



A month-long festival of events and activities for older people

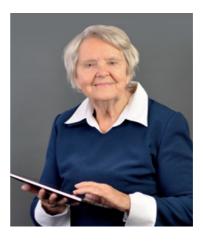
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Positive Ageing Month celebrates the contribution that older people make to their communities and the city of Belfast, and no more than this year!

Now in its fifth year, the festival looks very different but still has activities to suit all tastes. Unfortunately there will be no big get-togethers but we hope people will still be able to connect in some wav.

It begins on Thursday 1 October with the first ever virtual Age-friendly Belfast Convention, organised by the Age-friendly Belfast team (see event listing for details). Everyone is welcome to connect online.

Booking for most events is essential this year so please check details.

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The details in this brochure were correct at the time of going to print. Each event organiser reserves the right to make changes to the published programme, so please check with the individual venue

Age-friendly Belfast invites you to the

Virtual Age-friendly Belfast Convention 2020

Thursday 1 October 10.30am - 12.30pm

Delivered via webinar: https://vimeo.com/event/319441

Come and celebrate International Older Persons Day, Positive Ageing Month, hear progress on the plan and how we move forward into 2021 and the Decade of Healthy Ageing!

> To register call 07713684705 or email positiveageingmonth@belfastcity.gov.uk

Brassed Off at the Strand Cinema

Silver Screenings proudly supported by Specsavers Connswater and Arts & Business NI



Tickets £3 including free tea or coffee. To book call 028 9065 5830



Father Ted Themed Chocolate Bingo

7.30pm -8.30pm

Eves down, let's play Bingo, Every winner wins chocolate.

Delivered via zoom

To register call Eamon Quinn on 90735696 or email Eamon.guinn@engagewithage.org.uk





PLACE-EE Transnational Cultural Heritage Archive – Webinar

2pm - 3:30pm

Digital Archiving of Cultural Heritage: The involvement of older people and intergenerational approaches. PLACE-EE has researched, collated and recorded important cultural heritage across 4 rural and isolated regions of Europe (NI, Ireland, Iceland, Sweden).

Speakers:

Vicki Titterington Linking Generations NI

Lynsey GillespiePublic Record Office NI

Roger O'Sullivan

Institute of Public Health Ireland

Delivered via zoom

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN_o5sITS_gQnCWuKdYumDzKA

Online Shared Reading

2:30-3:30pm

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zoom

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BELFAST U3A

Belfast U3A (University of the Third Age), is an educational organisation for older people who are no longer working full-time. It enables members to engage in many social activities and to share their knowledge and skills in relation to the arts, fitness, leisure, and creativity.

With over 700 members and 57 interest groups, we cover a wide range of topics and activities. The groups are run by the members for the members. In normal times, we have a very interesting and fun-filled monthly meeting with a speaker, which is open to all members. However, due to Covid-19 regulations, many of our groups are meeting virtually instead of physically during October.

For further information, see our website by googling 'Belfast U3A' and if you like what you see and are interested in joining us, please email our Membership Secretary (with your name and postal address) on membership@belfastu3a.org



Sunday 4 October

Silver Sunday Age-friendly Museums Day

10.30pm - 1pm

Come along to the Ulster Museum for a socially distanced visit. Enjoy refreshments, a chat and find out what's going on over October. You can also enjoy a walk in Botanic gardens and make a day off it.

To book call 028 9044 0000



Monday 5 October

Positive Ageing Month Book of the Week

Every Monday in October Libraries NI will recommend a book that will inspire, enlighten and challenge your perception of ageing.

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Tuesday 6 October

Walking Tour of the **Clifton Street Cemetery** 11am

Come along for a safe socially distanced walking tour, numbers limited

To book call 07713684705 or email. postiveageingmonth@belfastcitv.gov.uk

Talk on Early Belfast and launch of Dementia Friendly East Belfast Website

2pm

Come and Join John Bradbury giving an overview of early Belfast the streets, citizens like Henry Joy McCracken, Mary Ann McCracken, Arthur Chichester etc.

Delivered via Facebook [] LIVE



Visit Dementia Friendly East Belfast Page



Wednesday 7 October



LGNI is hosting a session to share ideas of how to stay connected during this time. Come and hear all about what we do and the great things older and younger people can do together.

Delivered via

zoom

To book lynn.heatley@bjf.org.uk

Creative Writing

2pm - 3:30pm

Share your stories and put pen to paper in this relaxed and informal creative writing group.

