

<p><b>Work Week</b> Help us prepare for the opening of the centres on Iona - full of fun, laughter, worship, work and conversations by the fire.</p>	<p>18 - 24 March</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b> Focusing on 'the wisdom in the room', the experience of the community gathered that week, permeated by the core values of the Iona Community: working for justice, healing and peace in our localities and the whole of creation. Led by the resident <b>Programme Team</b></p>	<p>25 - 31 March</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b> See description for 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>1 - 7 April</p>
<p><b>Easter: A drama in 3 Acts.</b> Retelling the story of the three days, from sunset on Maundy Thursday to sunrise on Easter Day, afresh. Crafting words, creating objects, devising movement of bodies in sacred space and being open to challenging questions: what is old? what is new? what is changing? Led by <b>Helene Grøn</b> (9 nights)</p>	<p>*8- 17 April</p>
<p><b>Full Group Booking</b> (3 nights)</p>	<p>*18- 21 April</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b> See description for 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>22 - 28 April</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b> See description for 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>29 Apr - 5 May</p>
<p><b>Re-visiting Celtic Christianity: exploding myths and dreaming dreams.</b> Discovering the origins of some myths about Celtic Christianity and what we now know about Columba and about Celtic themes of presence and pilgrimage. The relevance today of these themes in context of pastoral ministry, pilgrimage and journey as metaphors of faith and as actual physical activities such as the Iona–St Andrews Pilgrim Way. Led by <b>Ian Bradley</b></p>	<p>6 - 12 May</p>



# The Iona Community 2017 programme

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<p><b>World Encounter</b> Conversation and creativity with story tellers, musicians, poets and artists from the Global South. Opportunities for learning about culture, faith and creativity from tradition bearers and from those who accompany and witness first hand to the plight of refugees and asylum seekers. Led by <b>Alison Swinfen &amp; Gameli</b> and <b>Naa Densua Tordzro</b>.</p>	<p>3 - 9 June</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b> See description for 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>10 - 16 June</p>
<p><b>The Four Corners of Faith</b> Many people find God revealed mostly in either scripture, tradition, reason or experience. The week provides opportunities to be open to God in new ways, so we may better embrace those in our faith communities whose way of meeting God differs from our own. Led by <b>Shalome MacNeill Cooper</b>.</p>	<p>17 - 23 June</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b> See description for 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>24 - 30 June</p>

<p><b>Strangers and Friends</b>          Finding out what's strange, what's familiar and what's wonderful, in historic and contemporary encounters between Christianity &amp; Islam. Drawing on traditions of song, story and sacred space to reveal the treasures of both communities of faith and the possibilities of sharing this spiritual and creative wealth. Led by <b>Dr. Amanullah De Sondy &amp; Joshua Ralston.</b></p>	<p>1 - 7 July</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b>          See description for 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>8 - 14 July</p>
<p><b>Change Without Decay</b>          For many people in churches, change is a no-go area, a source of stress and the cause of major disagreement. Yet change is the central dynamic of the Christian faith: Jesus both changes people and in the resurrection moves from being a corpse to a living body. The Wild Goose Resource Group will draw on and explore what we have seen and enabled, such as the redesigning of space; solo performer ministries becoming shared endeavours; reluctant assemblies becoming oases of song. If, after this week, you go away unchanged, ask for your money back. To apply, please contact the <b>Wild Goose Resource Group in Glasgow – 0141 429 7281; wildgoose@wildgoose.scot Supplementary charge £45 per adult, £20 student/low income.</b></p>	<p>15 - 21 July</p>
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<p><b>Iona Community Members Week</b></p>	<p>5 - 11 Aug</p>
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<p><b>Full Group Booking</b></p>	<p>6 - 12 May</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b>– See description for Abbey 25<sup>th</sup>March.</p>	<p>13 -19 May</p>
<p><b>Weaving Words for Worship</b> What makes a good hymn or liturgy? Are the words and music we use in worship effective in helping people engage with and respond to the Gospel? We will explore these and other questions while working together to craft a short Communion liturgy for use at the end of the week, which will then be offered as a digital download by Wild Goose Publications. With <b>Alison Adam</b> (worship leader and WGP author) and <b>Pat Bennett</b> (hymn writer and WGP author) in conjunction with <b>Wild Goose Publications</b>.</p>	<p>20 - 26 May</p>
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<p><b>Listening to Fragility</b> This week we will listen to the fragility of the environment and the world we live in. We will listen to, experience and embrace our own inner fragility and vulnerability in a slow-paced and mind-stimulating setting. Sculptures and other art will be used (yet not created) by the participants to help to reveal a “you” which is a perfect imperfection; someone who is truly loved by God. Led by theologian and artist Dr. Urzula Glienecke. Musician - Isobel Jenkins.</p>	<p>2 - 8 Sept</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b> See description for 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>9 - 15 Sept</p>
<p><b>Heaven Shall Not Wait: Poetry, Song and Protest</b> Words written with care, spoken with passion and sung in harmony can encourage us and change the world. Bring examples to share, come to listen, reflect and to raise your voices. With Jan Sutch Pickard, poet and at least one musical colleague.</p>	<p>16 - 22 Sept</p>
<p><b>The Pilgrimage of Life</b> Author Alastair McIntosh will help us to explore the journey of life, its stages and spiritualities.</p>	<p>23 - 29 Sept</p>

