THE CIVIC

SPRING-SUMMER 2025

WELCOME!

Summer at The Civic is always something special – and this year is no different. We're thrilled to present a lively and varied season full of theatre, music, workshops, and community celebration.

A real highlight is 'The Sound Collector,' brought to life on stage from the beloved works of Roger McGough – a treat for all ages. We're also proud to mark Bealtaine with a beautiful trio of productions that celebrate the richness of experience and creativity as we age.

For younger audiences, 'Gravity Shift' promises adventure and energy – a brand new series of workshops where young people can learn from professional aerial artists and parkour trainers. And for theatre lovers, we've got a top-class lineup: Stephen Jones returns to our stage in 'My Summer with Bowie' by Eugene O'Brien, Pat Kinevane brings his powerful and poignant 'Before', and Seamus O'Rourke delivers storytelling gold with 'Padraig Potts'.

We continue our Discover Digital strand this August with 'Bada Boom' – where gaming meets live arts in a truly unique way. And Cruinniú na nÓg on 7th June will be a full day of free events for young people – always a joyful highlight.

Of course, it wouldn't be summer at The Civic without the end-of-year shows from our fantastic local stage schools, plus a lively mix of music, comedy, and a few surprises still to come.

All of this is made possible by the brilliant team here at The Civic – a group of people who work with great heart and purpose to bring meaningful cultural experiences to our audiences. Thank you for continuing to support your local theatre – we look forward to welcoming you through our doors this summer.

Warm regards.
Donal Shiels
Artistic Director / CEO

MAY

Thu 1st	Dublin Academy of Dramatic Arts
Thu 1st - Sat 3rd	Nora Joyce's Odyssey
Fri 2nd	Christy Moore Songbook
Sat 3rd - Sun 4th	Ruth Shine School of Dance
Mon 5th - Sat 10th	Emer O'Hanlon Stage School
Sun 11th	Strings Attached- Sitar Performance
Mon 12th - Fri 16th	The Good Crank
Tue 13th - Sat 17th	Bull Alley Musical
Sat 17th	Eric Lalor
Sun 18th	Tanya Michelle School of Dance
Mon 19th	Localise Clondalkin
Mon 19th - Sat 24th	Tender Mercies
Tue 20th	Goethe Choir
Wed 21st	The Summer Country Show
Thu 22nd	Michael Harding
Fri 23rd	SubSounds
Fri 23rd - Sat 24th	Anna Newell OFFSITE
Sat 24th May	The Civic Comedy Club
Sun 25th	Showstoppers - Frozen Jnr
Mon 26th	Causeway Productions
Tue 27th - Wed 28th	Rachel Drew Soothing Songs
Thu 29th - Sat 31st	Dramatic Action Stage School

JUN

Sun 1st - Mon 2nd	Dramatic Action Stage School
Thu 5th	E.L.O.
Fri 6th	Kate Bush Tribute
Sat 7th - Sun 8th	Dublin Dance School
Sat 7th	Cruinniú na nÓg
Tue 10th	The Sound Collector
Wed 11th	Falling to Earth - My Summer with Bowie
Thu 12th	Anne Malone Dance Fever
Fri 13th	The Bootleg Beach Boys
Fri 13th	Happen/Chance Improv
Sat 14th - Sun 15th	Entwine Performing Arts
Thu 19th	Legend of the 60s
Fri 20th	Kings of Vegas Show
Sat 21st	The BlueBelles
Sun 22nd	The Lonesome Boat Man
Thu 26th	Gravity Shift - The Weight of Shadow
Fri 27th	Onóir
Sat 28th	Vladimir Jablokov
Sat 28th	The Civic Comedy Club
Sun 29th	The Ultimate Bubble Show

JUL

Wed 2nd	Before by Pat Kinevane
Fri 4th	Classic Beatles
Sat 5th	70s Show
Mon 7th - Wed 9th	Gravity Shift - Parkour
Fri 11th	Abba Tribute
Sat 12th	Padraig Potts by Seamus O'Rourke
Sun 13th	Grapple Kings 14
Thu 17th	Tina Turner Tribute
Fri 18th	Gearoid Farrelly
Sat 19th	Joe Dowlin' Rapunzel
Sun 20th	The Speks
Mon 21st - Thu 31st	Summer Camp
Mon 21st - Thu 31st	Tots Camp

AUG

Tue 5th - Fri 8th	Summer Camp
Tue 5th - Fri 8th	Tots Camp
Sat 9th	Summer Camp Performance
Sun 10th	The Civic Panto Junior Chorus Auditions
Tue 12th	Gravity Shift - Fidget Feet
Wed 13th - Thu 14th	Rod Campbell's Dear Zoo
Fri 15th - Sat 16th	Kevin Doyle as Elvis
Sat 23rd - Sun 24th	Sister Sheds
Thu 28th	Bada Boom
Fri 29th	George Murphy
Sat 30th	Route 66 Big Band
Sat 30th	The Civic Comedy Club

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

www.civictheatre.ie

DRAMA

A RARE JOURNEY - Nora Joyce's Odyssey

Presented by Cadence Theatre Ireland

'A Rare Journey, Nora Joyce's Odyssey' celebrates the life of a truly remarkable Irish woman Nora Barnacle, in a highly entertaining roller-coaster play, filled with music and song. Written and performed by Paula Greevy-Lee, directed by Gerard Lee, this one-woman show separates the funny, wise, sharp-witted, complex, and compassionate Nora from the half-truths that have dogged her since her death in 1951. Inspired by Brenda Maddox's biography 'Nora, The Real Life of Molly Bloom'.

