

A black and white close-up portrait of a man's face. He has a serious expression and his hands are pressed against his mouth, covering it. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting his features against a dark background.

**BOYLE FEST
ARTSIVAL**

20-30 JULY 2017

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BOYLE FEST ARTSIVAL

WELCOME

OUR THANKS TO:

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OUR COMMITTEE:

Gerry KIELTY (Chairperson), Fr John Coughlan, Brian Doherty, Helen Donovan, Patricia Golden, Christine Kelly, Irene Madden, Susan Mannion, Belinda McCauley, Brendan McGee.

The BAF 2017 Committee would like to extend a warm welcome to you all to a 11 day feast of 'Arts' events. We are constantly striving to build on previous years as we aspire always to provide an ever evolving 'menu' of music, drama, spoken word presentations, literary gems, stunning art exhibitions, workshops, children's events and much more!

Our thanks once again to Paul McKenna for curating this year's main exhibition entitled 'Facing West' and in addition you will be able to savour the ever popular open art and photography exhibitions.

BAF 2017 is only made possible due to the outstanding financial support provided by the people and businesses of Boyle and surrounding community - for this - we, the committee, are extremely grateful.

We especially acknowledge our many sponsors, volunteers, supporters and of course our ever diligent committee. We look forward to welcoming our many visitors, old friends and new friends and those from near and far to BAF'17.

As always we are indebted to the Arts Council for their ongoing support and guidance.

Visual Arts

MAIN EXHIBITION FACING WEST

21ST JULY - 18TH AUGUST 2017, KING HOUSE

11AM - 6PM DAILY AND AT TIMES OF EVENTS AT KING HOUSE

Now in its 28th year, the magnificent setting of King House is again to be the centerpiece for the Boyle Arts Festival, bringing established and emerging Irish artists together under one roof in this most gracious of surroundings. "Facing West" features over 100 acclaimed artists and rising stars. Presenting works in a range of medium, including painting, drawing, sculpture, textile, ceramics and photography to make this an exhibition that aims to engage, enthuse and inspire.

The exhibition has been curated by Paul McKenna and will be officially opened on Thursday 20th July at 8pm in King House.

Laura Angells
Brian Ballard
Margo Banks
John Behan
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Brian Bourke
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Paula Corcoran
Malachy Costello
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Aidan Crotty
Frances Crowe
Padraig Cunningham

Ivan Daly
Cecilia Danell
Diarmuid Delargy
Melita Denaro
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Mary Donnelly
Micky Donnelly
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Liz Doyle
Naomi Draper
Joe Dunne
Felim Egan
Orla Egan
Eileen Ferguson
Brian Ferran
Denise Ferran
Sean Fingleton
Philip Flanagan
Samantha Ellis Fox
Peter Fulop
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Martha Quinn
Gary Robinson
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Bettina Seitz
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Sinead Smyth
Amelia Stein
Emma Stroude
Clea Van der Grijn
Brigitta Varadi
Michael Wann
Colin Watson
Ian Wiczorek
Chris Wilson
Kate Wilson
Keith Wilson

BOYLE OPEN ART EXHIBITION

21ST - 29TH JULY, 10AM-6PM DAILY,
CHURCH OF IRELAND PAROCHIAL SCHOOL,
OPENS 20TH JULY, 9PM

Showcasing the talent of all styles, mediums and age groups, Boyle Arts Festival Open Submission Exhibition has grown from a base of local talent to attract entries from all over Ireland. The extremely popular and well attended Art Exhibition aims to provide a forum for artists to display their talent. The work is selected on merit and entries selected from part-time, full-time and occasional artists, giving a unique blend and standard of excellence.

BOYLE CAMERA CLUB

21ST - 29TH JULY, BOYLE LIBRARY,
OPENS 20TH JULY, 7PM

Boyle Camera Club was founded in October 2007 and currently has more than 60 members. We are the first fully designated Digital Camera Club in Ireland and are affiliated to the Irish Photographic Federation. The Club provides a forum to discuss photography and related topics of interest at all levels with special group activities for Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced members.

OPEN STUDIOS

HARRINGTON STUDIOS, KING HOUSE

Artist Naomi Draper will be opening her studio on opening night and Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd between 11am & 6pm.

FRAGMENTARY VOICES

20TH - 29TH JULY, DAILY 10.30AM - 5PM,
THE SHAMBLES, BRIDGE STREET

Artist Margie Dunne will be exhibiting oil paintings and objects made from found objects in the form of Assemblage Art which were her work from her BA Fine Arts (Hons) Degree from IT Sligo.

“FAMILIAR”

21ST - 27TH JULY, DAILY 11AM-4PM,
BOYLE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE

A photography exhibition by Fotofit, a local beginners photographic initiative. Launch by Sean O'Dowd, on Thursday 20th July at 7pm.

There will be a gallery tour on Friday 21st July at 11am in King House – see events section.

Artist Michael Wann will be holding a drawing workshop on Saturday July 29th - see workshop section.

ART IN TOWN

Boyle Arts Festival encourages artists and business premises to cooperate in the exhibition of Art in Town. Keep an eye out for small exhibitions in window displays by artists from the region and pop up galleries throughout the town.

BOYLE STREET ART PROJECT

24TH - 28TH JULY

Street artist Friz will be working throughout the week with Young People from Boyle to produce a new mural in the town. As part of the Boyle Town Team led Regeneration programme, Friz was invited to work with the group to transform these walls bringing some much needed colour back into the town for all to enjoy. Take a walk around the streets to find their secret venue!

This project is funded by the Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme of Roscommon LEADER Partnership & Roscommon County Council and supported by Boyle Town Team.


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EVENTS

OPENING NIGHT

THURSDAY 20TH JULY, 8PM, KING HOUSE

Come along to the Festival's opening night with the music of Jawbone and the magical inflatables of Castlerea Carnival Group.



GALLERY TOUR

WITH TERRY SWEENEY

FRIDAY 21ST JULY, KING HOUSE, 11AM, FREE

Terry Sweeney taught Art and History of Art for thirty two years at the Christian Brothers' Grammar School in Omagh. Since 2007 she has pursued her intense interest in art and art history by curating major exhibitions in Strule Arts Centre in her native Omagh. The exhibitions have included works in a variety of media by leading Irish artists.

TARA VISCARDI, HARP & MEADHBH O'ROURKE, FLUTE

FRIDAY 21ST JULY, KING HOUSE, 1PM, €5

Meadhbh is a student of Ciarán O'Connell at the DIT Conservatory of Music and Drama and has spent the past academic year at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (RCS) on Erasmus where she studied with Richard Blake and Alison Mitchell.

Harpist Tara Viscardi is 21 years old and hails from Lauragh, Kenmare, Co. Kerry. Currently pursuing Bachelor of Music in Performance studies at the DIT Conservatory of Music and Drama, Dublin under Dr Cliona Doris and previously Denise Kelly-McDonnell, she is also a part-time student at the Civica Scuola di Musica Claudio Abbado in Milan, Italy where she travels monthly to study with Russian harpist Irina Zingg.



