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YEARS



WINTER-SPRING PROGRAMME 2024

WELCOME!

As we head towards Spring, we want to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support. What a fantastic year 2023 was for The Civic, and it's all thanks to you, our amazing community of loyal arts and entertainment lovers.

We are thrilled to announce that a record number of over 65,000 of you attended over 500 performances at The Civic in 2023, making it a year to remember. Your presence in our audience, your applause, and your enthusiasm have fuelled our passion for bringing exceptional entertainment to our stage.

We extend our warmest thanks to our dedicated board, generous funders and supporters who have stood by us every step of the way. Your belief in our mission to celebrate the arts and creativity has made all the difference.

As we step into 2024, we can hardly contain our excitement! The Civic is about to undergo a transformation, with the redevelopment of the new Civic plaza just outside our doors. Get ready for even more exciting offerings and events in the New Year as we continue to evolve and innovate.

2024 also marks our landmark 25th anniversary. We are planning a year filled with the best of local, national, and international performances and experiences, and we can't wait to share them with you.

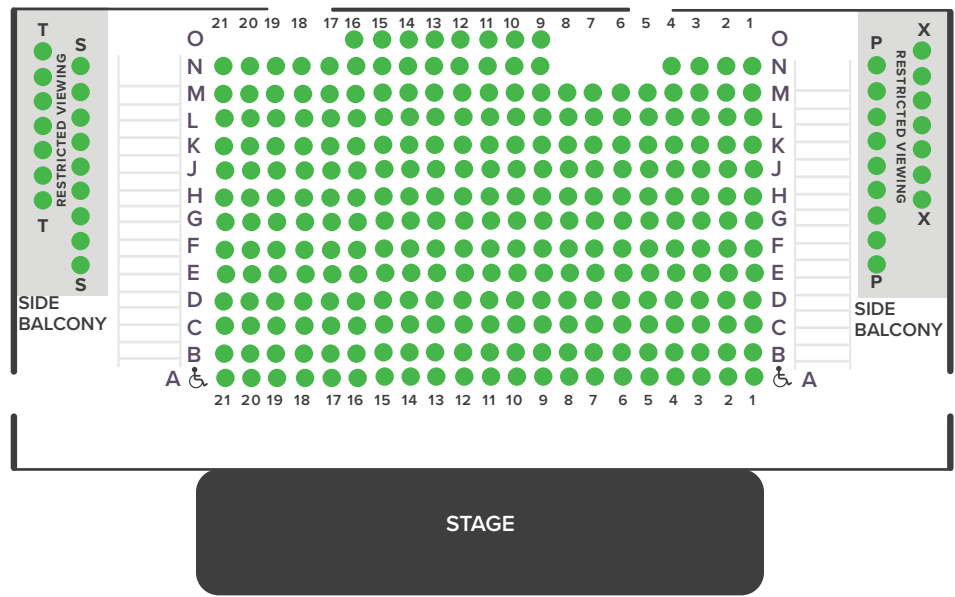
Here's to a wonderful year ahead, filled with arts, culture, and unforgettable moments at The Civic.

With gratitude and warm wishes,

DONAL SHEILS
Artistic Director
& Team Civic



SEATING PLAN



JAN

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Fri 23rd	Nights on Broadway - Bee Gees
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Fri 29th	The Legend of Luke Kelly
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Tue 2nd - Wed 3rd	Irish Annie's
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Fri 5th - Sat 6th	Legends of American Country
Sun 7th	Kirti Dance
Mon 8th - Tue 9th	Magic Men
Wed 10th	Irish Chamber Orchestra
Thu 11th	Pat & Faye Shortt - Knuckle Down
Fri 12th	Sharon Shannon
Sat 13th	Pink Floyd
Mon 15th - Sun 21st	Emer O' Hanlon Dance
Tue 23rd	Bressie - Where is My Mind? Podcast
Fri 26th - Wed 1st (MAY)	Dublin Academy of Dramatic Arts
Sat 27th	The Civic Comedy Club

You'll find more details about all our shows in this programme and on our website:

www.civictheatre.ie



PODCAST TALES FROM THE EAST STAND

Presented by TFTES Productions

After almost seven years on the air, 'Tales from the East Stand' the best (and only) Shamrock Rovers podcast takes to the stage for the first time ever! There will be no shortage of talking points for your hosts Gary Parsons and Karl Reilly and you, an audience of over 300. Have your say on a historic four-in-a-row and help us select goal of the season among six contenders in this interactive and entertaining event for all Hoops fans. Expect the unexpected, featuring surprise guests from the TFTES Universe linking hall of fame past and present: the Hoops heroes of 2023 and 1987.

JAN Sat 13th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 110 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25 & €23 concession

Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Age Suitability 12+



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SPORT GRAPPLE KINGS 11

Presented by Grapple Kings

Grapple Kings returns to The Civic with its 11th event. Cal Pacino defends his Middleweight belt against Kieran Davern. Ryan Mangan looks to secure his 2nd Gk belt when he takes on Dominic Dillon for the vacant Lightweight strap. Two undefeated ladies are back on our stage when Zara Di Tofano takes on Luce Stubbs for the Featherweight title. 3 title fights and more mouth watering match-ups. Don't miss it. Join Grapple Kings at The Civic to kick off their 2024 season of events.

JAN Sun 14th // 4pm

Main Space

Duration: 240 mins.