MAY Thu 1st - Sat 3rd
Thu 1st & Sat 3rd // 8:15pm
Lunchtime Theatre Fri 2nd // 1pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 75 mins. No interval
Tickets: €20 & €18
Lunchtime Theatre All Tickets: €14

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MUSIC

STRINGS ATTACHED

Sitar Performance with Shakir Khan

Presented by Indian Classical Music Society of Ireland

Come experience an unforgettable evening at 'Strings Attached: Sitar Performance' with the incredible Shakir Khan. Known for his mesmerising mastery of the sitar, Shakir will take you on a soulful journey through the beauty of Indian classical music. Accompanied by a talented tabla player, the performance will blend intricate rhythms with the rich, resonant tones of the sitar, creating a truly magical atmosphere. It's not just a concert—it's a conversation between two musicians, weaving together melody and rhythm in ways that are both powerful and deeply moving. Don't miss this unique, intimate musical experience!

MAY Sun 11th // 7pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 90 mins. One interval
Tickets: €17

MUSIC

THE CHRISTY MOORE SONGBOOK

Presented by Little Apples Management

When Gerry Tully performs Christy Moore songs, he brings a deep respect and understanding to the material, while adding his own unique touch.
Gerry's easygoing stage presence and genuine passion for the songs make the audience feel involved and connected, whether through a sing-along or simply sitting in quiet reflection. His performances of Christy Moore songs are a heartfelt tribute to one of Ireland's greatest folk artists. From rousing anthems to tender ballads, Tully's renditions resonate with emotion and respect, making them a treat for fans of Christy Moore.

MAY Fri 2nd // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 90 mins. One interval
Tickets: €24.50
Meal Deal: €45.50 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSICAL

THE WITCHES OF EASTWICK

Presented by Bull Alley Theatre Training Company

It's a dark and stormy night in the small town of Eastwick.... Three divorcees, frustrated by their mundane lives and constant scrutiny and disapproval of their uptight and reserved neighbours, fantasise about their ideal man. But when their longings are realised and are made flesh in the arrival of one Darryl Van Horne, all hell breaks loose, quite literally! It doesn't take long before Darryl uses his charms to release their creative energy along with their inhibitions! But hell hath no fury and pretty soon Alex, Sukie and Jane use their newly discovered powers to teach their seducer a lesson.

MAY Tue 13th - Sat 17th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 150 mins. One interval
Tickets: €25 & €23 concession
Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)
Age Suitability 12+ Contains strong language

DRAMA

THE GOOD CRANK

Presented by Sight nor Sound Theatre

Kitty Clog is an aging woman who is determined not to go quietly into that good night. Lots of attitude, a motley crew of supporting characters (all played by star of Father Ted and Fair City Rose Henderson). Kitty takes us with her on a rollercoaster journey to find her lost man. Threading a blurry line between humour and pathos; yearning and farce; belonging and marginalisation, The Good Crank is an exploration of the flip-flop existence of an older woman at odds with the world she has been squeezed into.

MAY Mon 12th - Sat 16th // 8:15pm
Lunchtime Theatre Tue 13th // 1pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 55 mins. No interval
Tickets: €20 & €18 concession
Lunchtime Theatre All Tickets: €14

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LUNCHTIME Theatre

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COMEDY

ERIC LALOR -
Lol'er By Nature

Presented by Lisa Richards

Award-winning Eric Lalor is one of the most sought after comedians in the country. Having started way back on Des Bishop's Joy in the Hood, Eric has gone on to forge a successful career in comedy, appearing at all the major comedy festivals and headlining venues up and down the country. He has won Irish comedian of the year twice as voted by the readers of entertainment.ie, and now his new podcast, You Must Be Jokin', which he co-hosts with fellow Ballymunner, Willa White, has won Best Podcast at the Digital Media Awards. Eric is at the top of his game and one of the most reliable comedy acts in the country.

MAY Tue 17th // 8:15pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 90 mins. One interval
Tickets: €22

Age Suitability 16+ Contains strong language

Betelnut Cafe

Betelnut Café at The Civic
Offering tasty breakfast, lunches, pre-theatre meals & full bar service

'Phenomenal performace'
THE REVIEWS HUB

DRAMA

TENDER MERCIES

Presented by Colette Cullen/ Home You Go Productions

Inspired by a headline in a local newspaper, Fair City's Sorcha Furlong, in a tour-de-force performance, captivatingly portrays Mary Fortune as she recounts the highs and lows, loves, disappointments and demons of her time with us in an incisive fine-tuned study of a woman on a downward spiral. Furlong brings vividly to life a whole cast of characters from Mary's past - her parents, ex-husband, hairdressing clients, neighbours, friends and beloved twin brother Barry. Blackly comic and poignant you'll be thinking of Mary long after the lights go down.