Delivered via zoom

For an invite please contact Belfast Central Library on 028 9050 9150 or email Nicola.terlik@librariesni.org.uk

More Money in your Pocket

3pm-4pm

Join Brenda Kearns from AgeNI to find out how to claim the right benefits in later life

Delivered via **Zoom**

To register contact Michele Young, Age NI Tel: 028 9089 2606

Email: Michele.young@ageni.org

Thursday 8 October

Brassed Off at the Strand Cinema

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Friday 9 October

Online Shared Reading

2:30-3:30pm

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Friday Afternoon Games

3pm-4pm

Join John McCandless for some fun and games

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zoom

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Policing and Community Safety Partnerships (PCSPs)

PCSP work to make communities safer, ensuring that the voices of local people are heard in Belfast we have an overarching Policing and Community Safety Partnership and four District Policing and Community Safety Partnerships (North, South, East and West)

Come along and find out a bit more and a chance to ask questions.

To book call 07713684705 or email postiveageingmonth@belfastcitr.gov.uk

Action Mental Health session 1 for Individuals 11.30pm - 1pm

Action Mental Health session 1 for group leaders

2.30pm - 4pm

For more information and to register contact Michele Young, Age NI Tel: 028 9089 2606 Email: Michele.young@ageni.org



The Virtual Slipped Disco!

8pm -8.45pm

The Slipped Disco as never before, get dressed up and come and join us for a boogie in your living room!

Delivered via

zoom

Delivered via Facebook LIVE



Visit Engage With Age Page

For more info call 028 9073 5696 or email. Eamon.Quinn@engagewithage.org.uk



session 2 for group leaders

2.30pm - 4pm

For more information and to register contact Michele Young, Age NI Tel: 028 9089 2606 Email: Michele.young@ageni.org

Listen Share Change **Taster Session**



11am

We are inviting you to take part in digital Listen Share Change. We use storytelling to help people start a conversation, have a laugh and make new friendships.

Delivered via zoom

and by phone using a Freephone number.

To book contact Holly through Verbal Verbal LSC Team - call 028 7126 6946 and ask for Holly (Belfast rep) or email lscbelfast@theverbal.co

Be Ready NI

2.30pm-3.30pm

Come and hear from Claire Carlton Resilience Manager Belfast Emergency Preparedness Group on being prepared for all types of emergencies from severe weather warnings, flood and other crisis situations

Delivered via

zoom

To book call 07713684705 or email postiveageingmonth@belfastcity.gov.uk

Wednesday 14 October



Learning and Older people 2pm

Interactive webinar with speakers looking at learning provision for older people and its benefits. Participants will be encouraged to share views on how provision in NI could be improved.

To book go to www.eventbrite.co.uk/x/ older-people-and-learning-webinartickets-119445142637

Creative Writing

2:00-3:30pm

Share your stories and put pen to paper in this relaxed and informal creative writing group.

Delivered via zoom

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Slow Down afternoon at The Ulster Museum

Arrive from 3pm to 4pm

Enjoy the museum at a slower pace

You must book by calling 02890440000



Thursday 15 October

Shop well, eat well, feel great!

2pm

The session will be delivered by a Registered dietitian and will focus on the importance of eating well for good health and wellbeing. As we get older it's worth taking time to check how well we are eating. The session will give practical tips on including nourishing foods in the right amounts. It will give ideas on how we can achieve a tasty, healthy diet that's not too expensive.

Delivered via zoom

To book call 07713684705 or email postiveageingmonth@belfastcitv.gov.uk



Three Coins in the Fountain at the Strand Cinema 2pm

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Chocolate Bingo

7.30pm -8.30pm

Eyes down, let's play Bingo. Every winner wins chocolate

Delivered via zoom

To register call Eamon Quinn on 90735696 or email Eamon.quinn@engagewithage.org.uk

Tullycarnet Yarnspinners

8pm

Donna Washington is an awardwinning master storyteller who has been performing for over thirty-two years.

Delivered via zoom

Register in advance for this meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/ registertZlocuGspz8pG9X7Y8o9jjGK AnWzsLqSKGDv



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If you have a tablet, laptop or phone and need help to address a specific problem, our digital volunteers can help. Simply text the word **DIGITAL** to **67300*** with a brief description of what you require help with, or call **07551852684*** and leave a message, and a volunteer will phone you within 48 hours with free, helpful advice on many topics such as:

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If you cannot find what you are looking for or have a particular training request as an individual or as a group – just contact the Go ON NI team at email future@finance-ni.gov.uk or telephone 02890 254741.



Friday 16 October

Online Shared Reading 2:30-3:30pm

Enjoy listening to a great story or poem, no pressure to talk or read.

Delivered via zoom

For an invite please contact Belfast Central Library on 028 9050 9150 or email Nicola.terlik@librariesni.org.uk



Slow Down Afternoon at The Ulster American Folk Museum (Omagh)

Arrive from 3pm to 4pm

Enjoy the museum FREE and at a slower pace

You must book by calling 028 9039 5292 and quoting ACCESS 3



3pm - 4pm

Grab a cuppa and take a trip down memory lane with a live zoom performance from Rosie and Gary Hunter

Delivered via

zoom

To book call 07713684705 or email postiveageingmonth@belfastcity.gov.uk

Monday 19 October

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Cook a long session

2pm

Alex Connell, Roving Chef from Vegetarian for Life is going to do a cook along. We will get you a list of ingredients beforehand if you want to cook along.

