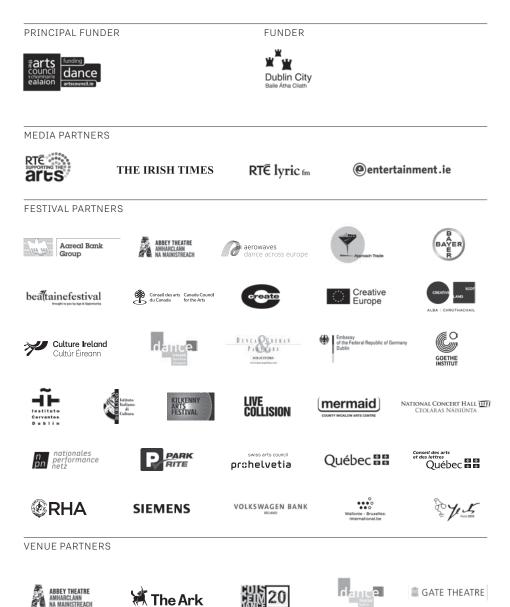


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WELCOME

HOW TO BOOK

Prepare to dive into the next Dublin Dance Festival and a programme that captures the "right now" of international and Irish dance. Dance artists are moving like brilliant magpies across tradition and into the unmapped modern; finding what choreographic sensibility can bring to performance, to the short story, to supposedly inanimate objects, and to dealing with the dance of death.

This year, our national theatre amplifies the importance of dance, dedicating two weeks to three major shows at the Abbey Theatre. The Festival opens with Damaged Goods treating Dublin audiences to the magnificent *Built to Last*. Following this, Liz Roche Company premieres a special commission, *Bastard Amber*. And then lightning strikes more than twice with flamenco virtuoso Israel Galván. Working closely with the Goethe-Institut

Dublin and colleagues overseas, we've selected a weird and wonderful strand of dance from Germany. Reconfigure gravity with Renegade, lead small children on an *Elephant Walk* with Célestine Hennermann, taste the end of the world with Eva Meyer-Keller and see Berlin's Sasha Waltz up close on film.

This is my last Dublin Dance Festival, as my four year tenure has come to an end. It's been a tough assignment squeezing all the dance I wanted to bring to Dublin into four Festivals, but it has been a fantastic, roller coaster adventure, now... hold on tight!

Junio Cammus

Julia Carruthers Festival Director

Welcome to Dublin Dance Festival 2015. We are delighted to present our eleventh Festival programme, with pride in the fact that our audiences are growing each year.

On behalf of DDF's Board of Directors, I'd like to thank our loyal partners. Our funders, the Arts Council/An Chomhairle Ealaíon, have supported the Festival since its inauguration. We are also sincerely grateful to Dublin City Council.

Numerous embassies and cultural institutes assist DDF in presenting leading dance artists from around the world. We would particularly like to thank the Goethe-Institut this year. Also the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Cervantes Institute and Istituto Italiano di Cultura. The Festival benefits from the many dance networks funded by the European Union. We would also like to thank our corporate sponsor, Bayer.

The DDF staff: Carina McGrail, Caroline Kennedy and Tiina Ylönen are an ace team, committed to showcasing the breadth and range of the art form. All of this is progammed by Festival Director, Julia Carruthers, with a winning instinct for work that appeals to audiences in every age range; to those with deep dance knowledge, or none.

We hope that you will jump in and discover your own festival gems, over twelve packed days in May. We aim to move you.

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Helen Meany Chairperson

Online

From March 11 dublindancefestival.ie

In Person

From May 5 Dublin Dance Festival Box Office Project Arts Centre 39 East Essex Street, Dublin 2 Open Mon–Fri 10am–6.30pm Sat 11am–6.30pm Sun 12pm–3pm Closed Sun 10 & 17 May

By Phone

From May 5 +353 1 881 9629 Lines open as per Box Office opening hours above.

At The Venues

Abbey Theatre 26 Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1 + 353 1 878 7222 boxoffice@abbeytheatre.ie <u>abbeytheatre.ie</u> Open Mon-Sat 10.30am-7pm

DanceHouse

Foley Street, Dublin 1 +353 1 855 8800 reception@danceireland.ie <u>danceireland.ie</u> Open Mon-Sat 10am-6pm

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The National Concert Hall

Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2 +353 1 417 0000 <u>nch.ie</u> Open Mon-Sat 10am-6pm

A 50cent transaction fee applies for online and phone bookings. Ticket concessions are available for students, senior citizens and the unwaged. Appropriate ID will be requested on presentation of your ticket at the venue. Please make any special access requirements known to us at time of booking. See dublindancefestival.ie for full terms and conditions. / For venuespecific terms and conditions, please see the venue's website. Dublin Dance Festival accepts no responsibility for booking fees or any additional fees charged by our venue partners.

FESTIVAL OFFERS

MAKING CHOICES EASY

WITH SO MUCH TO SEE, HERE'S A SHORT GUIDE TO HELP YOU CHOOSE:

Early Bird Offers

Make your DDF plans early to beat the flock to the best bargains! A **limited number** of Early Bird tickets are available for most performances. To snap them up, book online at <u>dublindancefestival.ie</u> before midnight on Sunday, March 29.

Dance Deals

The more you see, the more you'll save! Lots of shows on your Festival wish-list? Then make your cash go further with our great Dance Deals.

Book 3 or 4 shows marked as Dance Deals and get **15% off** full price tickets.

Book 5 or more shows marked as Dance Deals and get 20% off full price tickets.

For Dance Deals please note: Tickets must be booked within one transaction for the discount to apply. Discounts apply only to eligible shows marked as Dance Deals. Discounts cannot be applied retrospectively. Discounts only available on tickets booked through Dublin Dance Festival Box Office – online, by phone or in person. Dance Deals cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer.

Festival Club at Project Bar

Soak up the Festival atmosphere in DDF's Festival Club at Project Bar. Enjoy free coffee and WIFI in the lobby, discuss shows over a drink after performances, or simply drop in to meet other festival-goers and performers in the social hub of DDF 2015. Bring your show ticket to enjoy special DDF offers at the Bar!

Project Bar is located upstairs at Project Arts Centre, 39 East Essex Street, Dublin 2.

Please note: the Bar will be closed during performances in the Space Upstairs.