MAY Mon 19th - Sat 24th
MAY 19th, 21st - 23rd // 8:15pm
Lunchtime Theatre Tue 20th // 1pm
Matinee 24th // 3pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 60 mins. No interval
Tickets: €20 & €18 concession
Lunchtime Theatre & Matinee:
All Tickets €14

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MUSIC

GOETHE CHOIR PRESENTS DIDO & AENAS

Presented by Goethe Choir

Dido and Aeneas is an opera by Henry Purcell, composed around 1689. It is based on Book IV of Virgil's Aeneid and tells the tragic love story of Dido, the Queen of Carthage, and Aeneas, a Trojan hero. The opera is structured in a prologue and three acts. Dido falls in love with Aeneas when he seeks refuge in Carthage. However, a Sorceress, who despises Dido, plots to separate them. She sends a false message to Aeneas, disguised as the god Mercury, instructing him to leave Carthage. Aeneas decides to obey, leading to Dido's despair and eventual suicide. The opera concludes with Dido's famous lament, "When I am laid in earth". This work is notable for being Purcell's only true opera and one of the earliest English operas. It remains a significant piece in the Baroque opera repertoire.
For the full programme see civictheatre.ie

Composer: Henry Purcell
Conductor: John Dexter
Choreographer: Stephanie Dufresne

CAST
Goethe Choir

Dido – Sharon Carty
Aeneas – Benjamin Russell
Belinda – Hannah Gries
Sorceress – Katy Kelly
Dancer – Stephanie Dufresne
Guitar Solo – Perry Schack
Harpsichord – David O'Shea
Lumiere Quartet

MAY Tue 20th // 7:30pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €37
Meal Deal: €58 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

SUMMER COUNTRY SHOW

Presented by JMG Music Group

Back by popular demand, 'The Summer Country Show' returns for another memorable night of toe-tapping magic and will feature 5 of Ireland's top stars all on one impressive show. The bill includes the legendary Hillbillies front man Ray Lynam and his iconic hit 'Back in Love by Monday', the supreme vocalist from Sligo Patrick Feeney with 'Red Haired Mary'. Also starring Laois man Shawn Cuddy, the young sensation Owen Mac and his global hit song 'Play Me the Waltz of the Angels' and the mighty man from Mayo Gerry Guthrie. Backed with Ireland's top band Keltic Storm, makes this a show you won't want to miss!

MAY Wed 21st // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One Interval
Tickets: €32
Meal Deal: €53 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

DRAMA

AN EVENING WITH MICHAEL HARDING

Presented by Michael Harding

Michael Harding's father had a profound effect on his life. In 2023, Michael walked the Camino de Santiago, and wrote a volume of memoir entitled 'I Loved Him From The Day He Died'. Join Michael as he brings to life the Camino walk and the father who shaped his life.

MAY Thu 22nd // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 75 mins. No interval
Tickets: €27 concession
Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

FAMILY/MUSIC

SOOTHING SONGS

Presented by Rachel Drew - Let's Sing

This engaging and interactive work-in-progress live performance by Rachel Drew will encompass beautiful children's songs and contemporary easy-listening songs. Young children (0-3) and their parents or guardians will be invited to sit in a circle and enjoy musical activities with the aid of props such as lights, scarves, bubbles and percussion instruments in a relaxed and informal environment.
Events are free, we would love your feedback as part of attendance.

MAY Tue 27th - Wed 28th // 11am & 12:30pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 45 mins. No interval
Tickets: Free, Booking Essential
Booking via Box Office: 01 4627477

Age suitability babies and toddlers ages 0 months – 3 years.

Presented as part of The Civic's Education programme. Kindly supported by The Arts Council and South Dublin County Council.

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Let's Sing! SING · LEARN · GROW

MUSIC

SHOWDOWN

The E.L.O. Experience

Presented by The Life Music Group

A kicking 7-piece band performs the timeless 'strange magic' of E.L.O.
The Show features all the classic hits such as 'Evil Woman', 'Showdown', 'Last Train to London' & 'Mr. Blue Sky', performed fully live by the band inclusive of 5-part vocal harmonies and a string section to add that authentic classical sound. With stunning visuals and videos that will blow you away! The band features some of Dublin's incredibly talented musicians, including local Tallaght performers Shane O'Reilly (Bipolar Empire) and guitar hero Joe Mullins.

JUN Thu 5th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27 & €25 concession
Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

MOMENTS OF PLEASURE

The Ultimate Tribute to Kate Bush

Presented by Moments of Pleasure

A 5 piece touring Kate Bush tribute band, featuring the astounding vocals of Lisa-Marie Walters. Backed by four musicians who are able to recreate the sound of Kate Bush's records with absolute precision, Lisa-Marie's vocal and visual performance is frankly astonishing! Emulating the voice and mannerisms of Kate Bush like no other, and generating so much love and emotion from the audience, she is widely lauded as the next best thing to listening to Kate Bush herself! This show will be a celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Kate's definitive 1985 album, coupled with Kate's big hits from across her career

JUN Fri 6th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 130 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27
Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Try Something New

Sat 7th June

Cruinniú na nÓg

The Civic are delighted to present multi disciplinary creative workshops and performances from art forms such as Music, Drama, Dance & Digital, Storytelling and Theatre Making. Expanding audience participation and engagement as part of the The Civic South Dublin Cruinniú na nÓg Festival 2025. All work is facilitated by professional artists, creating new work for Children on and before Sat 7th June. (Curated by Mary Sheehan, Education & Engagement Executive- The Civic)

Singing in The Rain

Presented by Rachel Drew (Let's Sing)

A musical, multi-sensory experience for children and their families

Time: 10am
Duration: 45 mins.
Age Suitability: 0 - 3 years

Make Your Own Story

Presented by Juliette Saumande

Taking inspiration from Juliette's books 'My Little Album of Ireland' and 'My Little Album of Dublin', we will use ourselves, each other, our senses and maybe a bit of luck to create our own stories.

