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Belfast Somme 100 is run by History Hub Ulster with an Advisory Panel made up of experts in the period and community leaders.

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The Lily and the Poppy, Remembering the Somme

Tues-Sat until 19th Dec

**Museum of Orange Heritage,
Schomberg House,
368 Cregagh Road**

An exhibition highlighting the contribution of Orangemen at the Battle of the Somme. Presented by the County Grand Orange Lodge of Belfast and the Museum of Orange Heritage.



First World War Poetry Exhibition

**In Association with Libraries NI.
Sept - Grove Library, Oct - Finaghy
Library, Nov - Falls Road Library**

An exhibition featuring the poetry of local people 'from the streets' - an alternative to the war poetry which exists in the public consciousness.



With The Men in France, the Women Didn't Dance

A project highlighting the role of women on the homefront during the First World War incorporating the work of women in war - suffragettes, munitionettes, land girls, VADs and factory workers. If you are interested in having a talk in your community, please email the_base@lineone.net



In Your Area

**Local events will take continue
through till the end of Nov.**

Updates at belfastsomme100.com, on Facebook and on twitter @ [belfastsomme100](https://twitter.com/belfastsomme100). In association with Shore Road Hubb, Greater Village Regeneration Scheme, East Belfast Somme 100 and the Spectrum Centre.

ONGOING



Trench Art Exhibition

**Fri 16 – Sun 18 Sept,
10am – 6pm**

Farset International, 466 Springfield Road. Admission free

Exhibition reflecting the full range of artefacts made during the many battles of the Somme and reveal a hidden world of creativity from soldiers all along the Western Front.



Paths of Glory

Sun 18 Sept, 4pm

**QFT. Tickets £6.70 from
www.queensfilmtheatre.com**

Stanley Kubrick's powerful 1916-set account of injustice and corruption in the trenches of the First World War starring Kirk Douglas. Screening with *The North and South* at the Front Part 1 from the NI Screen Digital Film Archive.

**Throughout November, Queen's Film Theatre and the Strand Cinema in partnership with Film Hub NI will be screening films that explore and represent the tragedy, heroism and horror of trench warfare of 1916. Cinema was a key vehicle for communication from the frontline to the home front, with families capturing a visual sense of what their loved ones were going through via newsreels from Europe. See Belfastsomme100.com for details.*



Medal in the Drawer by Brenda Winter Palmer

Tues 27 Sept, 1.30pm & 7.30pm
Brian Friel Theatre, Queen's University, 20 University Square

Wed 28 Sept, 7.30pm
Ashfield Girls School,
Holywood Road

Thurs 29 Sept, 1pm & 7.30pm
Duncairn Community Centre,
Upper Mervue Street

Fri 30 Sept, 1pm & 7.30pm
Donegall Pass Methodist Church
Hall, 381 Donegall Road

Suggested donation £3 on door -
please register at
belfastsomme100.com

Summer 1914. There is tension on the streets of Belfast as Home Rule looms and Edward Carson calls the men of Ulster to order. A shot rings out in Sarajevo and what may have been civil war becomes World War. *Medal In The Drawer* follows four volunteers from Belfast on their war-journey: follow the men as they join up, become a fighting force, and make their way to the Western Front and their fate.

(45 mins, followed by a post-performance discussion with the cast and company)





The Year of the Somme: 1916 in Perspective

Western Front Association Conference
in Association with Belfast Somme 100

Sat 8 Oct, 8.30am – 6pm

**Public Record Office of Northern
Ireland, 2 Titanic Boulevard**

**Tickets £10 (includes lunch
and tour of HMS Caroline) from
belfastsomme100.com**

Including Dr Timothy Bowman, Dr
William Butler, Heather Montgomery,
Professor Richard Grayson, Nicholas
Perry and Professor Andrew Lambert.



Artists at the Somme

Wed 19 Oct, 7.30pm

**Ulster Museum, Botanic Gardens,
Tickets £5 from
belfastsomme100.com**

More writers and poets fought at the Somme than in any other battle in history. Taken together with the visual artists and musicians who developed work in response to the Somme, the battle has a crucial significance for art in the 20th century. In this special event the creative work of these artists will be used to see the Somme in a new light.

Ulster Nurses, Medics and Volunteers in the First World War

Dr Johanne Devlin Trew, Ulster
University.

Wed 19 Oct, 1pm

Linenhall Library.

**Admission is free but please register
at belfastsomme100.com**

Dr Johanne Devlin Trew will reveal stories of local nurses, doctors, and volunteers whose work during the First World War did much to improve healthcare. The talk is inspired by objects, documents and diaries contributed from the community to the Living Legacies 1914-18 Engagement Centre digitisation workshops during 2014-15.

In association with Living Legacies -
www.livinglegacies1914-18.ac.uk.