Tickets: €40 (rows A-C)

& €30 (rows D-O)

Age Suitability 12+



SCHOOLS TENDERFOOT

Presented by The Civic

Performed, produced and designed by a 70-strong ensemble gathered from across 19 South Dublin County schools. Tenderfoot is The Civic Theatre's Apprentice Theatre Programme for TY students. Each year, 60 young people learn what it is to write a play for the stage. Interested young people then spend two weeks with us in the summer to learn more. 'In Memory of Margaret', 'The World's End' and 'Burden' were all written as the sun blazed during Summer 2023. Tenderfoot plays are directed by professional directors - our directors this year are Davey Kelleher, Esosa Ighodaro and Aoife Spillane Hinks. Our design teams - Set & Costume, Lighting, Music Composition & Sound Design and Film For Theatre & Production, all work under the guidance of professional mentors, designers, composers, filmmakers and production managers. Tenderfoot's Programme Director is Veronica Coburn.

IN MEMORY OF MARGARET

by Anna Byrne

THE WORLD'S END

by Alix Brady

BURDEN

by Gaius Leopardas

JAN Thu 25th - Fri 26th // 12pm

(Schools: book directly through

Box Office: 01 4627477)

Sat 27th // 2pm & 7pm

Main Space

Duration: 130 mins. One interval

Tickets: €12 & €6 concession

Age Suitability 14+

Kindly supported by South Dublin County Council and The Arts Council/An Chomhairle Ealaíon.

"National Treasure"
THE SUNDAY WORLD



DRAMA / MUSIC
**MARY BYRNE -
Check Me Out!**

Presented by Rob Murphy and Verdant Productions

Mary returns home fresh from her performance in the Irish & UK tour of 'Menopause The Musical 2' to tell her story in her own words, live onstage for the very first time in her brand new show 'Mary Byrne – CHECK ME OUT'. Fiercely honest and deeply moving, Mary takes a reflective look at an eventful life. From the days at the checkout, the road to X Factor and all of the highs and lows in between, this one-woman show is packed with humour, music and nostalgia. This world premiere comes to the main stage of The Civic. A fantastic night's entertainment - set to be a sell-out. Book early to avoid disappointment!

JAN Mon 29th - Wed 31st // 7.30pm
FEB Sat 3rd // 3pm & 7.30pm
Main Space
Duration: 125 mins. One interval
Tickets: €25 & €23 concession
Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

COMEDY
**JASON BYRNE - The Ironic
Bionic Man**

Presented by Special Eye Entertainment

Jason Byrne – half man, half natural disaster. Over the course of his accident-prone life Jason has been rebuilt from the ground up. Bits removed, metal pins, new knee, and an eye that's been treated, over the years, by the medical profession like a game of Pong. This all culminated last year in heart surgery, twice! He enjoyed it so much he went back for more...

Join the most gifted live comedian on the planet as he invites you to laugh at his misfortune. If he tried to say *schadenfreude*, he'd probably dislocate his tongue.

FEB Thu 1st - Fri 2nd // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27
Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

*Age Suitability 14+
Contains strong language*



FAMILY
**THERE WAS AN OLD
LADY WHO SWALLOWED
A FLY**

Presented by The People's Theatre Company

There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fly. I don't know why she swallowed a fly... But The People's Theatre Company do! And now you can too as they bring the world's best loved nonsense rhyme to life just in time to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Pam Adams' best-selling book. In an enchanting stage adaptation, this magical re-telling is sure to surprise and delight children and nostalgic adults in equal measure.

FEB Sun 4th // 2.30pm
Main Space
Duration: 65 mins. No interval
Tickets: €14 & €12 concession.
Family Ticket €50 (2 adults + 2 children)
Suitable for all ages



DRAMA / MUSIC

THE ONLY WAY IS UP!

Presented by Sister Sheds

Get ready to embark on a heartwarming and side-splitting journey as we present 'The Only Way is Up!', a play that celebrates the incredible bond of female friendship, laughter, and personal growth.

From uproarious skits on the wild adventures of menopause to soul-stirring moments of personal development, you are promised a rollercoaster ride through the joys and challenges of womanhood. Brace yourselves for a blend of comedy that will leave you in stitches and heartwarming stories that showcase the incredible strength of women uniting.

FEB Tue 6th - Wed 7th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25

Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Age Suitability: 12+



MUSIC

ED SHEERAN EXPERIENCE

Presented by Shepherd Live Limited B.

Featuring the ballads, the beats, the ginger hair, the loop pedal magic and now a live band! Ed Sheeran Experience is a live show consisting of all the hits. Jack Shepherd has been performing as Ed since 2014 and has even been credited by the man himself who said "I think what you do is awesome". Sing-alongs, slow songs and all the hits, the Ed Sheeran Experience is a show not to be missed.

FEB Sat 10th // 7.30pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €28 & €26 concession

Meal Deal: €47 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



"Physically impressive and hilarious."

EMER O' KELLY, THE IRISH INDEPENDENT

DRAMA

GOMBEAN

Presented by Niamh McGrath

GomBean takes place in a small town in Sligo, home of Grace O'Malley, a reluctant coffee slinger, still living off the highs of a tragically cut-short wrestling career. That loss at the U18's Community Games in '94 still stings, but out of nowhere life throws Grace a shot at the money she desperately needs, as long as she wins one more tournament. Easy pickings when your toughest competition is the local postman, right? But what happens when wrestling superstar (and sworn enemy) Ruby Stephens arrives back in town, with her sights locked on Grace?

FEB Thu 8th - Fri 9th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 60 mins. No interval

Tickets: €22 & €20 concession

Meal Deal: €41 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



*"One of the city's
most exciting
emerging comics"*
TOTALLY DUBLIN

COMEDY

MARTIN ANGOLO

Presented by Martin Angolo

Breakout stand-up star, fresh from starring in the Amazon series 'Last One Laughing' with Graham Norton, a hugely successful tour of 20 North American cities and a European tour, Martin brings his unique brand of intelligent one-liners and stories home to Ireland. Well known for his stand-up on Instagram and Tik Tok where he's gotten millions of views, Martin has also appeared on RTÉ, SKY, BBC, Amazon Prime and Netflix.