Time: 11:45am
Duration: 60 mins.
Age Suitability: 6-12 years

Beach Days

Presented by Monica Munoz

A multi-sensory dance show followed by an interactive workshop.

Time: 2pm
Duration: 60 mins.
Age Suitability: 5- 10 years

Bang and Blast

Presented by Mary Curran (Whisteblast Quartet)

A music workshop designed to be fun, educational, interactive, inclusive and provide an active introduction to the wonderful French horn, live music, percussion and group play.

Time: 4pm
Duration: 55 mins.
Age Suitability: 4 - 12 years

Leaps and Bounds!

Presented by Freshly Ground Theatre Company

An exciting showcase of new work created by an ensemble of students, ages 11 -14 years across four schools in South Dublin.

Time: 6pm
Duration: 60 mins.
Age Suitability: 8+ years

Unlock Creativity with Digital Moves

Presented by Jack Philp

A unique opportunity to explore the worlds of dance, choreography, motion capture and digital art. Join us for workshops in May and Jun and a final showing of the digital participants created, which will be showcased on 7th Jun.

Time: 8pm
Duration: 30 mins.
Age Suitability: 13 - 18 years

All events take place in our studio theatre on Sat 7th Jun, 2025
Free - Booking essential
Scan the code for more info:

A Day of Free Creativity for Young People funded by Creative Ireland South Dublin

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07.06.2025 Cruinniú na nÓg

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SCHOOLS

THE SOUND COLLECTOR

Presented by Jam Jar Theatrical Productions

A charming new family musical by beloved poet Roger McGough.
Blind musician Keith loves his noisy life. His neighbour Topsy, a TikTok influencer, has different ideas. One day, a mysterious figure sneaks into Keith's house and steals his favourite sounds, even his snores! It's up to the audience to lend Keith an ear and help him catch the thief. Dive into a cosy sound bath of gorgeous gurgles and satisfying squeaks in this sensory production, featuring original music by Steve Halliwell of Little Machine.
Written by: Roger McGough
Directed by: Jonny Danciger
Composer / Sound Design: Steve Halliwell

FEB Sat 15th // 10am & 12pm

Main Space
Duration: 60 mins. No interval
Tickets: €12
TEACHERS GO FREE
Booking via Box Office: 01 4627477
Age Suitability: 6+

Presented as part of The Civic's Education programme.

DRAMA

FALLING TO EARTH

My Summer with Bowie

Presented by Verdant Productions Ltd.

A thrilling new production from acclaimed playwright Eugene O'Brien, 'Falling To Earth: My Summer With Bowie' is an evocative and deeply personal story of music, longing, and self-discovery. Brought to life by the powerhouse performance of Stephen Jones (Northern Lights, Red Rock, Love/Hate, Ripper Street), this gripping one-man show takes audiences on an unforgettable journey through a summer that changed everything. Scut Kelly feels like an alien in his own hometown. Single, loveless, and caring for a father who had never shown him much care, his only solace comes from the music of Ziggy, The Thin White Duke, the man who fell to Earth with his Spiders from Mars. But now, fate is about to intervene. In an extraordinary twist of events, Scut's world collides with that of his idol, David Bowie. A once-in-a-lifetime encounter forces him to confront his dreams, his fears, and the painful reality of his past. Can he navigate this new planet of possibilities, or will he come crashing back to Earth?
Written by: Eugene O'Brien
Starring: Stephen Jones
Directed by: Jim Nolan

JUN Wed 11th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 85 mins. No interval
Tickets: €25 & €23 concession
Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Falling To Earth by Eugene O'Brien, was originally co-produced by Verdant Productions & The Civic Theatre as part of Dublin Theatre Festival 2023. Grant Aided by The Arts Council.

MUSIC

THE BOOTLEG BEACHBOYS

Presented by Stratmore Entertainment

The Bootleg Beach Boys, is the ultimate tribute to the legendary Beach Boys. Renowned as the best tribute band in the world, we bring the timeless harmonies and infectious energy of the Beach Boys to life. Our performances are a nostalgic journey down memory lane, capturing the essence of the original band's iconic surf sound. With every show, we create an amazing party atmosphere that resonates with audiences of all ages. Join us for an unforgettable experience filled with good vibrations, as we celebrate the legacy of the Beach Boys and bring their classic hits to life.

JUN Fri 13th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27
Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

COMEDY

HAPPEN / CHANCE

Presented by Happen/Chance Productions

One of Dublin's freshest and most innovative improv shows, 'Happen/Chance' is an improvisational theatre experience that delivers long-form improv with the intensity and fun of 'Whose line is it Anyway'. Honestly. Live. Theatre.
Join us for an evening of fun entertainment, where every moment is brand new and always comic! Don't miss out on this exhilarating comic theatrical experience – book your tickets now and prepare to be swept away by the magic of 'Happen/Chance'!

