

WELCOME!

Welcome to an exhilarating season at The Civic Theatre Tallaght! As we look ahead to the final months of 2024, we're thrilled to present a dynamic and diverse lineup of performances, premieres, and community programmes that promise to engage, entertain, and inspire. There truly is something for everyone.

WORLD PREMIERES AND FESTIVALS

This season, we are proud to host five world premieres of new works as part of the prestigious Dublin Fringe and Dublin Theatre Festival. These premieres showcase the cutting edge of contemporary theatre, featuring bold, innovative voices and stories that reflect the vibrant cultural landscape of Dublin. The Civic Theatre is proud to announce our participation in Black History Month also in October. This will be a yearly commitment to celebrating the rich history, culture, and contributions of the Black community starting with a reading of the award winning play 'The Mountaintop' by Katori Hall.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY PRODUCTIONS

For families and young audiences, our very own productions of 'Hansel, Gretel & The Witch' will enchant audiences this Halloween with a spooky yet heartwarming retelling of the classic fairy tale. In December, the magic continues with our annual pantomime 'Tickles and the Beanstalk', a festive extravaganza filled with laughter, music, and holiday cheer.

For seating plan, opening hours and further information scan this code:



AWARD-WINNING THEATRE

We are delighted to announce the return of the award-winning 'No Magic Pill' by Christian O'Reilly in November. This heartfelt and hilarious story of Martin Naughton, a leader of the disability rights movement in Ireland, breaks new ground in Irish theatre with its authentic casting of disabled actors, providing a powerful and poignant experience for all.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Our Education Programme continues to flourish, expanding its reach into all local primary and secondary schools with a variety of creative and innovative initiatives. These programs are designed to nurture the next generation of theatre enthusiasts and practitioners, fostering a love for the arts within our community.

A RECORD-BREAKING YEAR

Last year was the busiest year on record for The Civic Theatre, and with your support, we aim to make 2024 another landmark year. Join us in celebrating the arts, supporting local talent, and making this season unforgettable for everyone involved.

We look forward to seeing you at The Civic Theatre Tallaght for an extraordinary season of performances and events.

Warm regards. **Donal Shiels** CEO / Artistic Director

SEP

Sun 1st	Grapple Kings 13
Thu 5th - Wed 11th	The Man Who Talks to Statues
Mon 9th - Wed 11th	Scéal Gasta
Thu 12th - Fri 13th	Anna Newell
Thu 12th	Essentially Cher
Fri 13th Sh	nowdown, The E.L.O. Experience
Sat 14th	The Illegals w/ Niamh Kavanagh
Sun 15th	Singalong Songbook
Mon 16th - Sat 21st	The 3:30 at Cheltenham
Fri 20th	Culture Night
Sat 21st - Sun 29th	Dream Factory

OCT

Tue 1st - Sat 5th	Dream Factory
Tue 1st - Sat 12th	Home, Boys, Home
Thu 10th - Sat 12th	Sandpaper on Sunburn
Sun 13th Dublin G	Sospel Choir & Kingswood Choir
Mon 14th	Sightless Cinema 'Home'
Tue 15th	The Elton John Tribute Show
Tue 15th	The Night Belongs to Us
Tue 15th S	céal Gasta Schools Presentation
Wed 16th	The Fureys
Wed 16th	Ross Browne 'Only Joking'
Thu 17th - Sat 19th	Red Line Book Festival
Sun 20th	Seamus O'Rourke 'Indigestion'
Mon 21st Ronan C	collins 'Showband Hits & Stories'
Mon 21st	The Mountaintop - A Reading
Tue 22nd	Foróige
Tue 22nd - Fri 25th	Making a Show of Myself
Wed 23rd Let's Roo	k This Country w/ Shania & Friends
Fri 25th - Thu 31st	Hansel, Gretel & The Witch
Sat 26th	The Civic Comedy Club
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Fri 1st - Sat 2	The Holding Bones	
Fri 1st	Fleetwood Shack	
Sat 2nd	David O'Doherty 'Tiny Piano Man'	

Sat 2nd	An Evening with The Blue Belles
Tue 5th - Sat 9th	HXT Musical 'Big Fish'
Thu 7th	The Night Belongs to Us
Fri 8th	Andrew Ryan Comedy
Sat 9th - Sun 10th	AboutFACE 'NEWvember'
Sun 10th	Kirti Dance
Mon 11th	Phil Coulter 'Legacy'
Tue 12th	The Dublin Story Slam
Mon 11th - Tue 12t	h Real Learning 'Behind The Curtain'
Wed 13th Pro	ud Mary and Her City Limits Band
	CoisCéim Dance Theatre
Sun 17th	Route 66
Mon 18th The	Keeley Brothers 'Knock 3 Times'
Tue 19th	Norma Sheahan 'Wine O'Clock'
Tue 19th - Sat 23r	d From Eden
Wed 20th	McCartney - All The Best
Fri 22nd - Sat 23r	d No Magic Pill
Sun 24th	Singalong Songbook Ultimate Xmas Show
Mon 25th Free	shly Ground Schools Presentation
Tue 26th - Wed 27	th ABBA Forever
Thu 28th	Caith Amach É
Thu 28th	Christmas Country with The Stars
Fri 29th	Rebecca Storm
Sat 30th	The Civic Comedy Club

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Tue 3rd - Sat 7th	Bull Alley
Wed 4th - Sun 31st	Tickles and The Beanstalk
Fri 13th - Sat 14th	A Christmas Carol

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

www.civictheatre.ie



SPORT

GRAPPLE KINGS 13

Presented by Grapple Kings

Grapple Kings is back with another mouthwatering event between Ireland and Brazil. The best grapplers will go head-to-head in an enthralling event to kick off our Autumn/ Winter season. Expect fireworks!