FEB Sat 10th // 8.15pm

Studio Theatre

Duration: 110 mins. One interval

Tickets: €17 & €15 concession

DRAMA MAGIC PLAY

Presented by Bewley's Café Theatre and Gúna Nua Theatre

Alastair Caspar invites you to witness his very last show. In an audacious move, the renowned magician is hanging up his cape and taking over the city in a bid to capture hearts and regain a lost love. What will happen when his meticulously planned mentalism begins to unravel? Can Alastair keep all the plates spinning, give you something to believe in, and still pull redemption from a hat? Written by Liam Wilson Smyth and produced by award-winning Gúna Nua Theatre, Magic Play combines comedy, close-up magic and questions of faith and belief in an original and thrilling fusion of magic and theatre.

FEB Mon 12th - Thu 15th // 8.15pm
Lunchtime Theatre Wed 14th // 1pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 60 mins. No interval
Tickets: €17 & €15 concession
Lunchtime Theatre All Tickets €12



"Deliciously Clever"
THE INDEPENDENT

MUSIC Made in Jersey A TRIBUTE TO FRANKIE VALLI AND THE FOUR SEASONS

Presented by Stratmore Entertainment

In the world of tribute bands, few acts can capture the magic of the original quite like our tribute band dedicated to the legendary Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons. Inspired by the iconic harmonies and timeless hits of this beloved group, we proudly present 'Made in Jersey', a heart warming nod to the music that has defined generations. Let us take you on a musical trip down memory lane with an incredible string of chart-topping hits, 'Sherry', 'Can't Take My Eyes Off You', 'Made in Jersey' will have you dancing all night long!

FEB Wed 14th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €28 & €26 concession
Meal Deal: €47 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



"This is the most authentic tribute act to Frankie Valli that I have witnessed"
THE HERALD



MUSIC A VIENNESE STRAUSS GALA

Presented by Theatre Productions Europe

Delightful music re-creates the romance of a bygone age of glamorous soirées, glittering ballrooms, jaunty polkas and wonderful waltzes. The show features highlights from some of the great operettas & music of the Strauss family along with Kalyan and Lehar, including: 'Die Fledermaus', 'Gypsy Baron' and a rousing finale with the 'Radetzky March'. The European Orchestral Ensemble will accompany four soloists from leading opera companies including Opera North and Welsh National Opera. Clever staging, choreographed with authentic costumes which will appeal as much to the romantic as the aficionado.

FEB Tue 13th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €28 & €26 concession
Meal Deal: €47 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



MUSIC REELING IN THE SHOWBAND YEARS 2024

Presented by Tommy Swarbrigg

'Reeling in the Showband Years' returns once again to The Civic this February to celebrate its amazing record breaking 14th year touring and filling theatres all around Ireland. And what a line-up it is again! RTÉ's Ronan Collins is host and compère. Starring Red Hurley, Gina from The Champions, Keith and Lorraine McDonald, Shaun O'Dowd, Dave Lawlor, The Conquerors Showband and many more to be announced. The show's exciting finale is an all-cast salute to the Showband Era. All of the stars join in for a medley of songs from the unique Showband Years, bringing you back in time to this magical musical period.

FEB Thu 15th - Fri 16th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 155 mins. One interval
Tickets: €33
Meal Deal: €54 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



Mother Tongues Festival

is the largest festival celebrating linguistic diversity through the arts in Ireland.

Its mission is to showcase the country's rich artistic and cultural tapestry, and connect people through the power of language.

2024 will be no exception.

Join us in Tallaght on the 16th and 17th of February 2024 for two days of workshops, talks, performances, films and more!

MUSIC ONÓIR

Presented by Onóir

Selling out venues in record time, their impassioned audiences are taken on a musical odyssey, Onóir showcase a new take on traditional Irish songs through to up-tempo modern Irish classics. Enjoy the onstage chemistry, excitement, and banter in a show that you will remember for a long, long time. A night not to be missed, Onóir put their unique stamp on the timeless ballads and folk songs that we all love. Be prepared for a few pleasant surprises as they delve into Americana, heart rending soul and a little bit of country with some fun and laughter along the way.

FEB Thu 22nd // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 180 mins. One interval

Tickets: €30

Meal Deal: €51 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



LUNCHTIME Theatre



DRAMA IDEAL WORLD

Presented by Esca-Riada in assoc with The Civic

Ideal World is a poignant comedy about online shopping, family secrets and second chances at happiness. Lonely fifty-something Merce is coping with the recent death of her mother through her obsession with 'Ideal World', her beloved TV shopping channel, home of perfect presenters, irresistible deals and endless summers, much to the disapproval of her domineering sister, Alice. At a Bereavement Survivors Support group, she meets awkward widower Ted and from then on, her life begins to change. On her journey through a world of odd-ball characters, Merce discovers a whole new life but realizes in the process that there's no such thing as an Ideal World.

FEB Mon 19th - Fri 23rd // 8.15pm

Lunchtime Theatre Wed 21st // 1pm

Studio Theatre

Duration: 75 mins. No interval

Tickets: €20 & €18 concession.

Lunchtime Theatre All Tickets €12



"This is an absolutely superb show. Highly recommended!"

JOHNNY LOGAN

MUSIC THE BEE GEES STORY

Presented by Nights on Broadway

'The Bee Gee's Story – Nights On Broadway' presents a tribute to the Bee Gees, featuring their incredible songs from over four decades, from the 60s to the 90s. The seven-piece band blend the classic hits, songs written for other major artists, including the divas like Barbara Streisand and Celine Dion and the magic of Saturday Night Fever, to tell the story of the Bee Gees, through a totally live concert.

