

Siamsa Tíre

The National Folk Theatre of Ireland



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September – December 2022



Welcome back



BOOKING YOUR TICKETS

Due to rising costs, from September 1st 2022 a €1.50 booking fee applies PER TICKET booked online, at the box office, or on the phone.

For Group bookings of 10 plus, please call our Box Office on 066 7123055.

SUPPORT SIAMSA TÍRE

Many of our patrons have asked us if there's a way that they can donate to help support the venue following these difficult times of closure, postponements and cancellations. This is possible through our website, and we sincerely thank anyone who chooses to donate.

We have a great line up of events for all the family this Autumn and we look forward to welcoming you back to Siamsa Tíre.

Our theatre, gallery and bar are open to public once again. We are committed to ensuring that your visit is safe and enjoyable. Mask-wearing is encouraged to reduce the spread of covid-19 but, at the time of print, they are not mandatory. We will update our protocols following any new government updates. Customer compliance with any new government guidelines will be a condition of attendance. We ask that all visitors adhere to the visitor guidelines to ensure the safety of our visitors and staff.

Our building is open from 10am – 4pm Mondays, Wednesdays – Saturdays for the winter/spring season. You can reach us on **(066) 7123055** or email **boxoffice@siamsatire.com**. If you leave a message or email us, please be patient and we will get back to you as soon as we can.



Gift Vouchers

Give the gift of live entertainment...

Give special moments to your friends, family or business with a Siamsa Tíre Gift Voucher. Treat your friends, family or colleagues to a night at the theatre when you purchase a gift voucher for Siamsa Tíre that can be used to buy tickets for all of our shows.

It has never been easier to purchase gift vouchers. Simply visit our website, call into our Box Office or call us on (066) 7123055 to purchase your voucher and we will be happy to send you the gift vouchers for any monetary amount you require.

The Bar at Siamsa

Our theatre bar is once again open for guests to purchase a wide range of beverages and snacks. Our bar includes locally sourced beers and spirits from Kerry and the Munster region, supporting our local sustainability.

You can pre-purchase your drinks as part of your booking process or order on arrival as normal, to avoid queues at the interval. Pre-order drinks for your arrival, interval or post show and enjoy the relaxing ambience of the Siamsa Tíre bar.

Thank you to all our Patrons

Siamsa Tíre's €1 Development Levy was introduced in 2010 and is included in your ticket price. The levy is just one of a number of ways to support the theatre so that we can provide you with an exciting programme of events as well as investing in improvements and refurbishments to update facilities to make your visit more enjoyable.

Why not make a night of it?

Have you missed the buzz of live theatre, dressing up and meeting up with friends?

Well we have the answer...book your ticket for a show of your choice and add a pre-theatre dinner to your night out at any of our linked up partners:

Connie Foxes Bar & Restaurant at The Imperial Hotel **066 712 7755**

Il Pomo Doro Restaurant **066 719 4618**
Dott's Bar at The Rose Hotel
066 719 9100

Alfie's Lounge at the Ashe Hotel
066 710630

You can find all details here on our website - <https://siamsatire.com/your-visit/food-drink-kerry/>

Bookings are to be made directly at the restaurant of your choice.

Two great Operas coming our way

Presented by Irish National Opera

"Irish National Opera sends us home exhilarated." The Irish Times

Sunday 25th Sept

The First Child

Go to pg 12 for details.

11th Feb 2023

Don Pasquale

An hilarious and touching masterpiece that takes a riotously entertaining slant on a threat of disinheritance, a mock marriage, and a spendthrift wife who believes husbands should be seen and not heard. Donizetti's most sparkling operatic comedy. *Don Pasquale* features the Irish National Opera orchestra.

Age 12+

Why not book both operas and get the best seats in the house? Treat yourself and make a night of it with a pre-theatre dinner.



Bothántaíocht

Young Curator Event: Fionnúig & Carraig

Sunday Aug 14th: 7pm

Teach Siamsa Fionnúig

Saturday Oct 1st: 7pm

Teach Siamsa na Carraige

These events are FREE but as space is limited booking is required



Join Siamsa Tíre's Young curator Máirtín Ó Cathasaigh, as he aims to rekindle the once strong tradition of 'Bothántaíocht'. Discover this memorable tradition and come along for an evening of music, song and dance, spearheaded by a thirty-minute performance from esteemed local musicians.

On October 1st we are joined by Kyle MacAuley, Nicole Ní Dhubhshláine agus Meabh Ní Bheaglaíoch. Both evenings will culminate in the tradition of playing music through an informal trad session with family and friends in both Teach Siamsa Fionnúig and Teach Siamsa na Carraige. This unmissable event is open to individuals of all ages and ability, encouraged to 'gather together' and inspire the musicians of tomorrow.

Festival of Folk 2022

National Folk Theatre of Ireland

Join us for our Festival of Folk with sensational music, beautiful lyrical songs & top-class Irish dance during the month of September with evening performances of Turas at 8.30pm. You are guaranteed a memorable and emotional visitor experience at Ireland's National Folk Theatre. Be prepared to tap your feet and clap along as we celebrate Ireland's remarkable cultural heritage in the comfort of our award-winning venue. You can truly connect with our cultural traditions by visiting our gallery, enjoy guided tours and workshops with our professional cast and get backstage to see where the magic happens.

KERRY

Sponsor of the
National Folk Theatre's
Festival of Folk 2022

Visit www.siamsatire.com for updated schedule and subscribe to our mailing list for updates on upcoming events.



Throughout Sept: 8.30pm

Turas

A Breathtaking Journey of Music, Song and Dance

National Folk Theatre of Ireland

Turas meaning Journey, features music from all corners of Ireland beautifully interwoven with exciting dance and rich vocals. Experience some thrilling hard show Irish dancing along with wonderful musicians on fiddle, piano, percussion and accordion. This is a feast of music, dance and song and an experience which is guaranteed to stay with you long after you leave that theatre.

