

The Island Music Club

Presents

Frankie Lane

Sat May 17th,

**The Highway Bar,
Crusheen, Co Clare**

www.myspace.com/claregigs
www.frankielane.com

Space in the Highway is limited so early booking is advised

Our last show with Frankie was in December of last year when we were treated to a spectacular performance of *country, bluegrass, trad, and old timey music*. Frankie never fails to entertain and is one of the most talented performers in Ireland today. Certainly goes down in the annals as *one of the best shows we have ever had*.

Frankie returns to promote his brand new album called "*From Me To You*" reviewed below by **Joe Breen** of the Irish Times.

ME TO YOU (Frankie Lane)

Last time around, Irish roots veteran **Frankie Lane** took it upon himself to breath life into the fast-fading genre of cowboy music. He may not have resurrected it, but the album was a great pleasure nonetheless. The same is true of this more eclectic collection of ballads, bluegrass, waltzes and jigs. The common theme this time seems to be that these simply are songs that Lane loves. It comes across. And his affection obviously was contagious because the playing, particularly that of key collaborator, **Paul Kelly**, is full of soft brilliance. Many of the songs are traditional, mostly American, but the segueing of *Wedding Dress* into the hackneyed Scottish ballad *Marie's Wedding* shows what can be achieved with talent and an open mind. And Lane has both in abundance.

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JOE BREEN

Frankie Lane

As one of Ireland's best-known performers and traditional musicians of international renown, Frankie Lane is the original front man of the legendary **Fleadh Cowboys**. During their sparkling career in the 1980s, Frankie's live performances were famed for being fun-filled as well as tremendous - he regularly scaled high balconies in his quest to drive the audience wild, and usually managed! In fact, the "Fleadhs" gathered a huge fan base at the Olympia Theatre (pioneering "*Midnight At The Olympia*") and went on to support legendary performers such as **Bob Dylan, U2, The Pogues, Emmylou Harris** and **B.B.King**.

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