FEB Fri 23rd // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 140 mins. One interval

Tickets: €27 & €25 concession

Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

COMEDY
THE CIVIC COMEDY CLUB

Presented by Paul Marsh and The Civic

Tallaght's comedy club resumes at the Studio Theatre in The Civic this Spring. Bringing the best Irish comedians right to your local theatre. With a mix of seasoned professionals and rising stars, we guarantee a great night full of laughter. Check out civictheatre.ie for the full line up of super comedy talent.

FEB Sat 24th // 8.15pm

Studio Theatre

Duration: 90 mins. One interval

Tickets: €20



MUSIC
ABSOLUTE EAGLES

Presented by Absolute Eagles

Following 4 sold-out shows here at The Civic, Europe's premier tribute to this American rock band return to The Civic. They flawlessly emulate the legendary country rock group, recreating their iconic sound with astonishing precision. Playing all the hits from 1972 right up to the modern day classics, Absolute Eagles transport audiences to the golden era of music, reminiscent of the original Eagles magic. From tight five-part vocals to intricate guitar harmonies, Absolute Eagles will take you on a musical journey through the hits of one of the greatest bands of all time!

FEB Thu 29th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €29 & €25 concession

Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



THE CIVIC

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IS WHAT YOU GET

OUR TICKET PRICES

ALWAYS INCLUDE

BOOKING FEES



COMEDY
RIDDICOOOL - JOHN COLLEARY

Presented by John Colleary

Apart from being one of the most in-demand comics in the land, John Colleary has also co-written and starred in IFTA nominated shows, *The Savage Eye* (RTÉ2) and *Irish Pictorial Weekly* (RTÉ One). A talented actor and mimic, John featured as one third of *The Gusset Brothers* on *The Tommy Tiernan Show* (RTÉ One). John spent 2022 opening for Tommy Tiernan on his sold-out 'Tomfoolery' tour to tens of thousands of comedy fans up, down and around the country. His first solo show 'Loud & Colleary' went nationwide in Autumn 2023, with much success.

MAR Fri 1st // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 90 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25 & €23 concession

Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Age Suitability 16+

"John Colleary is my favourite comic, I learned so much from him... playful, inventive and brilliant. The best."
TOMMY TIERNAN

PODCAST IF I SPEAK

Presented by Dongo Productions

Returning to The Civic this Spring, this entertaining and mesmerising live performance will give you a taste of the magic that the 'If I Speak' podcast delivers its' listeners each week. Now, you'll have the chance to participate in the debates and interact with your favorite podcast host in real-time. There's more fun in store with games, exciting giveaways, and fantastic music to keep the energy soaring throughout the show. Join us for an epic celebration of podcasts, community, special guests and incredible entertainment!

MAR Sat 2nd // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 150 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25



DRAMA THE EMPTY NEST

Presented by Blood in The Alley Theatre Company

Tony and Sheila are watching television. Their children are grown and their grandchildren are invading their lives. They haven't had sex for forever and all that's on the television is sex. Oisín Flores Sweeney's first play is a hilarious piece of theatre that encompasses the way many Irish couples live today. Produced by Blood in the Alley Theatre Company the play is directed by Geoff Gould. It stars Irish Times Theatre Award nominee Seamus O'Rourke (Lakelands), an established actor and playwright. Also starring Joan Sheehy, actor and director whose screen credits include The Field, The Boxer, Father Ted and most recently, An Cailín Ciúin.

MAR Wed 6th - Thu 7th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 55 mins. No interval

Tickets: €22 & €20 concession

Meal Deal: €41 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Occasional bad language and sexual references



MUSIC SINGALONG SONGBOOK DOES BURT BACHARACH

Presented by Singalong Songbook

Largely regarded as the most important and influential figure of 20th century popular music, Burt Bacharach provided the musical backdrop to our lives, with 100s of pop songs, iconic movie and musical soundtracks, recorded by some of the industry's biggest names.

Guaranteed, if someone starts humming one of his songs, you will know it! Singalong Songbook tell his life story and sing some of his biggest songs inviting the audience to sing along too! Hits include 'What The World Needs Now', 'Walk On By', 'What's New Pussycat?', 'I'll Never Fall In Love Again' – and many more!

MAR Sun 3rd // 3pm

Main Space

Duration: 150 mins. One interval

Tickets: €26



MUSIC GATSBY - A NEW MUSICAL

Presented by Break-A-Leg Productions

The Great Gatsby has come to be regarded as one of the greatest American novels of all time selling over 30 million copies worldwide. 'Gatsby: The Musical' is a brand new score from composer/lyricist Peter Beckett depicting the raucous and romantic heady days of the Jazz Age in 1922 whilst highlighting class distinction in the pursuit of the American Dream. The authentic nine-piece band beautifully captures the style and sound of the flamboyant art deco era. The musical will tear at your heart strings and make you jump for joy all at the same time. This one-night only concert performance with full cast and band is not to be missed.

MAR Fri 8th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €29 & €27 concession

Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Contains some strong language

MUSIC PILGRIM STREET

Presented by Pilgrim St.

Strongly influenced by Bluegrass, Old Time Country and Folk Music, fused with traditional folk songs from this side of the Atlantic, Pilgrim Street bring a warm and lively atmosphere to their music and have garnered a glowing word-of-mouth endorsement from venues around the country with their powerhouse live performances. Drawing from fellow luminaries such as Hank Williams, The Pogues and Bruce Springsteen's Seeger Sessions outfit, Pilgrim Street are about to bring their infectious melodies, harmonies and songs to The Civic this Spring. With a setlist made up of covers and their own original songs, they have graced the stages of Electric Picnic and Vicar Street.

