

Mon 30th April

11am – 3pm
WALK TO ORONSAY
PRIORY with Andrew McMorris An expedition over the tidal sands to Oransay and a guided tour around the Augustinian Priory and the carved gravestones therein. Please bring a packed lunch.
Tickets £5.00
Route: Oransay
Meet: Strand Road End
WEAR WELLIES
NO DOGS please

11.30am – 2.30pm
SEAWEED
FORAGING with Galena Woodhouse & Fi Martynoga Identify & forage for different types of seaweed and kelp. Plus get advice on preparing, cooking and the nutritional benefits.
Tickets £10.00
Meet: An Crossan

2.30pm – 5pm
DRAWING THE LINE with Carol Paterson Drawing on inspiration from the wonderful artefacts in the Colonsay Heritage Centre, get to grips with various drawing techniques. Experiment with ink, charcoal, pen, chalk, sticks, & sponges, producing a set of drawings to take home. **Beginners & improvers welcome!**
Tickets £12.00 inc all materials
Venue: Heritage Centre

8pm COLONSAY'S
SEABIRDS THROUGH
TIME - Illustrated
talk by David Jardine. Colonsay and Oransay hold Argyll's largest seabird colonies and David will explore the changes which are taking place in these important populations.
Tickets £5.00
Venue: Church of Scotland (opposite Hotel)

Tues 1st May

10am - 1pm
NATURE WALK with David Jardine. A guided walk to the bird cliffs of Pigs Paradise on the west of the island. This is a reasonably taxing walk of 6km. Please wear stout footwear. David will be joined by **Siobhan from the Whale & Dolphin Trust**
Tickets £5.00
Route: Pigs Paradise
Meet: Cemetery
NO DOGS please

11.30am – 2pm
FORAGE FOR YOUR LUNCH! with Galena Woodhouse & Fi Martynoga The ultimate 'no food miles' meal. Forage the wild foods available on Colonsay, then cook & eat a delicious lunch with the freshest of ingredients. Expect to savour sorrel soup & nettle pesto.
Tickets £10.00
Meet: Gardens café

2.30pm – 5.30pm
TAPESTRY
WORKSHOP with Louise Oppenheimer Louise weaves stunning tapestries with no tools other than her fingers. In her workshops she will show you a few of the skills needed to weave a small design, with ready warped wooden frames & beautiful wools. You will be able to take the frame and some wools away to complete your weaving.

NOW FULL
 Places available on Wed 2nd May

8pm ILLUSTRATED
TALK BY THE WHALE & DOLPHIN TRUST
 Hear about the whale & dolphin sightings around Colonsay and neighbouring islands
Tickets £5.00
Venue: Church of Scotland (opposite Hotel)

Wed 2nd May

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Tickets £15.00 inc all materials
Venue: Colonsay House

2.30pm – 4.30pm
THE COLONSAY
STITCH UP with Carol Paterson This year Carol will be showing you how to create a Colonsay scene in FABRIC! Using collage-ing techniques with material scraps, buttons, ribbons, simple hand stitching & fabric glue, she will guide you through crafting a small panel to put in a frame or to be applied to a cushion. Simplicity is key – no sewing skills required - **Beginners & improvers welcome!**
Tickets £12.00 inc all materials & a small frame.
Venue: Heritage Centre

2.30pm – 5.30pm
OFF THE BEATEN
TRACK with Andrew McMorris Some parts of our island are much less frequently visited. This walk is from Uragai to Kiloran, using the ancient hill footpath, & passing the deserted homesteads above Loch Sgoltaire.
Tickets £5.00
Route: Uragai
Meet: Kiloran Bay Car park
DOGS ON LEADS

Have the evening off for a well-earned rest!

Thurs 3rd May

10am – 1pm
WILLOW WEAVING with Jane Allan **small frame baskets**
NOW FULL - Spaces are still available for her Monday 7th May session....

1.30pm – 4.30pm
RSPB ORONSAY
WALK with a warden from the Oransay reserve. A chance to make the walk across the Strand and learn about the work the RSPB is doing to preserve the habitats of many important and increasingly rare species of birds. Oransay is designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest & Special Protection Area for **chough** and **corncrake**, and is farmed with cattle and sheep by the RSPB.