SEP Sun 1st // 4pm
Main Space
Duration: 360 mins. With intervals
Tickets: Tickets: €40 (rows A-C) & €30
(rows D-0)

Age Suitability: 10+



DUBLIN FRINGE FESTIVAL AT THE CIVIC





THE CIVIC THEATRE TALLAGHT

THE NIGHT BELONGS TO US

Tuesday 15 October (In collaboration with ThisIsMe Neurodiversity)
Thursday 7 November

















DJ SETS

LIVE MUSIC

OPEN MIC

Presented by Verdant Productions and The Civic Theatre, in association with Dublin Fringe Festival

Darryl, a recording engineer and voiceover artist, lives in an attic creating radio ads and recording his own play. After crashing his father's car, Darryl embarks on a magic realist road trip to Limerick and Dublin, encountering suspicious locals, deceased celebrities and historical figures.

His special talent for speaking to statues leads to interactions with icons like Richard Harris, Phil Lynott and Molly Malone. Darryl's journey is a blend of hedonism, self-reflection and a quest for either salvation or escape.

Written by and starring Shane Casey (Billy Murphy, The Young Offenders).

CAST & CREATIVE TEAM:

Written by: Shane Casey Directed by: Brian Desmond Starring: Shane Casey Sound and Video Design: Cormac O'Connor SEP Thu 5th - Wed 11th

Previews Thu 5th - Fri 6th Sept // 7pm

Opening Night Sat 7th // 7pm Mon 9th - Wed 11th // 7pm Matinee: Sun 8th Sep // 4pm

Tickets: €26

Previews and matinee: All tickets €18

Main Space

Duration: 60 mins. No interval

Age suitability 14+ Contains strong language

THE CIVIC SESSIONS

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AN ATTEMPT TO TALK WITH THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD

Presented by Anna Newell Theatre Adventures

An immersive dance show for babies aged 3-12 months. Created especially for babies by a team of award-winning artists 'An Attempt to Talk With the Beginning of the World' is a luminous world full of playful up-close dance, intriguing immersive sound and light and many, many ping pong balls!

SEP Thu 12th // 11am, 12pm & 2pm Fri 13th // 10:30am, 11:30am & 1:30pm Studio Theatre

Duration: 25 mins, with up to 15 mins free play time.

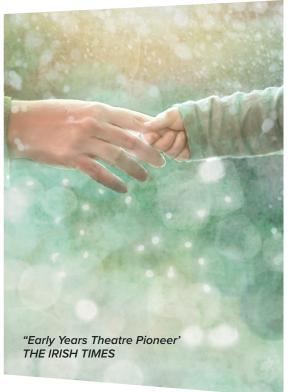
Tickets: €15 (1 adult + 1 baby)

Age Suitability: Babies aged 3-12 months and their adults.

Kindly supported by The Arts Council/An Chomhairle Ealaíon



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MUSIC SHOWDOWN -The ELO Experience

Presented by The Life Music Group

This 7-piece live band are dedicated to performing the music and 'Strange Magic' of E.L.O. The show includes 5 part vocal harmonies and a string section, adding to that authentic classical sound. Featuring all the classic hits such as 'Evil Woman', 'Showdown', 'Last Train to London' and 'Mr. Blue Sky'. With stunning visuals and videos that will blow you away, the E.L.O. 'Showdown' has been a resounding success in venues throughout Ireland and the musicians are thrilled to bring the show to The Civic in Tallaght.

SEP Fri 13th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27 & €25 concession
Meal Deal: €46 (Ticket + 2 course meal)





MUSIC

ESSENTIALLY CHER - The Ultimate Cher Tribute

Presented by Arena Lynx

Do you Believe In Love? Well let the music play with 'Essentially Cher' and her phenomenal live band as they take you on a magical musical journey performing all the mega legendary hit songs of The Goddess Of Pop, her highness Cher. A live show that has to be experienced: Glamour, glitz and super hits of icon Cher! You are in for a treat with Cher's all time favourite songs 'Believe', 'If I Could Turn Back Time', 'The Shoop Shoop Song', 'Strong Enough' - plus many more.

SEP Thu 12th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €30 & €28 concession
Meal Deal: €49 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



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THE ILLEGALS WITH NIAMH KAVANAGH

Presented by Oldshore Productions

The Illegals with Niamh Kavanagh, Ireland's only double tribute to the iconic music of Eagles and Fleetwood Mac, are widely regarded as one of the best live tribute acts in the country, The Illegals are into their 26th year with their ever-popular, classic-rock revue. Led by Niamh Kavanagh, The Illegals will take you on a journey for three hours of soulful harmonies, exciting riffs, blistering guitars and unforgettable songs. The best of two legendary bands in one night? It's almost too good to be true.

SEP Sat 14th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 200 mins. One interval Tickets: €27 & €24 concession

Meal Deal: €45 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC SINGALONG SONGBOOK **Celebrates Tom Jones**

Presented by The Singalong Songbook

With over 100 million record sales - 36 Top 50 hits in the UK and 19 in the US - proud Welshman, mentor (The Voice UK), heartthrob and performer, Sir Tom Jones has been at the forefront of music since he exploded onto the scene in the 1960s. Join the brilliant Singalong Songbook team as they tell his life story and sing some of his most iconic hits, including: 'It's Not Unusual', 'What's New Pussycat?', 'Delilah', 'She's a Lady', 'Sex Bomb' and 'The Green, Green Grass of Home'.

SEP Sun 15th // 3pm Main Space Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: €26





CULTURE **NIGHT**

On Friday 20th September, Join us for a series of FREE events as part of Culture Night 2024

ONE NIGHT FOR ALL • OÍCHE DÁR SAOL

For more info see www.civictheatre.ie

CHELTENHAM

Presented by Gúna Nua Theatre Company

The 3:30 at Cheltenham is a fast-paced thrill ride into the life and gambling addiction of Andy Williams. Andy faces his past in an electric re-telling of when chasing the impossible win put much more at stake than just the horses. When the fun stops, can Andy stop?

