

## *The Buzz on Belfast.... St Valentine's Day*

There's an air of romance in Belfast as the city hots up for St Valentine's Day. Whether you're celebrating in style or opting for a more low key gesture, there is an array of events, dining offers and overnight packages to tempt romantic duos of all ages. And if you're single, join in the fun with a selection of gigs as well as traffic light parties and an alternative Valentine's night at BLICK studios. Plus check out House of Fraser's unique event celebrating the release of "Confessions of a Shopaholic" - perfect if shopping is your passion!

### *Valentine's events*

#### *Love Exhibition @ Belfast Print Workshop*

Until 14 February

BPW presents its first love-themed exhibition of original print Valentines Day cards and framed prints. Price: Free of charge

#### *Dirty Dancing Film Party Night @ Grand Opera House*

14 February

Enjoy a Girls Night In with a special film screening of Dirty Dancing, following by food and DJ entertainment in The Baby Grand.

Price:£17.25 (Film, Food and DJ entertainment) £12.50 (Food and DJ entertainment only)

#### *Valentines Laughter & Romance -Laughter Lounge @ Odyssey Pavillion*

13-14 February

With top comedians and special guests.

Price:£12.00

#### *Bedlam Ballroom Valentine's - @ Black Box*

14 February

Bedlam Ballroom presents what is arguably Belfast's best Burlesque show.

Price: £12.00

#### *Valentine's Night Special @ Belfast Waterfront*

14 February

A love-themed Film Night featuring unforgettable film music in a Valentine's Night special.

Price:Â£10.00

#### *Belfast Nashville Songwriters Festival*

18-22 February

Various Venues - £26.00

#### *Valentine's Day @ Belfast Zoo*

Until 15 February

Enjoy a Valentine's Day with a difference as the animals of Belfast Zoo celebrate the most romantic day of the year. Price: Normal zoo admission

#### *Valentine's Abseil*

14 February

Meet adventurous singletons, woo your Valentine with a brave romantic gesture or take the leap of

love together as a couple; there are so many reasons to celebrate Valentine's Day by abseiling with Mencap. Price: The registration fee is £30

#### Valentine's Day Special: Moulin Rouge @ QFT

14 February, 6.30pm

Celebrate the most romantic event of the year with a special screening of the Oscar-winning musical Moulin Rouge.

Price: Normal admission

#### Valentine's at An Droichead

14 February

Celebrate Valentine's with a night of live traditional music and craic.

Price: £8.50

#### Valentine's Weekend @ Cafe Vaudeville

13 - 14 February, 6-8pm

Enjoy the romantic sounds of Friday Martin John Swing Band on Friday and Ken Haddock sings Jazz on Saturday.

Price: Free of charge

#### Valentine's Rock Night @ The Pavilion Bar

14 February, 8pm

Live music by Brown Sugar

Price: £5

#### Valentine's Day @ The Botanic Inn

14 February

Valentines Disco at the "Top of The Bot". Complimentary love hearts for the ladies

#### Valentine's Day @ The Globe

14 February

Traffic Light Disco

#### Valentine's Red Party @ The Potthouse

14 February

Get your glam gals together and paint the town red!

Price: £10.00

#### Traffic Light Party @ Jude's Bar

14 February

Enjoy a fun filled night and maybe meet the person of your dreams! Resident DJ Alan Robinson will play your tunes from 9.30 - late. Play your line or mine - submit your best chatup line to the DJ and the best one will win some champagne.

#### BLICK's Bloody Valentine

14th February 9pm

If you want to avoid plastic red hearts but fancy being treated to some spectacular belly dancing complete with whisky, poker and good tunes

£5/£3 BLICK members. Bubbly/Whiskey on arrival to set the vibe! Music from DJ Sofakid. RSVP to [pinkflykat@gmail.com](mailto:pinkflykat@gmail.com)

### ***General events***

#### The Gentlemen's Tea-Drinking Society @ OMAC

Until 14 February

The Gentlemen's Tea- Drinking Society is a fast and funny exploration of science, friendship, sexuality and the end of everything as four men face the truth on one fateful night. Price: £6.00 -

£9.50

### [The Home Place @ Grand Opera House](#)

Until 21 February

The Northern Ireland premiere of The Home Place by Brian Friel, a masterful illustration of the dilemmas of national identity and sense of place.

