Bedrock Productions, Civic Theatre Tallaght and Project Arts Centre bring you

THE COLLEEN BAWN

This summer Project Arts Centre, Bedrock Productions and Civic Theatre Tallaght team up to bring you the classic Irish drama, The Colleen Bawn. This high energy production, directed by Jimmy Fay, will embark on a national tour which opens in Project Arts Centre on 26 July.

This original take on Dion Boucicault's 1860 classic tells the story of a family in crisis, where the importance of love is outweighed by the lure of financial gain.

When Hardress Cregan's family falls on hard times, only his marriage to a wealthy heiress, Anne Chute, can save it from ruin. But there's a snag - Hardress is already secretly married to the beautiful and not so wealthy Eily O'Connor; and Anne is in love with someone else, Hardress' best friend Kyrle.

An exhilarating, impassioned and often dark play from one of Ireland's best known 19th Century playwrights, The Colleen Bawn, explores themes of land, greed, class, religion and sexual desire.

Project Arts Centre embarks on a new initiative this July with Civic Theatre and Bedrock Productions. The three have come together to revive this gripping, classic story and bring it on a national tour.

The Colleen Bawn's exciting cast line-up includes Karen Ardiff, Liz Fitzgibbon and Michael Glen Murphy. Jimmy Fay (Bisi Adigun & Roddy Doyle's *Playboy of the Western World*, Ross *O'Carroll Kelly: Last Days of the Celtic Tiger*) will be directing.

Listing Information

Project Arts Centre, Space Upstairs Date: 26 July- 4 September, 2010

Time: 8pm

Tickets: €22/12 (CONC)

Previews: 21, 22, 23 & 24 July 2010, €12

Matinees: 28 August & 4 September, 2010, €15/12

Civic Theatre, Tallaght

Date: 6 - 18 September, 2010

Time: 8pm

Tickets: €22 / €18 (CONC)

Draíocht, Blanchardstown

Date: 22 - 25 September, 2010

Time: 8pm

Tickets: €20 / €16 (CONC) Fri €15 (Culture Night Special)

George Bernard Shaw Theatre, Carlow

Date: 30 September - 2 October, 2010

Time: 8pm

Tickets: €20/ €18 (CONC)

Everyman Palace, Cork

Date: 5 - 9 October, 2010

Time: 8pm

Tickets: €25 / €20 conc.; €15 opening night; €7 students (Tue & Wed).

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