

# Siamsa Tíre

The National Folk Theatre of Ireland



Event Guide CLÁR IMEACHTAÍ

September – December 2021



## Current Covid Procedures:

We are committed to the safety and comfort of our patrons, artists, and venue staff and we are constantly monitoring and updating our policies in line with government guidelines.

Please ensure to carefully read the policies in place for each production and event before purchasing your ticket(s).

Before attending the performance, you will be sent a pre-show email with specific performance and venue information. Please read this carefully to ensure you know what to expect when you attend and follow the guidance you are given.



- Patrons over the age of 13 must wear a mask for the duration of their visit on the premises
- Until restrictions lift, proof of immunity is required to attend events
- If you, or any member of your party, experience symptoms of COVID-19 in the 14 days prior to an event or have been advised to restrict movements as a close contact, we ask that you/they do not attend. Please contact the Box Office by phone or email and we will provide a refund

*We appreciate your patience and understanding while we implement these new procedures, and we very much look forward to warmly welcoming you back to live events.*



## Gift Vouchers

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Give special moments to your friends, family or business with a Siamsa Tire Gift Voucher. Treat your friends, family or colleagues to a night at the theatre when you purchase a gift voucher for Siamsa Tire 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

Under current Government restrictions, our theatre bar is closed. Once restrictions lift, you will be able to pre-purchase your drinks as part of your booking process or order on arrival as normal. For selected performances you can bring your drink into the auditorium in our new shatter-proof glasses. Pre-Order your interval drinks and afterwards enjoy the relaxing ambience of the foyer with a post-show drink of your choice.

## Thank you to all our Patrons

Siamsa Tire'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.



**Fri 17th September:  
5.00pm–11.00pm**

## Culture Night

**FREE EVENT**

Enjoy a self-guided tour around the Folk Homecoming Exhibition to get to know the National Folk Theatre and what makes it tick, followed by a short concert by internationally acclaimed Kerry musicians Conor Moriarty, of Rianta and Sean Kelliher of The Rising and 3 on the Bund. Conor and Sean come together for a special series of performances of traditional Irish music and craic throughout the evening to help us celebrate Culture Night 2021.

**Thurs 30th September: 10am & 12pm**

## Wild Atlantic Tales

**Presented by Glór**  
*Written and performed by Niall de Búrca*

**Schools: €6 (Teachers Fee)**  
**Tickets: €6**

**Age Suitability: 0–15**

**Duration: 45–50 mins**

Batten down the hatches for a storytelling experience that will ensnare your imagination and banish the darkening nights!

Niall de Búrca is coming your way with a very special show for children, spinning tales inspired by the unique and mighty landscape of The Wild Atlantic Way. Wild Atlantic Tales features tales of chieftains, heroines and hags. Of bowsies, banshee's and brave fisherfolk on stormy seas.

Supported by the Arts Council Commission Award and Arts Centre Funding Awards for touring.





**Fri 1st October: 8pm**

## A Wilde Fan

**Bottom Dog Theatre Company**

*Written and performed by Myles Breen*

*Directed by Liam O'Brien*

**Tickets: €15**

**Age Suitability: 13+**

**Duration: 70 mins**

A celebration of the life and works of Oscar Wilde.

Through his plays, poetry, prose and extraordinary life, Oscar Wilde has been a constant source of inspiration and obsession for acclaimed actor Myles Breen.

Featuring excerpts from Wilde's writings alongside Breen's trademark wit and flair, A Wilde Fan is a personal and theatrical take on one of history's greatest artists, by his biggest fan.

*"Be yourself; everyone else is already taken!"*

**Sat 2nd October: 12.30pm**

## Launch of the Traveller Pride Video

**The Roads Well Travelled**

*Presented by Kerry Travellers Health and Community Development Project*

**FREE EVENT**

The video highlights the roads travelled and traditional stopping places of Travellers in Kerry, and how important the coming together on the road was to Traveller identity, and well-being. It also highlights how nomadism benefited the rural economy, and the positive and enduring relationships that developed between Settled and Traveller people at that time. Funded by Traveller Pride Week, the film is produced by Kerry Travellers Health and Community Development Project with the support of Travellers from Co. Kerry, and filmmaker Murt Mulcahy.