Price: £7.50 - £19.75

### [It's David O'Doherty Time @ Belfast Waterfront](#)

14 February

Prepare to have your world rocked (in quite a gentle way) by the Irish viscount of ruffled whimsy.

Price:£12.50

### [Masters of Dirt - The Ultimate in Freestyle Motorcross @ Odyssey Arena](#)

14 February

Europe's premier freestyle motocross riders in a high Octane filled night of death defying stunts.

Price: £27.50 - £38.00

### [NI Motorcycle Festival at King's Hall](#)

13 - 15 February

This Northern Ireland Motorcycle Festival has set a standard that no other Motorcycle Festival has achieved and 2009 looks certain to be the biggest to date.

Price £10 - Unders 16s free of charge

### [Christine Borland : Simbodies and Nobodies @ Ormeau Baths Gallery](#)

13 February - 25 April

This work is associated with the systems and processes that underpin society both current and archaic including forensic science, medicine and biotechnology.

Price: Free of charge

### [Iron On Maiden @ Belfast Empire](#)

14 February

The Official Tribute to Iron Maiden, Top Tribute to these Rock Giants!

Price:£10.00

### [Belfast Nashville Songwriters Festival](#)

18-22 February

Various Venues

## ***Eating Out***

### [Dinner for Two @ Jude's Bar](#)

Romantic dinner for 2 from individually priced Valentine's menu. Each couple will be treated to complimentary bubbly and chocolates on 14 February.

### [Malmaison - Love Bites](#)

14 February

Menu featuring romantic nibbles and love bites to satisfy even the hungriest of hearts.

Price:£45.00

### [Valentine's Night @ The Cloth Ear](#)

14 February

Enjoy a chilled glass of bubbly and a three-course meal.

Price: £26.00 per person. Booking necessary.

### [Valentine's Dinner for 2 @ Wellington Park Hotel](#)

14 February

Luxury five course dinner in our Wellie Bar & Grill, includes a glass of champagne.

Price: £59.00 per couple

#### Valentine's at The House, Stranmillis

14 February

Enjoy a five-course meal for two.

Price: £50.00 per couple

#### Valentine's at Hastings Europa Hotel

14 February Enjoy a gourmet 4 course meal in the Piano Bar Restaurant for. Or for a more informal option try the Causerie Restaurant.

Price:£90 per couple (Piano Bar) £60 per couple (Causerie)

#### Valentine's Day in Ten Square

14 February

Capture the romance of Valentine's Day. A six course dinner awaits you and your partner. Relax as our Jazz band sets the mood, creating the most memorable of evenings.

Price:£65.00 per person and inclusive of a special Valentines gift.

#### Valentine's Banquet @ Malone Lodge Hotel

5 course banquet by award winning Head Chef, Dean Butler. Glass of Bubbly on arrival.

Price: £35 per person

#### McHugh's

3 courses for 2 people £39.95 (set menu)

Friday 13 Feb - Sunday 15th Feb)

#### Apartment

3 course meal for 2, with a bottle of Richmond grove and 2 champagne cocktails £50.

Available 8th-14th February

#### Valentine's at Northern Whig

3 courses for £19.95 per head. Includes a glass of bubbly to begin and a glass of wine to enjoy.

#### Valentine's at Parador

Set menu 3 courses for £12

### *Accommodation packages*

#### Valentine's Weekend Indulgence @ Malone Lodge Hotel

1 or 2 nights stay in a luxurious room or suite. 5 course banquet, bottle of Bubbly, chocolates in your room and breakfast. Full use of Sauna & Fitness Suite. From £100 per person. Telephone 028 9038 8064 for details

#### Madison's Hotel

3 courses for 2 people £39.99 includes a glass of champagne each. Enjoy this and spend the night for £99 per couple

#### Valentine's at the Europa

Indulge in an overnight stay including dinner, Champagne and a rose from £110 per person sharing. Subject to availability. Valid 13th & 14th February 2009. Rates are on a per person sharing a double room basis and also include full Irish breakfast. Upgrades available on request for a surcharge.