Jump In

Great for newcomers to dance 12 La Edad de Oro 20 Renegade: Connect 23 Field/BOKKO – The Ultimate Fusion 33 Dance Uncovered... (sensational)

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Where music plays a central role
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Performances with a sense of humour

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Great Outdoors

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Family Fun

Great for the young and young-at-heart! 26 Tiger Tale 27 Elephant Walk 20 Renegade: Connect 24 Linear Flow

(PST) - Post-show talk

Moving Conversations

Philip Connaughton

Dance Uncovered...

Project Arts Centre -

(sensational)

Cube 9pm P.33

SUNDAY 24

Tiger Tale

Company B

4pm **P.20**

Barrowland Ballet

The Ark 2pm P.26

Renegade: Connect

Smithfield Square

Renegade / La Macana /

DDF AT **A GLANCE**

BOOK AT DUBLINDANCEFESTIVAL.IE (from March 11) +353 (1) 881 9629 (from May 5)

TUESDAY 19

Opening Performance Meg Stuart/ Damaged Goods Built to Last Abbev Theatre – Abbev Stage 7.30pm **P.08**

WEDNESDAY 20

Master Class Damaged Goods/ Maria F. Scaroni DanceHouse 11am P.35

Moving Conversations Philip Connaughton Dance Uncovered... (sensational) Project Arts Centre -Space Upstairs 6.30pm **P.33**

Meg Stuart/ Damaged Goods Built to Last

Abbey Theatre – Abbey Stage 7.30pm (PST) P.08



WillFredd Theatre/ Emma O'Kane Jockev Samuel Beckett Theatre 8pm P.16

THURSDAY 21 Eva Meyer-Keller Death is certain Project Arts Centre - Cube 7pm (PST) & Nick Bryson, Karen Gleeson & Aisling O'Coineen Mesh Mermaid Arts Centre 8pm **P.36**

WillFredd Theatre / Emma O'Kane Jockev Samuel Beckett Theatre

8pm (PST) P.16

FRIDAY 22 Barrowland Ballet

Tiger Tale The Ark 10.15am (schools) & 6pm P.26

Re-Presenting Ireland DanceHouse 12pm P.30

First Look Catherine Young Ultima Thule DanceHouse 2pm P.28

Eva Meyer-Keller Death is certain Project Arts Centre -Cube 7pm & 9.15pm P.17

Svlvain Émard Danse Fragments – Volume I Project Arts Centre -Space Upstairs 8pm P.18

WillFredd Theatre / Emma O'Kane Jockey Samuel Beckett

Theatre 8pm P.16



Master Class Robbie Synge CoisCéim Dance Theatre, Fri 22 5.30pm **P.35**

> **SATURDAY 23** Master Class

Sylvain Émard Gate Theatre Lab 11am **P.35**

Re-Presenting Ireland DanceHouse 12pm P.30

Barrowland Ballet Tiger Tale The Ark 12pm & 3pm P.26

Renegade: Connect Renegade / La Macana / Company B Smithfield Square 1pm & 4pm **P.20**

First Look Emma Martin A Brief Glimpse of the End (working title) Samuel Beckett Theatre

Robbie Synge

6pm (PST) P.19

Space Upstairs

8pm (PST) P.18

Samuel Beckett Theatre

Sylvain Émard Danse

Fragments – Volume I

Project Arts Centre -

Douglas

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Dance on Film

Before We Go

Irish Film Institute

Dance on Film Filming Sasha Waltz Irish Film Institute 6.15pm **P.31**

Moving Conversations Gavin Kostick Shaping Time Project Arts Centre -Cube 6.30pm **P.33**

Preview Liz Roche Company **Bastard Amber** Abbev Theatre – Abbev Stage 7.30pm P.10

TUESDAY 26

First Look Catherine Young Ultima Thule DanceHouse 5pm P.28

Liz Roche Company Bastard Amber Abbey Theatre - Abbey Stage 7.30pm **P.10**

Triple Bill Thomas Hauert / Meytal Blanaru / Claudia Catarzi (sweet) (bitter) / Aurora/Qui. Ora Project Arts Centre -Space Upstairs 8pm P.21

WEDNESDAY 27

Célestine Hennermann Elephant Walk The Ark 10.15am & 12.15pm **P.27**



Master Class

First Look Emma Martin A Brief Glimpse of the End (working title) Samuel Beckett Theatre Studio 5pm P.28

Liz Roche Company Bastard Amber Abbey Theatre – Abbey

Triple Bill

Thomas Hauert / Mevtal Blanaru / Claudia Catarzi (sweet) (bitter) / Aurora/Qui, Ora Project Arts Centre -Space Upstairs 8pm P.21

THURSDAY 28

Célestine Hennermann Elephant Walk The Ark 10.15am & 12.15pm **P.27**

Thomas Hauert (sweet) (bitter) Band Stand. Brav Promenade 1.30 & 4.00pm **P.36**

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Maria Nilsson

Israel Galván

La Edad de Oro

Waller & Co.

Blanca

Moving Conversations

Maria Nilsson Waller & Co.



DanceHouse 12pm **P.30**

First Look Gavin Kostick/ Aedin Cosgrove/ Megan Kennedy In the Thicket



CAOS Ensemble National Concert Hall (Engineering Library) 6pm **P.25**

Thomas Hauert

(sweet) (bitter)

2pm & 4pm **P.21**

Amphitheatre, Civic

Offices, Wood Quay.



Maria Nilsson Waller & Co. Project Arts Centre -Blanca Cube 6.30pm (PST) **P.22** Project Arts Centre -Cube 6.30pm **P.22**

Double Bill

Tabea Martin / Karel van

Laere & Vanja Rukavina

Field / BOKKO – The

Project Arts Centre -

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Ultimate fusion

Israel Galván Abbey Theatre - Abbey La Edad de Oro Stage 7.30pm **P.12** Abbey Theatre – Abbey Stage 7.30pm **P.12**

Double Bill Tabea Martin / Karel van Laere & Vanja Rukavina Field / BOKKO – The Ultimate fusion Project Arts Centre – Space Upstairs 8pm **P.23**

SATURDAY 30 Re-Presenting Ireland DanceHouse 12 pm

(PST) P.30 Dublin Youth Dance Company Linear Flow Grand Canal Square

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Thomas Hauert DanceHouse 11am P.35