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This piece will tour to Derry as part of Echo Echo Dance Festival 'Tradition and Beyond' from September 14th to September 18th 2022.

Limited audience capacity of 25

Saturday 10th Sept: 6pm & 8pm

Keep The Faith, Keep The Folk

Presented by Siamsa Tíre, The National Folk Theatre

Tickets: €15/13 Duration: 60 mins

Siamsa Tíre presents 'Keep the faith, keep the folk', a newly imagined piece by Joanne Barry and Anne O'Donnell, exploring their relationship as folk artists, from childhood training with the company to full-time professional practice, informed by decades of close working relationships, shared experiences and passions. "Keep the faith, keep the folk" is an autobiographical exploration of the boundaries of contemporary folk theatre by Siamsa's folk artists through their own relationship as artists, friends and mothers. This piece aims to expand upon the mediums through which folk theatre is presented in collaboration with visual artist Andrew Duggan.

Friday 16th Sept: 8pm

TÓG SOS

Presented by Radio Kerry

Tickets: €31

Mary Conroy, presenter of the very popular traditional music programme Tóg Sos on Radio Kerry brings her show to the stage of Siamsa Tíre. Guests on the night include Seán Ó Sé, Spailpín, Bryan Murphy, Frances Kennedy, Elle Marie O Dwyer, & PJ Murrehy. A great night of Irish music and song is assured.



Siamsa Tíre, Friday 16th Sept '22

TÓG SOS
with MARY CONROY



All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge

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Friday 23rd Sept: 3pm

20 SHOTS OF OPERA

Presented by Irish National Opera

FREE EVENT

Conceived, composed, recorded and filmed in the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin in just six months amid lockdowns, INO's 20 short operas showcase the breadth and depth of Irish operatic talent.

Culture Night

Friday 23rd Sept: 7.30pm & 9pm

OPEN TRAD SESSIONS

FREE EVENT

Talented young performer and Siamsa Tíre's Young Curator, Mairtín O'Cathasaigh, will host two open trad sessions - a relaxed and welcoming gathering of musicians and singers who are interested in sharing their skills and songs and learning from others.

7.30pm for beginners and 9pm for those with a bit more experience, our second session is open to musicians, singers and trad enthusiasts alike.



Friday 23rd Sept: 9.45pm

TRAD CONNECTIONS

FREE EVENT

Culture night 2022 will see Deirdre Millane, Danny Collins and Róisín Comer come together for a night of lively traditional music as part of the Trad Connections series.

Deirdre Millane is a resident musician in Siamsa Tíre. She recently released her solo album on piano - Idir Dubh agus Bán. Danny Collins is a multi-instrumentalist from West Cork and plays piano accordion, bodhrán, banjo and fiddle.



Róisín Comer is a native of Tipperary. She plays flute and concertina. They crossed paths at The Irish World Academy in UL and during this time the trio further honed their skills in playing, arranging and composing while also gaining the opportunity to learn from many great exponents of the tradition. Tonight, they will be the leading lights as part of our night of informal Trad sessions where individuals of all ages and abilities are welcome as we continue our series of "Bothántaíocht".

Bígi linn d'óiche den scoth!

Sunday 25th Sept: 8pm

The First Child

Irish National Opera A co-production
with Landmark Productions.

Donnacha Dennehy & Enda Walsh

Tickets: €31/28

Age Suitability: 14+

Donnacha Dennehy and Enda Walsh's third opera, *The First Child*, is a narrative that is much larger than the characters themselves. A work that reveals itself incrementally and cuts between the normal and the mythic. Passing through the strange minds of the central characters. Moving sharply from darkness to comedy. Shaped by obsession and unstoppable quest for revenge. Original production in association with Dublin Theatre Festival. Sung in English with English subtitles.

★★★★★

'High-octane triumph' The Sunday Times

★★★★★

"simply magnificent" The Arts Review

★★★★★

"a remarkable conclusion to the Dennehy-Walsh partnership" The Irish Times

Friday 30th Sept: 8pm

Trad Connections – CAOIN

Presented by Ceara Conway
A glór Commission

Tickets: €20/18,

A night of beautiful music, with a fusion of influences from all across the globe, is in store when Connemara native Ceara Conway brings a full live band for a delightful collection of sean nós and world music songs that explore the beautiful sounds and sentiments of love, loss and longing.

Her set will feature the traditional Irish 'caoineadh' or lament, in a concert which will merge Ceara's love and respect for tradition with her interest in new styles, genres, and contemporary music.

".....Ceara's rendition of the ancient 'An Caoineadh' is truly the sound of an emotion transported through the ages to be felt by anyone who hears it now."

Myles O'Reilly

Saturday 1st Oct: 3pm

When the Moon Spun Round

When the Moon Spun Round is a new show for young audiences

A public sharing of a work in progress presented by Fidget Feet and Ceol Connected.

Tickets: €3 Age Suitability: +5

Duration: 45 mins

Want to help make a show? Siamsa is delighted to welcome back Ireland's most trailblazing aerial circus company, Fidget Feet, for a short residency as they start making their next show with Ceol Connected. The show will return to Siamsa in the Spring 2023 in its finished form, but before then they need your help to make it! Come see snippets of Fidget Feet's work in progress and stay for a chat with the performers afterwards to tell them what you thought.