FILM: THE JUNGLE BOOK

FRIDAY 21ST JULY, KING HOUSE, 3PM, €5

DURATION: 106 MINS CLASSIFICATION: PG

This popular 2016 family film updates the 1967 Disney original and combines live action and CGI to tell the story of man cub Mowgli. With Neel Sethi as Mowgli and the voices of Bill Murray, Ben Kingsley, Idris Elba, Scarlett Johansson, and Christopher Walken.



TALK: IN SEARCH OF HYDE - HOW DID A RETIRED ACADEMIC BECOME THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF IRELAND: BRIAN MURPHY

FRIDAY 21ST JULY, KING HOUSE, 6PM, €6

This talk is based on Dr Brian Murphy's well-received book *Forgotten Patriot, Douglas Hyde and the Foundation of the Irish Presidency* published in 2016 by the Collins Press. Dr Brian Murphy lectures at the Dublin Institute of Technology and holds a PhD in Modern Irish History from the School of History and Archives, University College Dublin. He previously co-edited *Brian Lenihan: In Calm and Crisis*, the bestselling book on the public career of the former Minister for Finance. Brian is a former speechwriter to two Taoisigh.



DECLAN O'ROURKE

FRIDAY 21ST JULY, KING HOUSE, 8PM, €20

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Declan O'Rourke is a critically acclaimed singer-songwriter from Dublin. He has played to sold-out crowds in Ireland, Europe, America, and Australia since 2004. A consummate and versatile performer, his songs will mesmerise the audience, particularly in a solo setting such as this, which is Declan's first performance in Boyle. Paul Weller recently said of his songwriting: "*Listen to Galileo*, which is possibly the greatest song written in the last 30 years."

Declan released his fifth studio album *In Full Colour* in 2016. Backed by a fifty piece orchestra, the album draws on material from his career to date, along with brand new material including the acclaimed *Children of 16*.

This event is supported by King House Tea Rooms

FINBAR MAGEE & BREIGE QUINN CARROWKEEL WALKING TOUR WITH PHILIP JAMES

FRIDAY 21ST JULY,
WYNNE'S BAR, 10PM, FREE

Finbar Magee is a singer-songwriter and award-winning bard from Armagh. His repertoire ranges from romantic to social comment and satirical humour. His songs have been covered by other artists and graced major stages worldwide, including Glastonbury.

Breige Quinn (also from Armagh) is one of Armagh's finest traditional fiddlers. She provides beautiful accompaniment to Finbar's songs and delivers her own style in jigs, reels and slow airs.

SATURDAY 22ND JULY,
BUS FROM KING HOUSE BUS STOP, 11AM, €10

Advance booking essential

The Carrowkeel walking tour will take approximately three and half hours and cover a little less than 10 km. The walk will be on narrow country roads with some off road sections that may be muddy. It also involves quite a climb which will be taken slowly so all can enjoy the experience. The Carrowkeel Megalithic site has a great collection of megalithic structures that are among the earliest in Ireland. Philip will talk about the history of this period, geology of the area, and a little mythology, and what ever else comes up.

Philip James has been living in the area since 2001 when he returned from Zimbabwe, and during this period he has walked every track and trail with the Boyle Curlew Walkers, and worked as a tour guide in the area for 6 years. Philip qualified as a Mountain Leader in 2010.

Suitable footwear must be worn – please bring your own refreshments.





DUBLIN UKULELE COLLECTIVE

**SATURDAY 22ND JULY,
THE SPOOL FACTORY, 11.30AM, €5**

The Dublin Ukulele Collective is a fifty-strong band with high feel-good factor. Members range from seventeen up to seventy, rocking songs reflecting this age span. Expect an upbeat, fun, harmonised nostalgia trip past Elbow, Coldplay, Talking Heads, Amy Winehouse, Erasure, Leonard Cohen, Jason Mraz and beyond.

Watch out for them in venues around the town!

CUSTARD PIE PUPPETS: BADGER'S BIRTHDAY AN ANIMAL STORY

**SATURDAY 22ND JULY, ST JOSEPH'S HALL,
12.30PM, €3, (UP TO 7 YEARS)**

As the forest animals get ready for the big party, trouble comes lurking in the guise of Meanie Mona who pinches Badger's birthday present setting off chaos amongst the forest folk. After some detective work and help from the audience an unlikely hero comes to the surface. Approx. 40 mins.

MATTHEW MANNION, BARITONE, NIAMH ST JOHN, MEZZO, ACCOMPANIED BY ADAM MCDONAGH, PIANO

SATURDAY 22ND JULY, KING HOUSE, 1.30PM, €5

Matthew began singing in an honor choir from the age of 7, and continued singing in multiple choirs until he graduated high school in Lafayette California in 2012. He then moved to Ireland with his family to Ballintubber Co. Roscommon and commenced his studies in DIT's Conservatory of music with Dr. Robert Alderson. He is transferring to the RIAM for the coming academic year studying with Owen Gilhooly

Niamh's first DIT performance was as the Alto soloist in the DIT 2014 Handel's Messiah. She has sung as guest recitalist in both Christ Church Cathedral and Dublin's Pro Cathedral.

Adam McDonagh is currently engaged in postgraduate studies with Dr Orla McDonagh in the DIT Conservatory, as well as harpsichord with Dr David Adams in the RIAM. He shall be continuing his studies on the Master of Music in Performance programme in September 2017 as a scholar of the Royal College of Music, London.

CUSTARD PIE PUPPETS: PUNCH & JUDY

**SATURDAY 22ND JULY,
ST JOSEPH'S HALL, 3PM, €3,
SUITABLE FOR ALL AGES**

A very naughty Mr. Punch is left with the task of minding the house while Judy gets busy with other important chores, Mr. Punch's inability to take on the simplest of chores leads to hilarious consequences involving the Gardai! A must see for all the family. (duration 45 minutes)

CRIME WRITERS PANEL WITH DECLAN BURKE, ARLENE HUNT, LOUISE PHILLIPS & ANDREA CARTER

SATURDAY 22ND JULY, BOYLE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE, 5PM, €8



Louise Phillips is an author of four bestselling psychological crime thrillers, each shortlisted for Best Irish Crime Novel of the Year. Her second novel, The Doll's House, won the award. She teaches creative writing at the Irish Writers Centre in Dublin, and last year, she was longlisted for the prestigious CWA Dagger in the Library Award. She is currently working on her latest novel.



Declan Burke is the author of Eightball Boogie (2003), The Big O (2007), Absolute Zero Cool (2011), Slaughter's Hound (2012), Crime Always Pays (2014) and The Lost and the Blind (2014). Absolute Zero Cool won the Goldsboro Award for Best Humorous Crime Novel in 2012. Declan is also the editor of Down These Green Streets: Irish Crime Writing in the 21st Century (2011), the co-editor, with John Connolly, of Books to Die For (2013), and the editor of Trouble is Our Business (2016).