MAR Sat 9th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 90 mins. One interval

Tickets: €27 & €25 concession

Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



DRAMA UNGUARDED

Presented by Anthony Kinahan, in association with Droichead Arts Centre & An Táin Arts Centre

When a father's world falls apart, he must battle through obstacles to ensure a future for him & his son. Love; Laughter; Loss & Families left behind: 'Unguarded' is a touching, & often comedic, new drama - developed by Louth actor/theatre-maker Anthony Kinahan - that uses imaginative physicality and vocal versatility & song, to highlight the vulnerable position many LGBTQ+ and non-LGBTQ+ families find themselves in due to the lack of regulation of surrogacy in Ireland.

MAR Tue 12th - Wed 13th // 8.15pm

Studio Theatre

Duration: 75 mins. No interval

Tickets: €17 & €15 concession



DRAMA THE FIVE LAMPS RODDY DOYLE

Presented by Five Lamps Arts Festival and Co-Motion Media

The emotional story of a man who makes the irrational decision to come to Dublin to look for his son, who he has not seen in four years. His search takes him on an odyssey through inner city Dublin, and small acts of kindness light up his search as he hopes against hope to find his son in the deserted city. This is a gentle hymn to the inner city, and as in all of Roddy Doyle's writing about Dublin, explores the humour and emotions of people on the edge. Despite this, The Five Lamps becomes a truly life-affirming story.

Adapted and directed by Joe O'Byrne.
Starring Eoin O'Sullivan.

The show is an adaptation of a story from the 'Life Without Children' collection by Roddy Doyle published in 2021.

MAR Tue 12th - Thu 14th // 10:30 am (schools), 8pm

Main Auditorium

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25 & €23 concession

Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



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MUSIC
A REALLY KEELEY GOOD NIGHT - It Takes Two

Presented by The Keeley Brothers

Following their smash-hit sell-out show in December, the brothers are set to return and promise you another really, KEELEY good night! An evening of songs and stories from Tallaght's favourite trio. Three brothers bring 20 years of their favourite songs, inspired by a music-fuelled upbringing, to the stage. A three-piece harmony show featuring all genres.

MAR Fri 15th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25 & €23 concession

Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



FAMILY
THE ULTIMATE BUBBLE SHOW

Presented by Paris Bubbles Entertainment

Experience the best in soap bubble entertainment. Join Ray, International Bubbleologist and Guinness World Record Holder, and help him in his quest to complete the bubble game to make the ultimate bubble. This is a fast-paced show full of high energy and surprises as Ray uses various different gases to create incredible bubble sculptures, effects and magical displays. Watch in amazement as Ray creates a volcano bubble, a soap bubble carousel, a bubble ghost and even a tornado inside a bubble! Join Ray and see if he can make the ultimate square bubble. Ray brings you bubbles, you take away memories.

MAR Mon 18th // 1pm

Main Space

Duration: 60 mins. No interval

Tickets: €14 & €12 concession.

Family Ticket €50 (2 adults + 2 children)



MUSIC
80s ICON SHOW

Presented by Production Icons

80s Icons Show, Ireland's first live 80s touring theatre show playing the hits you know and love to perfection from artists like Duran Duran, Spandau Ballet, Go West, Paul Young, Phil Collins, Nik Kershaw and many more. 80s Icons Show is a must-see for any true 80s fan. So sit back and enjoy a show that defines a decade.

MAR Sat 16th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 155 mins. One interval

Tickets: €27

Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



Being Brendan

a new play by
Peter Sheridan
 to celebrate 100 years
 of Brendan Behan

DRAMA
BEING BRENDAN

Presented by The Civic

A reading of a new play by Jim and Peter Sheridan will be staged to honour the memory and legacy of Brendan Behan. 'Being Brendan' is an unflinching portrait of the man that draws on his life and his work. It is by turns funny, irreverent and heart-breaking. It also features many of the songs that Brendan made famous in his plays and his impromptu performances. Musical Direction is by Sean Gilligan. Donal Fallon (Historian and creator of 3 Castles Burning Podcast) will chat to Peter Sheridan and then open out the evening for the audience Q&A to respond to the play.

MAR Tue 19th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €15

Meal Deal: €36 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

ARCHITECTURE

Theatre to restore heart of Tallaght

Tallaght's new Civic Theatre, which opened this week, is a classic example of arts-led urban renewal, writes

25 Years in the Heart of Tallaght
25 Years of Laughter, Tears and Cheers
25 Years of Applause

In March 2024, The Civic will celebrate our landmark 25th Anniversary. We will throw open our doors for a weekend of celebrations from Fri 22 - Sun 24 March, showcasing the very best in music, comedy, variety and emerging talent from acts all across the county and beyond.

Join with us to have a quarter-century party like no other!

Tallaght and South Dublin, Take a Bow!

For more info see www.civictheatre.ie

Curtain up in Tallaght

like no other!

Tallaght and South Dublin,

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The Civic Theatre logo, featuring the word "Civic" in a stylized blue script and "THEATRE" in a bold, black, sans-serif font below it. Underneath "THEATRE" is the text "TREASURES MUSEUM OF" in a smaller font. Below the logo is a photograph of the Civic Theatre building, a multi-story structure with a prominent glass facade and a brick section on the left.

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A group of people, including several in wheelchairs, are on a stage during a performance or presentation. One person in the foreground is speaking into a microphone.

DRAMA THE DAUGHTERS OF RÓISÍN

Presented by Wee Yarn Productions / Sole Purpose Productions

Confined to a room for nine months in a house she once called her home, 'The Daughters of Róisín' by Aoibh Johnson is a poignant ode to Ireland's hidden past that explores the church and state sanctioned abuse against women over the last 100 years. The play uses song, poetry and ghostly silence to explore the experience of unmarried mothers and their babies who were forced to suffer at the hands of the church and state. The play has had sold out performances and standing ovations in Belfast and Dublin.

