

NORTHERN  
IRELAND'S  
ONLY PUPPET  
FESTIVAL!



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**CONWAY SQUARE NEWTOWNARDS**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>MAY</b>		<b>11am-5pm</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>MAY</b>		<b>1pm-5pm</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>MAY</b>		<b>11am-5pm</b>





# THE BIG TOP



## RED RIDING HOOD

**Saturday 26 May**

**11am | 12noon** [duration: 40 minutes]

£2

Banyan Theatre Company presents a lively and comedic interpretation of the children's favourite told through puppetry, storytelling and music.

[Suitable for age 3+]



## THE DASILVA MARIONETTE CIRCUS TROUPE

**Saturday 26 May**

**2pm | 4pm** [duration: 45 minutes]

£2

Come and be amazed by aerial acrobatics on the flying trapeze, spectacular cycling stunts, trampolining ups and downs and the antics of cheeky clowns.

[Suitable for all ages]



## CARDBOARD CARNIVAL

**Sunday 27 May**

**1pm | 3pm** [duration: 45 minutes]

£2

Inspired by Camille Saint-Saëns' music, Lempen Theatre Company presents the ultimate animal show, created entirely from cardboard.

[Suitable for age 4+]



## A STRANGE NEW SPACE

**Winner of the Edinburgh Fringe Primary Times Children's Choice Award 2017**

**Monday 28 May**

**1pm | 3pm** [duration: 45 minutes]

£2

The intergalactic adventure of space-obsessed Amira, mirroring her real-life journey as a refugee. A non-verbal, physical show for families with puppetry and original music by Tessa Bide. [Suitable for age 4+]





## THE CRAFT TENT



### BUILD YOUR OWN PUPPET WORKSHOPS

Saturday 26 May | 11am-5pm

Sunday 27 May | 1pm-5pm

Monday 28 May | 11am-5pm

**Free**

Get creative and make your own puppet.  
[Suitable for age 4+]



## ARDS ARTS CENTRE



### THE DINOSAUR DETECTIVES

Monday 28 May

11am [duration: one hour]

**£2**

A fascinating journey of discovery, fun and conflict surrounding the first fossil finds of Mary Anning, William Buckland and Gideon Mantell using puppetry combined with projection and shadow theatre.

[Suitable for age 5+ ]



## DON'T MISS OUR ELEPHANT EXTRAVAGANZA...

from Festive Road

Sunday 27 and Monday 28 May

2pm | 4.30pm

Conway Square  
Newtownards Town Centre

Meet Festive Road's amazing mechanical elephant **Harminder**, as she walks through Conway Square.

TAKE PART IN OUR  
**PUPPET SCAVENGER  
HUNT** THROUGHOUT  
NEWTOWNARDS TOWN  
CENTRE!

ALL  
WEEKEND

PICK UP AN ENTRY FORM AT OUR  
VISITOR INFORMATION UNIT IN  
CONWAY SQUARE.



# CONWAY SQUARE



## MEET AND GREET MARKET STALL

**Saturday 26, Sunday 27 and Monday 28 May**

**Performances throughout the day**

Meet the crazy market stall characters, performed by Brothers Dimm, who will have you in stitches while selecting your veg.



## THE ALCHEMIST

**Saturday 26 May**

11.45am | 1pm | 3pm  
(duration: 20 minutes)

Frolicked Theatre Company's popular slapstick show sees a medieval man trying to make gold. Laugh along as he fails in his attempts.



## THE WOLF'S TEA PARTY

**Saturday 26 May**

**Performances throughout the day**

Clydebuilt Theatre Company challenges you to meet the big bad wolf, if you dare, when he serves tea and treats to brave children.



## Dr FRANKENSTEIN, THEATRE FOR ONE

**Saturday 26 May**

**Performances throughout the day**

Lempen Theatre Company invites you to join Dr Frankenstein at his work table and watch him create a new life.



## THE BELLY BUG, THEATRE FOR ONE

**Saturday 26 May**

**Performances throughout the day**

Have a look down the 'Belescope' and view the habitats and habits of the belly bug, performed by Lempen Theatre Company.





**ALOISUOUS GINDERBALM THE TROLL**  
**Sunday 27 May**

**Performances throughout the day**

Only the bravest travellers dare to seek out the enchanted ramblings of this 700-year-old Swedish troll performed by Paul Currie.



**DANGEROUS DAVE**  
**Sunday 27 May**

2pm | 4pm (duration: 35 minutes)

Infinitely more daft than dangerous! Marvel as this miniature superhero from the Noisy Oyster Theatre Company fights his way out of a wet paper bag, a slippery pole of peril and more mishaps in a series of silly stunts.



**THE BOGGARTS**  
**Sunday 27 May**

1.30pm | 2.30pm | 3.30pm  
(duration: 20 minutes)

These little leaf goblins firmly believe that everyone else is in their territory and are chock full of mischief protecting it in a comedic act by Frolicked Theatre Company.