Thursday 6th Oct: 10am

TedX

presents *THE GOOD ROOM*

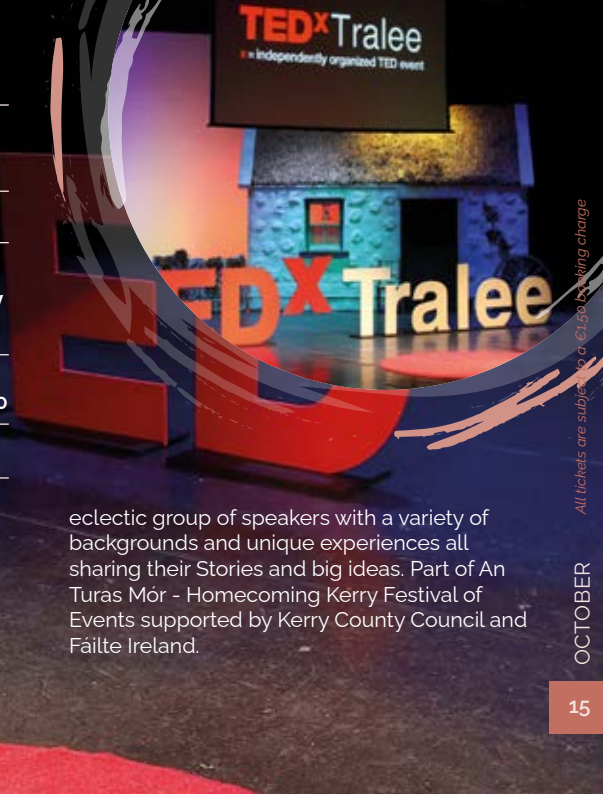
Part of An Turas Mór - Homecoming Kerry Festival of Events supported by Kerry County Council and Fáilte Ireland.

Adult Full Price €100
Groups of 10 or more €90 Family of 4: €380

Age Suitability: 10+

This independently organised event, licensed by TED, will feature over 16 local, national and International voices from the community under the theme of 'The Good Room'. TEDx Tralee will feature Foyer activations, short films and main stage presentations from an

eclectic group of speakers with a variety of backgrounds and unique experiences all sharing their Stories and big ideas. Part of An Turas Mór - Homecoming Kerry Festival of Events supported by Kerry County Council and Fáilte Ireland.



All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge



Friday 7th Oct: 8pm

Esposito Quartet

Presented by the National String Quartet Foundation together with the Arts Council and RTÉ Lyric FM

Tickets: €16/14

Shostakovich - Quartet No.4 in D major
Donnacha Dennehy - 'Wig'
Franck - Quartet in D major

Donnacha Dennehy's 'Wig' was commissioned by the Foundation as a companion piece to Beethoven's quartet Op.135 but it sits equally well on its own and is here surrounded by two lesser known masterpieces. Shostakovich's fourth quartet belongs to the group of works of Jewish inspiration that were in part a reaction to the murder of Jews in German-occupied Europe and in part a protest against the resurgent spirit of anti-Semitism apparent in Russia. Although the quartet was written in 1949, it was not felt safe to premiere it until 1953, after the death of Stalin. César Franck wrote his dramatic and powerful string quartet in 1890, the last year of his life.

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"A beautiful mix of acute observation and startling invention"
The Irish Times

Saturday 8th Oct: 8pm

David O'Doherty – Whoa it's Me

Lisa Richards Agency

Tickets: €23

Age 16+

Here he comes again, trotting on to the stage with all of the misplaced confidence of a waiter with no pad. Is he going to remember it? HOPEFULLY! There'll be lots of talking, some apologising and some songs on a glued together plastic keyboard from 1986.

As seen on BBC's 'Live at The Apollo' and Channel 4's '8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown'.

Tuesday 11th - Sat 15th Oct: 8pm

That's Entertainment Variety Show

Presented by Tralee Musical Society

Tickets: €21/19

Tralee Musical Society is making a much-anticipated return with their ever popular That's Entertainment Variety Show. Directed & Choreographed by the award-winning director Oliver Hurley, this year's show is bursting with talent and entertainment. The hilarious comedy team will once again return to ensure laughs are aplenty with their legendary comedy scenes. The show will also feature the fantastic children's chorus, Rock 'n Roll hits, tunes from Mamma Mia & a salute to Tina Turner.

All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge

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Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd Oct: 8pm

MÁM

Michael Keegan-Dolan / Teac Damsa

€30/27 Duration: 90 mins Age: 8+

MÁM is a meeting place between soloist and ensemble, classical and traditional, the local and universal. It brings together the virtuoso, Irish traditional concertina player Cormac Begley, the European classical, contemporary collective, **s t a r g a z e**, a young girl and twelve international dancers from the **Teac Damsa** company.

Michael Keegan-Dolan and Teac Damsa have created another mythic yet timely production that acknowledges how life's opposing tensions and contradictions can on occasion come together and find resolution.



★★★★★

"A stirring, sensuous showcase of the emotional power of the physical form"
The Irish Times

★★★★★

"An unmissable exorcism."
The Irish Times

★★★★★

"The dancers and players of MÁM embody every human emotion during their dazzling 90-minute marathon"
The Financial Times

Photo credit: Ros Kavanagh

All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge

**Tuesday 25th & Wednesday 26th Oct:
10.30am & 12.30pm daily**

An Triail

Directed by Brendan Murray FÍBÍN

Tickets: €14 (teachers free)

Age Suitability: 12+ Duration: 50 mins

Ireland's only professional Irish language theatre is back with its nationwide tour, particularly for Leaving Certificate Curriculum. The award winning company brings you 'An Triail', as you've never seen it before. Prepare for puppets, high entertainment and such engaging visuals that you'll actually WANT to answer questions on it. Bringing a seemingly outdated plot into the context of our modern society, Fíbin seek to address issues highlighted by both teachers and students alike. *Come and see for yourselves!*

*An bhliain seo, cuireann an comhlacht
buaite duais 'An Triail' ach ní hé mar a
bhfaca tú riamh é seo. Bigí linn!*

Friday 28th Oct: 8pm

Cultúr

As part of Trad Connections series

The importance of culture in difficult times

Tickets: €16/14

Throughout the history of difficult times in Ireland, people continued to sing the songs, play the tunes, and dance the dances, as a means of coping.

