

Feakle Festival August 6-12 '08

WED 6

- 1.00pm – 2.00pm** **Riches of Clare Concert** featuring: *Conor Keane, Seanie O'Gorman & Dave Harper*. Community Centre. **Free**
- 7.30pm** **Official Opening of Festival.** A tribute to *Paddy O'Donoghue* presented by *Paula Carroll*. Wine and food reception. All are welcome! Community Centre. **Free**
- 10.00pm** Festival Session with *Mark Donnellan, Cyril O'Donoghue* and friends. Peppers Bar. **Free**

Workshops will take place on Thursday 7, Friday 8 and Saturday 9 from 10am - 1pm unless otherwise stated. Enrol at National School from 9am onwards. Workshop prices are **€20.00** per day or **€50.00** for three days.

Instrument

Fiddle (beginner)
Fiddle (Intermediate/Advanced)
Accordian
Concertina
Flute (beginner)
Flute (Intermediate/Advanced)
Guitar
Singing (Thursday & Friday)
Sean Nós Singing
Banjo
Set Dancing 11.00am – 5.00pm on Saturday. Bohan's Bar. Emphasis on Clare Battering Step. €10.
Seanos Dancing 10.00am - 1.00pm on Friday and Saturday.
Tin Whistle
Singing - 'In verse and in Rhyme'; trends in traditional songmaking (Saturday only).

Tutor

Denise Glass
Martin Hayes, Pat O'Connor, Joan Hanarahan
Eoghan O'Sullivan
Mary MacNamara, Kate MacNamara
Jennifer Lenihan
Paul Smyth
Denis Cahill
Helen Hayes
Ciarán Ó'Gealbháin
Dave Harper

Peter Hanrahan

Suzanne Leahy
John Kelly

Micheal Marrinan

THURS 7

- 10.00am – 1.00pm** Workshops
- 3.00pm** Festival Walk – enjoy the beautiful landscape of East Clare. Walk starts from the Community Centre and includes a house session and refreshment stop! (Approx 5 miles). **Free**
- 4.00pm - 6.00pm** Afternoon session for workshop students providing an opportunity for students to play in sessions led by workshop tutors. **Free**
- 7.30pm** East Clare Tradition - the next generation. Concert with *Mary MacNamara* and local young musicians. This concert will showcase the many young musicians taught by the well respected and talented concertina player *Mary Mac Namara*. Mary has many young students

and she instils in them the love of the East Clare style of music therefore ensuring a healthy future for traditional music in the region.

Community Centre Single: **€7** Family: **€20**

10.00pm

Concert - with *Eimear Quinn* who will be performing with a string quartet. This concert promises to be very special. Eimear is known nationally and internationally and is a critically acclaimed singer. Although known for her success at the Eurovision Song Contest, Eimear has ventured into the world of Folk and Traditional singing and this concert will provide an ideal opportunity to hear an eclectic musical mix. Due to unforeseen circumstances the venue has changed to the Community Centre. **€25** (tickets in advance) *

10.00pm

Festival Session with *Seamus Bugler and friends*. All musicians welcome. Shortt's Bar. **Free**

FRI 8

10.00am – 1.00pm

Workshops

2.00pm

Fiddle Recital with *Mark Donnellan, Martin Hayes, Pat O'Connor, Vincent Griffin, Kevin Carey, Denise Glass, Siobhan Nelson, Laurence Clarke, Theresa McInerney, Louise Walshe, Eana Fahy, Sophie Ann Lee, Ged Foley, Melissa Murtagh, Brian Patrick & Eamon Fitzgerald*. Community Centre. **€7**

4.00pm - 6.00pm

Afternoon session for workshop students/beginners. **Free**

7.30pm

Musical Performance with *Martin Hayes & Dennis Cahill; Frankie Gavin and Máirtín O'Connor; Róisín Elsafty and Helen Hayes*. Presented by *Joan Hanrahan*. St Mary's Church **€25.00** (tickets in advance) *

9.30pm

Céilí with *Star of Munster* Bohans Bar. **Free**

10.00pm

Two Band Sensation - Hup featuring *Andrew Mc Namara, Mark Donnellan & Jim Corry* and the *Brendan Hearty Band*. Marquee. **€10.00**