**Traveller  
Pride Week**  
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Thurs 7th October: 8pm

## Trad Connections with Zoë Conway & John McIntyre

FREE EVENT

**RECORDING DURING PERFORMANCE:**  
there may be some interruptions

With an exciting blend of eclectic fiddle and guitar music, the husband and wife folk duo possess a rare facility to draw pieces into their repertoire from other genres such as classical, jazz and world music and express this material in a way which not only displays the sheer range and knowledge of both instrumentalists but also exhibits the wonderful versatility of their instruments.



The recent release of their 5\* critically acclaimed album *Go Mairir I Bhfad – Long Life To You* has brought international attention to the duo, and they are increasingly in demand.

Sat 9th October: 8pm

## Eden

by Eugene O'Brien *Decadent Theatre Company*

**Tickets: €20/18**

**Age Suitability: 16+**  
Strong language and adult content.

**Duration: 80 mins**

Approaching their 10th wedding anniversary, Breda is determined that this will be the weekend that saves their marriage, but Billy is more concerned with the beautiful young woman he has his eye on. From the writer of the hit RTÉ drama *Pure Mule*, *Eden* is a story of stale love and fresh lust. Best New Play winner at the Irish Times Theatre Awards and Stewart Parker Awards in 2001.



Fri 15th October: 9am

## TEDx Tralee

Tickets: €80

Join us for 12 hours with 17 exceptional group of speakers who have an inspiring story or big idea to share. The day will feature key influencers throughout the community. In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TED has created a program called TEDx. TEDx is a program of local, self-organised events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience.



Sat 16th October: 8pm

## Dances for Inside and Outside

Presented by Irish Modern Dance Theatre

Tickets: €16/14, Family of 4: €50

Groups 10+: €12

Duration: 45 mins

*A cycle of dances, large and small, created for our times, since the beginning of the Pandemic.*

A thrilling and fast moving dance explosion of 8 stunning dancers unleashed in a live performance to celebrate life, athleticism and joy. They are celebrating life and searching for joy, despite the limitations imposed by Covid-19. The work embodies what we have all been through and what our reality is now. There is a vital physicality and necessity in how the dancers interact together, mixing joy and fear and trying to be safe.



Sun 17th October: 7pm

## Foscadh (Shelter)

Kerry International Film Festival  
Closing Night Screening

Tickets: €12/10

Age Suitability: 16+

Set in the wild mountains of Connemara, Foscadh tells the story of friendless and guileless recluse John Cunliffe who is suddenly propelled into manhood at the ripe old age of 28. When his over-cosseting parents pass away, John inherits mountain land that is in the way of a lucrative wind-farm development, and he is forced to navigate the choppy waters of romance, trust and vengeance for the first time.

*Irish language film selected as Ireland's international Oscar entry.*



25th–30th October

## Samhain Festival



*Celebrate the Celtic Festival of Samhain (Halloween) this mid-term with family-friendly fun at Siamsa Tire.*

In bygone times, our ancestors celebrated Samhain by drawing in close to the fire and entertaining each other with stories of wandering spirits and other worlds. Siamsa Tire invites you to continue this tradition of entertainment with its annual Samhain Festival.

Taking place over the mid-term break from Monday 25th to Saturday the 30th of October, it promises a family-friendly mix of theatre, arts and crafts workshops, and storytelling, with an enchanting children's art exhibition thrown in for good measure.







Samhain  
Festival



**Mon 25th October: 10am, 11am, 12pm**

## I Am Baba

**A show for babies aged 0–12 months**

**Created by Anna Newell**

*Presented by The Civic, Tallaght*

**Tickets: €10**

**Capacity: 6 parents (fully vaccinated) and their babies**

I Am Baba created by Anna Newell presented in association with The Civic, Tallaght I AM BABA is a theatre adventure for babies created by internationally renowned theatre director Anna Newell and award-winning composer David Goodall whose shows for early years have been seen on five continents. I AM BABA is a magical adventure of song, lights and textures for babies aged 0-12 months. It's a show about identity, agency and personhood. For babies. Duration: 20 mins with up to 20 mins of free play afterwards.