The years 1922-1923 were a difficult time in Ireland. Kerry, in particular, suffered great unrest, as the people tried to come to terms with a very new political system.

Cultúr takes a look at what the people of Kerry, and of Ireland as a whole, were doing in their times of leisure - the dance masters continued work as they travelled the very often dangerous highways and byways of Kerry; the songs that were sung in homes and on the street as people went about their daily lives; the tunes that were played for dances that were held in homes and at gatherings in the countryside.

A great many things changed but the music, song and dance continued.

Join the National Folk Theatre Choir and friends for a night of music, song and dance.

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Féile Shamhna

Saturday 29th Oct: 8pm

Night Terrors

The Ghost Stories of E F Benson Directed by GARETH ARMSTRONG Music by SIMON SLATER

Tickets: €17/16

Age Suitability: 12+

This is a spine-tingling evening of three tales of the supernatural. With masterful storytelling from the award-winning actor Gerard Logan, Night Terrors will transport you to a darker, more sinister world of the unexpected and the unexplainable. The three stories The Dance, In The Tube and The Confession of Charles Linkworth, are dramatic, haunting and hugely memorable. Night Terrors is also underscored by a beautiful and specially commissioned score by the award-winning RSC composer, Simon Slater.

★★★★★

"Logan is astounding....He takes a strong script and flies it to the stars"

**The Edinburgh Guide -
Edinburgh Festival 2015**

Féile Shamhna

Saturday 29th Oct: 12pm

Build Your Own Birdhouse Workshop

With Artist and Illustrator Margaret Anne Suggs

Home is Where the Heart is – an exhibition running in the gallery at Siamsa Tire by artist and illustrator Margaret Anne Suggs, is facilitating a workshop on Saturday 29th October. Open to children from 5 – 12 years, this will be an art and papercraft workshop where everyone will design, decorate and build their very own paper birdhouse, similar to those featured in her exhibition.

Cost: €15

Duration: 1hrs

Capacity: 18 per workshop

Suitable for: 5 – 12 year olds

All materials supplied



All tickets are subject to a €10 booking charge

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Féile Shamhna

Sunday 30th Oct: 12pm - 12am

Something Wicked

By the pricking of my thumbs, Something wicked this way comes...

Siamsa Tíre invites you to join us for this year's Something Wicked Celebration when we'll transform our halls into the ultimate Samhain destination to create a wickedly fun day for everyone in the family! Enjoy spooktacular activities, movie and fancy dress fun.

The Pucá Party

12:00pm - 5:00pm

Activities only: €10 Movie only: €7 Full Day: €15

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

For full details and for family discounts visit our website or call our Box Office



Feast of Aos Sí

7:00pm - Midnight

€20 - general admission

€18 - concession (wheelchairs, retired)

€35 - Date Night Special

(x2 adult tickets)

Once the night falls, Mish will descend from the mountains to rule over our Feast of Aos Sí. Grown-ups can cross the threshold in costume - ancient or modern- to appease our guests with evil spirits cocktails, fabulous raffle prizes, traditional folk music, and spellbinding entertainment that will see you through the winter ahead.

Age 18+

Eat, drink, and be scary!

Join us in your best costume for a grown-up feast of fun as we turn Siamsa into an otherworldly denizen of the living, the dead and everyone in between.

(Costumes not required, but highly encouraged!)

All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge

Féile Shamhna

Tuesday 1st Nov 10.30am & 12pm

Spooky Science

Presented by Designer Minds

Designer Minds are here this Halloween with some spooky science experiments.

Experiments and activities include subzero science, burping & bubbling potions, crystal ball bubble making and meet Púca our puking pumpkin! This workshop is perfect for all girls and boys who like to get hands on with science, while learning about the states of matter, including eerie evaporation, scary sublimation and more! Designer Minds run clubs, camps and workshops all over Ireland. Our aim is to expose children to the wonders and joy of Science, Design & Technology, through fun, interactive, hands-on activities, experiments and challenges.

Cost: €15

Capacity: 20 Duration: 1hr

Suitable for: 7–12 year olds

All Materials Supplied



Wednesday 2nd Nov
10am, 12.30pm & 2.30pm

The Pottery Experience

Led by Potter Amy Smith

Take hold of your senses and join Tralee Pottery Club for a fun filled workshop with clay!

This Pottery Throwing Experience is perfect for all abilities, this experience provides an introduction to pottery throwing, while you create your own pottery to be proud of.

Children will experience throwing a pot on the pottery wheel and get to take it home.

It is so important that children retain a connection to the physical arts in an increasingly digital age, so look no further and join us for some messy fun!



PARENT AND TODDLER EXPERIENCE

Preschool age (2–5)

10am–11am

(10 adults 10 Children max)

€25

POTTERY THROWING EXPERIENCE WORKSHOP

**Children aged 6–9
12.30pm–1.30pm**

**Children aged 10–teen
2.30pm–3.30pm**

€20, all materials supplied.

All tickets are subject to a €150 booking charge

National Circus Festival

CONVENTION TICKET: €70

covers access to absolutely everything.

Family Convention Tickets and **Day Passes** also available.

(Children's circus workshops separate from convention ticket only €6 per child)

ALL ticket sales at Siamsa Tíre box office

066-7123055 or www.siamsatire.com

Full details on all events are to be found on www.circusfestival.ie

Thurs 3rd Nov: 8pm

Film Night

Location: Kerry County Museum

Tickets: €5

**Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th Nov:
11am & 12 noon daily**

Children's Circus Workshops

Location: KDYS Hall, Denny Street, Tralee

Tickets: €6 (not included in Convention ticket)

Learn how to juggle, spin plates, to the hula hoop and throw the Diablo. Run away with the circus for a day!