SAT 9

10.00am – 1.00pm

Workshops

11.00am

Storytelling and Songs for Children with *Clare Muireann Murphy*. Clare is a storyteller, wordsmith and performer based in Galway. She has a wide repertoire of tales from Ireland and world culture that will delight and enchant you. Community Centre. **Free**

2.00pm – 3.00pm

Poetry with *Brian Mooney* with music by *Michael Blacky O'Connor*. *Brian Mooney* was born in Dublin but has lived in Clare for many years, in the Burren until 1998 when he moved to East Clare. He has had three books of poetry published, *Vistas, Island Awakening* and *Between the tides*. He has another book in the making. *Michael O'Connell* (affectionately known as *Blackie*) a young vibrant Clare Uilleann Piper taught by the legendary piper *Mickey Dunne* from Limerick. Michael has toured with various dance shows and now teaches the pipes locally. Moloney's Pub. **Free**

3.00pm

Singing Session with *Tim Dennehy, Micheal Murrinan, Ciaran O' Gealbhain, Paula Carroll, Helen Hayes, John Lyons and Paddy Commane*. Moloney's Pub. **Free**

- 4.00am– 5.00pm** Lecture on *Holy Wells* by *Tony Kirby*. *Tony Kirby* has been a walking tourism operator/guide in County Clare for the past five years. He is also heritage education consultant with Ireland's first major farming for conservation programme, the *Burren Life Project*. Tony has a particular interest in holy wells around the county and documenting the oral narrative relating to them. Community Centre. **Free**
- 7.30pm** Gala Concert with *Vincent Griffin & Mary Corry; Andrew Mac Namara* and *Rob Stein; Ciarán Ó'Gealbháin; The Mulcahy Family; Céide* (Mayo) featuring *Brian Lennon* on flute, *John McHugh* on fiddle, *Tom Doherty* on accordion and melodeon, *Kevin Doherty, Declan Askin* on guitar and *Marianne Knight* on vocals, bodhrán and flute. Presented by *Paula Carroll*. Community Centre. **€25.00** (tickets in advance) *
- 9.30pm** *Céilí* with *Four Courts Céilí Band*. Bohans Bar. **Free**
- 10.00pm** *Harmony Glen* (Holland) *Pepper's Bar Marquee*. **Free**
- SUN 10**
- 11.00 am** Aifreann Gaeilge le A.M.E.N. featuring *Nóirín Ní Ríain, Micheal O'Suilleabhain* and *Eoin O'Suilleabhain*.
- 12 noon** Singing Session with *Robbie Mc Mahon, Seamus Begley, Brian O'Rourke, Niamh Parsons, Mary Noonan* and *Geraldine Carrig*. Moloney's Pub. **Free**
- 1.30pm** Children's activities to include: Puppet Show: by puppet company 'Your Man's Puppets' who present Billy Goats Gruff, an endearing story of a little goat who dreams of far away hills and goes on a big adventure. The show closes with a most unusual sing-along that everyone is guaranteed to enjoy!
Storytelling with *Clare Muireann Murphy*
Open air if weather permits. Otherwise in the Community Centre. **Free**
- 3.00pm** Outdoor Concert with *Christina & Quinn Bachand* (Canada), *Harmony Glen* (Holland), *Seamus Begley* followed by *Slide* featuring *Aogan Lynch, Eamonn De Barra, Mick Broderick, Daire Bracken & Andrew Bracken*. The concert will also feature the *Loughraney Youth Folk Group*. Will be held indoors if weather is unsuitable. Village. **Free**
- 10.00pm** Grand Finale Céilí with *Martin Hayes* and the *Tulla Céilí Band*. Marquee. **€10.00**
- MON 11**
- Informal sessions
- 3.00pm** Festival Walk - "Time for reflection". **Free**
- 7.00pm** Cross road dancing with *Bobby Gardiner*. Outside Peppers
Informal sessions

Feakle Parish

"wild and extensive... embraces a vast tract of the celebrated mountain of Sliabh Echtghe".

John O'Donovan 1839

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