Produced by award winning Gúna Nua Theatre Company and proudly sponsored by Gambling Awareness Trust, The 3:30 at Cheltenham promises laughs, relentless truth, and insights into the guiet dark side of the gambling industry.

SEP Mon 16th - Sat 21st // 8.15pm Previews Mon 16th & Tue 17th // 8:15pm Lunchtime Theatre Thu 19th // 1pm Studio Theatre

Duration: 70 mins. No interval

Tickets: €20 & €18 concession Previews All Tickets: €16 Lunchtime Theatre All Tickets: €14

Age Suitability 16+ Contains sexual references, strong language and described violence.

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If you or anyone you know is affected by the issues raised in this play or are struggling with Gambling Addiction scan the QR code below go to gamblingcare.ie

Helpline is open from 9AM to 11PM 365 days a year 1800 936 725





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3 INCREDIBLE DUBLIN THEATRE FESTIVAL SHOWS at THE CIVIC





MUSICAL THEATRE / FAMILY / CIRCUS **DREAM FACTORY**

Presented by Lords of Strut in association with The Civic as part of Dublin Theatre Festival

A young girl chooses to investigate the weird factory her father works in, and becomes an unlikely leader against a sinister plot of ultimate destruction. The fantastical story of the town of Ballyplastic which needs to be saved from the domination of a villainous CEO and his maniacally disgusting boss. With spectacular acrobatics, dizzying dance, comical characters, and big banging musical numbers, this epic tale will leave you sore from laughing, your feet itching to dance and your heart full of possibility. A modern legend about over-consumption and environmental collapse told by a starstudded cast in the playful and infectious comedic style of Lords of Strut. "To Stand Up, you have to Get Down"



CAST & CREATIVE TEAM
Written by: Cian Kinsella
Directed by: Jennifer Jennings
Created by: Lords of Strut and Jennifer Jennings
Composed by: Garry McCarthy
Choreography: Deirdre Griffin
Set Design: Ellen Kirk
Lighting Design: Mark Galione
Costume Design: Sarah Foley
Cast: Ruth Berkeley, Lachlan Chapman, Ray Cuddihy, Kate
Finegan, Joshua Frazer, Deirdre Griffin, Lauren Holohan,
Cian Kinsella, Aoife O'Sullivan, Nat Whittingham
Arranged by: Tom Beech
Associate Director: Liv Morris

SEP Sat 21st - OCT Sat 5th
Previews SEP Sat 21st, Sun 22nd, Tue 24th
// 7:30 pm
SEP Wed 25th - Thu 26th // 7:30pm
SEP Fri 27th - Sat 28th // 6:30pm
SEP Sun 29th // 2:30pm & 6pm
OCT Tue 1st - Thu 3rd // 7:30pm
OCT Fri 4th Oct // 6:30pm
OCT Sat 5th Oct // 2:30pm & 6pm

Main Space
Duration: 115 mins. One interval
Tickets: €26 & €24 concession
Previews: All tickets €18
Family ticket €92* (2 adults + 2 children)
*Limited availability

Age Suitability 8+ (Parental Guidance)



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MORE DUBLIN THEATRE FESTIVAL SHOWS at THE CIVIC







Presented by Speckintime in association with The Civic as part of Dublin Theatre Festival.

A new play by Dermot Bolger. After decades abroad, Shane returns to a multicultural Ireland he barely recognises. But he discovers surprising links: an unknown daughter, a black teenage grandson trying to define his identity, and gangland figures threatening the boy's future.

Can he protect this grandson who is unaware of his existence and can they both find ways to feel they truly belong here? Home, Boys, Home completes a unique trilogy that started with In High Germany in the 1990 Dublin Theatre Festival: three standalone plays, written fifteen years apart, recounting the lives of three friends, as emigrants abroad and now as returnees to Ireland.

OCT Tue 1st - Sat 12th // 8:15pm Previews Tue 1st - Wed 2nd // 8:15pm OCT Wed 3rd // 8:15pm OPENING NIGHT Matinee OCT Sat 5th // 4pm Lunchtime Theatre Wed 9th // 1pm Studio Theatre Duration: 90 mins. No interval Tickets: €20 & €18 concession Previews, matinee and lunchtime theatre: All Tickets €16

THE CIVIC SESSIONS

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CAST & CREATIVE TEAM Written By: Dermot Bolger Directed By: Raymond Keane Cast: Fionnuala Gygax, Donna Anita Nikolaisen, Ray Yeates Produced By: Melissa Nolan Stage Manager: Marella Boschi Set Designer: Robert Ballagh Lighting Designer: Conleth White Costume Designer: Marie Tierney Sound Design: Jenny O'Malley

DRAMA SANDPAPER ON **SUNBURN**

Presented by David Horan and Verdant Productions Ltd. as part of Dublin Theatre Festival

Freya's always been sensitive. Difficult, some say. Funny how those words have started to mean the same thing. Jack is four and he's having a meltdown because his Grandad won't let him play with the birthday candles. His Auntie Freya's also having a meltdown. She's twenty-four but is hers really any different?

It's September 2018 and everyone's living in a new, more inclusive Ireland after two referendums and one hot summer. We're all redefining ourselves. And so is Freya. She got dumped. But when her ex shows up at her parents' door along with unexpected news, it feels like anything is possible again. Can sensitive, difficult Freya learn to see herself anew?

The personal becomes political in Sandpaper On Sunburn, a funny and fascinating exploration of identity and family.

OCT Thu 10th - Sat 12th // 8pm OCT Fri 11th // 8pm OPENING NIGHT Matinee OCT Sat 12th // 3pm Main Space

WORLD PREMIERE

Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: €26 & €24 concession

Meal Deal: €45 (Ticket + 2 course meal) Age Suitability 14+

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CAST & CREATIVE TEAM: Written & Directed by: David Horan Cast: Anthony Broph, Honi Cooke, Amelia Crowley, Eilish McLaughlin, Clare Monnelly Set & Costume Design: Maree Kearns Lighting Design: Kevin Smith Sound Design: Tom Lane



Education Programmes
this season at The Civic

As one of the core values of our organisation, we continue to encourage and nurture children and young people's active participation in the Arts. Partnering with the highest calibre of professional artists & theatre companies, we seek to serve the needs of all age categories, offering learning opportunities to engage with fun and meaningful Arts in Education and community programmes.