Delivered via **ZOOM**

To book call 07713684705 or email postiveageingmonth@belfastcitv.gov.uk



Tuesday 20 October

Dementia Awareness training

10am-12pm

The aim of this session is to help you to develop your knowledge of dementia, increase your confidence and skills to help you relate, communicate and support someone with dementia and become a Dementia Friend, Fach, participant will receive a certificate and a dementia friends pin badge.

To book email davina@ebcda.org or via Eventbrite www.eventbrite. co.uk/e/119878992293

Breast awareness and **Breast Screening**

2pm

The Women's Resource and Development Agency will deliver an awareness session including a practical demonstration on how to check your breasts and the signs and symptoms to look for.

Delivered via

zoom

To book call 077713684705 or email positiveageingmonth@belfastcity.gov.uk



Active Ageing Strategy – Creating an Age Friendly Region

11am - 12pm

An interactive panel discussion with local experts on the existing Active Ageing Strategy, how well it's working and what we can improve in a future strategy.

Delivered via

zoom

Numbers are limited.

To book go to

https://positiveageing2020.eventbrite.co.uk

Creative Writing

2pm - 3:30pm

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Delivered via

zoom

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Big Quiz

3pm

Come join us for a quiz with a difference, do not worry if you are at home on your own, there will be questions and activities that everyone can be a winner! There will be prizes, and hopefully a lot of laughs! Just have a pen and paper.

Delivered via

zoom

To book call 077713684705 or email positiveageingmonth@belfastcity.gov.uk

Tuesday 22 October

Home Energy Efficiency 11am

Getting the most from the Energy WE USE

Overview of fuel poverty and the impact of cold homes

Energy efficient heating, lighting, and appliances, keeping the heat where it is needed, comparing and switching energy suppliers, advice and support in Northern Ireland.

Delivered via zoom

To book call 07713684705 or email. postiveageingmonth@belfastcity.gov.uk

Three Coins in the Fountain at the Strand Cinema

2pm

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To book call 02890655830

Friday 23 October

Men's Heath Day

A series of activities just for men.

For a programme call 028 9023 2020 or email Deirdre.Murphv@volunteernow.co.uk

Online Shared Reading

2:30-3:30pm

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Delivered via zoom

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Walking tour of Belfast City Cemetery

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To book email davina@ebcda.org or via Eventbrite by www.eventbrite. co.uk/e/119878992293



Tuesday 27 October

Do you want to understand your pension and finances? 10.30-12pm

These sessions are funded by the National Lottery and are open to individuals aged 50+.

This overview will allow participants to take stock of where they are now and where they want to be in later life. Improve confidence and motivation; gain focus and direction for future planning.



Topics covered: Your state pension. understanding types of private pensions, Tax rates and the impact on drawing down a pension, Loans and interest rates, Budget planning, Debt/APR rates and Legal issues to consider in later life.

Delivered via Ti Microsoft Teams

To Registration contact Rosie Email: rosie.smyth@ageni.org or call 07918148575









Wednesday 28 October

Career and health & wellbeing virtual session

10.30-12pm

Do you need support with career change/promotion or finding a job and leading a healthy life?

These sessions are funded by the National Lottery and are open to individuals aged 50+.

Learning aims: This overview will allow participants to take stock of where they are now and where they want to be in later life. Improve confidence and motivation; gain focus and direction for future planning.

Topics Covered: Career planning. transferable skills, work values, caring and your rights in work, impact of a sedentary lifestyle, psychological factors impacting our mental health during lockdown, managing your mental wellbeing during and post COVID-19, gentle exercises and breathing work to relieve stress.



To register call 07918148575 or email rosie.smvth@ageni.org

Thursday 29 October

Bowel Cancer Screening 11am

The Women's Resource and Development Agency will raises awareness of bowel cancer screening, signs and symptoms to look out for, ways to reduce your risk of developing bowel cancer and how to take the screening.

Delivered via

zoom

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Spooky Halloween **Chocolate Bingo**

7.30pm -8.30pm

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2-3:30pm

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Friday 30 October

Belfast City Cemetery **Uirtual Tour**

Delivered via

zoom

To book call 07713684705 or email postiveageingmonth@belfastcitv.gov.uk Are you an older person living in Belfast who is lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, or transgender?

Would you like someone to talk to completely in confidence about your sexual orientation or gender identity?

Cara-Friend are here to help. Our confidential telephone helpline is teamed with people who will offer a listening ear, and will be able to provide you with support and information.

Freephone

0808 8000 390

Monday to Friday, 11am - 3pm Wednesday, 6 - 8 pm

Visit www.cara-friend.org.uk

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