MAR Tue 26th - Fri 29th // 8.15pm
Lunchtime Theatre Wed 27th // 1pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 60 mins. No interval
Tickets: €17

Lunchtime Theatre All Tickets €12

Age suitability 16+



LUNCHTIME
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BERNETTE DEVLIN MCALISKEY

IMAGE CREDIT: MOLLY MARTIN

MUSIC SOMETHING ABOUT GEORGE - The George Harrison Story

Presented by Something About Productions

The musical biopic tribute to the so-called 'quiet' Beatle is back following its hugely successful 2023 tour. Starring West End actor and musician Daniel Taylor, 'Something About George – The George Harrison Story' tells the truly remarkable tale of one of music's most understated icons. Featuring a five-piece band performing beautiful songs such as 'My Sweet Lord', 'Something', 'Got My Mind Set On You' and 'Handle With Care', the show includes incredible solo material and music from Rock n' Roll's greatest supergroup, The Travelling Wilburys - not forgetting more than a few Beatles' classics along the way.

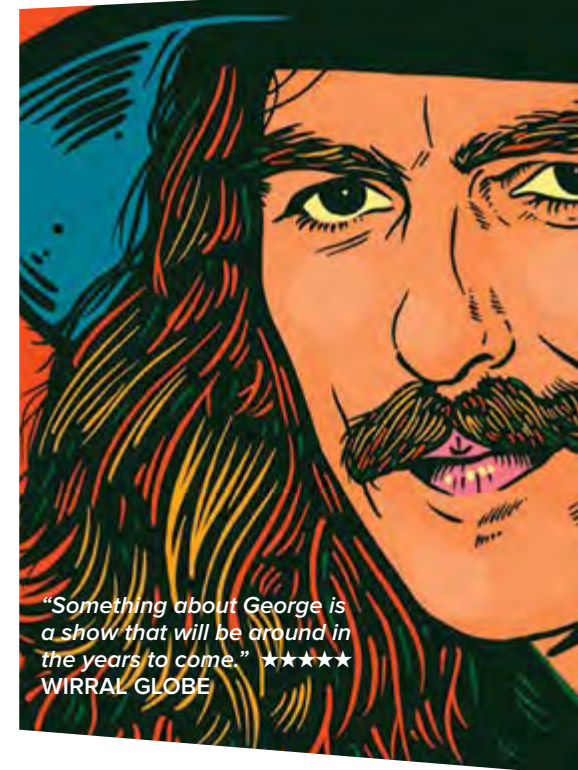
MAR Wed 27th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 140 mins. One interval

Tickets: €29 & €27 concession

Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



*"Something about George is
a show that will be around in
the years to come." ★★★★★*
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MUSIC WRONG JOVI

Presented by Wrong Jovi

The Multi-Award-Winning Wrong Jovi are widely considered to be "the Best Bon Jovi tribute band in the world!". So much so, that even the former Bon Jovi guitarist, Richie Sambora, has personally thanked the band for their hard work and unforgettable performances over the past 10 years. Enjoy all the hit singles, 'Livin' On A Prayer', 'Always', 'You Give Love A Bad Name' and 'Wanted Dead Or Alive'. Get ready for One Wild Night of Bon Jovi hits, live favourites and rarities. Wrong Jovi will transform venues and theatres into stadiums for the ultimate Bon Jovi tribute show. Get your dose of Bad Medicine with Wrong Jovi!

MAR Thu 28th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 140 mins. One interval

Tickets: €28

Meal Deal: €49 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC THE LEGEND OF LUKE KELLY

Presented by Chris Kavanagh Productions

The Legend of Luke Kelly is an authentic show celebrating the life and songs of Ireland's most iconic and greatest folk singer. Created and performed by the renowned Dublin singer and multi-instrumentalist Chris Kavanagh, this show brings the audience on a journey through Luke's music and has received rave reviews in Ireland and abroad.

A testament to this act's authenticity is the huge amount of followers and regular sell-out performances in Ireland's most prestigious venues such as Vicar Street, the Grand Opera House and the Cork Opera House.

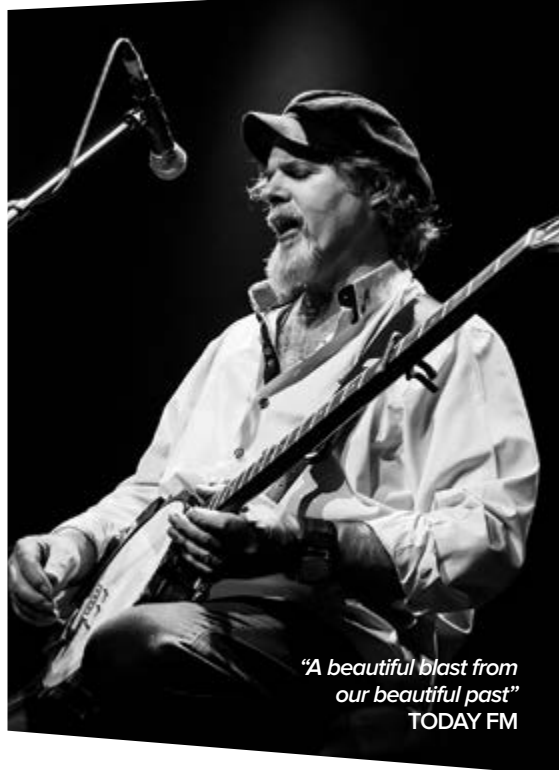
MAR Fri 29th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 140 mins. One interval

Tickets: €27 & €25 concession

Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



*"A beautiful blast from
our beautiful past"*
TODAY FM



*"A wonderful celebration of
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DRAMA IRISH ANNIE'S

Presented by Bill Elms Productions & Asa Murphy

Come on down for a session at Irish Annie's pub, a brand-new musical play by Asa Murphy celebrating the best of Irish culture, from the music through to the comedy. Featuring a live 5-piece band 'Shenanigans'. Meet landlady Annie and her regular madcap customers for a fun night out of comedy and music, featuring original tracks written for the show by Asa Murphy, along with your all-time favourite Irish tunes including 'Galway Shawl', 'Tell Me Ma', 'Dirty Old Town', 'Danny Boy' and many more. The show has audiences laughing, singing, and dancing the night away. Singalong song sheets are handed out to all attending.