Arlene Hunt is a unique voice in Irish crime fiction. Her dark and atmospheric stories perfectly capture the grimy underworld of Dublin and beyond. She began writing at the age of 27, and produced her first novel, Vicious Circle, within the year. Her second novel, False Intentions, introduced two characters, John and Sarah of Quick Investigations. She is currently a reviewer for RTE's Arena and is working on a novel for UK Publisher, BookOutre entitled The Sweethearts Killer



Andrea Carter grew up in Ballyfin, Co. Laois. She graduated in law from Trinity College, Dublin before qualifying as a solicitor and moving to the Inishowen peninsula in Co. Donegal. In 2006 she transferred to the Bar and moved to Dublin to practise as a barrister. Carter writes a series of crime novels set in Inishowen published by Little, Brown. Death at Whitewater Church was published in September 2015 and Treacherous Strand in June 2016. The Well of Ice will be published in October 2017.

NEW AIRS

**SATURDAY 22ND JULY,
KING HOUSE, 7PM, €15/€10 CONCESSIONS**



New Airs is a classical crossover and fusion group from Ireland, combining classical strings with rock/folk percussion and synthesised electronics. The group perform live pop-up studio arrangements of classic rock and pop songs at various unique venues around Ireland. The production is directed by Irish composer, arranger and producer Glen Austin. Their live show is an exciting and engaging performance from start to finish combining modern electronic elements with traditional and classical instruments. Each arrangement is a unique combination of classical chamber music with a sublime vocalist performing original and captivating interpretations of some of the world's best-loved music. The New Airs repertoire also features instrumental arrangements, displaying the high skill of some of Ireland's most famous and renowned classical musicians.

BRIAN KENNEDY



**SATURDAY 22ND JULY,
CHURCH OF IRELAND, 9.30PM, €20**

Brian Kennedy is first and foremost a live performer & songwriter. Music is his lifeblood. His constant touring from Ireland to the UK, Australia, Germany, and the USA, has resulted in an ever-growing international fan base, gathered the old fashioned way over a phenomenal twenty-five year career in the roller-coaster ride that is the unpredictable music industry.

Recently, Brian has been very busy in the studio and has just finished recording a 32 track double CD *Essential Collection* comprising all brand new recordings from the past and present, including a duet with Boy George. Brian maintains that “music is the language of emotion,” and, after all his years gigging and recording with Van Morrison, he prizes the live gig above all else. Seeing and hearing is the only way to experience this national treasure of a man. We are delighted to have Brian back at Boyle Arts Festival.

This event is supported by Stewarts Oil.

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH CHOIR

**SUNDAY 23RD JULY,
ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, 11.30AM, FREE**
As part of Sunday mass

Formed in February 2016, St Joseph's Church Choir sings on the fourth Sunday of each month at 11.30am mass and at other church ceremonies. The four part choir has over fifty members, a number of whom share the teaching and programming, together with Choir Director Anne KIELTY.

THE MEN WHO KNEW TOO MUCH

SUNDAY 23RD JULY, DALY'S BAR, 2.30PM, €5

The Men Who Knew Too Much play a superb mix of jazz, country, blues, western swing and folk. Not only do they perform classic songs from the likes of Hank Williams, Johnny Cash, Bob Dylan, Neil Young, Randy Newman, Tom Waits and Carole King, with added surprising Hawaiian dobro instrumentals, television and movie themes, all delivered with great playfulness and lots of soul. With Egon Gallery: guitar, mandolin, Percy Robinson: guitar, dobro, Sean McCarron: saxophones, percussion.

*“An absolutely delightful band, full of self deprecating humour.”
“A joy to watch and listen to.”*



TALK: ROCKINGHAM:

A DISTANT MEMORY OR
LASTING LEGACY:
TRIONA MULLANEY- DIGNAM
& JOHN CLAPISON

SUNDAY 23RD JULY,
KING HOUSE, 5PM, €6

It is 60 years since the majestic mansion of Rockingham was destroyed by a devastating fire. What happened on that fateful night? How much of an influence did Rockingham and its owners have on the local area as well as further afield? Now that the house is no longer part of the landscape is its legacy still a part of our lives, obvious or otherwise, or is it just another country estate destined for the history books? This talk will explore those questions and take you on a journey through Rockingham's colourful history.

ANÚNA

SUNDAY 23RD JULY, CHURCH OF IRELAND, 8PM, €25

In 1987 Dublin composer Michael McGlynn founded Anúna, a vocal ensemble that has, in the last three decades, created a singular voice for Irish culture that has had far-reaching influence internationally. McGlynn developed the group to perform his original compositions and to develop a new form of ensemble singing that was related to the indigenous singing tradition of this country (sean nós). Boyle Arts Festival are delighted to have Anúna back in Boyle to celebrate their first 30 years and there is no better time to see one of Ireland's most unusual and unique artistic entities, which still continues to develop and innovate.



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RACKHOUSE PILFER

SUNDAY 23RD JULY,
DALY'S STOREHOUSE, 10PM, €10

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Rackhouse Pilfer are an exciting Irish Roots-Rock Band. Their rise has been unstoppable. Awarded 'Live Band of the Year' by Jägermeister & Hotpress Magazine soon after releasing their self penned album *Love and Havoc*. They have become festival favourites across Europe and have received rave reviews for their energetic live shows, harmony-vocals & original songs. Currently they are working towards album number three. Rackhouse Pilfer are an incredible act best experienced live and have headlined some of Ireland's, UK's & Europe's biggest music festivals including an appearance at Glastonbury this year.



TRAD: MAGGIE CARTY & SHANE MCGOWAN

MONDAY 24TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 1PM, €5

Boyle native, Maggie Carty was brought up in a musical family spanning generations. Her father, John Carty being one of the most sought after traditional musicians worldwide. Graduating from NUI Galway in 2015 with BA Irish Studies, the singer and banjo player has performed at some of the most prestigious festivals and has toured Ireland, Europe and America extensively. In 2016 Maggie released her debut recording 'Settle Out of Court', with her father John Carty and with accompaniment from Shane McGowan and Dónal Lunny. The album is a mixture of tunes and songs showcasing Maggie's unique voice and banjo accompaniment. Maggie will be accompanied by Sligo guitar genius, Shane McGowan, regarded as one of the present day's most outstanding guitar players. His intimate knowledge of traditional music has led him to be one of the most sought after guitarists in Ireland today.

LOL TOLHURST: CURED - THE TALE OF TWO IMAGINARY BOYS

MONDAY 24TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 6PM, €6

Lol Tolhurst is a musician, writer and performer. He is best known as a founding member of the band that virtually invented alternative music, The Cure. As The Cure's drummer, Lol toured the globe many times over, supporting the ground-breaking albums Three Imaginary Boys, Seventeen Seconds, Faith and Pornography. He took on keyboard duties in the mid-eighties until his departure from the band in 1989, at the time of their masterwork Disintegration. In the early nineties, Lol relocated to Southern California where he continues to write, record and tour with his own band, Levinhurst. Lol's first book was published in 2016. *Cured - The Tale Of Two Imaginary Boys* is a memoir that draws together the threads of his life and art... so far!