Tickets £5.00
Route: Oransay
Meet: Strand Road End
WEAR WELLIES
NO DOGS please

2.30pm – 5.30pm
'A BRUSH WITH
NATURE' PAINTING
WORKSHOP with Julienne Braham If you've ever wanted to have a go a painting but been too shy to try, this is your chance! Julienne's relaxed sessions in the grounds of Colonsay House are ideally suited to all abilities. Explore tone, line and texture, by playing with a variety of media and techniques. **Beginners & improvers welcome!**
Tickets £12.00 inc all basic materials. Please bring your own kit if desired.
Venue: Colonsay House

9pm QUIZ NIGHT
IN THE HOTEL
£1 in prize kitty
Venue: Hotel

Fri 4th May

9am – 10.30am
MOTH TRAPPING
 Colonsay boasts a good range of moths. Alan & Margaret will set up the 'light trap' the night before. Join them this morning in the fascinating task of identifying the moths which have come in overnight.
There is no charge for this event
Venue: The Pantry
 This event will not run if it is wet and/or windy, or if it has been so thru the previous night!

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2.30pm – 5pm
HERITAGE WALK with Colonsay Heritage Trust Explore the deserted fishing village of **Riasg Buidhe** on the East Coast of Colonsay. Learn about the people who lived there and their eventual relocation to Glassard.
Tickets £5.00
Route: Riasg Buidhe
Meet: Scalasaig Pier - lifts available to start point.
DOGS ON LEADS

2.30pm - 5pm
KNITTING WORKSHOP
 A chance to get knitting in Colonsay plant dyed wool, with expert tuition and assistance from **Carol, Anne & Morag**. This year's project is small knitted pots, and included is a kit with needles, pattern & Blackface wool. **Beginners & improvers welcome!** Crochet-ers also catered for
Tickets £12.00 inc a boxed kit, with needles, wool & pattern
Venue: Colonsay House

From 9pm onwards
LOCAL MUSIC IN THE PUB

Sat 5th May

10.00am – 12.00
BEACH CLEAN WALK
Have you noticed how clean our beaches are? This is thanks to a huge amount of work by Kevin Byrne and his loyal team. Be part of it and give a hand! **There is no charge for this event...& no excuses either!**
Meet: Strand Road End

10am – 1pm
WILLOW WEAVING
Jane Allan makes traditional, functional & durable items using willow grown at her home in Lochgilphead. In this workshop she will teach you some of the basic skills, whilst producing your own **simple tension tray**.
NOW FULL
Places are available on Mon 7th session

2.30pm – 5.30pm
'LIFE ON A REMOTE HILL' Farm Walk with David Hobhouse
Balnahard Farm is up a long track at the north end of the island & is farmed in an environmentally sensitive way, with emphasis on managing the land for endangered bird species. Come and see the calves & lambs, and find out more.
Tickets £5.00
Route: Balnahard
Meet: An Crossan (start of Balnahard track) you will be driven to Balnahard farm, walk for 2 hours and then be returned by vehicle to An Crossan.
NO DOGS please

7.30pm COLONSAY SUPPER CLUB
NOW FULL
Spaces still available on **Sunday 6th May**
Tickets £28.00, please bring your own liquid refreshments
Venue: Maggie Thompsons Cottage

Sun 6th May

10am - 2pm
OFF THE BEATEN TRACK With Andrew McMorrine An expedition to the most northerly point of Colonsay, with history & folklore.
BRING A PACKED LUNCH
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PRINT WORKSHOP with Alasdair McMorrine
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Tickets £12.00, inc all materials
Venue: Heritage Centre

6pm - 7pm OPEN EVENING at the Old Waiting Room Gallery
Have a drink and a chat with the artists & tutors.