Samhain  
Festival

**Wed 27th October: 12pm & 2.30pm**

## Alice and the Wolf

**by Tom Swift**

*Presented by Barnstorm Theatre Company*

**Tickets: €12/10. Family of 4: €40**

**Age Suitability: 9+ and Families**

**Duration: 60 mins**

Alice spends virtually all her time in Wolf Wood. You know, the world's deepest, darkest online game. Why not? Her dad isn't around, her mother's gone to Canada to meet a lumberjack and her best friends dumped her for a YouTube star. But what happens when the people you meet online come looking for you in real life? Who can you trust, and who is the Big Bad Wolf? This re-telling of the Little Red Riding Hood story is a digital fairy tale that's deliciously funny and full of dangerously dark twists.



Sat 30th October: 2pm

## Storytelling with Eddie Lenihan

**Tales of Magic, Myth and Mystery  
for Old and Young**

**Tickets: €10/6, Family of 4: €25**

**Age Suitability: 8+ and Families**

Edmund Lenihan (born 1950), also known as Eddie Lenihan, is an Irish author, storyteller, lecturer and broadcaster. He is one of the few practicing seanchaithe (traditional Irish lore-keepers and tale-spinners) remaining in Ireland. He has been called "one of the greatest of Irish storytellers" and "a national treasure."

There will be an opportunity for a few questions after the show.



Samhain  
Festival



Sat 30th October: 4pm & 5pm

## PÚCA!

**An outdoor presentation of  
National Folk Theatre Training Academy  
and Choir performances**

**FREE EVENT**

As part of Siamsa's Celtic calendar of events, we invite you to join the National Folk Theatre training academy as they celebrate all things Samhain!

The Celtic year begins with Samhain. It is an ancient Irish fire festival and is known far and wide for its bonfires, feasting, superstitions, and rituals. This family friendly presentation will be projected onto the outside walls of our theatre for all to experience and enjoy. There will be plenty of fun and frolics with trick or treating, mischievous fairies, the Banshee and lots of dancing and singing. Make sure not to miss it!



Samhain  
Festival



# Halloween Workshop Series

**Tuesday 26th October**  
**10am & 2.30pm**

## Sculpture and Robots from Rubbish

**Get CREATIVE with HOUSEHOLD Rubbish (or is it RUBBISH?)**

*Facilitated by Tralee Community Garden Project*

**10am Amazing ARTitecture**  
**2.30pm Razzle-Dazzle Robots**

**Cost: €10 per workshop**

**Capacity: 10 per workshop**

**Duration: 2hrs Suitable for: 9-12yr olds**

*All Materials Supplied*



**Samhain  
Festival**

**Wednesday 27th October 11am & 2pm**

## Monster Mashup

*With Illustrator Olivia Golden*

Join illustrator Olivia Golden for a Halloween Monster Mash Up. Let your imagination run wild and learn how to create your very own Halloween monsters. Olivia will introduce you to a world of Raboos, Slumpires, Eletitches and maybe a Zat or two! Olivia has illustrated over 30 books so far for all ages.

**Cost: €12**

**Suitable for: 7-12 yr olds**

**Duration: 1hr**

**Capacity: 11**

*All Materials Supplied*





# Halloween Workshop Series

Friday 29th October 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 interactive, hands-on activities, experiments and challenges.