JUN Fri 13th // 8:15pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 90 mins. One interval
Tickets: €18 & €16 concession
Age suitability 13+

MUSIC

LEGENDS OF THE 60s SHOW

Presented by JMG Music Group

Join a multi award-winning all-star cast of musicians and singers Stephen, Raymond and Chris for the musical masterpiece that is the Legends of the 60s Show'.
The show with the ultimate feel good factor will transport you all the way hand clapping, swinging and singing back to that magical golden decade that was the 1960's. Performing high quality tributes to icons like Elvis, The Beatles, The Monkeys, The Rolling Stones, Roy Orbison, Tom Jones, Cliff Richard, The Drifters to name but a small few, all in one night. Let us deliver to you an entertaining musical live experience featuring over 40 iconic hit songs never to be forgotten!

JUN Thu 19th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 140 mins. One interval
Tickets: €30
Meal Deal: €51 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

KINGS OF VEGAS

Presented by DB Music

Get ready for an electrifying night of timeless hits as Kings of Vegas light up The Civic Theatre this Summer! Experience the unforgettable music of Tom Jones and Elvis Presley, brought to life by top tribute artists Danny Roman and Liam Murphy and featuring the Vegas All-Star Band in a show packed with legendary songs, undeniable charisma, and the glamour of a classic Las Vegas show. Performing all of their greatest hits, from "Delilah" to "Suspicious Minds", this is a night you won't want to miss!

JUN Fri 20th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 135 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27 & €25 concession
Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

THE BLUE BELLES
- A Live Spectacular

Presented by The Blue Belles

The Blue Belles are Ireland's freshest post-modern vintage-style trio, combining the classic sound of authentic vintage swing with post-modern versions of the biggest hits from the last 40 years, all in pitch perfect 3-part harmony! Ireland's premier vintage vocal trio features Kerry Ann Sheridan, Carly Coonagh and West End star & Celtic Woman Grammy-nominated artist Susan McFadden!
Featuring a 5 piece band with Shane McVicker at the helm as musical director, this show is a special evening of intricate close harmony, storytelling, foot stomping hits and maybe even some dancing!

JUN Sat 21st // 7:30pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27
Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

FAMILY

THE LONESOME BOATMAN

Presented by Ouch Productions, Colm O'Grady

The Lonesome Boatman is an outstanding circus theatre show for family audiences; a musical clown odyssey, which explores the themes of climate change in a humorous but thought-provoking way. Combining magical realism with circus techniques such as object manipulation, juggling and trapeze to create a unique narrative and poetic universe. The story navigates through many epic states incorporating bespoke compositions alongside traditional music with live instrumentation including banjolele, bodhran, tin whistle, spoons and musical saw. The Lonesome Boatman is a playful story bubbling with comedy, surprises and rubber ducks!

JUN Sun 22nd // 4pm
Main Space
Duration: 45 mins. No interval
Tickets: €14 & €12 concession
Family Ticket €50 (family of 4)

GRAVITY SHIFT

This Summer the Civic presents Gravity Shift - a new and dynamic event in South Dublin led by The Civic Theatre, combining aerial arts, Parkour, and other physical disciplines. This event aims to engage young people in an exciting array of physically challenging, and creative environments, mentored by professional artists.

THE WEIGHT OF SHADOW

Presented by Sasha Krohn – Physical Theatre

The Weight of Shadow is a powerful visual exploration of the rapid decline of mental health, symbolically based on true events. Free workshops will also be held around the themes in the show.

JUN Thu 26th // 1pm
Main Space
Duration: 60 mins. No interval
Tickets: €16 & €14 concession
Suitable for ages 12+

BOOK TICKETS FOR ALL GRAVITY SHIFT SHOWS HERE:

DUBLIN PARKOUR WORKSHOPS

Presented by Dublin Parkour

Join our 3-hour beginner parkour course at The Civic, run by Dublin Parkour! Learning fundamental movements on specialized equipment under the guidance of our experienced, well-established coaches. Then take your skills outside for basic urban training in a safe, supportive environment. Perfect for beginners!

JUL Mon 7th - Wed 9th // 1pm
Main Space
Duration: 60 mins. No interval
Free, booking essential
Suitable for ages 10+

AERIEL AND HIP HOP CREATIVE WORKSHOP

Presented by Fidget Feet

Sara Granda aerial artist and Tobi Omoteso hip-hop artist will take part in Gravity Shift at the Civic, offering physical workshops in hip-hop , movement and aerial.

AUG Tue 12th //12pm
Main Space
Duration: 180 mins.
Free, booking essential
Suitable for ages 12+

MUSIC

ONÓIR

Presented by Onóir

Back by Popular Demand- These talented musicians with distinctive vocal styles are setting new standards with unique, incredible musical arrangements and harmonies. Enjoy the timeless ballads and folk songs that we all love, along with a few pleasant surprises as they delve into Americana, heart rending soul and a little bit of country. Onóir are selling out venues in record time as their impassioned audiences are taken on a musical odyssey. From their new take on traditional Irish songs all the way through to, up-tempo modern Irish classics.

JUN Fri 27th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 150 mins. One interval
Tickets: €32
Meal Deal: €53 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

VLADIMIR JABLOKOV LIVE

Presented by Vladimir Promotions Limited

Internationally acclaimed violinist Vladimir Jablokov makes a rare appearance at the Civic Theatre as part of his intimate Summer Tour 2025. Following performances at major venues, including headlining Dublin's 3Arena for three consecutive years, Vladimir wants to reconnect with his audiences in more intimate settings across Ireland. Joined by the exceptional pianist Vincent Lynch, Vladimir will present an unforgettable evening of romance and passion, featuring timeless favourites such as 'Theme from Spartacus', 'If I Were a Rich Man', 'Libertango', 'Por Una Cabeza', 'Jalousie', 'Hungarian Dance No. 5,' along with some beautiful Irish melodies.