No News is Good News

by Philip Orr, A Kabosh promenade
production directed by Paula
McFetridge

**Fri 28 – Sun 30 Oct, 11.30am, 12pm,
2pm, 2.30pm, 3pm (45 mins)**

**Ulster Folk & Transport Museum
Admission free (with a museum ticket)**

No News is Good News takes you back 100 years to meet the villagers of Ballycultra. Everyone had heard rumours about the slaughter at the Somme. They were desperate for news. The first official news they received were 2 telegrams in the space of 4 months. 2 telegrams with 2 different addresses.

**This is a walking theatre tour: please wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather.*

OCTOBER



Castleton Lanterns

Tues 1 – Mon 14 Nov, 9am-9pm
The Big Screen, Belfast City Hall

Images of First World War servicemen from the Castleton Lanterns Project. Refound after 95 years, the images of men from one small community on the York Road gives us a poignant reminder of the breadth and scale of First World War Service.



The 1916 Centenaries, An Opportune Time for Reflection?

Hedge School hosted by the Fellowship of the Messines Association

Mon 14 Nov, 7-9pm
Belfast City Hall, Donegall Square.
Admission free but please register
at belfastsomme100.com

A robust discussion of the Somme and the Great War from a variety of perspectives, this will be an opportunity for thoughtful reflection, wide-ranging discussion in a cross-community setting. Speakers include feminist historian Dr. Margaret Ward, historian Philip Orr, journalist and author Pdraig Yeates, historian and former Sein Fein Lord Mayor, Tom Hartley and Trade Union activist Joe Bowers



Keith Jeffery Memorial Lecture

by Professor Margaret Macmillan

Tues 29 Nov, 8pm

Elmwood Hall, Queen's University

Admission free but please register at
belfastsomme100.com

Professor Margaret Macmillan is the Warden of St Antony's College and a Professor of International History at the University of Oxford. Her books include *Women of the Raj* (1988, 2007); *Paris 1919: Six Months that Changed the World* (2001); and *Nixon in China: Six Days that Changed World* (2007); *The Uses and Abuses of History*; *The War That Ended Peace* (2013). Her most recent book is *History's People*, published in February 2016.

In memory of Professor Keith Jeffery who died early this year, remembered in the *Guardian* as 'an affable and warm-hearted historian'. Keith completed his last major work '1916: A Global History' the year before he died. A major influence on his many students first at Ulster and then at Queen's University, this special event will reflect Keith's special interest in the First World War and Ireland.

NOVEMBER

When did the North Begin?

Dr Marie Coleman

Mon 7 Nov, 1pm

Queen's University, Belfast

Admission is free but please register at belfastsomme100.com

Dr Marie Coleman will look how the experience of commemorating the centenaries of the Easter Rising and the Battle of the Somme can inform forthcoming contentious historical commemorations this island. The centenary of partition and the partial break-up of the UK will coincide with the 50th anniversary of the Troubles and will take place against the backdrop of 'Brexit' and the Scottish independence question. In association with Living Legacies - www.livinglegacies1914-18.ac.uk.

Training Kitchener's New Army in Ireland – What can Archaeology reveal?

Heather Montgomery

Wed 9 Nov, 1pm

Queen's University, Belfast

Admission is free but please register at belfastsomme100.com

Heather Montgomery will describe her archaeological investigations into the training of Kitchener's New Army in Ireland, 1914-1918. Bringing together historic evidence relating to British military training, the archaeological analysis of advances in 20th century warfare, and social and cultural elements of the period. She will draw on recent experience of an archaeological dig at Ballykinlar camp in Summer 2016. In association with Living Legacies - www.livinglegacies1914-18.ac.uk.



Belfast Public Memorials - Personal Perspectives

Nigel Henderson

Thurs 10 Nov, 11am

Start: The Portico at the entrance to Belfast City Hall

Admission is free but please register at belfastsomme100.com

A free walking tour that tells the personal stories of some of many names on Belfast's public memorials to the Somme campaign.



Battle of the Somme Centenary Concert

Sat 12 Nov, 7.30pm

Ulster Hall, Bedford Street

Tickets £10 from belfastsomme100.com.

This Somme centenary commemoration looks at the role played by Ulster soldiers in the battle, through music, drama and poetry.

KEY DATES

1 July 1916 – 18 November 1916

Battles of the Somme

- 1 - 13 July** **Battle of Albert**
Subsidiary Attack: Gommecourt Salient
- 14 - 17 July** **Battle of Bazentin**
- 19 July** **Subsidiary action:**
Attack at Fromelles (on Aubers Ridge, Artois)
- 20 – 25 July** **Subsequent action:**
Attacks at High Wood
- 15 July – 3 September** **Battle of Delville Wood**
- 23 July – 3 September** **Battle of Pozières**
- 3 – 6 September** **Battle of Guillemont**
- 9 September** **Battle of Ginchy**
- 15 – 22 September** **Battle of**
Flers-Courcelette
- 25 – 28 September** **Battle of Morval**
- 26 – 28 September** **Battle of Thiepval**
- 1 – 18 October** **Battle of Le Transloy**
- 1 October – 11 November** **Battle of the**
Ancre Heights
- 13 – 18 November** **Battle of the Ancre**

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