**Cost: €12**

**Capacity: 12 Duration: 1hr**

**Suitable for: 7–12 year olds**

*All Materials Supplied*

**Saturday 30th October  
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!



**Samhain  
Festival**

### PARENT AND TODDLER EXPERIENCE

**Preschool age (2–5)**

**10am–11am**

(10 adults 10 Children max)

### POTTERY THROWING EXPERIENCE WORKSHOP

**Children aged 6–9  
12.30pm–1.30pm**

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

**Adults: €20, Children: €15, Family of 4: €55**



Thurs 4th–Sun 7th November

# Circus Festival

*A weekend of activities featuring: Renegade Stage, Festival Club, Festival Parades, Kamikaze clowns, Festival walkabouts, 5x5, ISACS (Irish Street Arts Circus & Spectacle Network) seminar.*

CONVENTION TICKET: €70  
covers access to events with



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

Thursday-Sunday Circus convention, Tralee Gymnastics Hall, KDYS and Moyderwell Hall.

Full circus, acrobatics and aerial master-class and workshop programme.

Just when you got  
your eyeballs back in  
their sockets, we are back!

Full details on all events are to be found on  
[www.circusfestival.ie](http://www.circusfestival.ie)



**Sat 6th & Sun 7th November: 11am & 12pm**

## Children's Circus Workshops

Location: KDYS      Tickets: €6

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



**Fri 5th November: 8.30pm**

## Sinergia 3.0

Location: Siamsa Tíre

By Nueveuno Circo  
*English language, Irish premiere*

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

Age Suitability: 8+      Duration: 60 mins

Sinergia 3.0 is a contemporary circus show that combines techniques of juggling, manipulation of objects, handstands and dance. Through music, scenery, lighting, emotions, the show evolves to one of pure synergy to be enjoyed by the whole family.

Sat 6th November: 2pm & 5.30pm

## Circus Siamsa

Location: Siamsa Tire

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

An entirely new show has been created by Fanzini Productions for the good people of Tralee and beyond, bringing the stars of contemporary circus, street and variety performance to the Siamsa stage. It's a family show but not just for kids and our acts will come for one day to thrill, delight and amaze the lucky audiences who are there to witness this unique spectacle!

*"It's circus Jim but not as we know it."*



Sat 6th November: 9pm

## Double Bill from Wes Peden & Maleta Company

Location: St. John's Church of Ireland, Ashe St.

Tickets: €10 Age Suitability: 12+ Duration: 60 mins

### Wes Peden, Rollercoaster: Ultra-modern pop-punk juggling

Rollercoaster twists theatrical rules to create a safe space place to perform some of the most difficult and unique juggling ever done on stage!

### Maleta Company: Tunnel

Beautiful movement and juggling, combined with a whimsical style and a nod to comedy, Maleta create work that is sought the world over. They have developed a unique style and language that is centred on movement, skill and beauty.



Sun 7th November: 4pm

## A Matter of Time

Presented by Teatime  
*Commissioned by National Circus Festival of Ireland*

Location: Siamsa Tire

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

Three performers disobey the laws of nature as they challenge each other to defy gravity, bend time and reach the impossible. Newton, eat your heart out.

TeaTime Company consists of three performers specialized in three different disciplines: Chinese pole, dance and juggling. They create charming and accessible work that carries complex ideas. Their latest show, A Matter of Time, sees them balancing on the thin line between success and failure. How far can you bend the rules before they break?

A performance that moves between circus and dance, juggling and movement, bodies and juggling balls, the possible and the impossible.

Mon 8th November: 10am & 12.45pm

## Psycho Spaghetti – Ger Carey Live 2021

TY Comedy Tour

Tickets: €11 (Teachers Free)

Schools 16+

Duration: 90 mins

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.



Fri 12th November: 8pm

## Old Sea Legs

Midnight Mango

Tickets: €14

A laid-back music gig crawling with vivid imagery and colourful characters, a timeless tangle of tongue-twisting, brain-burrowing lyrics that can swing from a breathless barrage to a lilting lament – at times without a moment's notice – 'Old Sea Legs' is more than just a nom de guerre for Dublin songwriter and performer Ian Bermingham; it is a window into a world entirely of his own creation.