# CONWAY SQUARE

PLAIN BOB

**Monday 28 May**

12.30pm | 1.30pm | 2.30pm

[duration: 30 minutes]

**Winner of the Best Street Show Award | Nominated for Best Children's Show at The World Puppet Carnival in Indonesia**

Get ready to join 'Plain Bob' of the Noisy Oyster Theatre Company on the stage, created from a small trolley, in a beautiful poetic show of everyday, simple tasks.



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ALOISUOUS GINDERBALM THE TROLL

**Monday 28 May**

**Performances throughout the day**

[duration: 5 minutes]

Only the bravest travellers dare to seek out the enchanted ramblings of this 700-year-old Swedish troll performed by Paul Currie.

**Watch out for our walk-about puppets...**

Dr Frank and Einstein from Premiere Circus and the Delightful Gran and Gramps from Frolicked Theatre Company!



# NEWTOWARDS TOWN CENTRE

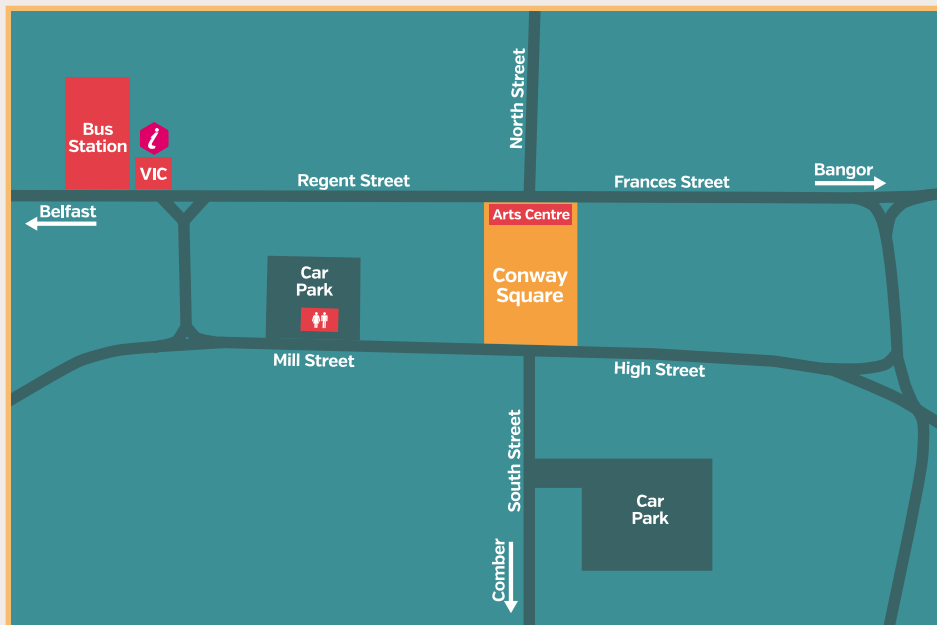
Take time to visit our local shops, cafés and restaurants and enjoy pop-up puppet shows in Wardens | **Saturday 26 and Monday 28 May** | 1pm and 3pm



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# EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Saturday 26 May		
11am and 12noon	Red Riding Hood	The Big Top
2pm and 4pm	The DaSilva Marionette Circus Troop	
11am-5pm	Build your own puppet workshop	The Craft Tent
11am-5pm (various times)	Meet and Greet Market Stall	Conway Square
	The Wolf's Tea Party	
	Dr Frankenstein, Theatre for One	
	The Belly Bug, Theatre for One	
11.45am, 1pm and 3pm	The Alchemist	
Sunday 27 May		
1pm and 3pm	Cardboard Carnival	The Big Top
1pm-5pm	Build your own puppet workshop and puppet demonstration from Clydebuilt	The Craft Tent
1pm-5pm (various times)	Meet and Greet Market Stall	Conway Square
	Aloisuous Ginderbalm the Troll	
1.30pm, 2.30pm and 3.30pm	The Boggarts	
2pm and 4pm	Dangerous Dave	
2pm and 4.30pm	Elephant Extravaganza	
Monday 28 May		
1pm and 3pm	A Strange New Space	The Big Top
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11am	The Dinosaur Detectives	Ards Arts Centre
11am-5pm (various times)	Aloisuous Ginderbalm the Troll	Conway Square
	Meet and Greet Market Stall	
	Dr Frankenstein, Theatre for One	
	The Belly Bug, Theatre for One	
12.30pm, 1.30pm and 2.30pm	Plain Bob	
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## GETTING HERE

### Travel by bus

Contact Translink on 028 9066 6630 or visit [translink.co.uk](http://translink.co.uk)

### Travel by car

Follow the B170 from Belfast to Newtownards.

### Need help planning your visit?

Contact Newtownards Visitor Information Centre on 028 9182 6846 for accommodation, attractions and more.



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