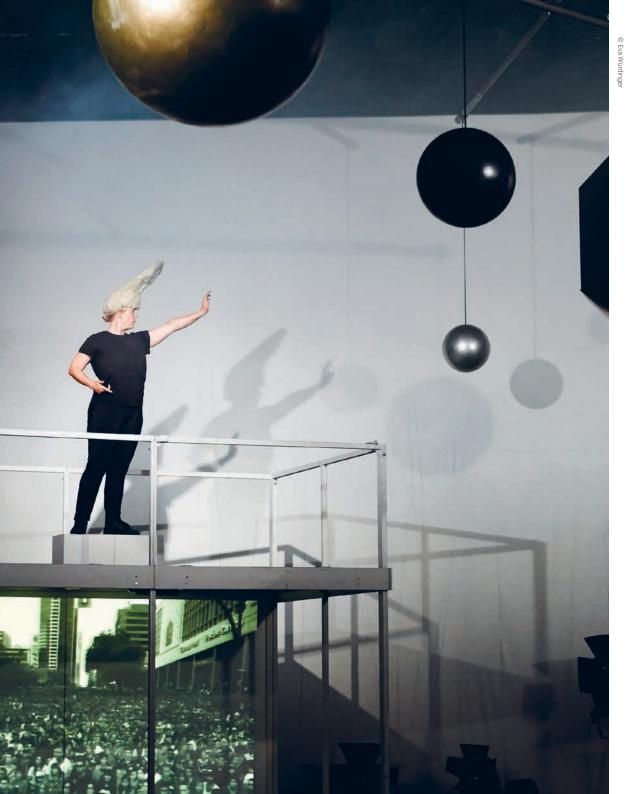
Stage 7.30pm (PST) P.10



Israel Galván

La Edad de Oro Abbey Theatre - Abbey Stage 7.30pm P.12

WillFredd Theatre/ Emma O'Kane Jockey Mermaid Arts centre 8pm P.36



TUES 19 → WED 20 MAY

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS OPENING PERFORMANCE GERMANY / BELGIUM



BUILT TO LAST MEG STUART/ DAMAGED GOODS/ MÜNCHNER KAMMERSPIELE

Abbey Theatre – Abbey Stage Tues 19 & Wed 20 7.30pm, 120 mins (no interval) Full price: €22-€38 Conc: €20-€34

Post Show Talk: Wed 20 'Absurd, ironic, sombre, funny, colourful, engaging and thrilling at the same time ... The human desire for eternity couldn't be represented better.' Wiener Zeitung What is it that music unleashes in us? Celebrated choreographer Meg Stuart creates a time machine for five performers, confronting them with a tidal wave of monumental music through the ages. Acting and reacting to works by Beethoven, Rachmaninoff, Schönberg, and other seminal composers, the cast heroically journeys through the history of dance – and possibly into its future.

Time and again they adapt to shifting worlds with complex and subtle variations in their movement. These encounters offer a glimpse into the essence of human vulnerability and desire. As we continually reinvent ourselves, is it possible for anything to be *Built to Last*?

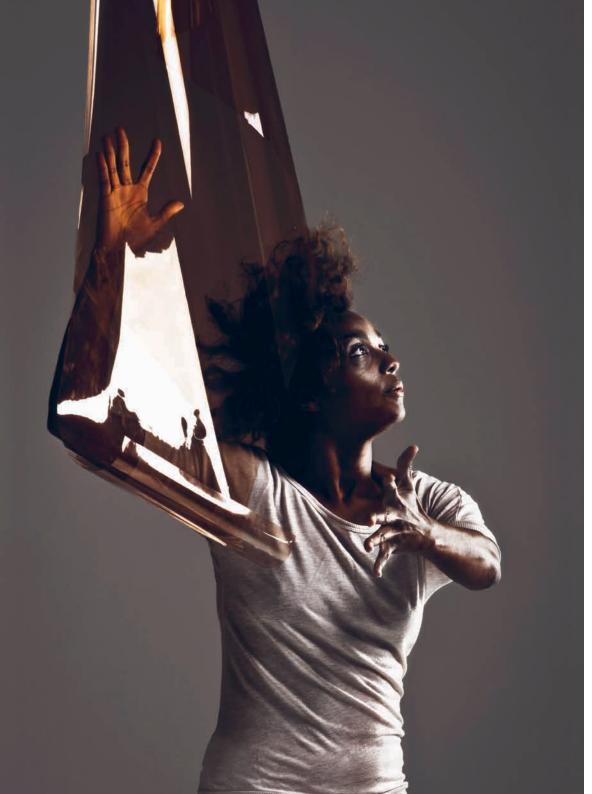
A key figure in contemporary dance, Meg Stuart and her company Damaged Goods make their Irish debut to open the 2015 Dublin Dance Festival.



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MON 25 → WED 27 MAY

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS WORLD PREMIERE IRELAND

BASTARD AMBER LIZ ROCHE COMPANY

A co-production between Dublin Dance Festival, the Abbey Theatre and Liz Roche Company

Abbey Theatre – Abbey Stage Mon 25 (preview), Tues 26 & Wed 27 7.30pm, 70 mins (no interval)

Full price: €17–€38 Conc: €15–€34

Post Show Talk: Wed 27

'Roche's choreography is delicately woven but its threads possess an elusive tensile strength. Entrancing.' The Times Bastard Amber is a major new work by leading Irish choreographer, Liz Roche. Moving her rigorous exploration of the body into the realm of the soul, this piece is inspired by W.B. Yeats' seminal poem Sailing to Byzantium and the meditative golden paintings of the late Patrick Scott.

A profound journey into humankind's spiritual quest, *Bastard Amber* conjures a lustrous Byzantine world of contradictory influences, a meeting place of East and West.

With an international company of dancers performing alongside live musicians and featuring an original score, *Bastard Amber* promises to be a provocative and haunting experience.