Sat 13th November: 11am

## Trad Connections

with Lorraine Nash & Band

FREE EVENT

RECORDING DURING PERFORMANCE:  
there may be some interruptions

Enjoy one of Ireland's newest rising talents, Kerry native and multi-instrumentalist, Lorraine Nash. Lorraine's vocal emanates from a soulful place, somewhere between Tracy Chapman and Gillian Welch, evoking Americana and folk tones.

Lorraine has been performing since she was young and is a talented pianist, guitar, harp, flute and violin player, skills Lorraine brought to the recording studio first to create her debut EP *Wildflower* and now her debut album, due out early in 2022.

Equally at home in Irish Trad, Lorraine's original material brings an eclectic mix of music



traditions to the table, while ensuring that her own unique voice and élan comes through unmistakably. Emerging as an artist during a global pandemic, Lorraine has managed to establish herself as a songwriter and performer of esteem and recognition appearing on numerous 'Recommends' playlists on RTE Radio 1 and bringing her sound across the water to the UK and US.

*Concert streamed on Siamsa Tire Facebook Live and YouTube at 8pm Friday 26th Nov.*





Sun 14th November: 3pm

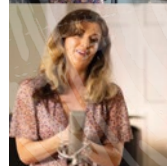
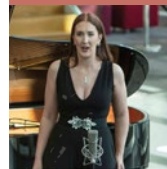
## We'll Meet Again

The Story of Vera Lynn

Tickets: €19, Group of 8+ €17

Following sold out concerts across the country including Dublin's National Concert Hall, We'll Meet Again: the Story of Vera Lynn, starring singers Linda Kenny (soprano), and Damien Smith (Baritone), actor Alf McCarthy and our Vera Lynn band (MD Alan Carney), comes to Siamsa Tíre for one date only!

The show is a dramatic retelling of the life and times of Vera Lynn and the delicious programme, jam packed with her nostalgic hits, gives the audience an opportunity to sing along to some of her most loved songs like *We'll Meet Again*, *Among My Souvenirs*, *Auf Wiedeseh'n Sweetheart*, *The White Cliffs of Dover*, *Faraway Places* and many more.



# Irish National Opera



*Come and sing with  
Irish National Opera*

18th November

## Sea Shanties Workshop

*Presented by Irish National Opera*

10am–1pm (School Groups)  
7pm–9pm (Adults)

Tickets:

Student: €10, €30\*

Adults: €15, €40\*

\*Combined ticket – Workshop and The Lighthouse Opera. See page 30 for full details.

Ahead of the forthcoming tour of 'The Lighthouse', Irish National Opera is delighted to be bringing singing workshop for post primary school groups and adults to Siamsa Tíre.

This workshop is ideal for students and people who enjoy singing in groups and are curious to learn a little more about the world of opera.

Over the course of the workshop, participants will explore various pieces of music related to the Peter Maxwell Davies' opera 'The Lighthouse' and get a better context of the piece before its live performance.

You don't need to have any experience of singing, reading music or of opera to take part. Just an enthusiasm to try something new!

Thurs 25th November: 8pm

# The Lighthouse

By Peter Maxwell Davies

*Presented by Irish National Opera*

Tickets: €30/27, €20 (Student)

A Scottish lighthouse goes dark. A visiting supply ship finds the building in order. But the keepers have vanished without trace. Three singers in multiple roles explore the psychological state of the fractious men, relive an official investigation and project a supernatural explanation. The composer, who based the structure of the opera on the Tower of the Tarot, leaves no simple answers. Based on an actual event in December 1900.

**7pm: The Lighthouse In Focus**  
– Pre-show talk (Free)

Delve deeper into the background of opera with Irish National Opera's free In Focus series.

 Irish  
National  
Opera

Fri 3rd December: 8pm

# Keep the Faith, Keep the Folk

**National Folk Theatre**  
work in progress presentation

Duration: 50 mins

**FREE EVENT**

Siamsa's folk theatre artists, Joanne Barry and Anne O'Donnell, will present a work in progress, 'Keep the faith, keep the folk', exploring their relationship and their work as folk artists, from childhood training with the company to current full-time professional practice, informed by decades of close working relationships, shared experiences and passions.