National Circus Festival

Fri 4th Nov: 8.30pm

NUYE

Location: Siamsa Tíre

by Compañía de Circo "eia"
IRISH PREMIERE!

Tickets: €15 Family of 3: €39; Family of 4: €50

Since the beginning, the company has been promoting a human circus capable of evoking the complexity of human relationships, reaching a very wide audience, staking its position as one of the foremost contemporary circus companies in Spain and Europe.

Balance, trust, duality, separation, conflicts ... These are concepts that appear in our circus and choreographic proposal for six acrobats that reflect the comings and goings between self and others, in a constant search to feel complete.

Sat 5th Nov: 2pm & 5.30pm

Circus Siamsa

Location: Siamsa Tíre

Tickets: €15 Family of 3: €40; Family of 4: €50

Just when you got your eyeballs back in their sockets, we are back! At the heart of the festival is Circus Siamsa, a variety show, held each year in Siamsa Tíre theatre. This year, as every year, an entirely new show has been created by Fanzini Productions for the good people of Tralee, bringing the stars of contemporary circus, street and variety performance to the stage in Siamsa. Featuring performances by Chia Cheng Sung, Hugo Miro, Nat & Jo, and Mr Banana.

"this show is not to be missed!"

All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge

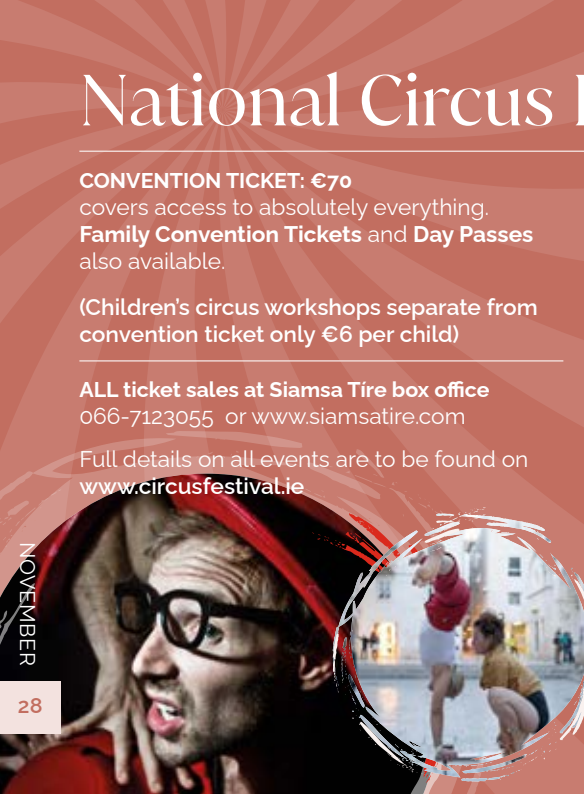
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National Circus Festival

Friday 4th/Saturday 5th Nov

For As Long As We're Here

Location: Siamsa Tíre gallery space

Tickets: FREE

Strong people doing impossible things for a very long time!

A group of circus artists perform endurance of single circus actions. All the while you, the observer, pass by – to see, and be seen.

This series of performances raises a question: how can circus be transformed by placing it within the context of an exhibition space?



Friday 4th Nov: 9.30pm

Spéirial: Aerial Night

€10 – (included if you buy convention ticket)

Covered by Circus Sideshow Entrance Fee

Join us for a night of aerial circus featuring some of the best acts of trapeze, aerial ring and silks on the planet.

Friday 4th Nov: 10pm

Festival Club: Circus Sideshow

€10 – (included if you buy convention ticket)

Join us at 'Circus Sideshow,' a bespoke festival club full of pop-up performances, brilliant music, circus decor and some wonderful surprises!

Big Top Circus Tent



Sunday 6th Nov: 4pm

Wake Up! By Tumble Circus

€15 Family of 3 €39 Family of 4 €50

*Commissioned by the
National Circus Festival of Ireland*

We are Tumble Circus. We are brave risk takers, making world class, wild and revolutionary Irish Circus. It is our job to make families, communities, and audiences gasp, laugh and be inspired to live well. Tumble Circus is a pioneering, professional company creating extraordinary Belfast-inspired circus that makes people laugh, react and act.

Thursday 10th – Sat 12th Nov: 8pm

Evita

Light Opera Society of Tralee

Tickets: €19/17

Tickets: Schools €7 (National Schools)
€12 (Second Level)

School shows at 10.30am on 10th & 11th

One of Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber's most enduring musicals comes to Siamsa in a fully staged production by the award-winning Light Opera Society of Tralee with a cast of fifty and a professional orchestra. Designed and directed by Grainne O' Carroll, choreographed by Tara Dore, musical direction by Anna Connolly, this is a real family show suitable for all ages.



Tuesday 15th & Tues 29th Nov: 11am


Ger Carey LIVE

A Comic Journey Inside The Teenage Mind

Tickets €11 (teachers are free)

Ger Carey is back with his hilarious stand-up comedy show for transition year students. By secretly observing his subjects in their natural habitat, such as leaning on lampposts, in chippers, outside chippers, in shopping centres and sitting on any kind of steps, Ger has uncovered the weird and frightening world of the teenager! The aim of the show is to get teenagers to laugh at themselves and appreciate the differences of others.





Friday 18th Nov: 8pm

Scullion

Tickets: €25/22

Formed in the mid-1970's, Scullion remains one of Ireland's most innovative and brilliant live bands. After a ten-year break from touring, their new album 'Time Has Made a Change in Me' sees Philip King, Sonny Condell and Robbie Overson take to the open road once more.