Cast includes Ricky Tomlinson, Catherine Rice and Asa Murphy. It has been known for a special guest to walk through the pub door too - you never know who might walk in!

APR Tue 2nd - Wed 3rd // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 135 mins. One interval

Tickets: €37

Meal Deal: €58 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC GLORY DAYS

Presented by Glory Days

Glory Days, Ireland's tribute to Bruce Springsteen, are coming back to the Civic after two successful Civic shows and selling out venues nationwide. 2024 is the 40th Anniversary of the release of the album Born In The USA, which sold over 30 million records and made Bruce Springsteen a living legend. Glory Days are going to play the album from start to finish, as well as many of Springsteen's other classic songs. So don't miss this rare chance of hearing the complete album live at The Civic.

APR Thu 4th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 140 mins. One interval

Tickets: €28 & €26 concession

Meal Deal: €47 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



ENTERTAINMENT MAGIC MEN

Presented by Forrest Jones Entertainment

Worldwide sensation - the Magic Men Australia are finally coming to Ireland this April. Magic Men's 'Feel The Magic' showcases its most talented men in a heart-stopping live performance. Featuring Will Parfitt, this one-of-a-kind stage show tears up the stage with hot hunks, smooth moves and lighting spectacle guaranteed to make it a night out to remember. So, grab your girls and enjoy an epic girls night out, and be treated like a queen and experience a night of fun, laughter and lots of eye-candy.

APR Mon 8th - Tue 9th // 7.30pm

Main Space

Duration: 150 mins. Two intervals

Tickets: VIP* Seats Rows A-E €95

General Adm: Rows F-N + Balconies €75

***VIP TICKETS include photo and meet and greet with early admission**

Age Suitability 18+

Contains nudity & haze



MUSIC LEGENDS OF AMERICAN COUNTRY SHOW

Presented by JMG Music Group

The 2024 tour will showcase highly acclaimed tributes to Dolly Parton, Johnny Cash, Don Williams, Patsy Cline, Charley Pride, Tammy Wynette and Kenny Rogers among others, with countless other well-known singalong hit songs in this must see musical extravaganza. The show features 3 superb singers, who are all accompanied by a superb live band of musicians with that real authentic Tennessee sound, coupled with an authentic stage set and state-of-the-art production that is guaranteed to transport you all the way, hand clapping and toe tapping, to Nashville and back in one night.

APR Fri 5th - Sat 6th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €27

Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

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MUSIC
IRISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Mozart, Bach & Tchaikovsky

Presented by Irish Chamber Orchestra

Enjoy three iconic masterworks from the baroque, classical and romantic catalogues, performed and directed by the effervescent violinist, Carolin Widmann. Find out why the orchestra love performing Mozart's Eine kleine Nachtmusik, one of the best loved and legendary of serenades. To hear J.S. Bach's A minor Violin Concerto is to hear a genius at work. One of the all-time great concertos, be amazed as at this show-off work full of fantastic, magical melodies. Tchaikovsky adored Florence - feel the love and joy as you walk the streets and delve into his sparkling *Souvenir de Florence*.

APR Wed 10th // 7.30pm

Main Space

Duration: 90 mins. One interval

Tickets: €29 & €27 concession //

€12 Under 18s

Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



MUSIC
SHARON SHANNON

Presented by MJ Music LTD. TEG MJR Eire

Sharon Shannon's new tour 'Now and Then' celebrates 30 years at the forefront of Irish music. Don't miss an electric night out with one of Ireland's finest and best-loved multi-instrumentalists this April at The Civic! She has received many awards including being the youngest ever recipient of the Meteor Lifetime Achievement Awards in 2009. She has collaborated, recorded and toured with everyone from Willy Nelson, Bono, Johnny Depp, Shane Mc Gowan and John Prine to Nigel Kennedy and the RTÉ Concert Orchestra and has had many hit records including 'The Galway Girl' with Steve Earle, and 'Go Tell the Devil' with Imelda May.

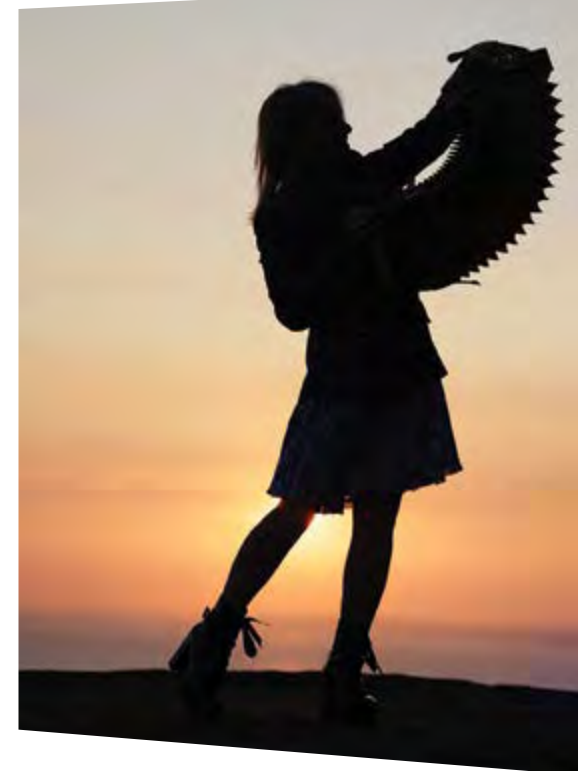
APR Fri 12th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 110 mins. One interval