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<p><b>Becoming Effective Changemakers</b>          Reimagining the world informed by the spirituality of change. Sharing tactics for progressive change and taking small steps towards the vision - including online and offline strategies. Connecting different aspects of the struggle for justice. Led by <b>Kelvin Holdsworth</b>.</p>	<p>17 - 23 June</p>
<p><b>Writing, Body and Soul</b>          Writing and reflecting on poetry addressing body and soul. Workshops use a variety of contemporary poems as starting points for our own writing. Beginners and more experienced writers welcome. Led by <b>Nicola Slee</b> and <b>Rosie Miles</b>.</p>	<p>24 - 30 June</p>
<p><b>Gathering Space</b>          See description for Abbey 25<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p>1 - 7 July</p>
<p><b>Love for the Future: Spiritual Resources for Environmental Justice</b>          Exploring different forms of spirituality which can all help us change within ourselves and give us the energy we need to work for change in society. The week will include: getting outside and getting mucky; spending time looking at what is around us or listening to what we can hear; using our imaginations to try to feel how things are for other people; reflecting on our own lifestyles and societies; and taking part in and reflecting on being part of the worship and community life on the island. Led by <b>David Osborne</b>.</p>	<p>8 - 14 July</p>
<p><b>Change Without Decay</b>          See description for Abbey 15 - 21 July-To apply, please contact the <b>Wild Goose Resource Group in Glasgow – 0141 429 7281; wildgoose@wildgoose.scot</b> Supplementary charge <b>£45 per adult, £20 student/low income</b>.</p>	<p>15 - 21 July</p>
<p><b>Just Church: Fresh Expressions</b>          Looking at issues such as poverty, marginalisation, discrimination, peace, climate change etc. and exploring together the contexts in which we work to discover how we can live out a Christian witness in a deeply divided world. Also thinking about how our worship can be liberating, inclusive and fun, we explore some of Jesus' stories to re-ignite our delight in the liberating Gospel. Led by <b>Chris Howson</b>.</p>	<p>22 - 28 July</p>

<p><b>Youth Festival</b> For 15-18 year olds and their group leaders.</p>	<p>29 Jul - 4 Aug</p>
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# INTRODUCING OUR PROGRAMME LEADERS

**Amanullah de Sondy** is Senior Lecturer in Contemporary Islam at University College, Cork, in Ireland.

**Joshua Ralston** lectures in Christian-Muslim Relations at the University of Edinburgh.

**Nicola Slee**, Director of Research at the Queen's Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Education, Birmingham, England, has published 3 volumes of mixed poetry and prose with SPCK and, with Rosie Miles, edited *Doing December Differently* for Wild Goose Publications (2006).

**Rosie Miles** teaches English at the University of Wolverhampton, England, and has been published in a number of Wild Goose anthologies. Her debut pamphlet *Cuts* came out with Scottish press *Happenstance* in 2015.

**Helene Grøn**, a playwright and theatre-maker resident in Scotland, grew up in a vibrant Danish/ Dutch church community with a focus on welcome and now works with a number of creative ventures including *Leylines* theatre company based in Glasgow.

**Jan Sutch Pickard**, a longstanding member of the Iona community, is a poet and activist.

**Alison Swinfen** (Phipps) is convenor of GRAMNet: Glasgow Refugee, Asylum and Migration Network.

**Chris Howson**, founder of Bradford Street Angels, is Chaplain to Sunderland University.

**David Osborne** is a Member of the Iona Community and author of several books including *Love for the Future: a Journey on spirituality and the environment*.

**Warren Bardsley** is a founding member of Kairos Britain and author of books on peace and Justice in Israel/ Palestine.

**Shalome MacNeill Cooper** studied confessing movements in graduate school in Canada and uses this analysis, and her experience of working with urban and rural faith congregations in transition, in her ministry.

**Ian Bradley** is Principal of St Mary's College, University of St Andrews, Scotland, and has published widely on Celtic Christianity.

**Kelvin Holdsworth** is Provost and Rector of St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Glasgow, and a long-time activist for equality