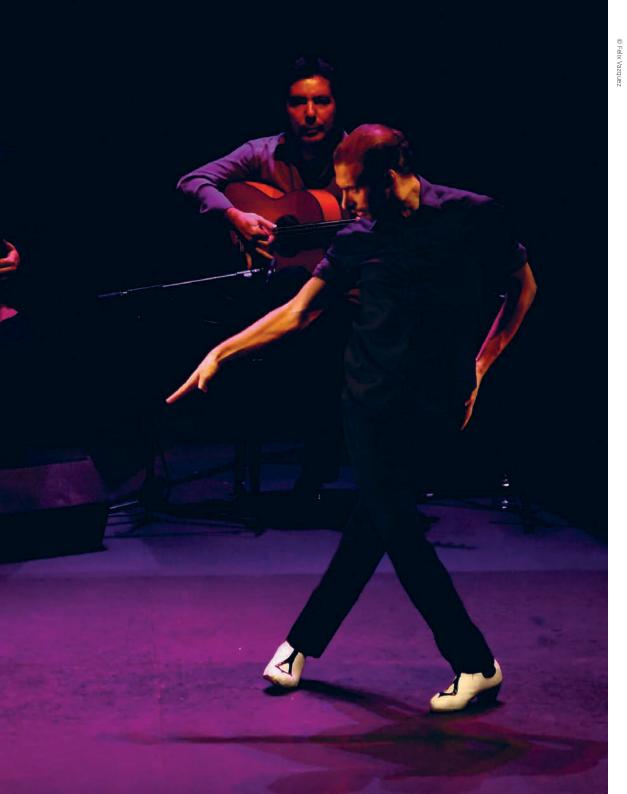
This landmark production marks the first time that an Irish choreographer has been commissioned to create a dance work for the Abbey stage.











THURS 28 → SAT 30 MAY

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS GALA PERFORMANCES SPAIN

LA EDAD DE ORO ISRAEL GALVÁN

Abbey Theatre – Abbey Stage Thurs 28–Sat 30 7.30pm, 75 mins (no interval)

Full price: €22–€38 Conc: €20–€34

'To call Galván a brilliant dancer is like saying Einstein was pretty good at physics... Absolutely breathtaking.' Daily Express Flamenco superstar, Israel Galván, brings his award-winning show *La Edad de Oro* (The Golden Age) to the Abbey Theatre stage. Both a rebel and a traditionalist, Galván is recognised as a master of contemporary flamenco. Famous for his power, precision and astonishingly complicated and rapid footwork, Galván dances flamenco on the cutting edge.

Bringing both great subtlety and explosive rhythmic movement to his work, Galván is faithful to the spirit of flamenco's long lineage and history, while smashing stereotypes and preconceptions common to the form. With live music by brothers David Lagos (vocalist) and Alfredo Lagos (guitar), in *La Edad de Oro* Galván strips flamenco to its bare essence, sculpting a form steeped in tradition, yet intoxicated by the moment.

A genius of gesture, don't miss one of the world's great dancers showcasing his innovative and unique talents.



MOVES FROM GERMANY

Fearless dance from Germany for all tastes and ages on the stages, streets and screens of Dublin. A collaboration between the Dublin Dance Festival and the Goethe-Institut Irland.

19-20 May

Meg Stuart / Damaged Goods Built to Last Abbey Theatre pg. 8 Celebrated choreographer makes Irish debut to open the 2015 Dublin Dance Festival. Five performers make an epic journey of movement and music through the history of dance and beyond.

21–22 May

Eva Meyer-Keller Death is certain **Project Cube** pg. 17

Tender skin, soft flesh and sweet red juice – 35 cherries are bound for an inevitable and sticky end. Clever, frightening and brutally funny.





23–24 May

Renegade / La Macana / Company B Renegade : Connect Smithfield Square pg. 20

Free outdoor shows in Smithfield Square from innovative German collective Renegade. World class dancers, local artists and a high-energy hip-hop jam session!

25 May

Filming Sasha Waltz Irish Film Institute pg. 31 Two films on Germany's most distinguished contemporary choreographer, Sasha Waltz. This special screening of Sasha Waltz: A Portrait and Körper will be introduced by director Brigitte Kramer.

27–28 May

Célestine Hennermann Elephant Walk The Ark pg. 27

Created to delight a very young audience, two dancers bring an array of familiar animals alive on stage in this imaginative and magical dance experience.









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WED 20 → FRI 22 MAY

IRELAND

JOCKEY WILLFREDD THEATRE / EMMA O'KANE

Samuel Beckett Theatre Wed 20-Fri 22, 8pm

60 mins (no interval) €22 Full Price

€18 Conc. €17 Early Bird

Post Show Talk: Thurs 21 Dance Deals see pg. 4

'A constantly inventive, affectionate and beautifully performed production... it's outstanding in its field.' The Irish Times on FARM

Note: Performance on Fri 22 will be captioned for audiences who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Additional Performance on Thurs 28 in Mermaid Arts Centre – see pg. 36 Horse Racing is in the blood. Leading dancer Emma O'Kane has just discovered it.

Her grandfather, Phillip de Burgh O'Brien, was a bloodstock agent and a racing journalist from the 1940s–70s. He died before she was born but his words live on. From Phillip's writings to Emma's own experience of recently learning to ride a racehorse, *Jockey* explores the physical relationship between the dancer, the jockey and the Irish thoroughbred horse.

Featuring original racing footage and commentary, Jockey is the culmination of a year long collaboration between WillFredd Theatre, Emma O'Kane and the Irish Racing Community. THURS 21 → FRI 22 MAY GERMANY



DEATH IS CERTAIN EVA MEYER-KELLER

Project Arts Centre – Cube Thurs 21 & Fri 22, 7pm & 9.15pm 40 mins approx (no interval) €15 Full Price €13 Conc. €12 Early Bird

Post Show Talk: Thurs 21 (After 7pm performance) Dance Deals see pg. 4

'Her methodical massacre perhaps raised questions about capital punishment or our desire for the performance of gruesome deaths – either way we all have some juice on our hands.' Martin Hargreaves



35 cherries are laid out in lines of tender skin, soft flesh and sweet red juice. Their fate has been decided. They are bound for an inevitable and sticky end at the hands of German artist Eva Meyer-Keller.

Simple, frightening and funny, in her performance *Death is certain*, the cherries become her hapless victims. Her arsenal of weaponry; a tin of baking powder, a clothes iron, a firecracker, three darts, a roll of cling film, a cheese grater...

What can a choreographer's sensibility bring to a performance? Darkly comical yet unnervingly brutal.

FRI 22 → SAT 23 MAY

FRAGMENTS - VOLUME I SYLVAIN ÉMARD DANSE



Project Arts Centre – Space Upstairs Fri 22 & Sat 23, 8pm

60 mins (no interval) €22 Full Price €18 Conc. €17 Early Bird

Post Show Talk: Sat 23 Dance Deals see pg. 4

Please note the use of stroboscopic effects at the beginning of the performance.

'The work of Sylvain Émard is impeccable, finely crafted and highly polished. His keen sense of choreographic construction is astonishing' Le Devoir Three solos and one duet: a collection of exquisite dances that reach into the soul of human vulnerability. Prolific Canadian choreographer Sylvain Émard has crafted four contrasting worlds that place the dancers at the very heart of the work. Uncovering their most urgent needs and deepest secrets, these fragments are tributes to the artists performing them.