#### Valentine's at Hastings Stormont Hotel

Enjoy a gourmet 4 course meal with a glass of Champagne in the contemporary Shiraz Restaurant for only £70 per couple. Please call the hotel directly for reservations on 028 9065 1066.

#### Valentine's at Hastings Culloden Estate & Spa

Indulge in an overnight stay including dinner, Champagne and a rose from only £140 per person sharing. You will also be entitled to full use of the Spa facilities. Subject to availability. Valid 9th - 16th February 2009. Rates are on a per person sharing a double room basis and also include full Irish breakfast.

Spa bookings must be made in advance (028 9042 1135).

Upgrades available on request for an extra charge.

#### The Merchant Hotel - Two night weekend break

Between January and June 2009 on Friday and Saturday evenings enjoy two nights bed and breakfast with set menu dinner on the Friday night in the Great Room Restaurant. £360 per couple, subject to availability

#### Ramada Belfast

Pamper Package-£119 per Couple. 5 Course Dinner with Bottle Of Wine in BBG Restaurant. Bed and Breakfast for one night(Friday, Saturday or Sunday) Complimentary use of LA Fitness. 20% discount off all treatments at Omni Health and Beauty. Valid on Fri 13th, Sat 14th and Sun 15th February . For further details on additional Pamper Packages or to book, please call: 028 9092 3500

#### Ten Square - Capture the romance of Valentine's Day

Tattling champagne arrival, candlelit interior and rose petal strewn tables, and sumptuous six course dinner

Relax as our Jazz band sets the mood.

Priced at £65.00 per person and inclusive of a special Valentines gift. And for that extra special evening, stay overnight in one of our Superior King Guestrooms and select the ultimate package to ensure the perfect romantic evening. For further information on our accommodation packages, call 028 90 241001.

#### Wellington Park Hotel

1 night B&B including a romantic Valentine 5 course dinner including a glass of champagne - £136.00 per couple

2 nights B&B and a romantic Valentine 5 course dinner including a glass of champagne - £218.00 per couple

Valentine Dinner is served on Saturday 14th only

#### Galgorm Resort & Spa Valentines Packages

Valentine's "Lost in Love" Spa Retreat (13th & 14th February)

2 night package: Stay in a superior guestroom, with full Irish Breakfast each morning. Indulge in a champagne afternoon tea on the Friday, either served in our lobby or delivered to your room.

Dinner in Gillies Bar & Grill, including live entertainment. Breakfast and spa treatments, five course feast in the River Room restaurant, served with a special secret recipe Love Cocktail! £520 per couple. One night packages from £245 per couple (Bed & breakfast plus five course dinner in the River Room accompanied by our secret recipe Love Cocktail)

#### Park Plaza Hotel

Accommodation package at £65 per person sharing. Includes 3 course dinner, overnight accommodation, full Irish Breakfast and a red rose. Or alternatively our dining package only at £25 per person. Packages are available on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 February. To make a booking contact 028 9445 7000

#### Lough Erne Golf Resort

Two nights accommodation with Breakfast, handmade Irish Chocolates, Book of Poetry on

turndown, champagne cocktail in the bar before an inclusive candlelit meal in the restaurant or your room on the second night. One hour romantic Thai Spa treatment. Valentine's gifts, and pink afternoon tea for two. Minimum stay 2 nights.

### *If shopping is your first love.....*

#### Shopaholics event at House of Fraser

House of Fraser presents you with an opportunity to enjoy the ultimate girls night out. Preview this season's hottest chick flick at the Odeon Cinema at Victoria Square at 6pm on Thursday 19 February.

Enjoy a main course and glass of wine (or soft drink) at Ba Mizu at House of Fraser after the screening at 7.30pm. Tickets are limited, priced £15.

To reserve your cinema ticket and table at Ba Mizu call 028 9032 4505

A special raffle will take place in Ba Mizu to win some excellent prizes in aid of Action Cancer - House of Fraser's nominated charity.

\*All dining and accommodation offers are subject to availability

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