It is the voice of the child and young person that informs our creative approach to designing, making and producing innovative programmes that connect, engage and enhance social, personal and artistic development in a safe and welcoming space.



STEPPING STONES

Presented by Freshly Ground Theatre Company

Working with 6th class and 1st year students across four schools in South Dublin, Freshly Ground will encourage school communities to engage with themes of transitioning from primary to secondary school. This 'Arts in Education' programme will commence in September with a final presentation in November.













SCÉAL GASTA

Presented by High Rock Production Company

This September we present a new workshop development programme with eight primary schools for 10 - 12 year olds. Based on famous Irish myths and legends, the world of the Fianna will be explored in a series of drama games and exercises as Gaeilge! At the end of the schools mini-tour, children will present short performances on the Main Stage of The Civic.



BEHIND THE CURTAIN

Presented by Real Learning Ltd

Real Learning returns this November with a fun, student-led and socially interactive new 'Theatre in Education' workshop for 5th Year students. Groups from eight different schools will work together to articulate their hopes, expectations and fears around their Leaving Cert journey.

For more information or to get your school involved in Civic Theatre Education projects contact mary@civictheatre.ie



THE DUBLIN GOSPEL CHOIR AND KINGSWOOD COMMUNITY CHOIR

Dublin Gospel Choir will perform in a joint concert with the Kingswood Community Choir, with the aim of raising funds to help support KCC's upcoming trip to Italy. This exciting event will feature an uplifting blend of pop, rock, and gospel music, showcasing the vibrant talents of both choirs. Attendees can look forward to a night filled with harmonious melodies and powerful performances, all while supporting a worthy cause. Audiences will not only enjoy an evening of inspiring music but also contribute to enriching the cultural experiences of the Kingswood Choir on their journey to Italy.

OCT Sun 13th // 3pm & 8pm Main Space

Duration: 150 mins. One interval Tickets: €27.50 & €25 concession

Under 16s: €22



DRAMA **HOME**

Presented by Sightless Cinema

Following the success of 'Blind Panic' by Sightless Cinema in 2023, the company return with a new show 'Home'.

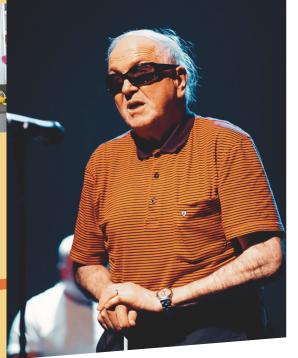
Close your eyes, and think of 'Home' - a programme of shorts, ranging from family drama to hospital farce. These immersive surround-sound audio plays are a feast for the imagination - because all the pictures are in your head. Optional blindfolds are provided to help bring into the world of Sightless Cinema.

Sightless Cinema is a collaborative arts project for people with sight loss to devise and produce audio theatre, led by director Ciarán Taylor.

OCT Mon 14th // 7pm Main Space

Duration: 80 mins. No interval Tickets: €12 & €8 concession

Age Suitability 12+



MUSIC THE ELTON JOHN **TRIBUTE**

Presented by Soul Street Productions

The Rocket Man is back! Experience the UK's ultimate Elton John tribute. With over 300 million records sold. Sir Elton John is the most successful singer-songwriter of his generation. A flamboyant mega-star, with a never-ending back catalogue of incredible songs to keep you hoppin' and boppin' all night! From 'Tiny Dancer' to 'Your Song', The Elton John Show brings Young Elton back to the stage at his energetic best.

OCT Tue 15th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 100 mins. One interval

Tickets: €30

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





MUSIC THE FUREYS

Presented by Joe McCadden Management

When legends of Irish Music & Song The Fureys return to The Civic this Autumn, they will treat their audience to one of popular music's richest legacies.

They are one of Ireland's all-time most acclaimed and influential middle-of-theroad, folk and traditional bands. Furey's classics like 'I Will Love You', 'When You Were Sweet 16', 'Red Rose Café', 'Leaving Nancy', 'The Old Man', "From Clare to Here' and 'The Green Fields of France' have become the soundtrack to the lives of fans all over the world.

OCT Wed 16th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €34

Meal Deal: €55 (Ticket + 2 course meal)







14TH-20TH OCT



MAD ISN'T IT: EMMA DORAN IN CONVERSATION

DATE: Thursday 17th October **TIME:** 8.00pm

ADMISSION: €10/€8



BALLAD OF A BANDIT: MIQUEL BARCELÓ AND BRANAR

Branar, one of Ireland's leading theatre companies making work for children, with Miquel Barceló, present this new show for families and children which conjures up the daring deeds of bandits and highwaymen.

DATE: Saturday 19th October **TIME:** 12.00pm & 2.00pm

ADMISSION: Free, booking required. For families with children aged 7 +



TRUE CRIME: PAT MARRY AND MICK CLIFFORD IN CONVERSATION WITH MUIREANN O'CONNELL

Join host Muireann O'Connell as she discusses two high profile murder cases with Pat Marry (Murder at Lordship investigates the murder of Detective Adrian Donohoe 2013) and Mick Clifford (Who Killed Una Lynskey covers the murder of Una Lynskey

DATE: Saturday 19th October

TIME: 6.30pm

ADMISSION: €10/€8



WHO DID WHAT NOW? WITH KATIE CHARLWOOD

DATE: Saturday 19th October **TIME:** 8.00pm

ADMISSION: €10/€8

BOOKING OPENS FOR ALL FESTIVAL EVENTS ON SEPTEMBER 10TH

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COMEDY **ROSS BROWNE - Only Joking**

Presented by Ross Browne

Turning 40 has hit Ross Browne like a ton of bricks. He's not having a mid-life crisis (because who's betting on 80?), but he's diving deep into life's big questions: mortality, purpose and how similar are we to bins? He wonders whether things are really getting better or just funnier. From park runs to playing dictator, Ross is flying close to the sun, but at the end of the day he's 'Only Joking'.