JUN Sat 28th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 100 mins. One interval
Tickets: €35 & €32 concession
Meal Deal: €53 (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.

JUN Sun 29th // 1pm
Main Space
Duration: 65 mins. No interval
Tickets: €14 & €12 concession.
Family Ticket €50 (family of 4)

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Come on in...

DRAMA

BEFORE by Pat Kinevane

Presented by Fishamble: The New Writing Company

From the team that brought you ‘Forgotten’, ‘Underneath’ and the Olivier Award-winning ‘Silent’, ‘Before’ is a play with much music, set in Clery’s of Dublin, on the very day this iconic department store shuts – for good. Pontius is inside, trying to choose a gift for his estranged daughter, whom he hasn’t seen for almost 20 years. He will meet her in an hour. This father’s journey is both beautiful and strange, from the isolation of his Midlands home, to the madness of O’Connell Street. Some folk are impossible to buy for...

JUL Wed 2nd // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 80 mins. No interval
Tickets: €25
Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

Fishamble: The New Play Company is supported by the Arts Council, Dublin City Council and Culture Ireland.

MUSIC

THE SENSATIONAL 70s SUPERSTARS SHOW

Presented by TCB Productions

The Sensational 70s Superstars Show with their tributes to ‘Smokie’ and ‘ Bay City Rollers’ and Super 70s Number Ones are the Ultimate 70s Party Band!
These guys will take you on a time tumbling trip to the 1970s- The era that taste forgot. We want you take part, so dig out the Flares, the platforms, the cheesecloth, get a perm, fire up your Cortina... come on your raleigh chopper. Brilliant prize for best costume... come on, you know you want to... BOOK NOW!

JUL Sat 5th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 150 mins. One interval
Tickets: €25
Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

THE CLASSIC BEATLES - The 1965 Tour

Presented by The Classic Beatles

1965 was a turning point for The Beatles... They recorded two historical albums ‘Help’ and ‘Rubber Soul’, they were the first pop band to play Shea Stadium in New York. The Classic Beatles, the world’s only tribute act endorsed by Sir George Martin are excited to take you there in a 2hr visit to 1965 packed with ground breaking hits, multimedia and the historic musical pivot from black and white to colour. It’s the perfect night out for the Beatle nut in your life!

JUL Fri 4th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €28
Meal Deal: €49 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

THE BJORN IDENTITY Thank ABBA for the Music

Presented by Musicon Entertainment

MAMMA MIA! World-class, international tribute to ABBA – The Bjorn Identity has risen to become one of the most exciting and authentic ABBA acts across UK & Europe. This live show is packed full of ABBA’s greatest hits and Mamma Mia movie favourites, to satisfy the ‘Hole in Your ABBA Soul’. Lots of audience participation and always something extra for the most dedicated fans of ABBA. With uncanny vocal studies, undeniable stage presence through to Benny’s famous spinning, White piano, they even boast ‘real life’ ABBA couples; which means, it just doesn’t get any better!

JUL Fri 11th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €29.50
Meal Deal: €50.50 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

"A National Treasure"
JOE DUFFY

DRAMA
PADRAIG POTTS
Presented by Big Guerilla Productions

This coming-of-age play, set in rural Ireland, just might break your heart – It might also bring you back to a time and place full of innocence and longing. Doused with the colour and humour we have come to expect from Seamus O'Rourke – this time he is joined on stage by a chorus of characters that have enchanted his past. Padraig Potts manfully wades through the indecisions of his youth as we discover that we should always follow our hearts and our dreams! This is a relentless tale of love and failure and fatigue... and then just in time... at the end – love again. A seamless tapestry of what made us squirm in the 70's and 80's.
Cast: Seamus O'Rourke
Director: Charlie McGuinness

JUL Sat 12th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 70 mins. No interval
Tickets: €22 & €20 concession
Meal Deal: €41 (Ticket + 2 course meal)
Age Suitability: 12+ Strong language/mature themes

SPORT
GRAPPLE KINGS
Presented by Grapple Kings

Established in 2018 Grapple Kings have grown and hosted some of the biggest and best martial arts events across Europe. The brilliant team from Grapple Kings return to The Civic with another elite martial arts combat event. Showcasing the best female and male talent from across Europe this event is a must see for all martial arts enthusiasts. Two title fights and a stacked card to look forward to this Summer.

JUL Sun 13th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 300 mins. Various intervals.
Tickets: €40 (Rows A-C) & €30 (Rows D-O)
Age Suitability: 10+

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MUSIC

PROUD MARY AND HER CITY LIMITS BAND - Tina Turner Tribute

Presented by Amanda Lane Productions

Simply the Best Tina Turner Tribute show returns to The Civic by popular demand this Summer. A celebration of the Queen Of Rock- not to be missed. Proud Mary & Her City Limits Band are a 6 piece live band performing all your favourite hits, with power house vocals and replica dance moves from Amanda Lane in this memorable explosive show. Get ready to relive the iconic hits, keeping the legacy of Tina alive with a night to remember.

