly (meet at entrance to Garden of Remembrance)

TRANSPORT

We recommend all visitors use public transport to get about on the day, including Luas, bus, train and dublinbikes.