7.30pm COLONSAY SUPPER CLUB
A fabulous meal, hosted and cooked by Grace Johnston in her own home. Booking essential. **Tickets £28.00**, please bring your own liquid refreshments
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STAINED GLASS WORKSHOP with Anne Ferguson A rare opportunity to join an all day workshop, and make a proper small stained glass panel. Anne will guide you through all the techniques needed from design to construction, resulting in you taking home your own unique panel. **BRING A PACKED LUNCH**
Tickets £25.00 inc all materials
Venue: Heritage Centre

10am – 1pm
BIRD WALK with Jonathon Lingard Starting from Machrins explore the bird life in the area between the airstrip & Ardskenish. Walk across the mixed habitat of south west Colonsay, looking out for Eagles, Chough & the elusive Hen Harrier.
Tickets £5.00
Route: Ardskenish
Meet: Airport gates
NO DOGS please

2pm – 5pm
WILLOW WEAVING
Jane Allan makes traditional, functional & durable items using willow grown at her home in Lochgilphead. In this workshop she will teach you some of the basic skills, whilst producing your own **willow accessories & decorations**.
Tickets £12.00 inc all materials
Venue: Colonsay House

3pm – 5pm and 7pm – 9pm SPRING FEST FASHION SHOP
Pop along to our pop up shop - have a glass of wine and refresh your spring summer wardrobe with clothing and a from **Seasalt, Whitestuff, Brakeburn and Masai** – we have something for everyone (including the men!) plus great sale bargains
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10am -1pm
WOODED WALK with Kevin Byrne. Explore the abandoned Victorian pathways and hear about the history of the ancient woodland area of A'Choille Mhor
Tickets £5.00
Route: East Coast
Meet: An Crossan
DOGS ON LEADS

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SIMPLE BOOK-BINDING
With Morag Tweedie
Make a small range of simple notebooks and journals using basic folding and stitching techniques.
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GET HOOKED With Carole Rennison. Fun and a bit addictive best describes the craft of hooking. Learn the technique of making wooly pictures with just a hook, some wools and a piece of hessian.
Tickets £15.00 inc all materials
Venue: Colonsay House

6pm – 8pm EVENING BIRD WALK with Jonathon Lingard
See & hear the sights and sounds of birds at dusk. Listen for Corncrake, Rock Dove & all manner of Seabirds.
Tickets £5.00
Route: Kiloran to Uragig
Meet: Kiloran Bay carpark
NO DOGS please

Wed 9th May

10am – 1pm
BIRD WALK with Jonathon Lingard. Walk across Kiloran Bay and the sand dune area, up the track to Balnahard, taking in many different bird habitats, with the chance to see Snipe, Artic Terns, Chough, Sea Eagle and perhaps even the Balnahard Golden Eagles.
Tickets £5.00
Route: Balnahard
Meet: Kiloran Bay carpark **NO DOGS please**

10.30am – 1pm
CURIOSITY BOXES with Alasdair McMorrine Compile a box frame with a variety of mementoes -from pebbles to sketches, nature notes to sea glass. Bring your own finds, or choose from Alasdair's collection.
Tickets £12.00, inc all materials
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2.30pm - 5pm
CROCHET WORKSHOP with Carole Rennison
Colourful & fun session, earning the basic techniques of crochet for making decorative & functional items.
Tickets £12.00 inc all materials
Venue: Colonsay House

2.30pm – 5.30pm
OFF THE BEATEN TRACK with Andrew McMorrine Explore Garvard, the Strand and the Temple of the Glen, brought alive with folklore and tales from Colonsay's past.
Tickets £5
Route: South Colonsay
Meet: Scalasaig Pier – lifts available to start point.
DOGS ON LEADS

8pm COLONSAY'S COASTLINE –Around the island in scenery & song with Colonsay Heritage Trust
Tickets £5.00
Venue: Heritage Centre

Thurs 10th May**10am - 1pm****OFF THE BEATEN**

TRACK with Andrew McMorrine Starting from the Old Saw Mill, explore some of the east coast, including a view of the tiny island of Olmsa.

Tickets £5.00

Route: Port Olmsa & Riasg Buidhe

Meet: Garden's carpark
DOGS ON LEADS

10.30am – 1pm**FABRIC DYEING WORKSHOP**

with Morag Tweedie

A chance to get familiar with various dyeing techniques, and then put them into practice by applying them to a tote bag to carry home all your Spring Fest goodies!!

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.

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with Carol Paterson

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Tickets £12.00 inc all materials & a small frame.

Venue: Heritage Centre

6pm – 8pm EVENING**BIRD WALK**

with Jonathon Lingard. This guided walk from the Cemetery to An Rubha will give you the chance to see & hear Corncrake, Hen Harrier & an array of Seabirds.

