Our 2026 theme is "Communities Together" so let's thank our many communities...

Thanks

Many thanks to our venues

Burns School of Black Belts 2
Cullercoats Crescent Club
Cullercoats Library
Cullercoats Methodist Church
Cullercoats Primary School
Dove Marine Laboratory
The Fishermen's Mission
St George's Church
The Smugglers at the Queen's Head

Thanks to our supporters

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Katy Hoare & her students
Shore Yoga
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North Tyneside Council

Festival Pop-up Events

Festival Pop-up events happen throughout the year. Get in touch if you'd like to work with us.

Choirs Together: Songscape: a Love Letter to the North-East Coast.

In a one-day workshop on 18th April 2026, the amazing Penny Kempson arranged traditional regional songs and wrote new pieces to create a wonderful Songscape, sung in St George's Church by 50+ singers from over 14 choirs and accompanied on the organ by Tim Hone. Check out the videos on our YouTube channel and website. See the video at 4 pm in the Crescent Club.

Supported by the Sarah Morgan Foundation
www.sarahmorganfoundation.org

The Cullercoats Play

Written by a local group led by playwright Peter Mortimer, the play reflects on Cullercoats' past, present and future
12 noon in The Crescent Club.

Thank you to our sponsors and funders

Thank you to the Sir James Knott Trust for funding our Dance strand this year.

CommunARTies Together

Local artists' groups/classes together display their art-work on the railings along the seafront.

Masks
This year's arts project. We've been making masks in libraries and you can follow our Mask Trail from 24 May - 13 June

Navigate the Festival site with our Quiz App

Students from Tyne Met College have been writing an app to help you navigate around the Festival. Thanks to the High Sheriff's Fund for a grant supporting this. Download our Festival Map on ActionBound now!

Festival Photo Competition
Submit photos of the day on our app, or by email.
Full details on our website.
Thanks to Emma Solomon Photography

www.cullercoatsfestival.org

Thanks to @rosie_the_artist for original programme design

"Communities Together"

Festival Opening 10:30
on the North Beach with special guest Ray Laidlaw

CULLERCOATS FESTIVAL
13th June 2026

ART & CRAFT
MUSIC
SEA & SAND
SPORT & WELLBEING
SPOKEN WORD
DANCE
FOOD & DRINK

Fishermen's Mission
Promontory Terrace, NE26 2PF
Refreshments (Watch House)
Board Games Cafe
Stalls & Workshops
• 10-3 •

Crescent Club
Victoria Cres., NE30 4PN
All Day Bar & Refreshments
Sea View Room • Art & Activities
Buffet Room • Music & Poetry
Concert Room • Play, Dance, Music

Crescent Club Porch
Festival Hub Information

CBK Adventures
Norma Cres., NE26 2PD
Kahvi Cafe
Discount on SUP and kayak hire

Cullercoats Watch House
Closed this year

Underpass
Victoria Cres
Art / Dance

Burns School of Martial Arts 2 Studio
Back Beverly Terr., NE30 4NX
(Behind Rocket Garage)
Family Martial Arts
Demo & Taster
• 10.30•12

Methodist Church
Broadway, NE30 3LJ
11 - 5
Regional, national and international dance tasters and classes

Library
St George's Rd. NE30 3LA
2.30 - 10.30
Mask making & display

St George's
Beverley Gardens, NE30 4NS
Refreshments
10-3 • Craft Fair
3 • Tunes and Dancing
7 • Phoenix Chamber Folk Ensemble Concert £

The Headland
2 • Mask Gathering
Fire Engine

Beach and Bay
8 • Community Beach Yoga
12-4 • Music on the Brae
6 • Silent Disco £

Smugglers at the Queen's Head
Market Stalls
Old Lifeboat Photos
Radio Northumberland

Dove Marine Laboratory
Cullercoats Bay, NE30 4PZ
Marine Biology in Action

The Fountain
Dance Demos & Tasters
See inside for detailed timings

Cullercoats Primary School
10 - 12
School PTA Fayre
Masks, Big games, Painting
10.15 · Storytelling
11 · School Choir
10.30-12 · Children's Yoga