IN CONVERSATION: CAROLE COLEMAN & MIRIAM O'CALLAGHAN

MONDAY 24TH JULY, CHURCH OF IRELAND, 8PM, €10

Dubliner Miriam O'Callaghan qualified as a solicitor before beginning her broadcasting career on ITV's *This Is Your Life* and later with the BBC for *Newsnight*. She returned to Ireland to present RTÉ's current affairs programme *Prime Time*, while continuing to cover the Northern Irish peace process for *Newsnight*. Despite offers to present other full time shows on RTÉ, Miriam has always said her absolute loyalty remains to *Prime Time*. Her *Prime Time* interview with Praveen Halappanavar won the Television News Category of the Justice Media Awards. Outside of her work on *Prime Time*, Miriam presents her own chat show during the summer, *Saturday Night with Miriam*, and a radio programme *Sunday with Miriam...* which won a PPI Radio Award for best Speech Driven Magazine Programme.

Carole Coleman is a journalist, author, speaker, and secret singer! Carole has contributed to RTÉ News and other programmes for 25 years. The mother of two lives in her home town of Carrick-on-Shannon and is involved in initiatives to attract jobs and connect with the diaspora. Carole who worked for RTE in the US is the author of two books on American culture and politics. She is currently writing *Dear Mother* a family history based on letters dating from 1915 to the 1930's. Carole has previously interviewed both Geraldine Kennedy and Paul Williams for Boyle Arts Festival, and we are delighted to welcome her back again.

Our thanks to the London Speaker Bureau Ireland for facilitating this event.

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TAILOR BIRDS

MONDAY 24TH JULY, MATTIMOE'S, 10PM, €5

Sophie Kinston fronts Australian band, Tailor Birds and her electric violin is the core of their sound. This is music that soothes the soul and warms the spirit. Experimental, electric and with a solid foundation of classical, folk and independent artistry, Tailor Birds are a fresh and engaging sound, turning traditional sounds into something untraditional and always surprising. Using electronics, percussion, live looping and lots more, sound sources and songs are transformed into creative sound sculptures with ethereal results. Not to be missed.

DAVID SCOTT, BARITONE, ACCOMPANIED BY MARY SCARLETT, PIANO

TUESDAY 25TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 1PM, €5



David Scott is from Dublin, though considers Boyle is his second home. His grandfather was born and raised in Boyle, and David spent every Easter and Summer of his childhood here. He studied singing with Emmanuel Lawler in the DIT Conservatory of Music and Drama, graduating with a First Class Honours Bachelor of Music Degree. He was the

featured soloist in RTÉ Lyric FM's Feature "WB Yeats: Words for Music Perhaps" and is a soloist on the recently released CD "Beethoven's Irish Songs Revisited". David is accompanied by Mary Scarlett who is in constant demand as an accompanist for singers, instrumentalists, ensembles, choral and musical societies.

TALK: PAUL DURCAN'S OSYSSEY, CONOR FARNAN

TUESDAY 25TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 6PM, €6

Conor Farnan is a poet and teacher from Co. Meath. He graduated from the University of Limerick in 2013 with a PhD on the poetry of Paul Durcan. He has published two collections of poetry, as well as articles, reviews and several essays on both Paul Durcan and James Joyce.

MICHAEL MCHALE, PIANO

**TUESDAY 25TH JULY,
KING HOUSE, 8PM, €15/€10 CON**



Belfast-born Michael McHale has established himself as one of Ireland's leading pianists and has developed a busy international career as a solo recitalist, concerto soloist and chamber musician. He has performed as a soloist with the Minnesota, Hallé, Moscow Symphony and Bournemouth Symphony Orchestras, the London Mozart Players, and all five of the major Irish orchestras. Michael's programme includes music by Beethoven, Chopin. & Mussorgsky.



PAT COLDRICK, CLASSICAL GUITAR

**TUESDAY 25TH JULY,
WHISTLER'S BAR & GRILL, 10PM, €5**

Pat Coldrick is an Irish Classical Guitarist and Composer who has been described as 'pushing the boundaries of classical guitar' with his musical interpretations and compositions and has made Classical Guitar exciting, interesting and more accessible to music lovers in general. His music defies genre and appeals to a wide cross section of music lovers.

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**TUESDAY 25TH JULY,
DALY'S STOREHOUSE, 10PM, €10**

Goats Don't Shave formed in the early 1990s in Dungloe, County Donegal. The group released six albums together including *The Rusty Razor*, *Out in the Open*, *Tor*, *Songs from Earth* and *The Collection*. They are probably most well known for their songs "Let the World Keep on Turning" and "Las Vegas (In the Hills of Donegal)", both taken from their debut album *The Rusty Razor*. The Goats sold out concert venues the length and breadth of the UK, Ireland, Europe and North America. They have played both Glastonbury and Finsbury Park Fleadh whilst also being voted Best Band of 1993 by *Time Out* magazine. Due to popular demand, the Goats decided to reform in 2012 and this year sees the Goats Don't Shave back with a brand new album, *Turf Man Blues*.

This dynamic band can move you to laughter or to tears and their performances are renowned for their infectious good humour. Expect humorous anecdotes, brilliant musicianship and strong voices whether in soft, poignant, tear-jerking ballads or fast, let-it-all-hang-out rhythms.



ROBERT FINEGAN & ANDREW MULLAN, SAXOPHONE DUO ACCOMPANIED BY MARY SCARLETT, PIANO

WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 1PM, €5

Robert Finegan (19) began his musical education with the Ardee Concert Band where he now plays Solo Alto Saxophone in the senior band, regularly performing solos with them. In 2013 he was awarded the School of Excellence Award with DIT Conservatory of Music and St. Peter's Male Voice Choir, funding a year of saxophone lessons in DIT with Kevin Hanafin.

Andrew Mullan (21) took up the alto saxophone at an early age with the Knocklyn Concert Band.

Following many years here he began his music degree at The DIT Conservatory of Music and Drama. He is now entering his final year, specialising in musicology and studying saxophone with Antonio Cafolla. Andrew won gold medal in the Senior Saxophone competition in the ESB Feis 2017.

After meeting and becoming friends in college, Andrew has had the pleasure to join Robert in the Ardee Concert band for concerts and competitions.



FILM: BOYLE ABOVE & BEYOND BY DARREN PURCELL

**WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY,
KING HOUSE, 4PM, €5**

Photographer and film maker Darren Purcell moved to Boyle in 2013 and was quickly bowled over by the beauty of the town and the warm, welcoming nature of its people. *Boyle - Above & Beyond* is a short film exploring Boyle in a way never done before, with sweeping vistas and spectacular aerial viewpoints. Since the film was first shown in 2015, Darren has expanded the film with more stunning footage and this new version will be presented at BAF 2017.