OCT Wed 16th // 8:15pm Studio Theatre Duration: 90 mins. One interval Tickets: €20

Age suitability 16+ Contains strong language.



MUSIC **RONAN COLLINS -Showband Hits & Stories**

Presented by Pat Egan Management

Ronan Collins, Broadcaster and Singer looks forward to bringing his new show Showband Hits & Stories to a venue near you. With his knowledge of the showbands, stars and songs of that golden era, Ronan will sing the hits and tell the stories from an amazing time in Irish life. Together with The Sugarcubes featuring Karen Black, who herself featured in The Nevada, relive the days of the ballrooms with songs and stories and memories of The Showbands!!

Main Space Duration: 140 mins. One interval Tickets: €32.50 & €29.50 concession Meal Deal: €50.50 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

OCT Mon 21st // 8pm





DRAMA **INDIGESTION**

Presented by Big Guerilla Productions

A man, whose name we never hear, tells us his story of a life, always slightly out of his control. The madness of a simple rural man, a man shipped off to London at the age of 17 who goes through bouts of depression, obesity and anger issues. He finds and loses love, comes back to Ireland to more misfortune and mayhem and yet there is HOPE. This is a story full of hope, where laughter and tears join hands and race us through fifty years of a life, not much different to our own. This is Seamus O'Rourke doing what he does best, storytelling.

OCT Sun 20th // 3pm Main Space Duration: 60 mins. No interval Tickets: €20 & €18 concession Age suitability 12+ Some mature themes and language.

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WHAT YOU SEE

ALWAYS INCLUDE

BOOKING FEES





MAKING A SHOW OF MYSELF

Presented by Mary Kate O'Flanagan

A celebration of the power and magic of storytelling. In a modern twist on a beloved Irish pastime, raconteur and international story expert Mary Kate O'Flanagan makes a case for the profound impact storytelling has on our lives, while sharing some of the true-life stories that made her a GrandSlam Champion Storyteller on two continents and a TikTok sensation!

OCT Tue 22nd - Fri 25th // 7:30pm Lunchtime Theatre Wed 23rd // 1pm Studio Theatre Duration: 85 mins. No interval Tickets: €19 & €17 concession Lunchtime Theatre All Tickets €14 Age suitability 16+ Contains mild sexual references.





MUSIC

Let's Rock this Country with SHANIA & FRIENDS

White Orchid Promotions Limited

If you're a modern country music fan, join us in this high energy, fast paced, fully live tribute to the Queen of country pop, Shania Twain. THE top-selling female country artist of all time with hits such as: 'Man! I Feel Like a Woman', 'From This Moment', 'That Don't Impress Me Much' and many more. The show's second half takes you on musical journey, celebrating some of the greatest country stars such as, Garth Brooks, Faith Hill, LeAnne Rimes and more. The whole show is backed by the amazingly talented Big Music City Band, for an authentic Nashville vibe.

OCT Wed 23rd // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 135 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25

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





COMEDY THE CIVIC COMEDY CLUB

Presented by Great Craic Comedy

The Civic Comedy Club makes a welcome return to The Civic studio this season. Our October show is a double headliner show plus 3 up-and-coming acts!
Aideen McQueen makes a welcome return to the Civic after stealing the show at the 25 year anniversary show in the big room. Johnny Candon is your guest MC ("The new Dave Allen"- Ricky Gervais), with support from Wexford's Blane Hosey, America's Bill Conry and Dunshaughlin's Shawn Uyosa.

OCT Sat 26th // 8:15pm Studio Theatre Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: €20 Age suitability 16+ Contains strong language



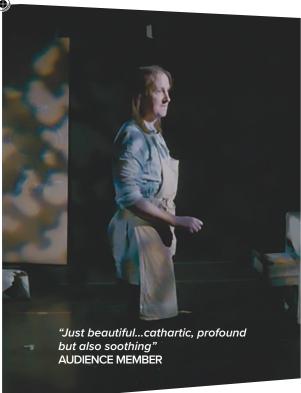
MUSIC FLEETWOOD SHACK

Presented by Fleetwood Shack

Prepare to be transported on a remarkable musical journey as Fleetwood Shack delivers an extraordinary performance, featuring an impressive repertoire of the biggest and most beloved Fleetwood Mac hits. From the anthemic 'Don't Stop' to the soulful 'Go Your Own Way', the infectious 'Little Lies'. the enchanting 'Everywhere', the haunting 'Landslide', the powerful 'The Chain', and many more, their show guarantees to immerse you in a captivating and nostalgic experience.

NOV Fri 1st // 8pm Main Space Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: €31 Meal Deal: €52 (Ticket + 2 course meal)





DRAMA THE HOLDING BONES

Presented by Púca in association with The Civic

The Holding Bones lovingly recalls a host of colourful characters - songsters, storytellers and mischief makers. In paying playful homage to her ancestors Niamh Lawlor contemplates the purpose of life. Her life. Set in her artist's studio she draws upon her skills as a puppet maker and visual artist to enrich the tale she has to tell, as playful and funny as it is deeply moving. Supported by South Dublin Live, a South Dublin County Council Arts Office initiative.

OCT Wed 30th - NOV Sat 2nd // 7:30pm
Preview Wed 30th // 7:30pm
Matinee NOV Sat 2nd // 1pm
Studio Theatre
Duration: 50 mins. No interval
Tickets: €20 & €18 concession





COMEDY

DAVID O'DOHERTY -Tiny Piano Man

Presented by Lisa Richards

The dishevelled prince of €10 eBay keyboards tries to make you feel alive with a new pageant of laughter, song and occasionally getting up from a chair. It's gonna be a big one.

