

Events of Interest in East Clare

Friday 25th May - 10.00pm

Ryan's Bar, Scarriff, Co Clare

PRESSURE DROP

Reggae Dancehall Soundsystem

Pressure Drop play a range of styles of reggae, from the ska of the Skatalites, the funky reggae of Toots and the Maytals, right up to the more modern dancehall sounds of Sean Paul and Beanie Man. A unique feature of their sounds is their use of patchwork or pastiche tunes. This involves dishing out a reggae interpretation of a more familiar stalwart: sometimes the vocals are familiar, sometimes the rhythm. So you might hear the vocals of Outkast or the Fugees on top of a warm round skankin bassline wobble; likewise, you might hear a reggae MC layin down some dulcet dialogue on top of a tune by the Cure. The net effect is far greater than the sum of its parts. Their party sound always goes down a treat and their gigs are real get-up-to-get-down kind of places.

Admission: EUR 6

Sunday 27th May - 2.00pm

Mountshannon Hall, Mountshannon, Co Clare

YOUTH THEATRE

A newly created short play performed by young people from the area, on the theme of 'Seed Saving'. Directed by Pete Mullineaux, the play will be an illuminating and thought provoking drama - educational, uplifting and entertaining.

Followed by: DEEP GREEN

An in-depth talk about the ecological crisis and the call for personal Creative Action. Led by Brother Anthony (Glenstal Abbey). Guest speaker Micheal O Seighin (one of the Rosspoint 5).

Admission to both events: EUR 8 (concessions EUR 5)

Thursday 31st May - 7.30pm

Mountshannon Hall, Mountshannon, Co Clare

PAN'S LABYRINTH

Dir: Guillermo del Toro - Spain/Mexico, 2006 - Cert: 16

10-year-old Ofelia is forced to move into her stepfather's home where she discovers an overgrown labyrinth and meets its grotesquely fawnlike keeper Pan, an ancient satyr. In exchange for Pan's help in saving her sick mother, Ofelia is set three dangerous tasks which take her on a journey to another world where she must use

her wit and guile to overcome the creatures that lurk beneath. Set against the bloody back-drop of the Spanish civil war, Pan's Labyrinth is a gothic fairy tale that weaves seamlessly between reality and fantasy.

Plus: YOUNG FILM-MAKERS

Fishbowl Youth-group 'Fresh Film-makers' present their innovative short work, created in conjunction with Raheen Hospital Daycare Centre, which looks at 'Old Time Dancing.'

Plus: short films selected on the theme of 'Our Fragile Earth'.

Programme starts 7.30 pm (main feature 8.30 pm).

Admission: EUR 8 (concessions EUR 5)

Sunday 3rd June - 2.00-6.00pm

The Aistear, Mountshannon, Co Clare

GREEN FARE AT THE AISTEAR

Hosted by Irish Seed Savers Association, CELT and the Alpha Project. Demonstrations of traditional crafts and information will be on display. Food stalls provided by Raheen Wood Steiner School. Details 061 927456.

Admission Free

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