

SPOOKTACULAR COUNTDOWN TO VISIT ‘BEST HALLOWEEN DESTINATION IN THE WORLD’



It really is time to schedule a spooktacular visit to Derry~Londonderry, widely famed as ‘Best Halloween Destination in the World’, for the upcoming eight-day 2018 Festival which has over 100 eerie events featuring at more than 40 indoor and outdoor venues from October 26th-November 3rd.

With less than 1 month until the curtain rises on Europe’s biggest Halloween party, be sure to book your place for ‘Return of the Ancients’, the supernatural theme for this year’s fun-filled fright fest in the historic City of Bones.

Clare McCoy, Tourism NI PR Officer (ROI) said: *“There is only one place to be in Ireland at Halloween and that is Derry city! An award winning festival named on top lists such as the New York Times and USA Today, Derry offers a truly unique experience for this popular celebration. Make sure to book your accommodation early so you are in the centre of all the action- and don’t forget to dress up!”*

The theme for this year’s street carnival parade will evoke the ancient origins of Halloween with around 1,000 participants taking part in the major annual procession attracting tens of thousands of spectators from all over the world.

The carnival parade and fireworks display on October 31st will once again be one of the main highlights of the Festival with other big attractions including ‘Awakening the Walls’, an illuminated animation trail featuring over 30 installations and performances by local and international artists.

The historic City Walls whose 400th anniversary is also being celebrated this year, Cathedral Quarter, Craft Village and surrounding areas will provide a unique and

dramatic stage for this spectacular light festival on the evenings of October 28th, 29th and 30th.

Other Festival attractions include the magnificent 'Museum of the Moon' installation in the city's landmark Guildhall building (October 26th-November 3rd), Jack O'Lantern Festival (October 31st), ghostly tales, fright nights, haunted tours and terror trails, Haunted Harvest Market, Samhain Sessions, monster fun fair and much more.

In Belfast the Halloween Monster Mash and Fireworks Display on the iconic Titanic Slipways will come alive with wicked workshops, creepy crafts, monster rides, scary street performers, live music and a range of sweet treats, candies and hot food.

If you are in the Fermanagh area on 27-28 October, don your spookiest costume and journey underground on a nail biting, spine tingling ghoulish tour of the mysterious Marble Arch Caves (booking essential).

For all the information on Halloween in NI and to book your stay in the 'Best Halloween Destination in the World' visit www.discovernorthernireland.com