Sat 4th December: 8pm

# Irish Rambling House

**Presented by Radio Kerry**

*With Special Guests: Annmarie O'Riordan and Bryan Murphy*

Tickets: €31

We've missed the music, the song, the dance, the stories... and the craic... so we are thrilled to be looking forward to the Irish Rambling House Show. If laughter is the best medicine then this Show is the prescription! Radio Kerry welcomes you back to the Irish Rambling House Show.



Thurs 9th December: 8pm

## ABBA Forever

Tickets: €25/22.50



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!

Thurs 16th & Fri 17th December

## Disney's Aladdin Kids

Bryan Carr School of Performing Arts

10am & 12pm School Performances Only: Tickets: €6.50

6pm & 8pm: Tickets: €14/12 Family of 4: €50

Presented by Bryan Carr School of Performing Arts and its students, they welcome you to Agrabah and the Academy Award-winning adventure of the street rat who became a prince! Based on the iconic animated film, with an Academy Award-winning score by Alan Menken, Howard Ashman and Tim Rice, Disney's Aladdin KIDS is sure to send audiences soaring on a flying carpet ride filled with romance and adventure! This production is 45 mins and the evening performances will continue with other festive stage performances. This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International (Europe).



Fri 10th December: 8pm

## Ficino Quartet

*Presented by the National String Quartet Foundation, in partnership with The Arts Council & RTE*

Tickets: €16/14

Ficino Ensemble was formed by Artistic Director Nathan Sherman in 2012 as a flexible group aiming to perform popular chamber music alongside lesser known works that deserve to be appreciated.

The Quartet features four outstanding musicians Elaine Clark, Lynda O'Connor, Nathan Sherman and Ailbhe McDonagh who are building an impressive reputation and an exciting repertoire. Their fascinating programme opens with the joyful ease of Mozart's 'Dissonance' Quartet, moves into Deirdre McKay's contemplation of 'the vast quietude of space' and ends in the alternately riveting and beautiful Bartokian world of Ligeti's first quartet.





Sat 18th & Sun 19th December: 8pm

## Nutcracker Sweeties

Ballet Ireland

Tickets: €25/22

Ballet Ireland is delighted to present Nutcracker Sweeties, a brand new production of one of the world's favourite ballets, to audiences this autumn. Choreographed by

Morgann Runacre-Temple, this exciting new Irish presentation 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 Fionn Sheridan are on a shopping expedition to a famous department store in Dublin. Once inside, they wander off fascinated by all the Christmas toys and displays, only to find themselves behind the scenes.

The clock strikes midnight and magical things start to happen...

Tues 21st December: 8pm

## A Rat Pack Christmas

Tickets: €23/19

€20 Early bird (book before November 14th)

It's a Christmas Cracker!

Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis, Peter Lawford, and Joey Bishop were free spirits. Together, they were totally unpredictable. The

only thing everyone could be sure of was a night of high-octane entertainment.

On December 21st, The Great Singalong Songbook presents A Rat Pack Christmas – a night of stories, laughs, and the songs you love to sing along to! Complete with a giant screen and song lyrics, you'll be singing all night long!

Wed 29th & Thurs 30th December  
& Sun 2nd–Tues 4th January  
2.30pm & 7pm daily

## Cinderella – Christmas Panto

*Presented by Oliver Hurley Productions*

Tickets: €18/€17  
Family of 4: €66  
Family of 5: €80

**EARLY BIRD TICKET AVAILABLE UNTIL  
TUESDAY 30th NOV €16**

This year's production is the greatest of all times: CINDERELLA. With perennial favourites, Buttons, the wicked stepmother and the ugly sisters, this is a pantomime with characters galore. Oliver Hurley is renowned for high quality, professional pantomimes that are among the most spectacular in the Land,



so this promises to be a tremendous treat for all the family! A colourful and exciting production performed by a talented cast of singers, dancers and comedians. A night of laughter and magic – don't miss it. We recommend this production for children of all ages from 5–95!

