MACNAS TWILIGHT PROCESSION – BRAM STOKER FESTIVAL

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The Bram Stoker Festival is delighted to once again welcome Macnas to Dublin for a city-wide twilight procession to launch the city into the Irish Halloween festival of Samhain. As Ireland is reputedly the home of Halloween, it's apt that this Irish festival celebrates its own famed gothic horror novelist as well as all things spooky and spectral for four days in October.

As part of a Halloween procession full of noise, spectacle, dance and weird and wonderful characters, Macnas and the Bram Stoker Festival invites visitors and Dubliners to partake in this visually arresting parade.

Macnas is an internationally acclaimed Irish performance and display company based in the west of Ireland. For almost 30 years Macnas has brought ground-breaking spectacle to huge audiences at festivals and celebrations at home and abroad. The company has toured the world performing with U2, celebrated the millennium in Times Square New York and floated a 35-foot high Gulliver along the River Liffey in Dublin.

The annual Bram Stoker Festival offers a chance to sink your teeth into Dublin's dark side. Created as a celebration of Dublin-born writer Bram Stoker and his much-celebrated gothic novel 'Dracula', the city will get superbly spooky though a range of events this October 23 to 26 during the Bank Holiday Weekend. Catering for everyone, the festival offers a slice of gothic intrigue for families and late-night ghostly revellers alike.

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5L7O7oU47n4

BRAM STOKER WORKSHEET

- 1. What is the parade for?
- 2. What does Samhain mean?
- 3. Who are Macnas?
- 4. Name Bram Stoker's famous book?
- 5. Apart from this festival what else has Macnas done?
- 6. Dictionary work. Explain the following words and put them into sentences.

Gothic spectral intrigue revellers famed

7. Look up the underlined words in a thesaurus and rewrite the paragraph without changing the meaning.

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Word search

Twilight night delighted dance weird noise spooky spectacle ghostly

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