Veteran Canadian actress Monique Miller offers a touching and minimalist performance, a portrait of profound loneliness. Her small, detailed movements contrast with the raw energy of the three exceptional dancers Kimberley de Jong, Laurence Ramsay and Manuel Roque. Intense, surprising and absolutely compelling.



Samuel Beckett Theatre Sat 23, 6pm 50 mins approx. (no interval) €22 Full Price €18 Conc. €17 Early Bird Post Show Talk: Sat 23 Dance Deals see pg. 4 'Will leave you totally

SAT 23 MAY

UK

DOUGLAS ROBBIE SYNGE

moved and enchanted.' Julia Carruthers, Festival Director Curious, surprising and often funny, *Douglas* stems from actions imagined by Robbie Synge while working alone and performing various daily physical tasks at home.

A lone figure amongst a number of simple objects, Douglas is absorbed in activity. Through a series of physical experiments, he seeks connections between himself and the surrounding inanimate objects.

Does his body move his environment, or is he moved by it? His playful interactions test the push-pull flow of kinetic energy. An intriguing conversation that goes nowhere and everywhere.

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SAT 23 → SUN 24 MAY

GERMANY / SPAIN / IRELAND



RENEGADE: CONNECT RENEGADE/LA MACANA/ COMPANY B



Smithfield Square

Sat 23 1pm & 4pm, Sun 24 4pm 60 mins approx. (no interval) FREE. No ticket required

Note: Event times and locations subject to change in the case of adverse weather, please check <u>dublindancefestival.ie</u> in advance of attendance.

'Extraordinarily profound and connected, a perfect interplay... as though they defied they laws of physics.' Tanec Praha



Outstanding contemporary and Hip Hop talent combine in this unique outdoor event in the heart of the city!

Dublin's all male youth dance group, Company B, sets the scene with *Inclusion of Exclusion*. Exceptional Renegade dancers Alexis Fernández and Julio César Iglesias face up to their devils in the powerful, urban landscape special *Drown the Road*. Next up, Fernández partners with Caterina Varela (La Macana) for their international smash-hit, *Ven* – a winning combination of the unassuming and the virtuoso.

Finally, dancers from Germany's top Hip Hop dance company Renegade lead an open *B-Boy Jam* with DJ Dragon. Featuring All Ireland Hip Hop Champion Tobi Omoteso and members of Dublin's Raw Edge Crew. TUES 26 → WED 27 MAY

TRIPLE BILL

BELGIUM & SWITZERLAND / BELGIUM / ITALY

(SWEET) (BITTER) ZOO/THOMAS HAUERT AURORA MEYTAL BLANARU QUI, ORA COMPAGNIA CLAUDIA CATARZI



Project Arts Centre – Space Upstairs Tues 26 & Wed 27, 8pm 70 mins approx. (incl. interval) €22 Full Price €18 Conc. €17 Early Bird Dance Deals see pg.4 FREE Outdoor performances of Thomas Hauert's (sweet) (bitter): Thurs 28, 1.30pm & 4pm

Band Stand, Bray Promenade Sat 30 May, 2pm & 4pm

Amphitheatre, Civic Offices, Wood Quay

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(sweet) (bitter): Thomas Hauert's acclaimed work has a strong relationship with music. His new solo responds to Monteverdi's *Si dolce è'l tormento*, a musical poem of impossible love. It explores that exquisitely painful conflict - the bliss of pursuing an ideal and the torment of knowing that it is always unreachable.

Aurora: How much of who we are comes from within, and how much is determined by society's norms? Delving deeper into these questions, Blanaru was inspired by stories of feral children, many of whom developed unique ways of moving and expressing themselves while in isolation.

Qui, Ora: A bare stage. The rustle of a raincoat. The evocative voice of Johnny Cash. Catarzi's beautiful, precise movements flow from her reaction to short soundscapes. Instinctive and immediate, her impromptu gestures emerge in the moment, as if led by an invisible thread.



Co-funded by the Creative Europe Programme of the European Union



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BLANCA MARIA NILSSON WALLER & CO.



Project Arts Centre - Cube Thurs 28-Sat 30, 6.30pm

45 minutes (no interval) €15 Full Price €13 Conc. €12 Early Bird Post Show Talk: Fri 29

Dance Deals see pg. 4

'Maria's movement quality is supreme and it is an utmost pleasure to watch her...Pure and entirely mesmerising' Irish Theatre Magazine

Embark on a journey through the land of the Sami, Scandinavia's indigenous people and one of Sweden's best kept secrets.

Maria Nilsson Waller's compelling choreography meets cutting-edge jazz and an arresting mix of organic and computer generated visuals in a clash of raw sound and physicality.

Drawing inspiration from video games, psychology, creation myths and hours of improvisation, *Blanca* travels through icy black waters and boiling stars. Elemental, magical and epic.

FRI 29 → SAT 30 MAY

DOUBLE BILL

SWITZERLAND / THE NETHERLANDS

FIELD **TABEA MARTIN BOKKO - THE ULTIMATE FUSION KAREL VAN LAERE & VANJA RUKAVINA**



Project Arts Centre -Space Upstairs Fri 29 & Sat 30, 8pm 85 mins approx. (incl. interval) €22 Full Price €18 Conc. €17 Early Bird Dance Deals see pg. 4

Field: Three bodies. One field. The 100 best love songs. They long for something to happen. They fight fiercely for love, for affection, for recognition. Startlingly athletic and dynamic, this trio is a battlefield. Limbs tangle like tentacles, as the dancers cling to and struggle with each other. But is it just a frenzy signifying nothing? The more they are together, the more they feel alone.

BOKKO: Fast, furious and fun – enter a world where Karel and Vanja are BOKKO kings. Sharp routines and sharp suits. Screaming fans and Manga-inspired avatars. They have it all. Empty fantasy is dressed up with explosive visuals. Inspired by a South Korean dance craze, this show is breathless and all-consuming. Step inside.



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LINEAR FLOW DUBLIN YOUTH DANCE COMPANY



Meet outside Il Valentino Bakery, Pearse St., opposite The Lir. Performance Grand Canal Square. Sat 30, 1pm & 5.30pm 40 minutes approx. (no interval) FREE. No ticket required

Note: Event times and locations subject to change in the case of adverse weather, please check <u>dublindancefestival.ie</u> in advance of attendance.