Star of 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown (Channel 4), Live At The Apollo (BBC) and Along For the Ride with David O'Doherty (Channel 4).

NOV Sat 2nd // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €25

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

Age Suitability 16+ Contains strong language

MUSIC

An Evening with the BLUE BELLES

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! This is set to be a special evening of close harmony, songs and storytelling. Accompanied by Shane McVicker on piano, this intimate show will take you on a journey from the 1940's right up to the present day!

NOV Sat 2nd // 8:15pm Studio Theatre Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: €21



COMEDY

ANDREW RYAN

Let Me Know How You Get On

Presented by Lisa Richards

Andrew is finally living the life he always thought he would after moving to Belfast and he's taking his hilarious tales of woe and ineptitude, Andrew takes this show on the road after a sell-out tour in 2022/23. He's stopped people-pleasing, overthinking things and (let's be honest lads) it's been a complete disaster... just what he's used to! He's tackling the big things in life from getting ill with no insurance abroad, roadside assistance cover fails and trying to get his girlfriend to change her nationality. Strap in, this show promises to be his biggest and best yet.

NOV Fri 8th // 8:15pm Studio Theatre Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €20

Age Suitability 16+ Contains strong language



MUSICAL BIG FISH

Presented by Harold's Cross Tallaght Musical

Big Fish is a musical based on Daniel Wallace's 1998 novel, 'Big Fish: A Novel of Mythic Prportions, and the 2003 film 'Big Fish', directed by Tim Burton. Big Fish revolves around the relationship between Edward Bloom, a travelling salesman, and his adult son Will. The story shifts between two timelines. In the present-day real world, sixty-year-old Edward faces his mortality while his son, Will, prepares to become a father himself. In the storybook past, Edward ages from a teenager, encountering a Witch, a Giant, a Mermaid, and the love of his life, Sandra. The stories meet as Will discovers the secret his father never revealed.

NOV Tues 5th - Sat 9th // 7:30pm Main Space Duration: 150 mins. One interval Tickets: €27



DRAMA **NEWVEMBER**

Presented by AboutFACE Theatre Company

The NEWvember Festival is back at The Civic, a fast-moving weekend of rehearsed readings of the most exciting new plays by Irish writers, plus post-show Q&As with the playwrights. Be the first to see a new work-in-progress, and get involved in providing crucial feedback to the writer! Past plays developed at NEWvember have gone on to Off-Broadway, international and award-winning productions, including recent hits 'Looking at the Sun' and 'The Gods of the Ozarks'.

NOV Sat 9th - Sun 10th Sat 9th // 3pm & 8:15pm, Sun 10th // 1pm & 6pm Studio Theatre

Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: Free, Booking essential Contact Box Office: 01 462 7477

MUSIC PHIL COULTER 'Legacy'

Presented by Four Seasons Music Limited

More Songs, Stories, Memories & Melodies. In this brand new show Legacy, he takes a fresh look back into 60 years at the top of his game - so much music, so many songs, so many new stories, distilled into two hours of vintage gold. Bringing their own special magic to the proceeds are his Special Guests: George Hutton and Geraldine Branagan, proven favourites with Phil's fans. Quality from beginning to end, all-in-all a show not to be missed.

NOV Mon 11th // 8pm Main Space Duration: 140 mins. One interval Tickets: €38 Meal Deal: €59 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

MUSIC

PROUD MARY & HER CITY LIMITS BAND

Presented by Don Sherry

Back by Popular Demand - 'Proud Mary & Her City Limits Band', a stunning tribute to Tina Turner. Starring Amanda Lane along with her 5 piece band this group are proud to be Ireland's no. 1 tribute to the Queen of Rock. With her powerhouse vocals and replica moves 'Proud Mary' and the amazing 'City Limits' band engage every audience member with a full packed night of entertainment. Enjoy live renditions of your favourite songs - 'Simply the Best', 'Whats Love Got To Do With It?'. 'Private Dancer' - to name a few, along with so many more. You're guaranteed a night to remember.

NOV Wed 13th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 135 mins. One interval

Tickets: €28

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



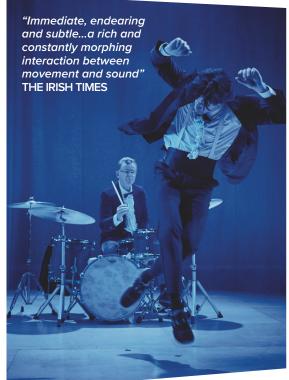


STORYTELLING THE DUBLIN STORY SLAM

Presented by The Dublin Story Slam

An open mic competitive storytelling night where members of the audience are invited to get up and share true personal stories inspired by a different theme each night. Hosted by Comedian Colm O'Regan, this is a safe and supportive space to share those personal experiences, memories and events that might be funny, sad, serious or silly but are all about bringing people together. At the end of the night, we have a winning Story Slam Champion who is then invited to take part in our bi-annual Grand Slam at The Abbey Theatre. Interested in telling a story on the night? Check out civictheatre.ie

NOV Tue 12th // 8pm Main Space Duration: 160 mins. One interval Tickets: €17 & €15 concession Age suitability 16+



DANCE THE PIECE WITH THE DRUMS

Presented by CoisCéim Dance Theatre

We vibe, we vibrate, hearts pumping, rhythm jumping, Drumming up the earth's vibrations, Infusing our heartbeat, our breath...

Pulsating with theatrical magic, CoisCéim Dance Theatre's 'The Piece with the Drums' is a joyous, driving dance narrative between dancer and percussion. Directed and choreographed by David Bolger, with music, beats and everything in between by pioneering Jazz percussionist Conor Guilfoyle, it's a colourful exploration of relationships, spirituality, and our connection to rhythm, life and the cosmos.