For their show in Philip's home county, the band will be joined by some very special guests for an unmissable gig in Siamsa Tíre.



Saturday 19th Nov: 8pm

Re-Ignite Bothántaíocht

Trad connections special youth edition young curator showcase

Tickets: €12/10/8

Our Young Curator here at Siamsa Tíre has a vision to 'Re-ignite Bothántaíocht' and allow young performers and audiences to come together and celebrate their talents. To play music, sing and dance together. The evening, **curated by young people for young people**, will give local arts

schools the opportunity to showcase their students. Young talent will take centre stage with some special guests along the way. A wonderful night of music, song and dance is promised, celebrating the idea of 'gathering together' to share our rich culture.

All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge

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Wednesday 23rd Nov: 8pm

Nutcracker Sweeties

Presented by Ballet Ireland

Tickets: €27/22

Choreographed by Morgann Runacre-Temple, this exciting production of the festive classic performed by a cast of world-class dancers will appeal to audiences of all ages with its fairy-tale magic. It's Christmas Eve....



Ciara and her brother Fionn are on a shopping trip to a famous department store in Dublin. They wander off from their parents and the magic of Nutcracker and Christmas begins... The two are rescued by the Nutcracker doll who comes to life before they are surrounded by a glorious blizzard of snowflakes. The Sugar Plum fairy greets them leading Ciara into the kingdom of the sweets where the beautiful Christmas windows come to life. Gather with friends and family to experience the beauty and magic of ballet live on stage. **After all, Christmas only begins once you've seen Ballet Ireland's Nutcracker Sweeties!**

NETTLE HORSE

a new play by Little John Nee



"A mesmerising piece of theatre balanced somewhere between the stories of Gabriel Garcia Marquez and a zen meditation session. The evening made me feel as if I was a child again, enthralled by a magical story..."

Michael Harding, Irish Times

Friday 25th Nov: 8pm

Nettle Horse

A New Play by Little John Nee

Tickets: €20/17

Something is happening and the good and the worthy find themselves rubbing shoulders with all manner of undesirables, knee deep in a mire of opportunity in a smelly field of high hopes.

Little John Nee's new show is inhabited by characters you wish you'd met years ago. Now's your chance. Let yourself travel into a future where homes are about to be built. Let your imagination run away with itself, that's what it's for.

The Derry Boat "I don't think I've seen anything this funny in years"

- Brigid McLaughlin Sunday Independent.

Saturday 26th Nov: 8pm

Songbird – An Irish / Nepalese Collaboration

Music Network

Tickets: €16/14

Songbird sees Gradam Ceoil TG4 2020 Composer of the Year Josephine Marsh join forces with extraordinary Nepalese musician and composer Hiralal Gaine to create brand new music inspired by Irish and Nepalese musical traditions. Exploring themes of friendship, separation, and family, this performance celebrates the migratory nature of music while offering a unique insight into both cultures. It promises to be a stunning exploration of the musical language of Ireland and Nepal. Featured Musicians: Josephine Marsh (accordion, fiddle), Hiralal Gaine (sarangi), Ramji Gaine (madal), Mick Kinsella (harmonica, concertina, percussion) and Declan Corey (mandolin)



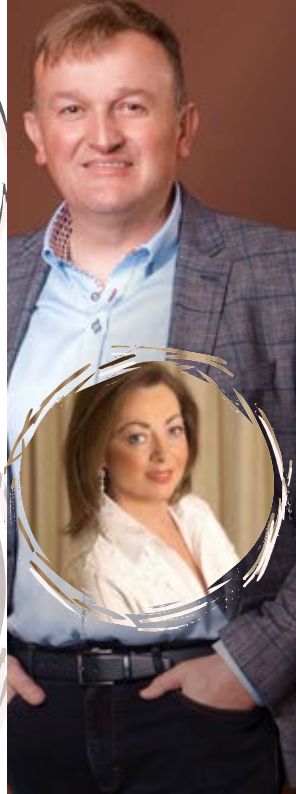
Sunday 27th Nov: 8pm

Jimmy Buckley In Concert

With Special Guest Sandy Kelly

Tickets: €26

Jimmy Buckley is without a doubt one of Ireland's best loved and most respected performers. Jimmy's show contains a wide variety of material, Country, Big Ballads, and tribute medleys to the greats of country music. Special guest on the night is Sandy Kelly who has really done it all in the Country Music World and her live performance is still unique and very special...



Wednesday 30th Nov: 8pm

Irish Rambling House

Presented by Radio Kerry

Tickets: €31

Enjoy a fantastic evening of social history with songs, stories and side-splitting laughs! It's sure to be as popular as ever so book today to secure your seat.



All tickets are subject to a €1.50 booking charge



Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd Dec: 6pm

Academy of Dance Annual Show

Tickets: €18/13

The Academy of Dance is delighted to return to Siamsa Tire with its latest production. Join us for two spectacular performances of Classical Ballet, Tap, Lyrical, Contemporary and Modern Jazz by its talented group of Dancers. A Great way to kick off the Festive Season with two Performances not to be missed!



Friday 9th & Saturday 10th Dec

Beauty and the Beast JR

Presented by Shannonstar Entertainment in association with Bryan Carr School of Performing Arts

Tickets: €18/16 Group of 10+ €15
Family of 4: €64

Friday 9th 7.30pm
Saturday 10th: 11.30am, 2.30pm & 7.30pm

Based on the original Broadway Production. The classic story tells of Belle, and the Beast, a young prince trapped under the spell of an enchantress. With many fun supporting roles allowing students to play objects inside the castle, this "tale as old as time" is filled with spectacular costumes and set opportunities.