'Remarkable for the strength of its ensemble work' Dance Europe 80 young dancers offer a fresh, vibrant and daring new perspective on the Grand Canal area!

Contemporary, jazz, hip hop and break dancing – enjoy a trail of multiple dance performances in different flavours as they flow towards Grand Canal Square. Here they merge in an exhilarating fusion, culminating in an impressive finale against the backdrop of the Dock.

This fun, dynamic celebration is a playful response to the urban intensity of the Square and the calmness of the surrounding water. Featuring three youth dance groups from Dublin, led by choreographers Mariam Ribón & Karla Holden from the Dublin Youth Dance Company.

SAT 30 MAY

The National Concert Hall Education, Community and Outreach Programme in association with Dublin Dance Festival presents:

CAOS ENSEMBLE CAOS ENSEMBLE/NICK ROTH/ AOIFE MCATAMNEY



IRELAND

The National Concert Hall (Engineering Library) Sat 30, 6pm 40 mins approx. (no interval) Tickets €5. Please book with The National Concert Hall Irish choreographer Aoife McAtamney joins "pop-up" music collective CAOS Ensemble to create a unique, collaborative performance.

CAOS Ensemble includes musicians of all genres, instruments, ages and experience. Under the expert guidance of composer, saxophonist and educator, Nick Roth, they will come together for an afternoon of creative composition and music-making. Acife will interpret the music created on the day through movement – the first time that a dance artist has taken part in this creative experience.

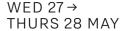
The session will culminate in a public performance at 6pm. Come see the fruits of this innovative and fresh collaboration!

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TIGER TALE BARROWLAND BALLET



FAMILY SEASON AT THE ARK GERMANY



ELEPHANT WALK CELESTINE HENNERMANN



The Ark

55 mins (incl. 10 mins playtime) Age Range: 7+ <u>Public Shows:</u> Fri 22, 6pm; Sat 23, 12pm & 3pm; Sun 24, 2pm €12 Full Price, €9 Conc., €40 Family Ticket (4 people)

Schools performance: Fri 22, 10.15am €5 Full Price, €4.50 Conc. Schools must book directly with The Ark

'A wild tumbling circus... There are moments of real magic throughout this mesmerising show' The Edinburgh Guide



Something wild is prowling outside and wants to get in. Lost in their everyday routines, a troubled family has forgotten how to have fun and why they love one another. Until one day, when a delightfully dangerous guest comes to visit and turns their lives upside down – for the better!

Chaotic, thrilling and brilliantly funny – when the tiger invades he transforms the family's world, helping them to rediscover joy, colour and their wild sides!

With captivating dancers and live music, enjoy the excitement of sitting right up close to the action and a chance to explore the set at the end.

The Ark

45 mins (incl. 15 mins playtime) Age Range: 2+ Wed 27 & Thurs 28 10.15am & 12.15pm

€12 Full Price, €9 Conc., €40 Family Ticket (4 people)

For school & group bookings please contact The Ark

'Elephant Walk imitates animals that wander beautifully on the fine line between imitation and abstraction' TANZ

Talk back. Wed 27 May, 1.15pm: Célestine Hennermann leads a discussion on making dance for early years audiences. Open to dancers, performers and early years arts practitioners. Free but ticketed. Reserve with The Ark. Two smitten penguins, some playful seals, a lazy caravan of camels, a hen laying eggs, a dog and a cat, and of course... some elephants !

Two dancers bring an array of familiar creatures alive on stage, leading their young audience into a world of big and small surprises. Dozens of multi-coloured buckets evoke the natural habitats of the animals – transforming from a landscape of ice and snow, into a farm, or water, or clouds...

Specially created to delight very little ones, children can join the dancers on set at the end to try out their own animal moves as part of this magical dance experience.



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FRESH IRISH: IN DEVELOPMENT

CATHERINE YOUNG FIRST LOOK: ULTIMA THULE



EMMA MARTIN FIRST LOOK: A BRIEF GLIMPSE OF THE END (WORKING TITLE)



DanceHouse

Fri 22, 2pm & Tues 26, 5pm. 45 mins approx. FREE, limited availability. Reserve with Dance Ireland.

A chance to see brand new Irish dance work in development, by Dance Ireland Associate Artist 2014/2015, Catherine Young.

Beyond the borders of the known world lies *Ultima Thule*. In this distant place the dancers encounter themselves, their past and their inner worlds. Each is a Columbus, discovering new channels, not of trade, but of thought.

Taking inspiration from Carl Jung's *Liber Novus, Ultima Thule* is a voyage of discovery into the trash heap of the unconscious, in search of supreme meaning.

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Samuel Beckett Theatre – Dance Studio Sat 23, 4.30pm & Wed 27, 5pm. 45 mins approx. FREE, limited availability. Reserve with Dublin Dance Festival.

Embracing this notion, choreographer Emma Martin explores dissonant pleasures and the fearless expression of the soul. In partnership with contemporary music collective Crash Ensemble and Irish composer Andrew Hamilton, who is writing a new score for piano, percussion and cello.

Following the success of Dublin Dance Festival commission *Tundra*, Martin returns with four dancers to share work in development for a new production which will premiere later this year.

GAVIN KOSTICK/AEDÍN COSGROVE/MEGAN KENNEDY FIRST LOOK: IN THE THICKET



DanceHouse Fri 29, 4.30pm. 50 mins approx. FREE, limited availability. Reserve with Dance Ireland.

A work in development presentation of a new dance duet. This collaboration between playwright and dramaturg Gavin Kostick, designer Aedín Cosgrove and choreographer Megan Kennedy, follows the success of their previous piece *A Distinct Glimpse*.

They intend to create an original dance work which will explore a shared culture of northerness within Ireland and across northern Europe. The presentation will combine movement, sound, design and discussion to delve into the potential of the work.



FRESH IRISH: IN DEVELOPMENT

RE-PRESENTING IRELAND

Studio Sharings @

DanceHouse Fri 22, Sat 23, Fri 29 & Sat 30 12pm 60 mins approx (no interval) Tickets €10 Post Show Talk: Sat 30, 2pm





Re-Presenting Ireland is a showcase initiative of Culture Ireland, Dance Ireland and Dublin Dance Festival. It is the primary platform for Irish and Ireland-based choreographers and companies to introduce their work to new audiences, including international presenters.