JUL Thu 17th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €28
Meal Deal: €49 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

COMEDY

JOE DOWLIN - Rapunzel

Presented by Joeirish Comedy

Joe Dowlin's new 2025 show 'Rapunzel' comes to the The Civic this July. He's full to the brim of energy and bounces around the stage like a Duracell bunny! Like every Tallaght man, he's been to Turkey recently to get the aul hair done and what a journey it's been. The Joeirish TikTok sensation tells his hair-larious tale from bald eagle to Rapunzel. Come long for the rideeee! Support Act Black Paddy AKA Fabu D.

JUL Sat 19th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €25
Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)
Age Suitability 16+

COMEDY

GEARÓID FARRELLY

Presented by Lisa Richards

Gearóid Farrelly follows his mammoth Glamour Hammer tour with a hilarious new stand up show touching on the many, many, MANY things that make his blood boil.

JUL Fri 18th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €25 & €23 concession
Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)
Age Suitability 18+

MUSIC/FAMILY

THE SPEKS

Presented by The Speks

The Speks present a lively show of nursery rhymes and sing-along songs set to acoustic Irish music which will have adults and kids jumping in their seats! Their hand-clapping, toe-tapping, hearty-laughing show is all about life on Glasses Island – a magical island off the coast of Co. Clare where everybody wears glasses! The Speks have won a Parents' Choice music award in the US where their music has been described as "Riverdance for kids" and they encourage everyone to sing, scream, clap and dance along during their performances. This will be a great, fun event for kids aged 2 to 92! Illustrations by David Fortune.

JUL Sun 20th // 2pm
Main Space
Duration: 50 mins. No interval
Tickets: €13
Family Ticket: €48 (family of 4)
Age Suitability 2+

FAMILY

DEAR ZOO

Presented by NLP Ltd

Dear Zoo, by author and illustrator Rod Campbell has delighted generations of young readers since it was first published in 1982, and has sold more than 8 million copies worldwide
Now presented as a fun stage show! Join Be and his friend Sall as they wait to see what the Zoo will send when they get Ben's letter asking for a pet. All kinds of familiar animals big and small arrive...but will they make a good pet? Well.....wait and see! This production will delight all those who have read the book (both young and old) as it unfolds with child-engaging puppets, music and lots of audience interaction.

AUG Wed 13th - Thu 14th Aug
// 12pm & 3pm
Main Space
Duration: 50 mins. No interval
Tickets: €22
Family Ticket: €68 (family of 4)
Age Suitability 2+
For a fun activity pack to accompany the show see www.civictheatre.ie

MUSIC

ELVIS 90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION TOUR
- with Kevin Doyle

Presented by Platinum Events

In honour of what would have been Elvis Presley's 90th birthday, Platinum Events are thrilled to present this special celebration concert, featuring Kevin Doyle and his 12 piece 'The Way It Was Orchestra', one of the world's leading Elvis tribute bands. Kevin Doyle has captivated audiences worldwide with his authentic renditions of Elvis's greatest songs, complete with the charisma, energy, and stage presence that made Elvis a global icon. From the early days of 'Hound Dog', 'Jailhouse Rock' to later classics like 'Suspicious Mind', the band's performance will transport you back to the golden era of rock 'n' roll.

AUG Fri 15th - Sat 16th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €32
Meal Deal: €53 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

DRAMA

BADA BOOM by Niall Austin

Presented by Human Reality Ltd

A bold, new theatrical experience that blends live performance, operatic beauty, and cutting-edge interactive technology. At its heart is the haunting story of an aging hitman reckoning with the choices of his past. As he relives key moments from his shadowy career, the audience is drawn into his memories—literally—via a competitive mobile game that lets you step into the action in a thrilling first-person experience. Bada-Boom is a genre-defying night of theatre - part confessional, part game, part love story - that invites audiences to reflect, compete, and be transported. Visually stunning and emotionally resonant, it's a must-see event for anyone seeking something truly original.

AUG Thu 28th // 7:30pm
Main Space
Duration: 75 mins. No interval
Tickets: €15
Age Suitability: 18+. Contains Strong Language
Supported by Arts Council Ireland

MUSIC

GEORGE MURPHY & THE RISING SONS

Presented by Pat Egan

George Murphy and The Rising Sons are back! As part of their 'Something Out Of Nothing Tour'. After a hugely successful year for George and The Sons which saw them release their first studio album and fill some of the biggest auditoriums all over the country, we are delighted to announce that they will be back for a nationwide tour in 2025. Described as the perfect blend of Trad, Folk and Rock n' Roll. George and his 7 piece band of Sons promise a night not to be missed! This show is filled with new songs from their album and revamped old classics suitable for all generations...

AUG Fri 29th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 135 mins. One interval
Tickets: €34
Meal Deal: €55 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