NOV Fri 15th - Sat 16th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 50 mins. No interval Tickets: €22 & €20 concession

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

Kindly supported by The Arts Council/An Chomhairle Ealaíon



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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 as part of their 25th Anniversary Tour. 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.

NOV Sun 17th // 8pm
Main Space
Duration: 120 mins. One interval
Tickets: €27
Meal Deal: €48 (Ticket + 2 course meal)



COMEDY WINE O'CLOCK

by Norma Sheahan

Presented by City Theatre Dublin

Whatever drink tickles your bits til Friday, be it whores on Coors, troubles on bubbles, frisky on whiskey or zero craic on zero alcohol. Naughty Norma is newly divorced, horny as hell and believes 50 is the new 30. The braver, bolder Norma has dived off the cliff and hopes to grow wings on the way down. She invites you on her journey as she gives a blow by blow account of her Tinder sexcapades. Norma unleashed promises to manifest a Man-Fest for everyone in the audience. Life is a costume party, so pull on your sparkly Spanx, gather the glitzy gals, and pop your Cork!

NOV Tue 19th // 8pm Main Space Duration: 90 mins. One interval Tickets: €25 & €23 concession Meal Deal: €44 (Ticket + 2 course meal)





MUSIC

A REALLY KEELEY GOOD NIGHT 'Knock Three Times'

Presented by The Keeley Brothers

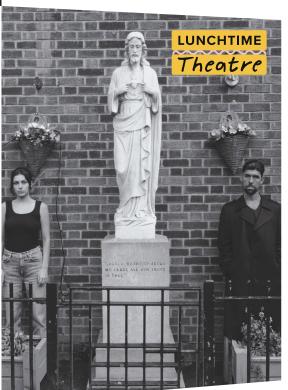
A local trio of brothers The Keeleys - Bobby Keeley, Chris Keeley & Kevin Keeley are celebrating 20+ years of music. Enjoy this harmonious show featuring music from all genres. With accompaniment by a live band, this show is set to sell-out fast so book early to avoid disappointment.

NOV Mon 18th // 8pm

Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: €25 & €23 concession

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



DRAMA FROM EDEN

Presented by Glass Mask Theatre

Two lost individuals, Alan and Eva find themselves locked in a bathroom together on New Year's Eve. Stephen Jones' modern classic play is brought to new life at the Glass Mask Theatre. Performed by Rex Ryan and Jordanne Jones. Stephen Jones is an award-winning writer. His most recent work is the hit TV series, 'Northern Lights'.

NOV Tue 19th - Sat 23rd // 8:15pm Previews Tue 19th // 8:15pm Lunchtime Theatre Wed 20th // 1pm Studio Theatre

Duration: 60 mins. No interval Tickets: €20 & €18 concession

Preview: All Tickets €16

Lunchtime Theatre: All Tickets €14

MUSIC McCARTNEY - All The Best

Presented by Arena Lynx

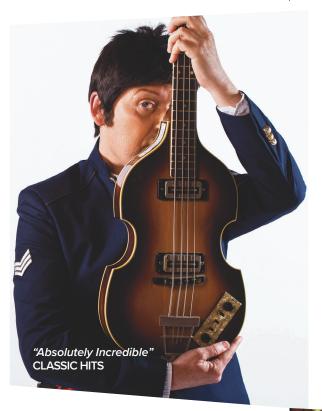
Join us on a musical journey that pays homage to one of the greatest artists in the history of popular music - Paul McCartney. 'McCartney: All the Best' is a live music tribute show that perfectly captures the essence of McCartney's stellar years as a member of the ground-breaking and iconic band, The Beatles and hit hits beyond. Prepare to be enthralled as the stage comes alive with timeless hits like 'Hey Jude', 'Get Back', 'My Love', 'No More Lonely Nights' and countless others, anthems that have earned Paul McCartney the status of the most successful recording artist of all time.

NOV Wed 20th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €32

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



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SINGALONG SONGBOOK'S ULTIMATE CHRISTMAS SHOW

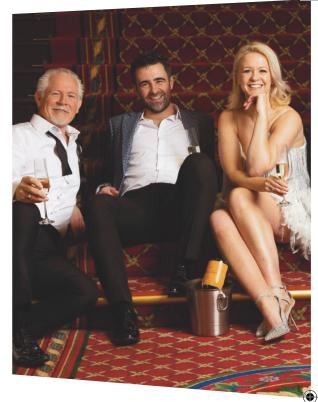
Presented by Singalong Songbook

Join the Singalong Songbook for a feast of the greatest Christmas songs ever recorded, served up with heaps of festive fun and frolics, for the Ultimate Christmas show. Bring your friends. You'll be singing all afternoon long, 'Fairytale of New York' (the Pogues), 'I Don't Want a Lot for Christmas' (Mariah Carey), 'Do They Know It's Christmastime' (Live Aid), 'The Christmas Song' (Nat King Cole), 'Blue Christmas' (Elvis), and much, much more.

NOV Sun 24th // 3pm Main Space

Duration: 135 mins. One interval

Tickets: €26





"An evening of transformative theatre that compels as much as it entertains" IRISH INDEPENDENT

DRAMA

NO MAGIC PILL by Christian O'Reilly

Presented by Magic Pill Productions

Winner of the Audience Choice Award (Irish Times Theatre Awards), No Magic Pill is the heartfelt, hilarious and irreverent story of an activist and a celebration of love, friendship and the enduring pursuit of freedom. Inspired by real-life activist and wheelchair-user, Martin Naughton, leader of the disability rights movement in Ireland (who passed away in 2016), this production breaks new ground in Irish theatre in its casting of disabled actors.

