



OPW

# PHOENIX PARK BIODIVERSITY FESTIVAL & Honey Show



## #phoenixparkbiofest

### Honey Show

The 6th Annual Phoenix Park Honey Show is a showcase competition of the finest honey and honey related products that we produce in Ireland.

It is one of many shows that are held nationwide and is open to all, from the experienced honey producers to the beginner beekeeper to the children who produce fabulous posters.

The honey show is a fantastic experience for members of the public to witness the expertise and dedication our honey producers have for this fine craft. Experience the different types and colours of honey we produce in Ireland and meet the beekeepers who are always willing to talk about their passion.

### 9<sup>th</sup> Friday

- 11am - 12pm** Grow your own food - A tour of the Victorian Walled Garden with OPW Gardener. (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 12pm** Trees of Ashtown Arboretum - A tour with Tony Malocca, OPW Tree Surgeon (Ashtown Demesne)
- 12pm - 1pm** Biodiversity of the Furry Glen - A tour with Leif Barry OPW Guide (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 12pm - 1pm** Fallow Deer of the Phoenix Park - A tour with OPW Park Ranger (Papal Cross)
- 2pm - 3pm** Biodiversity of the Furry Glen - A tour with Leif Barry, OPW Guide (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 8pm - 9.30pm** Bats of the Phoenix Park - A tour with Dublin Bat Group

### Online Biodiversity Lunch Time Talks

Monday 5th September 1pm

#### Spreading Seeds of Doubt

Dr. Noeleen Smyth, Assistant Professor at UCD

Tuesday 6th September 1pm

#### Global Food and Biodiversity

Irene Sullivan, Education Officer, Global Action Plan

Wednesday 7th September 1pm

#### Ponds as Reservoirs for Biodiversity

Aoife O'Rourke, Pond Development Officer, EU Legacy4LIFE Project, An Taisce

Thursday 8th September 1pm

#### 'Biodiversity in Action'

#### OPW's Biodiversity Action Strategy 2022-2026

Margaret Gormley, OPW Chief Park Superintendent

Friday 9th September 1pm

#### Meadows at Kilmacurragh

Seamus O'Brien, OPW Head Gardener Kilmacurragh Botanic Gardens

All Lunchtime Talks are approx. 30 minutes long and are available on the OPW YouTube channel. Please see [www.phoenixpark.ie](http://www.phoenixpark.ie) for details.

### 10<sup>th</sup> Saturday

- 10am - 4pm** Phoenix Park Honey Show (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** The Big Dig - Experience what it is like to be an Archaeologist (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** Naturally Wild - With Dale Treadwell (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** Biodiversity Word Quiz, Colouring sheets, Art Activities (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** Botanical Art Demonstration - With artist Shevaun Doherty (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** Honey Bee Observation Hive - Federation of Irish Beekeepers Association (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 12pm** Celtic Tree Tail - A tour with Bernie Canning, OPW Guide (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 12pm** Forest bathing - With Sarah Hourigan, Nature Therapy Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 12pm - 1pm** Trees of Ashtown Arboretum - A tour with Tony Malocca, OPW Tree Surgeon (Ashtown Demesne)
- 12pm - 1pm** Old Town Wood - With Joe Gowran, Woodlands of Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 12pm - 4pm** Vincent Wildlife Trust - Exhibition (Ashtown Demesne)
- 12pm - 4pm** Irish Peatland Conservation Council - Exhibition (Ashtown Demesne)
- 12pm - 4pm** Global Action Plan - Exhibition (Ashtown Demesne)
- 1pm - 2pm** Birds of the Furry Glen - With Ricky Whelan, Birdwatch Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 2pm - 3pm** Forest bathing - With Sarah Hourigan, Nature Therapy Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 2pm - 3pm** Biodiversity of the Furry Glen. A tour with Leif Barry, OPW Guide (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 2pm - 3pm** Grow Up - How to make recycled plant pots from old newspaper and soil talk. With Margaret McGuirk, OPW Head Guide (Ashtown Demesne)
- 2pm - 3pm** Trees of Ashtown Arboretum - A tour with Tony Malocca, OPW Tree Surgeon (Ashtown Demesne)
- 2pm - 4pm** Composting workshop - With Catherine Cleary, Pocket Forests (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 3pm - 4pm** Furry Glen Pond life - With Rob Gandola, the Herpetological Society of Ireland. (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 3pm - 4pm** Fallow Deer of the Phoenix Park - A tour with OPW Park Ranger (Papal Cross)
- 8.30pm - 10.30pm** Dark Sky Event - With Irish Astronomical Society (Ashtown Demesne)

### Talks (Ashtown Demesne)

- 12pm** **Phoenix Park Fallow Deer**  
Dr. Simone Cinti, University College Dublin
- 1pm** **Interlinked principles of environmental, social and economic sustainability**  
Karen Ciesielskie, Irish Environmental Network
- 2pm** **Wild Flora of Irish Bogland**  
Nuala Madigan, Irish Peatland Conservation Council
- 3pm** **Pine Martens**  
Ruth Hanniffy, Vincent Wildlife Trust

### 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday

- 11am - 12pm** Forest bathing - With Sarah Hourigan, Nature Therapy Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 11am - 12pm** Trees of Ashtown Arboretum - A Tour with Tony Malocca, OPW Tree Surgeon (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** The Big Dig - Experience what it is like to be an Archaeologist (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** Naturally Wild - With Dale Treadwell (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** Biodiversity Word Quiz, Colouring sheets, Art Activities (Ashtown Demesne)
- 11am - 4pm** Honey Bee Observation Hive - Federation of Irish Beekeepers Association. (Ashtown Demesne)
- 12pm - 1pm** Biodiversity of the Furry Glen - A tour with Leif Barry, OPW Guide (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 12pm - 4pm** GAA with Feargus de Brún, Master Craftsman and hurley maker (Ashtown Demesne)
- 12pm - 4pm** Global Action Plan - Exhibition (Ashtown Demesne)
- 1pm - 2pm** Birds of the Furry Glen - With Ricky Whelan, Birdwatch Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 1pm - 3pm** Music in the court yard with Lemoncello (Ashtown Demesne)
- 2pm - 3pm** Trees of Ashtown Arboretum - A Tour with Tony Malocca, OPW Tree Surgeon (Ashtown Demesne)
- 2pm - 3pm** Lavender wands - With Margaret McGuirk, OPW Head Guide (Ashtown Demesne)
- 2pm - 3pm** Forest bathing - With Sarah Hourigan, Nature Therapy Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 2.30pm - 3.30pm** Biodiversity of St. Marys Hospital - A tour with Anthony Brogan, OPW Guide (St. Marys Hospital)
- 3pm - 4pm** Furry Glen Pond Life - With Rob Gandola, Herpetological Society of Ireland (Biodiversity Centre, Knockmaroon)
- 3pm - 4pm** Fallow Deer of the Phoenix Park. A tour with OPW Park Ranger (Papal Cross)
- 8.30pm - 10.30pm** Dark Sky Event - With the Irish Astronomical Society (Ashtown Demesne) Family/Walk

### Talks (Ashtown Demesne)

- 12pm** **We Are The Ark**  
Mary Reynolds, Founder
- 1pm** **Climate Change in Ireland**  
Ciarán Kelly, Met Éireann
- 2pm** **Ash Dieback**  
Dr. Dheeraj Rathore, Teagasc
- 3pm** **Pollinators of the Phoenix Park**  
Leif Barry, OPW Guide