JOHN MCGLYNN, GUITAR

WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY,
KING HOUSE, 6.30PM, €6

Specialising in clear crystalline vocals and intricate guitar work, he has been compared to Nick Drake and Art Garfunkel. His critically acclaimed first album *Songs for a Fallen Angel* was nominated in the Best Adult Contemporary Album category of the largest independent music awards in the world - The JPF awards. His songs feature on multiple albums and DVDs. They also feature on the debut albums of Owen Brady, Fiona Wight and Lynn Hilary. He has collaborated with Elvis Costello, The Chieftains, Sting, Linda Lampenius Brava, Sinéad O'Connor, Jerry Fish and was guest for the legendary Moving Hearts on their tour of Ireland in 2009. He has co-produced two TV specials for PBS (*Celtic Origins/Christmas Memories*) and toured extensively worldwide, including a 52 date tour of the USA

Most recently his song, *If all she has is you* was recorded by Canadian synthpop duo Electric Youth on their debut album *Innerworld*, produced by Vince Clarke (Depeche Mode/Erasure/Yazoo)

DRAMA: TURNING MAMMY

BEEZNEEZ THEATRE COMPANY

WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY,
ST JOSEPH'S HALL, 8PM, €15

Beezneeze return to BAF 2017 with the hugely successful John McDwyer comedy (with a few serious bits), *Turning Mummy*. Now on its third national tour, *Turning Mummy* has won the hearts of audiences all over Ireland with its mix of madness and melancholy as we follow the lives of sisters Mary and Martha and their lovelorn neighbour Ambrose as they seek love and contentment while none search in the right place. Featuring Eileen Murphy, Valerie Traynor and Peadar Conway and directed by the author, *Turning Mummy* has had audiences laughing and crying for over two years and is an evening of joyous theatre which should not be missed.



THE JAZZ LADDS

WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY,
CLARKE'S BAR & RESTAURANT,
10PM, €5

We are delighted to welcome back The Jazz Ladds this year. They are Sligo's longest established band and thanks to their continuing popularity can still manage a full diary of events. Though originally known as a traditional jazz band the programme now includes Latin American Blues, Country and even the odd old time waltz. The Jazz Ladds feature a five piece band with trombone, tenor saxophone, clarinet, harmonica, lead guitars, bass, rhythm guitar, drums and vocals.

FILM: BOYLE, THROUGH THE MAGIC LANTERN

THURSDAY 27TH JULY, KING HOUSE,
1PM, €5, ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL



One of the highlights of the forthcoming Boyle Arts Festival will be a chance to see a specially extended version of the film presentation, *Boyle - Through the Magic Lantern*. This film offers a unique glimpse into life in Boyle in days gone by, as seen through the eyes of three local motion picture enthusiasts, Walter Cahill, Gerald Dodd and Jim Duffy. *Boyle - Through the Magic Lantern* was very well received when it premiered, during Boyle Arts Festival 2012 and the committee are delighted to present the film again, now that it has been expanded

by fascinating new local archive footage. The film has been compiled and edited by Brendan McGee, with the assistance of the families of the three cameramen and the Irish Film Institute. It takes a look at life in the Boyle area, between the late 1950s and the late 1970s and it will showcase rarely seen colour film footage and the only known movie film of the fire in St. Joseph's Church which took place exactly 40 years ago, in 1977.

ON RAGLAN ROAD - GREAT IRISH LOVE SONGS AND THE WOMEN WHO INSPIRED THEM: GERARD HANBERRY

THURSDAY 27TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 6PM, €6

Hear about the amazing women who inspired some of Ireland's great love songs and how these songs came to be composed in this illustrated talk with words and music.

Gerard Hanberry is an award-winning poet, author, musician and teacher from Galway, Ireland. He is the author of a biography of Oscar Wilde and the Wilde family called *More Lives Than One – The Remarkable Wilde Family Through the Generations* (The Collins Press, 2011). A second non-fiction book, *On Raglan Road – Great Irish Love Songs and the Women Who Inspired Them* was published by The Collins Press in October 2016. His illustrated presentation at the Boyle Festival will be based on material from this book including performances of the songs explored in the talk. His work has been published widely in Ireland and abroad. He was recently included in the Penguin's Anthology *Windharp – Poems of Ireland from 1916*. A stone plaque inscribed with his poem *The Kasbah on Quay Street* was erected on Quay St. Galway in April 2015. Gerard Hanberry holds an MA in Writing from NUI, Galway where he teaches part time on the BA Connect (Creative Writing, Poetry) course.



REGINA NATHAN, SOPRANO

ONLINE
BOOKING

**THURSDAY 27TH JULY, CHURCH OF IRELAND,
8PM, €20/€15 CONCESSION**

A soprano, Regina Nathan's operatic career has taken her across Europe and as far as Kuala Lumpur and to New York's Carnegie Hall. We are truly delighted to have her back in Boyle again after many years. Her repertoire ranges from the title role in Cavalli's *La Calisto* to the world-premiere of Mark Anthony Turnage's *The Country of the Blind* for the Aldeburgh Festival/English National Opera.

Her portrayal of the role of Puccini's Cio Cio San in *Madama Butterfly* was hailed with critical acclaim as was her role of Cleopatra in Handel's *Julius Caesar*, Violetta in Verdi's *La Traviata* and Norma in Bellini's *Norma*. Her most recent performances include the huge success of the show: *CASTA DIVA – The life and loves of Maria Callas* to sold out audiences in the National Concert Hall, Dublin, in which Regina was the principal soloist. So too was her tour with The Three Sopranos following on from their sold out Gala Christmas Concerts at the National Concert Hall, Dublin, in association with the John Murray Show on RTÉ Radio 1.

BOYLE SINGERS

**THURSDAY 27TH JULY, DODD'S
THE CRESCENT BAR, 9.30PM, €5**
**PRECEDED BY A WORKSHOP
BETWEEN 8PM & 9.30PM**

The Boyle Singers Group are together since 2006. They sing a range of songs from Traditional, Folk, Irish and English and mostly unaccompanied. Tonight they will be joined by special guest Antaine Ó Farachain, a Dublin born traditional singer, who performs in Irish and English. He is a member of the organising committee of both "An Goilin" traditional singers' club and the "Sean-Nos Cois Life" festival in Dublin. He has produced and presented four television series about traditional singing for the Irish language T.V. station TG4 and is an experienced teacher at singers' workshops.

Antaine will also be holding a workshop before the Singers Night - See workshop section for details.



COMEDY: CHRIS KENT – MOVING ON

ONLINE
BOOKING

THURSDAY 27TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 10PM €10

Cork comedian Chris Kent presents his 5th solo show, Moving On. Returning with his charming and surreal style, Chris has a new perspective on life. Having moved to the UK and recently becoming a dad for the first time, adult life is leaving him more confused than ever...

'Carefree, comedic bulls-eye' The Dubliner Magazine

'A truly gifted storyteller with a deceptively naturalistic style' Chortle

JIMMY GOEIJENBIER, PIANO

**FRIDAY 28TH JULY,
KING HOUSE, 1PM, €5**



Jimmy Goeijenbier was born in the Netherlands, but received his first piano lessons from his mother in Ireland at the age of five. Jimmy is currently pursuing his Master's degree in Piano Performance

at the University of Washington, Seattle, studying with renowned concert pianist Craig Sheppard. As well as being a solo performer, Jimmy has collaborated with vocalists and ensembles, notably with the Dublin Youth Orchestra and the University of Washington Symphony Orchestra.