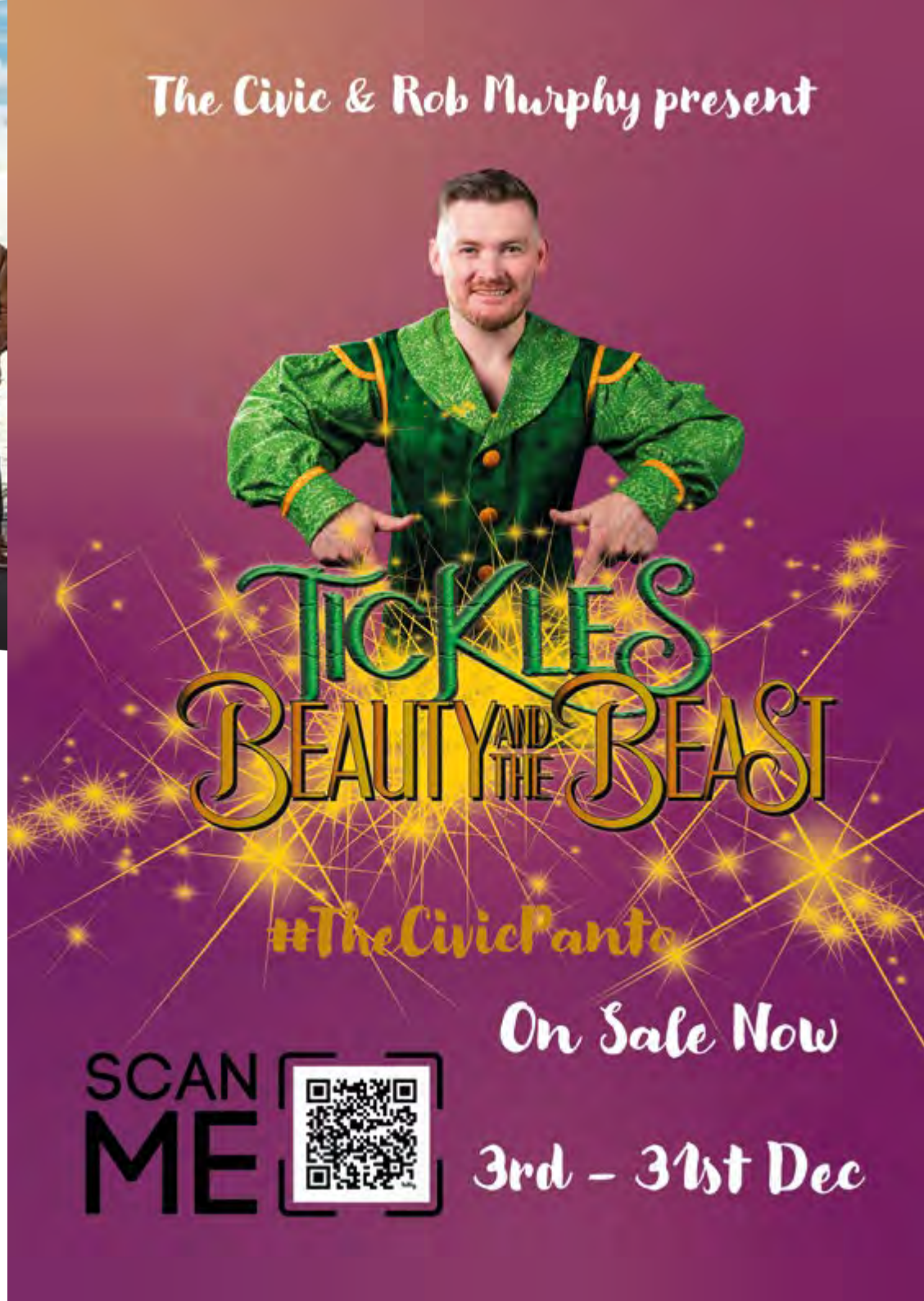
MUSIC

ROUTE 66 BIG BAND

Presented by Route 66

Route 66 Big Band are delighted to bring their Live in Concert Show back to the Civic Theatre this August. This show, which features numbers from Tom Jones, Joe Dolan, Adele, Frank Sinatra and many more has been a great success with audiences of all ages over the years and the Civic in particular has been their most favourite venue. Their great programme of these hits played with a fabulous big band sound is guaranteed to have you singing and dancing all through the evening.

AUG Sat 30th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27
Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



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Farewell to Amarillo
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By phone **(01) 462 7477**

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The Civic, Parthalán Place,
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Opening hours
We are open from 10am- 6pm Mon-Sat
(6pm - 8pm on performance nights)
The Box Office is usually closed or operates different hours on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Booking Fee
All ticket prices are inclusive of Booking Fees.

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Are available for certain shows. Ask when booking or check online for details.

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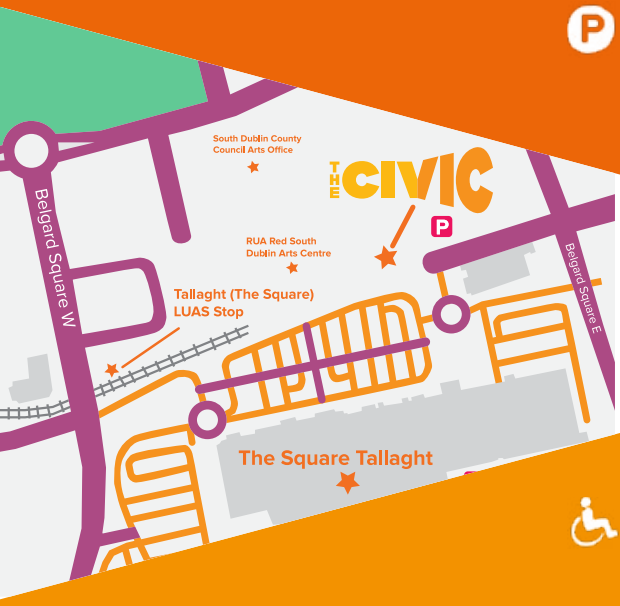
Free parking in The Civic car park from 5pm Mon - Fri and from 10am Sat & Sun.



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Red Line from The Point, via Jervis Street and Heuston Station to The Square, Tallaght.

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