Tickets £5.00

Route: Lower Kilchattan

Meet: Cemetery
NO DOGS PLEASE

9pm QUIZ NIGHT IN

THE HOTEL £1 in kitty

Fri 11th May**10am – 1pm****BIRD WALK** with Jonathon Linguard.

Starting with a climb up the hill behind the hotel, walk across the Kiloran Hill, and down into the woodland area around Colonsay House. This walk passes through many habitats, so hope to see a diverse selection of bird species.

Tickets £5.00

Route: Kiloran

Meet: Hotel carpark

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From 9pm onwards**LOCAL MUSIC IN**

THE PUB - Colonsay's local musicians get together to sing and play.

Venue: Hotel

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Meet: Start of Golf Course

10.30am – 1pm**PLANT DYEING WOOL WORKSHOP**

with Anne Ferguson & Morag Tweedie.

Learn how to prepare wool and dye baths, using Colonsay Wool, plants and store cupboard ingredients

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.

Venue: Colonsay House

2.30pm – 5.30pm**'LIFE ON A REMOTE HILL'**

Farm Walk with David

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Venue: Colonsay House

'MAY CONTAIN EAGLES'

Jan Sutch Pickard is a poet and storyteller. She will read poems, reflective and sometimes quirky, which feature many of the birds of these islands (from eagles to wrens).

Tickets £5.00

Venue: Church of Scotland (opposite Hotel)

Sun 13th May**10.30am - 1pm****DRYSTONE WALL**

WORKSHOP with **Lotta Leahy & Dave Binnie**

The art of Dry Stone Walling would have been widely practiced on the island over the years, and here is your chance to have a go.

Tickets £10.00

Meet: The Pantry

10am – 1pm**MOSAIC WORKSHOP**

with Anne Ferguson

Create your own mosaic tile using a combination of washed glass and china. A simple but effective way of using & displaying treasured pieces.

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.

Venue: Heritage Centre

2pm - 5pm**BOTANICAL WALK**

with Owen Mountford

Colonsay's rich flora has been a source of interest to Owen for many years, and he is currently part of a team compiling a Colonsay guide. Join him on this walk around the Strand & Traigh nam Barc to look over areas of fen, coastal & moorland habitats.

Tickets £5.00

Route: South Colonsay

Meet: Strand Rd End

NO DOGS PLEASE

6pm OPEN**EVENING at the Old Waiting Room Gallery**

Have a drink and a chat with the artists & tutors.

Mon 14th May**10am -1pm****WOODED WALK**

with Kevin Byrne.

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Route: East Coast

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Tues 15th May**10.30am - 1pm**
SIMPLE BOOK-BINDING

with **Morag Tweedie**
Make a small range of simple notebooks and journals using basic folding and stitching techniques.

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials
Venue: Heritage Centre

2pm - 5pm
BOTANICAL WALK

with **Owen Mountford**
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Tickets £5.00
Route: Machrins
Meet: Airport entrance
NO DOGS PLEASE

2.30pm – 5pm
BEADED JEWELLERY WORKSHOP

with **Morag Halligan**
Morag is back again this year to teach you about making beaded jewellery. In this session she will show you how to design and make a beaded bracelet.

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.
Venue: Colonsay House

7pm till late.....
THE SPRING FEST**MAY-BE BALL Supper and dancing in the Village Hall**

As has now become a Spring Fest tradition, we put on one special evening of delicious food, fun & fine company. This year is no different! Sit down to a Colonsay cooked two course supper & then dance to the Colonsay MAY- BE BALL BAND. Also Silent Auction with a great selection of unusual lots.

Black tie & ball dresses if you dare...otherwise come in what you have with you. Bow Ties and feather boas available 'for hire' from Keir at the General Store- but seriously, we would love you to come and join us whatever you wear!!

Tickets £20.00 inc drink on arrival.
Pay at the bar thereafter

Wed 16th May**10.30am – 1pm**
JEWELLERY FORM THE SEA

with **Morag Halligan**
Wrap treasures from the sea in silver wire, to make pendants and sun catchers. Bring your own finds, or choose from Morag's collection. Seaglass, china, pebbles & shells can all be used. Beautiful unique pieces to take away....