Tuesday 13th Dec: 8pm

A Christmas Country with the Stars

Presented by JMG Music Group

Tickets: €30

The stellar line-up, which wouldn't look out of place in Nashville, will include Brendan Shine, outstanding vocalist Patrick Feeney, Irish Country Music legend Declan Nerney, the gentle giant of Country Music Mick Flavin and the pure tones of the legendary Ray Lynam in the company of Irelands top backing band Keltic Storm making this a show you won't want to miss. ***You don't know who might turn up at the show Ho Ho Ho!***



Thursday 15th Dec: 8pm

ABBA Forever

Tickets: €26/24

It's always party time when ABBA comes to town, but when it's the Christmas Show, then that's a real excuse to let your hair down! This happy sing-a-long event celebrates ABBA's music with a loud and proud production, from Waterloo to Dancing Queen, expect a dazzling show featuring all the band's most iconic hits. So get your glad rags on, brush up on the lyrics, don the dancing boots and come **to the best party in town!**

Friday 16th Dec: 8pm

Phil Coulter at Eighty

Tickets: €35

This is a show with a difference. A personal journey through the highs and lows of an outstanding career -- from Eurovision winners to Rollermania, from Luke Kelly classics to all time piano favourites. To add a new twist Phil has assembled a video compilation of some never-before-seen footage of his famous collaborators, from Liam Neeson to Billy Connolly. Priceless!



Saturday 17th Dec: 5pm

The Apple and the Tree

A Unique Classical Experience

Tickets: €18.50 Family of 4: €60

Like father, like son -- JJ McNamara has been delighting audiences for years all over Ireland, UK and Europe with his profound musicianship. People would always say to his father Frank, former Musical Director of the Late Late Show with Gay Byrne, "ah the apple doesn't fall too far from the tree." Now the Apple and the Tree go on tour as Frank and JJ take to the stage together and perform a specially curated programme designed to bring the maximum audience enjoyment. This classical concert will be unlike any you've been to before with lots of audience engagement and plenty of craic!

Sunday 18th Dec: 3pm

WhistleBlast's Winter Wonderland

Tickets: €12/10

A very WhistleBlast Christmas Show featuring everyone's holiday favourites! Enjoy everything from Tchaikovsky to the Snowman, a sing along WhistleBlast Christmas Tale, and other seasonal songs! We'll have bell ringing and percussion for you to join us in a joyful concert finale... Performed by fun loving musicians, this show is fun for everyone of all ages. Come along and get yourself into the mood for a wonderful musical Christmas.

**Wednesday 28th – Friday 30th Dec
Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd Jan 2023
2.30pm & 7pm daily**

Sleeping Beauty – Christmas Panto

Presented by Oliver Hurley Productions

Tickets: €18/€17 Family of 4: €68 Family of 5: €85

This year's Christmas Panto, Sleeping Beauty, is the spellbinding tale of a beautiful Princess, the evil Maleficent, a Magical Queen and the Handsome Prince. With beloved characters, sparkling costumes galore and amazing special effects, Sleeping Beauty really is the pantomime you've been dreaming of – A colourful and exciting production performed by a talented cast of singers, dancers and comedians. Recommended for children of all ages from 5 – 95!

Highlights for 2023

March 24th

Eddi Reader 40 Years Live Tour

Any Eddi Reader show, the magic is being made in the moment, no two performances are ever the same.

"One of my favourite singers of all time"
Jools Holland

Tickets: €30

Booking for all listed shows is open now.



February 11th

Don Pasquale

*presented by Irish
National Opera*
Donizetti's most sparkling
operatic comedy.

Don Pasquale features the
Irish National Opera orchestra.

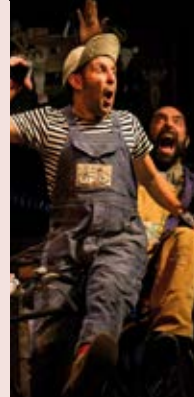
Tickets: €31/28

Age Suitability: 12+

February 18th

When the Moon Spun Round

by Fidget Feet



February 19th

Legends Of American Country

Tickets: €25

March 1st

The Table

by Branar



March 8 & 9th

The Teddy Bears Picnic

by Theatre Lovett

March 18th

"WELL"

by Pat Short

Sharing the Tradition

Sustaining and passing on our tradition is what Siamsa Tíre, The National Folk Theatre of Ireland is all about, so from 2022 we are expanding our training academy classes, to include online and in-person classes in Music, Song, Dance and Drama, to a wide variety of ages and experience.

Sharing The Tradition (Online Classes)

Online Adults – Traditional, North Kerry Dance

Adults 16 and over – basic to intermediate level – Some experience required

Series 1: Thursday October 6th

4 weeks

Thursday October 6th – 7Pm to 8pm

Series 2: Thursday November 10th

4 weeks

Thursday November 10th – 7Pm to 8pm

Cost: €50 for term of 4 (1 Hour)

Sharing The Tradition (Online Classes)

Online (On Demand) Children

Children aged 7 to 12 – learn some basic tunes, songs, and dance

Series 1: Monday October 3rd

4 weeks (on demand) from October 3rd

Series 2: Monday November 14th

4 weeks (on demand) from November 14th

**Cost: €5 per 30-minute class –
choice of Music, Song, and Dance**

Folk Skills (In Person Classes)

Folk Skills Classes

3 Age levels – 7 to 11 / 12 to 15 / 16 to 24

Classes include Dance, Singing and Drama
Basic to intermediate level –
Some experience required