Following an open call to artists, the 2015 Re-Presenting Ireland programme was selected by Julia Carruthers (Dublin Dance Festival), Niamh O'Donnell (Mermaid Arts Centre), Jesper de Neergaard (Bora Bora, Aarhus, Denmark) and Laura Cameron Lewis (The Work Room, Glasgow, UK).

Head on Body Theatre Dance Pantastic!!

Pantastic!! is a philanthropist junkie who just keeps giving! In a 1-man 1-pan show, Clorine and her superior pan dance an exquisite duet, that evokes hope and disconcertion.

Oona Doherty .NOW.

From a thumping leather jacket. To a connected open space. .NOW. to the transitional moment from one movement state to another. To find new satisfactions and deepen the old.

Lucia Kickham In This Now

Culture Ireland

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Playing with the expansion and compression of time, this energetic and honest solo explores our perception of time - passing, filling, earning, killing, slowing, making.

Luke Murphy. Attic Projects Your Own Man / Mad Notions

This intimate piece of dance theatre combines storytelling, imagery and movement to create a personal essay on identity - and the nature of leaving, returning and searching for home.

DANCE **ON FILM**

BEFORE WE GO DIR. JORGE LEÓN

MOVES FROM GERMANY

FILMING SASHA WALTZ DIR. BRIGITTE KRAMER



Irish Film Institute Sun 24, 5pm 82 mins (no interval) €9 Full Price, €7.60 Conc. IFI member rates also apply

Brussels, La Monnaie Opera House. Three people near the end of their lives meet with choreographers, actors and musicians. They take part in a unique encounter which involves music, dance and silence. Together they attempt to give shape to the questions, hopes and fears that the end of life gives rise to.

The multi award-winning Before We Go (2014) is an intense and powerful journey into the heart of that experience. It is a tribute to the fragility of the human condition, the tragedy of the body and the freedom of the spirit.

Create, Bealtaine Festival & DDF will hold a discussion related to this film on Thurs 28. The Art of Dying – see pg. 32

Irish Film Institute Mon 25, 6.15pm 140 mins (incl. interval) €9 Full Price, €7.60 Conc. IFI member rates also apply. Contains nudity.

A special screening of two films on Germany's most distinguished contemporary choreographer, introduced by director Brigitte Kramer.

Sasha Waltz – A Portrait (60 mins, 2014, in English) gives an intimate insight into Waltz's outstanding body of work. Famous for her inventive productions and stunning aesthetic, this film presents the defining moments of Waltz's career since 2006.

Körper (59 mins, 2000, with English subtitles) focuses on the human body. In this legendary production, beautifully filmed by Kramer, Waltz asks: what is the body? How is it constructed and how is it manipulated?

In co-operation with the Goethe-Institut Irland



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MOVING CONVERSATIONS

THE ART OF DYING **CREATE / BEALTAINE FESTIVAL**



Gate Theatre Lab Thurs 28, 2.30pm FREE, limited availability. Reserve with Dublin Dance Festival.

Dare we speak of the unspoken, life's challenging frontier - unrehearsed, unknown, often imagined and widely feared? By what means, if any, might we retain some agency over the process of dying? How can art and artists begin a conversation that is often without words?

Create, the Bealtaine Festival and the Dublin Dance Festival invite a panel of artists, philosophers and end of life care specialists to discuss the role of arts practice within the ethical, philosophical and practical realities of this subject.

Create, the national development agency for collaborative arts, seeks to provide a platform for meaningful discussion on all aspects of collaborative arts. Bealtaine Festival celebrates creativity as we age. They partner with Dublin Dance Festival to present a talk connected to wider issues on art and society raised by Jorge León's powerful film Before We Go, which features choreographer Meg Stuart.

Before We Go at the IFI – see pg. 31 for details.

SHAPING TIME **GAVIN KOSTICK** (IRELAND)

DANCE UNCOVERED... (SENSATIONAL) PHILIP **CONNAUGHTON (IRELAND)**



Project Arts Centre - Cube Mon 25, 6.30pm 90 mins approx. (no interval) €10 Full Price, €8 Conc., €7 Early Bird

Shaping Time offers all those interested in shaping live performance the chance to consider and discuss how structural ideas from playwriting could be used in developing new work for dance.

Playwright and dramaturg, Gavin Kostick, will discuss four specific examples from drama to investigate ways in which playwrights attempt to shape time for an audience. A combination of practical examples and improvisations with dancer Emma Fitzgerald will illustrate these ideas, and explore how they may be valuable for dancers and choreographers. This informal evening will allow time for discussion.

Project Arts Centre Wed 20, 6.30pm – Space Upstairs Sat 23, 9pm – Cube 45 mins (no interval) €10 Full Price, €8 Conc., €7 Early Bird

When is nudity ok? How can I tell if something is bad? What if I just don't know what's going on?

Dancer and choreographer Philip Connaughton leads a roller coaster discussion about pretty much everything you ever wanted to know about contemporary dance as an art form and how to go about understanding what you're seeing. Delving into his own career as an example, he will bare his soul with anecdotes, movement and humour to explain his own shift from figurative to abstract dance - and why it's not so weird. Informative and entertaining in equal measure!



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FAST TRACK TO DANCE



A shared initiative of Live Collision and Dublin Dance Festival

Thurs 21–Sun 24

Apply Now: Please see <u>dublindancefestival.ie/fast-</u><u>track</u> for application details. Deadline Friday 10 April. Please note that places are limited. Are you curious about dance? Would you like to see more, while also learning how to engage with, respond to and discuss dance performances? Would you be interested in hearing what the artists have to say? Now is your chance to dive into the unknown and relish what dance has to offer!

Live Collision invites you to join Fast Track for an immersive weekend of dance during the Festival. As a group, you will attend back-to-back Festival shows, talks, exclusive meet-the-maker sessions and more. This critically devised programme is specifically tailored for audience members who are new to dance and will give an intimate insight into the making and presentation of dance. Curated and facilitated by Niamh McCann and Lynnette Moran of Live Collision.



<u>Damaged Goods / Maria F. Scaroni</u>

DanceHouse, Wed 20, 11am–12.30pm Currently performing with acclaimed company Damaged Goods, Maria F. Scaroni will lead a workshop that looks at and treats the body as material – addressing its organic functions and spiritual potential as well as its cultural implications. Her eclectic approach encompasses a range of techniques from diverse sources. Using journeys and extended duration practice, the goal is to question the body's borders. For dancers or any moving body. Stamina required.