SINEAD GLEESON, CHRISTINE DWYER HICKEY & NUALA NÍ CHONCHÚIR

FRIDAY 28TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 6PM, €8



Sinéad Gleeson's story Counting Bridges was longlisted at the 2016 Irish Book Awards. In 2016, she edited The Glass Shore: Short Stories by Women Writers from the North of Ireland, which won Best Irish Published Book. She presents The Book Show on RTE Radio 1.



Christine Dwyer Hickey has published seven novels, one short story collection and a full length play. The Cold Eye of Heaven won the Kerrygroup Irish Novel of the Year 2012 and was nominated for the IMPAC Award. Tatty was nominated for The Orange Prize and was one of the 50 Irish Novels of the Decade. Last Train from Liguria was nominated for the Prix L'Européen de Littérature.



Nuala O'Connor aka Nuala Ní Chonchúir short story collection Joyride to Jupiter will appear from New Island in 2017. Nuala's third novel, Miss Emily, was shortlisted for the Bord Gáis Energy Eason Book Club Novel of the Year 2015 and is currently longlisted for the 2017 International DUBLIN Literary Award.

THE CELTIC TENORS

ONLINE
BOOKING

**FRIDAY 28TH JULY,
CHURCH OF IRELAND, 8PM, €20**

Matthew Gilsenan, James Nelson, and Daryl Simpson, have performed together as The Celtic Tenors for over fifteen years, and they offer more than beautiful voices and musical knowledge. Comfortable in all genres from classical and folk to Irish and pop, they bring their audience on a real musical voyage.

A relaxing and wonderful evening's entertainment is guaranteed. The Celtic Tenors have broken new ground by stepping away from their classical roots, and adding a more contemporary edge. With this pioneering approach, they've welcomed a wider audience and fostered a fresh and invigorating style which has won them both critical acclaim and many fans the world over. They are the only tenor group with a truly global audience. Whether playing a great Cathedral or a major concert hall in such cities as New York, Amsterdam or Shanghai, professional and most of all, good humoured, performances are assured. They genuinely love what they do, and you'll see that shine through in each rendition of beautiful Celtic songs like the haunting Danny Boy and exhilarating classics like Nessun Dorma.

Our thanks to Boyle Chamber of Commerce for supporting this event.

EDDI READER

ONLINE
BOOKING

**FRIDAY 28TH JULY,
DALY'S STOREHOUSE, 10PM, €15**

With a career spanning over three decades, Eddi Reader has effortlessly developed into one of popular music's most thrilling and affecting performers. She was the front woman for Fairground Attraction, whose Number 1 single Perfect topped the British charts.

Eddi's subsequent albums signalled her ability to assimilate different musical styles and make them her own. 2016 saw the release of her first career spanning album The Best Of Eddi Reader, a compilation including thirty of her most consistently beautiful, often deeply personal, and intimate songs. Declared "a definitive musical portrait of one of the finest voices this country has produced" by Folk Radio UK, this will be Eddi's first appearance in Boyle

Our thanks to Vention Medical for supporting this event.



CHILDREN'S STORYTELLING WITH GERARD SIGGINS

SATURDAY 29TH JULY,
KING HOUSE, 11.30AM, FREE (10+)



Gerard Siggins is a sports writer who has written five fantastic sporty and supernatural mysteries: Rugby Spirit, Rugby Warrior, Rugby Rebel, Rugby Flyer and Rugby Runner. Children aged 10+ can join him for a talk on how he combines rugby, ghosts, history and mystery all into one exciting book!

Our thanks to Roscommon Library Service for organising this event.

THE RAFTER FAMILY

SATURDAY 29TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 1PM, €5

Hailing from Kilkenny, the Rafter Family came to critical acclaim following their debut tour of Ireland in 2009. A highly successful CD followed with a beautiful programme of Irish airs interspersed with Italian Arias. Parents Maura and Paddy, founded Kilkenny Academy of Music which has been home to some of Ireland's major Feis Ceoil winners. This concert will feature a sensational blend of operatic drama to wonderful Irish works.

FILM: PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK

SATURDAY 29TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 3PM, €5
115 MINUTES, CLASSIFICATION PG

This classic Australian masterpiece, celebrates 40 years in Europe this year. Originally made in 1975 and Directed by Peter Weir, the film is atmospheric cinema at its best. Set in 1900, the story concerns a group of schoolgirls who fail to return, following a visit to Hanging Rock. Haunting music and outstanding cinematography are only a small part of the experience and this film will stay with you, long after the credits have rolled.



THE IRISH GUITAR QUARTET

SATURDAY 29TH JULY,
KING HOUSE, 6PM, €8

The Irish Guitar Quartet is comprised of Ireland's most talented and versatile classical guitarists and is one of Ireland's premier instrumental ensembles. Jerry Creedon, David Keating, Colin McLean and Aengus Kirakowski have garnered international acclaim as soloists. Each member contributes towards the creation of exciting, dynamic and engaging musical performances.

The Irish Guitar Quartet invites listeners to experience and enjoy a variety of musical styles including Latin, Far East, Folk and American classics.

ONLINE
BOOKING

THE SUCCESSFUL TD WITH MARY MCEVOY & JON KENNY

ONLINE
BOOKING

SATURDAY 29TH JULY, ST JOSEPH'S HALL, 8PM, €15

One of your own – a vote for Tull is a vote for yourself! The Successful TD follows the Trials, Tribulations, misadventures and hilarious antics of Tull McAdoo as he seeks re-election to the Dáil in the “October Elections.”

Written in 1967, John B. Keane displays an edge for humour and satire that is uncomfortably close to the politics of today. Peppered with Keane’s gallery of madcap characters, this show will have you laughing at politics, in a good way, from the start. Tull has roped in the help of his faithful daughter Kate while his wife nurses her various ailments in bed or in Lisdoonvarna. Meanwhile, Tull’s arch enemy, Flannery the local school teacher, plans to scupper the election for him. Any man with a vote is a man to be respected. I’ll play with them, lie to them, sing dumb about them while I have a chance of a vote. That’s my livelihood. Don’t give me no more stink about the truth. Christ told the truth and they crucified Him...

Based on *The Letters of A Successful TD* and *An Irish Minister of State* by John B. Keane.

DAVID POWER & MARTIN HAYES

ONLINE
BOOKING

SATURDAY 29TH JULY, KING HOUSE, 10PM, €15

Martin Hayes is regarded as one of the most extraordinary talents to emerge in the world of Irish traditional music. His unique sound, his mastery of the violin, his acknowledgement of the past, and his shaping of the future of music, combine to create an astonishing and formidable artistic intelligence. He is the recipient of major national and international awards, including six All-Ireland fiddle championships and has been cited by the Irish Sunday Tribune as one of the hundred most influential Irish men and women. He is one of the most important musicians to come out of Ireland in the last fifty years.

Uilleann piper David Power is a member of groups Masters of Tradition and Pipers Union. He performed in the off-Broadway production *Love’s Pure Light*, recorded music for the Irish Repertory Theatre’s *The Field* and was an actor/musician in the Broadway production of Eugene O’Neill’s *A Touch of the Poet*, starring Gabriel Byrne. He has three critically acclaimed solo recordings *My Love is in America* (2005), *Cuachín Ghleann Neifin* (2007), and *The Eighteen Moloney* (2014). He has performed with poets including Seamus Heaney, Michael Davitt, Kerry Hardie, Dermot Bolger, Maighread Medbh, Clodagh Beresford-Dunne, Doireann ní Ghríofa, and Robert Pinsky.

