Samhain Chléine

Samhain, the Celtic festival marking the start of winter, subsumed into what has become the modern festival of Hallowe'en. This year, on Oileán Cléire/ Cape Clear Island: a chance to delve deeper, to explore older cultural traditions and connections - to the thin-ness of the place, and the thick-ness of the matter, the very stuff of this small island on the Atlantic fringe of Europe. Moored in Roaringwater Bay, portal and frontier, exposed bluff, steep humpbacked whale, three square miles of old red sandstone, lush vegetation and centuries of human habitation...

Samhain; a chance to reconnect with nature, to accept the mutability of human form in the face of coming storm.



Fear na Feamainne / Seaweed Man

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