Robbie Synge CoisCéim Dance Theatre, EVENING CLASS SPECIAL, Fri 22, 5.30pm-7.30pm

Robbie Synge's work is tied to two important factors: the surrounding natural or built environment, and thinking about choreography extending beyond the body. Where does the body become object and the object become body? Using his work as a starting point, this workshop will explore improvised physical tasks with simple objects to create movement focused on balance, weight and connections. For people with dance and physical improvisation experience and professional dancers.

<u>Sylvain Émard</u>

Gate Theatre Lab, Sat 23, 11am–12.30pm One of the most important choreographers on the Canadian dance scene, Montreal-based Sylvain Émard will lead a technical master class aimed at improving body placement, strength, and fluidity of movement. He will also focus on increasing presence, projection and spacial awareness in the moving body by reinforcing, multiplying and connecting focal points. These principles are applied through breathing exercises, floor exercises, centre work and travelling dance sequences. For professional dancers and dance students.

Thomas Hauert

DanceHouse, Wed 27, 11am-12.30pm

Prolific choreographer Thomas Hauert leads a workshop on tools for dance improvisations. The body possesses a practical knowledge, which goes far beyond what the mind's consciousness can process. Participants will use physical intuition and creativity stemming from purely physical circumstances to create movement. Through group improvisation and by exchanging information through touch, they will create forms, rhythms and movement qualities. For professional dancers and dance students.

For classes at DanceHouse, please book with Dance Ireland on 01 855 8800 or reception@ danceireland.ie. €12 for DI members, €14 for non members. For Robbie Synge's EVENING CLASS SPECIAL at CoisCéim, please book at <u>coisceim.com</u> or call Sarah on 01 878 0558. Places limited. €15 For Sylvain Émard at Gate Theatre Lab, please book at <u>dublindancesfestival.ie.</u> €15 / €10 Conc.



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Mesh

A moving and thrilling collection of solos, duets and a trio. Irish dance makers Nick Bryson, Karen Gleeson and Aisling O'Coineen present an evening of short dance works, together with a special guest from the European dance network, Studiotrade. Each piece is a celebration of the artists' eight month residency in Mermaid Arts Centre.

Thurs 21, 8pm. Mermaid Arts Centre. €12/10

(sweet) (bitter)

Fresh from performing at Project Arts Centre (see pg. 21), acclaimed Brussels-based Swiss choreographer Thomas Hauert will surprise Wicklow audiences on Bray promenade with two free performances of his new solo (sweet) (bitter). This piece responds to Monteverdi's musical poem of impossible love, Si dolce è'l tormento. Thurs 28, 1.30pm & 4pm. Band Stand, Bray Promenade. FREE

Jockey

Following the premiere at the Samuel Beckett Theatre (see pg.16), Mermaid is delighted to present *Jockey* in Bray. Willfredd Theatre team up with dancer Emma O'Kane to explore the physical relationship between the dancer, the jockey and the Irish thoroughbred racehorse! Featuring excerpts from the writings of Emma's grandfather, a racing journalist from the 1940s-70s. Thurs 28, 8pm. Mermaid Arts Centre. €16/14

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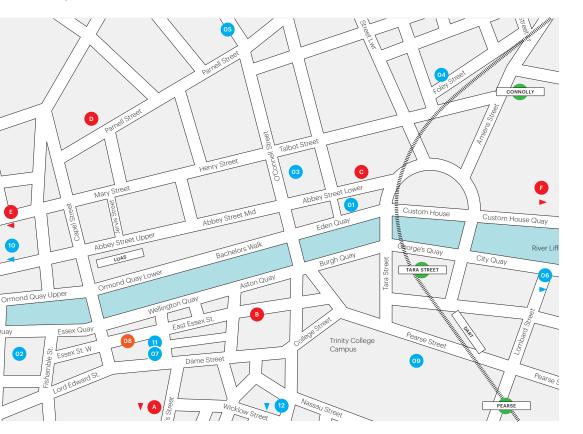
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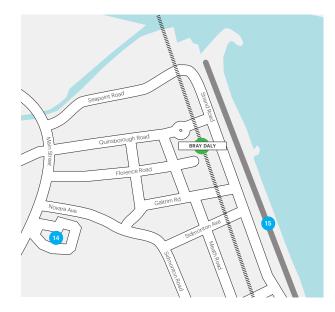
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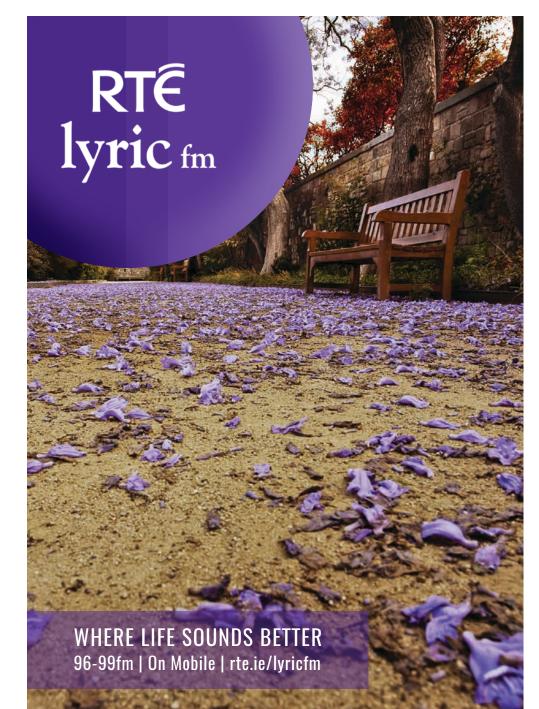
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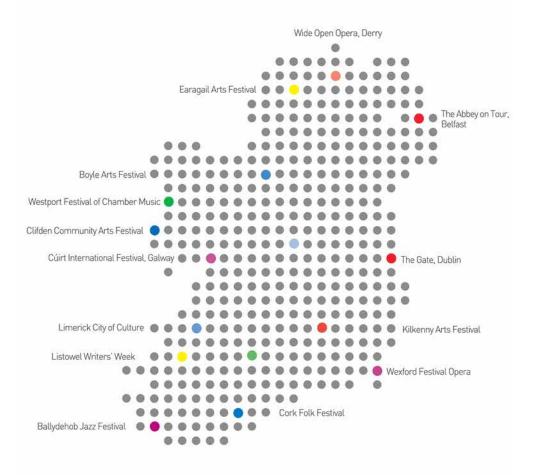
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