ILSE LUBBERS, SOPRANO ACCOMPANIED BY DEREK MAHADY

**SUNDAY 30TH JULY, ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH,
11.30AM, FREE, AS PART OF SUNDAY MASS**



Ilse Lubbers is a Dutch dramatic soprano. She studied voice at the Royal Conservatory in The Hague and Fontys Hogeschool in Tilburg, both in the Netherlands. Ilse performs as a soloist for concerts, recitals weddings and funerals, most recently at the Carrick Water Music Festival. She also works as a singing teacher and choral conductor. At the moment she leads three choirs in the Carrick-on-Shannon area.

Derek Mahady is an Irish choral conductor, singer, pianist and music educator. Derek

studied voice, piano and music pedagogy at the Dublin Institute of Technology, Conservatory of Music and Drama. Subsequently, he completed a Higher Diploma in Education in Trinity College Dublin. In the Summer of 2012, he completed his Masters of Arts in Choral Conducting at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama.

AN EVENING WITH THE MOYLURG WRITERS

**SUNDAY 30TH JULY,
KING HOUSE, 5PM, FREE**

The Moylurg Writers from Boyle have been meeting twice monthly for almost thirty years. They have published four anthologies and for many years now *An Evening with the Moylurg Writers* has been a popular item in the festival's programme. The evening will consist of members of the Moylurgs reading from recent work. There will be poetry, prose, memoir and probably a song or two. The evening is always entertaining, often thought-provoking and, on occasion, simply inspirational. Come along and judge for yourself!

Rose Byrne and Gerry Boland will be holding writing workshops before this event – see workshop section for more details

THE INISHOWEN GOSPEL CHOIR

SUNDAY 30TH JULY, ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, 8PM, €10

Founded in 2005 by two friends who wanted to bring the sounds and spirit of gospel music to their community, The Inishowen Gospel Choir has performed at events from local concerts in the north west of Ireland, to world-renowned music festivals such as Glastonbury and Electric Picnic.

The choir has retained its community-based character and energy, which combined with musical excellence, has seen it perform with some of the best-known names in the Irish music scene, including, Liam Ó Maonlaí, Kila, Duke Special, Declan O'Rourke, Bronagh Gallagher, Foy Vance, The Henry Girls Cara Dillon and Moya Brennan. The Inishowen Gospel Choir's musical diversity and energetic performances have kept audiences entertained since its founding in 2005. A unique blend of gospel, soul, roots, rock and folk has helped the Inishowen Gospel Choir become a regular feature at music festivals throughout Ireland. Based in Carndonagh, Co. Donegal, the choir is musically directed by Dr. Neil Burns and Dr. Anna Nolan.



PETE HIGGINS

**SUNDAY 30TH JULY,
PATRICK'S WELL, 10PM, FREE**

He may not have grown up in the 1950s and 1960s, but Pete Higgins spent his youth listening to the likes of The Beatles, Simon & Garfunkel, Eddie Cochran & Buddy Holly. Taking classic songs from the era that gave the world Rock 'n Roll and stripping them back to their essential elements, Pete's set list is guaranteed to transport you back to the days of Flower Power, Rockabilly and the Swinging Sixties!

Workshops

Advance booking required for all workshops. Registration 10 minutes before start.

FOR ADULTS

SINGING WORKSHOP WITH ANTAIN Ó FARACHAIN

THURSDAY 28TH JULY, 8PM-9.30PM,
DODDS THE CRESCENT BAR, €5
(ALLOWS FREE ENTRY TO SINGERS NIGHT)

Dublin born traditional singer, who performs in Irish and English. He is a member of the organising committee of both “An Góilin” traditional singers’ club and the “Sean-Nos Cois Life” festival in Dublin. He has produced and presented four television series about traditional singing for the Irish language T.V. station TG4 and is an experienced teacher at singers’ workshops.

JEWELLERY WORKSHOP WITH HULLABALOO

SATURDAY 29TH JULY, 10.30AM - 12.30PM,
ABBEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, €20
(INCLUDES MATERIALS)

‘Design and create your own beaded beautiful jewellery pieces – at our activity you will each make a floating necklace and a memory wire wrap bracelet. You will have a huge selection of beads to choose from including glass beads, wooden beads & crystal-based beads. We will teach you how to construct and finish your jewellery professionally using tools that will be available for everyone to use.



LANDSCAPE DRAWING WITH MICHAEL WANN **SATURDAY 29TH JULY, 2PM - 5PM,** **ABBEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, €25**

For beginners to intermediate. Materials supplied.

Michael Wann was born in Dublin and lives and works in Sligo. His awards include the AXA Insurance Drawing Award at the 176th RHA Annual (2006) and the Sean Keating Award and Silver Medal at the 186th RHA Annual (2016).

PIECING THE JIGSAW TOGETHER: A PROSE-WRITING WORKSHOP WITH ROSE BYRNE **SUNDAY 30TH JULY, 11AM - 1PM,** **THE SPOOL FACTORY, €12**

In this prose-writing workshop, Rose Byrne will discuss the elements required for the makings of a well-structured short story and what’s required to create interesting and believable characters. Through a series of writing exercises participants will find inspiration and a starting point for a short story. Participants will receive feedback on work produced in the class.

Rose Byrne writes short stories, screenplays and plays. She won the Longford Literary Award in 2014, was runner-up in New Roscommon Writer’s Award in 2014 and 2016.

READING & WRITING CONTEMPORARY POETRY WITH GERRY BOLAND

SUNDAY 30TH JULY, 2PM - 4PM,
THE SPOOL FACTORY, €12

This two-hour workshop focuses on contemporary poetry in Ireland. Ten poems, by ten different contemporary Irish poets, will be read and analysed and discussed in an informal workshop setting. All participants will have a chance to express their views on each poem’s poetic style and language, its structure, as well as the poet’s concerns and how he/she expresses these concerns. Participants will, with suggestions and guidance from Gerry, attempt to write first drafts of two and perhaps three new poems.

Gerry Boland is a poet and author of both adult and children’s books. His latest poetry collection is In The Space Between (Arlen House, 2016). He has many years’ experience of leading workshops, both in poetry and in prose.

WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN

MONDAY 24TH - FRIDAY 28TH JULY

MIXED ARTS & CRAFTS WITH HULLABALOO



5 - 12 YEARS, ABBEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
10.30AM - 12.30PM , €60

A mixture of all different crafts and a chance to learn lots of skills: ceramic painting, puppet making, beading, decoupage, card making, recycling, upcycling, fabric painting and much more. Hullabaloo runs mobile craft parties and workshops for all ages and abilities.

Book direct with Hullabaloo at 086 409 4164 or email fun@hullabaloo.com

ACTION & ADVENTURE: DRAMA SUMMER CAMP WITH CATHERINE SIMON



4-10 YEARS, ABBEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
1.30PM - 3PM, €60

Are you ready to Go On an Adventure? Rescue a Princess? Slay a Dragon? Maybe search for a Gruffalo?

