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DROGHEDA ARTS FESTIVAL May 3rd - 6th 2024



Drogheda arts festival is back from 4^{th} to 6^{th} of May with another intriguing and entertaining line up!

Set over 3 days of the May Bank Holiday weekend we have brought together Artists from all over Ireland to showcase their talents and to light a creative spark in Drogheda!

Our line-up includes a Singer songwriter hailing from the West of Ireland, An Artist from the county of Kildare, some very talented musicians from Drogheda and a special performance by a Tik Tok phenomenon! We strive to engage and interact with the community and hope that our programme will have something for everyone over the weekend.



Saturday 4th

Our day kicks off with this exciting exhibition, Sound/Code/Image by Gavin Casey, which is open all weekend and is free to all!

Sound/Code /Image is a multi-sensory exhibition featuring original painting, augmented reality and virtual reality by acclaimed Irish Artist Gav Casey. In a pop up Gallery especially created by Drogheda Arts Festival in the former Methodist Church on Laurence's street you will get a chance to see



this extraordinary fusion between Art, Technology and music. By showing casing all these elements side by side the exhibition explores the construction and de – construction of Gav's creative process in a very unique way.

Open Sat 11-5pm

Sun 12-5pm

Mon 12-5pm FREE!

The Governors Jewels

Walking tour for all the family. FREE BUT BOOKING ESSENTIAL.

Tours start at Methodist church Laurence's street 11.30am 2pm 4.30pm



Drogheda Arts festival commissioned local actor/storyteller and writer **Grainne Rafferty** to create this magical tale of hidden jewels and devilish deception.

This interactive walking tour will delight and engage both young and old all while taking a stroll around the historic town of Drogheda.

Booking at Walking Tour | The Governors Jewels by Grainne Rafferty (ticketsolve.com)



Far Flung Trio at Highlanes Gallery 3.30pm. FREE!

Drogheda Arts Festival is thrilled to present **Under Paris Skies- by The Far Flung Trio-** a very special concert infused with Parisian charm.

Celebrating their 10th anniversary this year with a National tour, **The Far Flung Trio** promises a musical saunter to that will lift the heart and spirit. Sit back and let this trio of masterful musicians fill your ears. Far Flung Trio, as the name suggests, are three highly acclaimed musicians based across the country who come together for the sheer enjoyment that playing as a trio brings. Comprising of Katherine Hunka on Violin,



Malacky Robinson on Bass and Dermot Dune on Accordion, their repertoire is drawn from many idioms including Romantic Opera, the Moulin Rouge and Hot Club Jazz, with music by Bizet, Satie, Michel Legrand and, of course, Edith Piaf.

A free afternoon concert in the stunning **Highlanes gallery** what more could you ask for? All established artists in their own right, bring them together and magic happens! This is a free event and will no doubt be a busy recital so come early to avoid disappointment.

Free Street entertainment brought to you by LOVE DROGHEDA

Drogheda Arts Festival are very grateful to LOVE DROGHEDA for supporting our fun filled day with an array of children's performers to entertain and keep the young ones busy – look out for them on Laurence's Street from 1pm on Saturday.



Sonic Womb live at Droichead Arts Centre 8pm

Sonic womb Dereliction is an audio / visual performance devised exclusively for Drogheda Arts Festival.

Dereliction consists of three movements each with a distinct visual and audio aesthetic .Drawing on the vast history of Drone / Ambient music, music concrete, and minimalism to



industrial and experimental electronics. Deep Drones and ambient noise soundscapes come together with electronic and acoustic improvisation to create the soundtrack to our ever changing urban landscapes. From our Ancient past to our modern environment we are in a constant state of flux .People displaced and heritage destroyed in the blink of an eye.

From the beginning **Sonic Womb (Niall Gregory)** has worked with Drogheda based visual **Artist Alan Colohan**. Music and visuals

intertwine throughout - both taking a leading role at different times during the performance. This promises to be an arresting thought provoking performance and will show the wealth of artistry we have in Drogheda. A show not to be missed if you want to experience Drone at its very finest.

Niall Gregory ...Drones and Electronics Sean Og Collins ...Modular Percussion Daren Rooney ... Double Bass Tadgh MurphyViolin

Tickets €20 Sonic Womb Dereliction | Drogheda Arts Festival (ticketsolve.com)



Sunday 5th May

Sunday with Síomha Gerrads Church 8pm

Join us in the magnificent Gerrard's Church to welcome **Síomha**.

Independent Irish singer and guitarist Síomha (pronounced She-vah) dances the line between



folk, jazz and neo-soul effortlessly taking audiences on an unexpected and unforgettable journey with her soulful melodies. Her debut album 'Infinite Space', described by The Irish Times as "a seriously accomplished and self-confident debut", is a collection of songs in both Irish and English. A kind of cosmic, folk-informed, jazz-tinged, and post-pop- it was produced by Grammy-nominated Tyler Duncan. Síomha's voice is full of raw heartfelt experience.



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When listening to her, audiences are instantly moved to feel on the deepest level and come out more intimately connected to their own worlds.

Always proud of her Irish heritage, Síomha performs her songs in English and Irish. The beautiful landscape and rugged nature of her native West of Ireland are a huge source of inspiration for this proud Co. Clare artist leading her to create a soulful and unique style of music that enthrals anyone who hears it.

Support on the night comes from local songstress **Theresa Mc Kenna** who has just completed a tour of the Middle

Tickets €20

Sunday with Síomha (ticketsolve.com)



Garron Noone live at the Living Room Sarsfields 10pm

This "Delicious " Tik Tok phenomena needs little introduction as his following of nearly three million will know only too well how funny Garron Noone is. But along with side splitting banter Garron is an accomplished musician. This musician and online comedy content creator from Ballina, Co. Mayo started out in music at the tender age of 15, and has gained critical acclaim for his soulful voice and masterful guitar playing. Garron has penned several songs that are available on Spotify. His influences range from Pearl jam to the Wolfe tones and everything in between. When he began posting videos on



TikTok in late 2022 he never dreamed that it would lead to international career entertaining people from Abu Dabi to Cavan. Fresh from winning his new comer award at the Gossies we are thrilled to bring Garron to Drogheda. Support on the night from DJ KK

Tickets €20 Garron Noone live at The Living Room, Sarsfield's (ticketsolve.com)

Monday 6th

SOUND | CODE | IMAGE | By Gavin Casey

Free exhibition in The Former Methodist Church on Laurence's Street 12-5pm

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