## Sharing the Tradition

### Online workshops

*Introduction, Intermediate and Advanced*

For dates and times please contact  
the box office on 066-7123055

**Age Suitability: 16yrs+    Fees: Series of 4 classes €50**

Extend your knowledge of the very unique and beautiful North Kerry "Munnix" style traditional Irish dance with traditional **Irish Dance Master Jonathan Kelliher** in this online workshop series. This style dates to the early 1700s and was handed down through the generations by traditional dance masters.

This new series of dance classes is presented by Siamsa Tire, the National Folk Theatre of Ireland Training Academy and is part of a new online class initiative for dancers and musicians all over the world, to work with experienced traditional tutors who will share their insights and background to step dances and tunes, as well as take the time to teach and perform them.

Dance experience is an advantage for this series but



not required as Jonathan will give you the history of this special dance style from North Kerry and teach you basic steps and how to put them together.

Jonathan is the Artistic Director of Siamsa Tire's National Folk Theatre programme. He has been studying the North Kerry style of dance since the age of 6 and followed in the footsteps of a long line of North Kerry Dance Masters to become one of the most respected voices in discussing the style and its history and is known as one of the best exponents of the style in Ireland.



## Visual Arts

### A Way Home – An Slí Abhaile

Runs until Saturday  
20th November

Discover the magic of Halloween at Siamsa Tire's Samhain exhibition *'A Way Home – An Slí Abhaile'*. Combining imaginative illustrations and ancient folklore with a modern-day fairy tale, this is an experience that will delight children, families and those of us who are still children at heart.



**'It's the darkest time  
of the year and yet you folk  
cling to your tiny light.  
But it also means the lost  
souls can be seen. Well...  
some of you can see them,'  
the Púca said.**

*Commissioned as part of Siamsa  
Tíre's Associate Artist scheme.*

Two siblings get lost in the woods. There they meet a mysterious traveller and embark on an adventure that sees them encountering a cheeky púca, some lost souls, and a choir of banshees...

Our new arts exhibition for children and families showcases the breadth of talent in contemporary Irish illustration while retelling the story of Samhain (Halloween) for a new generation. As told by children's writer Olivia Hope, this Halloween story is magically brought to life in colourful illustrations by 20 illustrators who have coloured her story with magic and life, to create a rich experience for children and all visitors.





## Samhain Festival Art Competition

As part of our Samhain Festival, one of our illustrators, Olivia Golden, has

provided one of her artworks for children to colour in. If you send in a photo of your child's completed illustration to [marketing@siamsatire.com](mailto:marketing@siamsatire.com), your family will be in with a chance to win tickets for Alice and the Wolf family show and your child will get a free place on the Monster Mash Up Illustration workshop with Olivia Golden. See terms and conditions on [www.siamsatire.com](http://www.siamsatire.com)

Siamsa Tíre

Thurs 2nd December

## Make Your Mark

### Open Submission Exhibition

For this year's Open Submission Exhibition, Siamsa Tíre invites artists from across the country to respond to our new visual identity by submitting original prints using traditional printmaking techniques such as woodcut, etching, engraving, lithography and screen printing which depict or are inspired by one or more of the four elements; fire, wind, water and earth.

Artists are invited to submit their prints and display them in connection with an informative exhibition that explores the creative process behind the new brand identity of Siamsa Tíre.

Submissions must be received by 5pm on 8th November.

For full details visit  
[siamsatire.com](http://siamsatire.com)

## Box Office Opening Hours

The box office staff are available by phone  
Monday–Saturday 10am–6pm  
And Sunday's 1hr before a performance

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

Or 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.

## Wait lists

Due to Covid restrictions, our seating capacity  
has been limited. If guidelines change, we have  
added wait lists to our events so we can offer  
increased seating capacity to customers on the  
wait list on a first come first served basis.