Bring your favourite stories to life through movement, voice and imagination exercises. Take your imagination on an adventure as you explore forests, the underworld and magical faraway lands. This week-long camp is designed to build confidence and communication skills and most importantly provide lots of fun. It is a wonderful week for any boy or girl who loves performing and whether or not they are new to drama the workshop is designed to suit the needs of the group.

DISCOVER BOYLE

Why not spend more time enjoying the hospitality and attractions of Boyle and its environs? Take the Historical Walking Tour or Moone Boy Trail around Boyle. Visit the excellent tourist attractions of Boyle Abbey, King House and Lough Key Forest & Activity Park and perhaps hire a Boat, Bike or Segway.

Visit the Courtyard Market in the beautiful grounds of King House every Saturday morning between 10am and 2pm and stock up on locally sourced fresh produce.

A Shuttle Bus Service runs between Lough Key Forest & Activity Park, Boyle Marina and Boyle three times daily, seven days a week with additional services running throughout the 10 day Arts Festival to coincide with evening events, see: www.locallink.ie Route 570

To receive more information, local maps, book accommodation or to avail of Joint Ticketing and Special Discount Offers to local Tourist attractions call to Una Bhan Tourism in the grounds of King House / 071 966 3033 / www.unabhan.ie or visit www.discoverireland.ie



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THURSDAY 20TH JULY

7.30pm OPENING NIGHT

FRIDAY 21ST JULY

11am GALLERY TALK: TERRY SWEENEY

1pm TARA VISCARDI, HARP & MEADHB O'ROURKE, FLUTE

3pm FILM: THE JUNGLE BOOK (2016 VERSION)

6pm TALK: IN SEARCH OF HYDE: BRIAN MURPHY

8pm DECLAN O' ROURKE

10pm FINBAR MAGEE & BREIGE QUINN

SATURDAY 22ND JULY

11am CARROWKEEL WALK WITH PHILIP JAMES

11.30am DUBLIN UKULELE COLLECTIVE

12.30pm CUSTARD PIE PUPPETS: BADGER'S BIRTHDAY- AN ANIMAL STORY (UP TO 7YRS)

1.30pm MATTHEW MANNION, NIAMH ST JOHN, ACCOMPANIED BY ADAM MCDONAGH

3pm CUSTARD PIE PUPPETS: PUNCH & JUDY (ALL AGES)

King House Free

King House FREE

King House €5

King House €5

King House €6

King House €20

Wynne's Bar FREE

Meet at King House bus stop €10

The Spool Factory €5

St Joseph's Hall €3

King House €5

St Joseph's Hall €3

CRIME WRITERS PANEL:

5pm DECLAN BURKE, LOUISE PHILLIPS, ARLENE HUNT & ANDREA CARTER

7pm NEW AIRS

9.30pm BRIAN KENNEDY

SUNDAY 23RD JULY

11.30am ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH CHOIR

2.30pm THE MEN WHO KNEW TOO MUCH

5pm TALK: ROCKINGHAM - TRIONA MULLANEY DIGNAM & JOHN CLAPISON

8pm ANÚNA

10pm RACKHOUSE PILFER

MONDAY 24TH JULY

1pm TRAD: MAGGIE CARTY WITH SHANE MCGOWAN

6pm LOL TOLHURST: CURED - THE TALE OF TWO IMAGINARY BOYS

8pm IN CONVERSATION: CAROLE COLEMAN & MIRIAM O CALLAGHAN

10pm TAILOR BIRDS

TUESDAY 25TH JULY

1pm DAVID SCOTT, BARITONE ACCOMPANIED BY MARY SCARLETT, PIANO

6pm TALK: PAUL DURCAN'S OSYSSEY - CONOR FARNAN

Boyle Family
Resource Centre €8

King House €15/€10

Church of Ireland €20

St Joseph's Church Free

Daly's Bar €5

King House €6

Church of Ireland €25

Daly's Storehouse €10

King House €5

King House €6

Church of Ireland €10

Mattimoe's Bar €5

King House €5

King House €6

8pm	MICHAEL MCHALE, PIANO
10pm	PAT COLDRICK, CLASSICAL GUITAR
10pm	GOATS DON'T SHAVE

WEDNESDAY 26TH JULY

1pm	ROBERT FINEGAN & ANDREW MULLEN, SAXOPHONE DUO ACCOMPANIED BY MARY SCARLETT, PIANO
4pm	FILM: BOYLE ABOVE & BEYOND - DARREN PURCELL
6.30pm	JOHN MCGLYNN, GUITAR
8pm	DRAMA: TURNING MAMMY: BEEZNEEZ
10pm	THE JAZZ LADDS

THURSDAY 27TH JULY

1pm	FILM: BOYLE, THROUGH THE MAGIC LANTERN
6pm	TALK: ON RAGLAN ROAD; GREAT IRISH LOVE SONGS & THE WOMEN WHO INSPIRED THEM: GERARD HANBERRY
8pm	REGINA NATHAN, SOPRANO
9.30pm	BOYLE SINGERS WITH ANTAINÉ Ó FARACHAIN
10pm	COMEDY: CHRIS KENT

King House	€15/€10
Whistler's Bar & Grill	€5
Daly's Storehouse	€10

King House	€5
King House	€5
King House	€6
St Joseph's Hall	€15
Clarke's Bar & Restaurant	€5

King House	€5
King House	€6
Church of Ireland	€20/€15
Dodd's The Crescent	€5
King House	€10

FRIDAY 28TH JULY

1pm	JIMMY GOEIJENBIER, PIANO	King House	€5
6pm	SINEAD GLEESON, CHRISTINE DWYER HICKEY, NUALA NI CHONCHUIR	King House	€8
8pm	THE CELTIC TENORS	Church of Ireland	€20
10pm	EDDI READER	Daly's Storehouse	€15

SATURDAY 29TH JULY

11.30am	GERARD SIGGINS: CHILDRENS STORYTELLING (10+)	King House	Free
1pm	THE RAFTER FAMILY	King House	€5
3pm	FILM: PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK	King House	€5
6pm	THE IRISH GUITAR QUARTET	King House	€8
8pm	DRAMA: THE SUCCESSFUL TD BY JOHN KEANE WITH MARY MCEVOY & JON KENNY	St Joseph's Hall	€15
10pm	DAVID POWER & MARTIN HAYES	King House	€15

SUNDAY 30TH JULY

11.30am	ILSE LUBBERS, SOPRANO ACCOMPANIED BY DEREK MAHADY	St Joseph's Church	Free
5pm	AN EVENING WITH THE MOYLURG WRITERS	King House	Free
8pm	THE INISHOWEN GOSPEL CHOIR	St Joseph's Church	€10
10pm	PETE HIGGINS	Patrick's Well	Free

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11. DODD'S THE CRESCENT BAR
12. WHISTLER'S BAR & GRILL
13. WYNNE'S BAR
14. ABBEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
15. ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH
16. MATTIMOE'S BAR
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