Series 1: Friday September 30th

4 weeks

from Friday September 30th – 6.30pm to 8.30pm

Series 2: Friday November 11th

4 weeks

from Friday November 11th – 6.30pm to 8.30pm

Cost: Choice of 1, 2 or 3 classes

**1 Class – €7.50 X 4 = €30
per term of 4 (40-minute Classes)**

**2 Classes – €12.50 X 4 = €50
per term of 4 (2 X 40-minute classes)**

**3 Classes – €15 X 4 = €60
per term of 4 (3 X 40-minute classes)**

Sharing The Tradition (In Person Classes)

Adult Music and Dance Classes

Adults 16 and over –

Some experience required

Series 1: Monday September 26th

4 weeks from

Monday September 26th – 7.00 to 8.00pm

Series 2: Monday October 24th

4 weeks from

Monday October 24th – 7.00 to 8.00pm

Cost: €50 for term of 4 (1 Hour)



Visual Arts

Home Is Where The Heart Is

October 13th – December 31st

Siamsa Tíre, Tralee, Co Kerry

Award-winning illustrator
Margaret Anne Suggs
has created an experimental
series of pop-up
illustrated birdhouses.



Home is where the heart is explores how the idea of 'home' is universal, but her handcrafted and painted works are rooted in the personal. With the perspective of being an outsider (an immigrant) the artist has established a home in Ireland, but still empathises with refugees, immigrants, and transients who do not have the comfort of a home.

The birdhouses relate to ideas of migration, duality of belonging, and the possibly ephemeral nature of home. The illustrations are intertwined with the text, and culminate in the

proverb, "Home is where the heart is" to leave the reader/viewer with a sense of hopefulness.

Home is where the heart is also features Suggs' previously published and personal art work.

Margaret Anne Suggs has previously exhibited at Biennial Illustrations Bratislava, as part of an international children's illustrator showcase, at the Riverbank Gallery, Newbridge, the Cúirt Festival, Galway, Garter Lane, Wexford, and has previously exhibited at Siamsa Tíre as part of A Way Home in Autumn 2021.

Ticket Exchange/Refund

Tickets cannot be refunded or exchanged unless the event is cancelled or rescheduled.

A Cancelled Event : To claim a refund you must contact the box office where a refund will be issued to you via the same payment method as when the purchase was made. After 12 months any unclaimed refunds will automatically be converted to a donation to Siamsa Tíre. Please note: Refunds will include the ticket price only and cannot include your ticket booking fees.

A Rescheduled Event : If an event is rescheduled, tickets will be valid for the new date. If you cannot attend the new date, you can cancel your order and a gift voucher will be issued to you for the sale price of your ticket(s).

For Sold-Out events only, Siamsa Tíre can 'sell on' unwanted tickets on the day of a performance on behalf of the customer. We regret that this service cannot be offered for events that are not sold out. No refunds or exchanges can take place without the physical tickets being returned.

Box Office Opening Hours

The box office staff are available by phone Monday–Saturday 10am–6pm
Sunday's from 5pm – 8pm on evenings of a performance.

Patrons can book online 24 hrs a day
www.siamsatire.com

Book in person during the building opening hours – please see opposite.

On the evenings where a performance is scheduled for the theatre, the Box Office will remain open until 7.30pm for general and phone bookings, and until 7.50pm for 'in person' tickets for that night's performance.

Ticket Booking Fee

Due to rising costs, from September 1st 2022 a €1.50 booking fee applies PER TICKET booked online, at the box office, or on the phone.

Latecomers:

Latecomers may be admitted if there is a suitable break in the performance, but entry is not guaranteed.

Wheelchair Users:

Wheelchair spaces are available within the auditorium. Please inform the Box office when you book your tickets, and they will be able to advise you on suitable seating.

Hard of Hearing:

An induction loop is in operation in the auditorium for patrons with hearing difficulties. People with hearing aids should set them to 'T'.

Change of Advertised Programme:

Siamsa Tíre reserves the right to add, withdraw or substitute artists and vary the advertised programme if necessary.

Building Opening Hours

SEPTEMBER - APRIL

Monday, Wednesday – Saturday	10am–4pm
Sunday	5pm–8pm*

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

Saturday 24th	12pm – 3pm
Sunday 25th & Monday 26th	CLOSED
Tuesday 27th	12pm – 5pm
Wednesday 28th - Friday 30th	10am – 7pm
Saturday 31st	10am – 4pm

JANUARY 2023

Sunday 1st	CLOSED
Mon 2nd & Tue 3rd	12pm – 7pm
Wednesday 4th	10am – 4pm
Sunday	5pm – 8pm*

**Only when a performance is scheduled for that night.*

On evenings when a performance is scheduled for the theatre, the Box Office will remain open until 7.30pm for general and phone bookings, and until 7.50pm for 'in person' tickets for that night's performance.

SEPTEMBER

Various Dates	Turas
10th	Keep the faith, keep the folk
16th	Tóg Sos
23rd	Culture Night
25th	The First Child
30th	Trad Connections - CAOIN

OCTOBER

1st	Bothántaíocht at Teach Siamsa na Carraige
1st	When the Moon Spun Round
6th	TedX Tralee
7th	Esposito Quartet
8th	David O'Doherty - Whoa it's Me
11th - 15th	That's Entertainment Variety Show

At a Glance

21st & 22nd MÁM

25th & 26th An Triail

28th Trad Connections - Cultúr

29th Night Terrors - The Ghost Stories of E F Benson

29th Halloween Workshop Series

30th Something Wicked Celebration

NOVEMBER

1st Spooky Science Workshop

2nd The Pottery Experience Workshop

3rd - 6th Circus Festival

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM

www.siamsatire.com

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DECEMBER

2nd & 3rd	Academy of Dance
9th & 10th	Beauty And The Beast Jnr
13th	A Christmas Country With The Stars
15th	ABBA Forever
16th	Phil Coulter at Eighty
17th	The Apple & The Tree - Frank McNamara
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