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BOTANICAL WALK

with **Owen Mountford**
Colonsay's rich flora has been a source of interest to Owen for many years, and he is currently part of a team compiling a Colonsay guide. Join him on this walk taking in Colonsay House woodland gardens and Loch Fada. The woodland garden has a fascinating mix of wild flowers, cultivated species and non-native plants that have gone wild. The loch area has a great variety of aquatic, wetland & moorland species.

Tickets £5.00
Route: Kiloran
Meet: Garden's entrance
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FABRIC DYEING WORKSHOP

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A chance to get familiar with various dyeing techniques, and then put them into practice by applying them to a tote bag to carry all your Spring Fest goodies home in!

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.
Venue: Colonsay House

2pm - 5pm
A PRINT OF NATURE

with **Jane Smith**
Great designs can be achieved using simple block printing. Make printing plates by cutting away the surface of a print block. Then ink up the raised surface to produce some pictures

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.
Venue: Heritage Centre

9pm
QUIZ NIGHT
£1 in prize kitty
Venue: Hotel

Fri 18th May**10.30am – 1pm**
WOOL WRAPPING WORKSHOP

with **Pru Irvine**
Using sumptuous Colonsay Wool, learn how to make unique necklaces & bracelets, by wrapping yarn around a central stranded core. The result, a one off piece of woolly jewellery, with rich Colonsay heritage!

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.
Venue: Colonsay House

12.30pm – 4.30pm
ORONSAY WALK

with the **Colonsay & Oronsay Heritage Trust**
Make the expedition over the Strand to the Augustinian Priory on Oronsay.

Learn about the history of the Priory, the intricately carved grave slabs and the High Cross.

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From 9pm on LOCAL MUSIC IN THE PUB -

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Venue: Hotel

Sat 19th May**10.00am – 12.00****BEACH CLEAN WALK**

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Meet: Airport gates, Machrins

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Meet: The Pantry

10am – 1pm**SCREENPRINTING WORKSHOP****with Jane Smith**

Some of you will be familiar with Jane's beautifully illustrated book – Wild Island, a year in the Hebrides. Many of the pictures in it are screen-prints, and in this hands-on workshop, Jane will guide you through the process of making a simple but effective two colour print. **Suitable for beginners & improvers!**

Tickets £12.00 inc all materials.

Venue: Heritage Centre

2.30pm - 5pm**NATURE WALK****with Roger Boughton**

Roger has been recording the sounds of nature, birds and wildlife on Colonsay for many years. Join him on this nature walk to see & hear some of the island's rich fauna.

Tickets £5.00

Route: Kiloran

Meet: Garden Café car park.

6pm – 7pm**OPEN EVENING at the Old Waiting Room Gallery**

Have a drink and a chat with the artists & tutors.

Ticket Office...in the Old Waiting Room Gallery

down at the harbour

For the duration of the Festival the Opening hours are as follows:

Mondays	9.30am - 2pm
Tuesdays	9.30am – 2pm
Wednesdays	9.30am – 2pm & 5pm - 7pm
Thursdays	9.30am – 2pm
Fridays	9.30am - 1pm & 5pm - 7pm
Saturdays	9.30am - 2pm
Sundays	6pm – 7pm

Come to the Old Waiting Room to get more info, reserve places & collect your tickets.

Out with these hours please ring Sarah on 07850 230000.

Please note that some workshops & events will be number restricted.

To book a place email

springfest@isleofcolonsay.org.uk

or visit the ticket office at THE OLD WAITING ROOM down at the harbour.

For activities taking place in Colonsay House, please meet at the Garden's Café.

The Heritage Centre is in Kilchattan & is the former Baptist Church. For activities here, please park in the layby at the bottom of the track leading up to the centre.

For all walking and outdoor activities, please wear stout footwear, waterproofs, and bring your own food & water as required.

For walks to Oronsay please wear wellingtons - it will be wet underfoot!!!

There is a NO DOGS policy on some nature walks & the Farm walk to Balnahard (see programme).

Please note, the programme may be subject to some minor alterations in the run up to the event, so all visitors will be supplied with the latest edition of the timetable as they disembark the ferry in Colonsay.