## Ticket Exchange/Refund

We have made changes to our refund policy  
for all Covid-19 related issues.  
If you have purchased tickets and cannot  
attend a performance or event for reasons  
related to Covid-19, please contact the Box  
Office as soon as possible and a refund will  
be processed.

For reasons unrelated to Covid-19, our normal  
exchange/refund policy will remain in effect.  
This policy states that tickets may not be  
exchanged or refunded after purchase unless  
the performance has been cancelled.

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. Refunds will be made  
in the event of a cancelled performance to the  
customer via the same payment method as  
when the purchase was made.

## Latecomers:

Latecomers will not be admitted until  
a suitable break in the performance.

## Wheelchair Users:

Wheelchair spaces are available within the  
building. 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

### OCTOBER–APRIL

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

### CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

Friday 24th–28th inclusive	CLOSED
Weds 29th & Thurs 30th	10am–6pm
Friday 31st (New Year's Eve)	10am–4pm

### JANUARY 2022

Saturday 1st	CLOSED
Sunday 2nd–Tuesday 4th	1pm–7pm
Weds 5th (Business as usual)	10am–4pm
Sunday	5pm–8pm*

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

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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.

# Highlights for 2022

Book your tickets early or give your family and friends the gift of live entertainment – this Christmas!

Booking is now open for all shows, as spaces are limited, we advise booking early to avoid disappointment



**January 23rd**

## Declan Nerney in Concert

With special guests  
Louise Morrissey and John Hogan

Tickets: €25



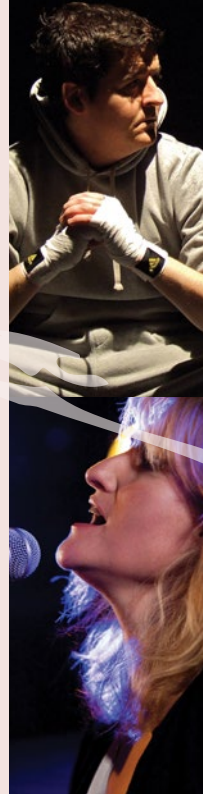
**February 6th: 1pm & 3pm**

## Bosco's Garden Hansel and Gretel

Presented by  
The Paula Lambert Puppet Theatre

Tickets: €12.50; Family of 4: €40

Age: 3+



**February 12th**

## Fight Night by Gavin Kostick

10th Anniversary Tour

Tickets: €20/€18

Age: 14+

**February 19th**

## Eddi Reader

40 Years Live Tour

Tickets: €30



**February 20th**

## Legends of American Country Music

Tickets: €25

**March 6th**

## Declan O'Rourke

Arrivals Irish Tour 2022

Tickets: €32



## OCTOBER

1st	A Wilde Fan
2nd	Launch Of The Traveller Pride Video – The Roads Well Travelled
7th	TRAD CONNECTIONS With Zoë Conway & John McIntyre
9th	Eden
15th	TEDx Tralee
16th	Dances For Inside And Outside
17th	Foscadh (Shelter) Film Screening
25th–30th	<b>SAMHAIN FESTIVAL</b>
25th	I Am Baba
26th–30th	<b>HALLOWEEN WORKSHOPS</b>
27th	Alice And The Wolf
30th	Storytelling With Eddie Lenihan
30th	Púca

# At a Glance

## NOVEMBER

4th - 7th	<b>CIRCUS FESTIVAL</b>
5th	Sinergia 3.0
6th	Double Bill from Wes Peden & Maleta Company
6th & 7th	Children's Circus Workshops
6th	Circus Siamsa
7th	A Matter Of Time

## TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM

[www.siamsatire.com](http://www.siamsatire.com)

Box Office: 066 7123055



## DECEMBER

3rd	Keep The Faith Keep The Folk
4th	Irish Rambling House
9th	Abba Forever
10th	Ficino Quartet
16th & 17th	Disney's Aladdin KIDS
18th & 19th	Nutcracker Sweeties
21st	A Rat Pack Christmas
29th & 30th	Cinderella – Christmas Panto

## JANUARY 2022

2nd–4th	Cinderella – Christmas Panto
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