



**IRISH AID INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE
AFRICA DAY. EXPERIENCE THE RICHNESS
AND DIVERSITY OF AFRICAN ARTS,
CULTURE AND TRADITIONS.**

The Irish Aid Volunteering and Information Centre
will host five evenings of African cultural events to
include: African Music; Crafts; Poetry and Film.

Monday 23 to Friday 27 May

Irish Aid presents



Monday 23 May	17.30 - 19.00	Swahili henna design workshop	Workshop exploring the significance of henna, incense and khangas in Swahili East African culture. Participants can create their own henna design.
	19.30 - 21.00	Bellydancing workshop	Experience the traditional North African dance form in this workshop with Yasmina
Tuesday 24 May	19.00 - 21.00	Writers' night - readings & discussion	Writers and poets - from Zimbabwe, Nigeria and Ireland - will read from and discuss their work. Presented by Dil Wickremasinghe (presenter of Newstalk's 'Global Village' programme).
Wednesday 25 May	18.30 - 21.00	Film screening and discussion: 'U-Carmen eKhayelitsha'	Modern remake of Bizet's opera Carmen, translated into Xhosa and set in the South African township Khayelitsha. Audience discussion facilitated by film reviewer and presenter Sarina Bellissimo.
Thursday 26 May	18.30 - 20.00	Debate: 'Mission Accomplished? How Africa views Irish missionaries'	A series of debates in relation to missionaries, chaired by Joe Humphreys. 26th May speakers: Sr. Patricia Murray from Ireland, Fr. Severinus Ndugwa from Uganda, Dr. Sahr Yambasu from Sierra Leone and Salome Mbugua from Kenya . Further debates 6.30pm 2nd and 9th June.
Friday 27 May	19.30 - 21.00	Live music event - Niwel Tsumbu trio	Congolese guitarist singer Niwel Tsumbu performs with his band.

All events are free of charge but booking is essential as places are limited

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May 25 is Africa Day, the official day of the African Union. It's an opportunity to celebrate African diversity and success and join Africans around the world in highlighting the cultural, social and political life of the continent.



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