NOV Fri 22nd - Sat 23rd// 7pm Matinee Sat 23rd Nov // 1pm Main Space Duration: 80 mins. No interval

Tickets: €25 & €23 concession

Matinee €20

Disabled persons, companion, carer &

student tickets €12
Aae Suitability 12+



MUSIC ABBA FOREVER

Presented by Tommy Swarbrigg

It's always party time when ABBA comes to town but when it's the Christmas Show, then that's a real excuse to let your hair down! This happy sing-a-long event is pure escapism, celebrating ABBA's music with a loud and proud production and terrific audio visuals of ABBA seminal moments on the GIANT screen! From 'Waterloo' to 'Dancing Queen', expect a dazzling, fantastic performance including the most iconic hits. Get your glad rags on, brush up on the lyrics, don the dancing boots and come to the best party in town!

NOV Tue 26th - Wed 27th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 120 mins. One interval

Tickets: €30

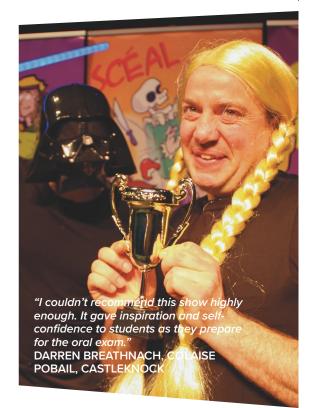
Meal Deal: €51 (Ticket + 2 course meal)

SCHOOLS CAITH AMACH É

Presented by High Rock Productions

High Rock Productions and Civic Theatre present Caith Amach É, A smash hit comedy based on the Leaving Cert Irish Oral picture sequences. It's a fast-paced, physical, comic sketch show covering each of the 20 sraith pictiúir for the 2025 Leaving Cert Irish Oral Examination. It's accessible to students of all levels. Since 2011, Caith Amach É has been touring schools and Theatres nationwide. It's been seen by over 85,000 students in 26 counties. It has been acclaimed by both students and teachers everywhere for inspiring students to enjoy learning Irish.

NOV Thu 28th // 10:30am & 12:30pm Main Space Duration: 60 mins. No interval Tickets: €12 TEACHERS GO FREE Contact Box Office: 01 462 7477



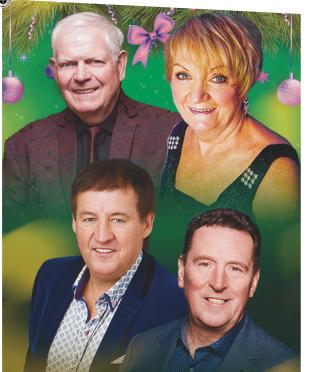
MUSIC REBECCA STORM

Presented by Kenny Shearer

Ireland's favourite musical theatre star, Rebecca Storm returns for a special show for one night only. Loved for her haunting portrayal as Mrs Johnstone in Blood Brothers as well as Eva Peron in Evita -Rebecca promises you a musical night to remember. With numerous concerts. radio & TV appearances around the world, Rebecca enjoys a busy and varied career. In February 2023 Rebecca returned to the iconic role of Mrs. Johnstone, marking a thirty nine year association with Blood Brothers. 2023 also marked her fifty year career anniversary. Rebecca looks forward to a long overdue return to the Civic Theatre.

NOV Fri 29th // 8pm Main Space Duration: 140 mins. One interval Tickets: €32 Meal Deal: €53 (Ticket + 2 course meal)







XMAS COUNTRY WITH THE STARS

Presented by JMG Music Group

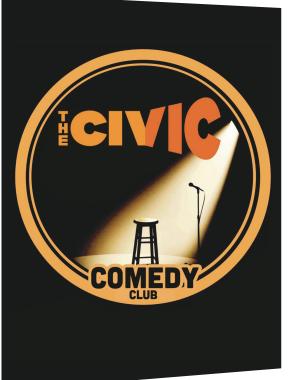
Back by popular demand, the hugely popular Christmas Country with the Stars Show, returns for another festive cracker and will feature no less than 4 of Ireland's top stars all on one super show. The stellar line up will include the accordion maestro from Roscommon Brendan Shine, the Queen of Country Music Philomena Begley, the wee man from Drumlish Declan Nerney and the gentle giant of Country Music Mick Flavin. Each of the stars will perform their trademark hit songs with a festive sparkle in the company of the fabulous Keltic Storm band making this a show you won't want to miss!

NOV Thu 28th // 8pm Main Space

Duration: 140 mins. One interval

Tickets: €32

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



COMEDY

THE CIVIC COMEDY CLUB

Presented by Great Craic Comedy

The Civic Comedy Club makes a welcome return to The Civic studio this season. It's our Christmas show and we have a belter to finish the year out! Featuring: Martin Angolo (Last One Laughing) Ger Staunton (Paddy Power Comedy Festival) Keith Fox (Resident MC Ashbourne Comedy Club) Elinor Murphy (Paddy Irishman, Paddy Englishwoman, Paddy Scotsman Podcast) and your regular MC Paul Marsh.

NOV Sat 30th // 8:15pm Studio Theatre Duration: 120 mins. One interval Tickets: €20

Age Suitability 16+ Contains strong language

FAMILY

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Presented by Livin' Dred

A Christmas Carol is Aaron Monaghan and Bryan Burroughs' playful, physical storytelling, stage adaptation of Charles Dickens much loved novella. Devised straight from Dickens classic text, the two award-winning actors - dressed in snazzy suits - play all the characters at break-neck speed using an array of colourful hats, scarves and an Ikea coat-rack! The famous cautionary tale tells the story miserly Ebenezer Scrooge as he is visited by ghosts who take him on a journey through his past, present and future one fateful Christmas Eve. This production is funny, slightly scary, utterly heart-warming and features a surprise special quest appearing as Tiny Tim...

DEC Fri 13th - Sat 14th // 1pm & 7pm Studio Theatre Duration: 45 mins. No interval Tickets: €16 & €14 concession Lunchtime Theatre 1pm : All Tickets €14 Family Ticket €55 (2 adults + 2 children)





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In person at our box office

The Civic, Tallaght, Dublin 24

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.

Concessions

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

P Parking

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

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