Tickets: €32

Meal Deal: €53 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



COMEDY
PAT & FAYE SHORTT - Knuckle Down

Presented by Shortt Comedy Theatre Company Ltd

'Knuckle Down' shows off the incredible talent of these two performers, as they glide seamlessly from stand-up to hilarious characterisation of everyday Irish people. Characters include 'Michael' (Pat Shortt) the hapless builder (followed weekly on Tik Tok, X, Insta and Facebook by hundreds of thousands). Another outrageous character is the 'Mother of the Child' (Faye Shortt) - it's not like her at all to talk bad about anyone but she just can't help herself, sharing her views on the school principal and her tummy tucking friend back from Turkey. The sharp wit and physical comedy genius of this comedic duo will have you in pain with laughter.

APR Thu 11th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 110 mins. One interval

Tickets: €32 & €30 concession

Meal Deal: €51 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



MUSIC
Beyond the Horizon - THE PINK FLOYD TRIBUTE

Presented by Beyond The Horizon

Playing all around the country since 2018 to sell-out audiences, Beyond The Horizon are recognised for meticulously recreating the instrument and album sounds from Pink Floyd's iconic back catalogue. Their attention to detail can be experienced with their set-lists, musicianship and perfectly programmed light, laser, and video stage show.

APR Sat 13th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €31

Meal Deal: €52 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

PODCAST **BRESSIE - WHERE IS MY MIND Live Show**

Presented by MJ Music LTD. TEG MJR Eire

After a sensational run of sold out shows in 2023, Niall 'Bressie' Breslin is bringing his multi-award-winning 'Where is My Mind?' Live Show to the Civic. Having led a colourful life thus far and being no stranger to a slap from the dark side, 'Bressie' has made it his vocation to excavate and discover what it is that makes us humans dive, survive, recover and thrive in the head melty-chaos of the modern world. The 'Where is My Mind' live show - a unique and intoxicating mix of music, spoken word, monologues and incredible guests - has captivated audiences with its humour, heart, relatability and creativity.

APR Tue 23rd // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €32

Meal Deal: €43 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Age Suitability: 14+



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Macbeth

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Thu 21st: Inchicore College

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APR

Sun 7th: Kirti Dance

Mon 15th - Sat 20th: Emer O'Hanlon Dance

Sat 27th - Wed 1st May: Dublin Academy of Dramatic Arts



COMEDY **COMEDY CLUB**

Presented by Paul Marsh in association with The Civic

Tallaght's comedy club resumes at the Studio Theatre in The Civic this Spring. Bringing the best Irish comedians right to your local theatre. With a mix of seasoned professionals and rising stars, we guarantee a great night full of laughter. Check out civictheatre.ie for the full line up of super comedy talent.

APR Sat 27th // 8.15pm

Studio Theatre

Duration: 90 mins. One interval

Tickets: €20



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MAY 4th // 8pm // Tickets €25



**DECLAN NERNEY &
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MAY 6th // 8pm // Tickets €27



**RIA LINA -
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MAY 9th // 8.15pm // Tickets €17



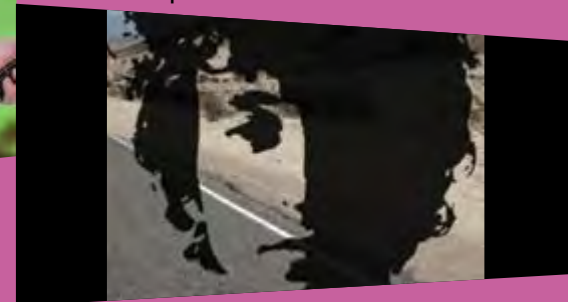
**EMMA DORAN -
Dilemma**

MAY 11th // 8pm // Tickets €27



**THE BOB DYLAN
ROADSHOW**

JUL 5th // 8pm // Tickets €25



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Opening hours

We are open from 10am- 6pm Mon–Sat
(6pm - 8pm on performance nights)
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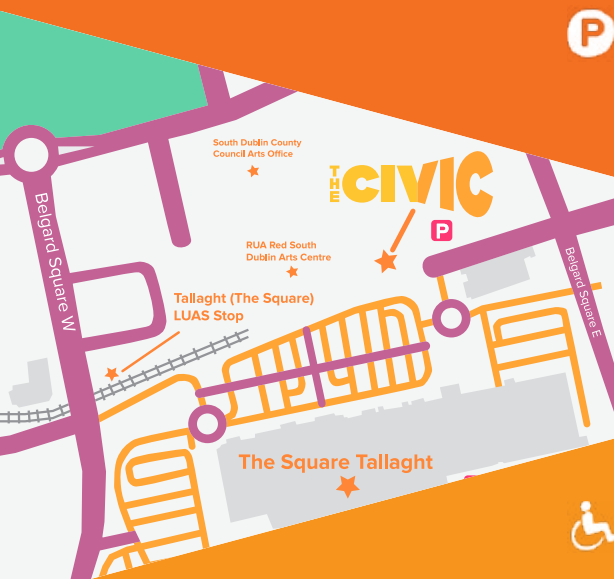
Concessions

Are available for certain shows. Ask when
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