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# Ardhowen



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#### **Monday - Friday:**

9:30am – 4:30pm (8pm on performance day)

#### **Saturday:**

11:00am – 1:00pm 2:00pm – 5:00pm 6:00 – 8:00pm

#### **Sunday:**

Closed

### Pat Shortt - Hey!

#### Thursday 03 January | £25.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Comedy

Pat Shortt is back with a brand new stage show called 'Hey!' Following the sell out successes of 'The Hall', 'Selfie' and 'How's Tings?' and fresh from starring roles in the hit play 'A Skull In Connemara' and the film 'The Belly of The Whale', Ireland's best loved comedian takes to the road with his latest quirky look at Irish life.

Featuring new material and sketches, this new show is a rogue's gallery of odd ball characters, bizarre situations and even a song or two! 'Hey!' delivers a peculiar take on modern life that only the unique imagination of Pat Shortt could conjure up.

A show not to be missed. Hey! you have been warned!

Suitable for 16+ years.

**JMG Music Group presents** 

### The Pure Country Show

Friday 04 January | £19.50 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Music

Back by popular demand the hugely successful The Pure Country Show returns to The Ardhowen for another foot stamping night of classic country with 5 of Ireland's finest country singers: Mick Flavin, Eamon McCann, Anthony Mc Brien, Matt Leavy and Stephen Smyth who each will showcase well known hit songs from all the greats in Country Music accompanied by a super live band with that authentic Nashville sound. This has been a sell-out show now annually so early booking is advisable.



### Arty McGlynn and Nollaig Casey

#### Saturday 05 January | £12.00 | 9pm Gallery Bar | Genre: Music

Arty McGlynn (guitar) and Nollaig Casey (fiddle and vocals) are two of Ireland's most acclaimed musicians, with international reputations for excellence in the field of Irish Folk music.

Arty received the TG4 Lifetime Achievement Award in 2016 for outstanding contribution to Irish traditional music. He is one of Ireland's most accomplished guitar players, having played with Liam O'Flynn, Patrick Street, Van Morrisson, to name but a few



Nollaig has played with the likes of Riverdance, Enya, Rod Stewart and Planxty.

This concert will feature Arty and Nollaig with a dynamic set of Irish music and song: a blend of beautiful melodies and exciting dance music, both old and new. Arty is also celebrating the release of his brand new album, 'Botera'.

**Lakeland Players presents** 

### Ali Baba And The Forty Thieves

by Norman Robbins

Thursday 10 to Sunday 13 January | £13.00 / £11.00 Concession | 7.30pm Tuesday 15 to Saturday 19 January | £13.00 / £11.00 Concession | 7.30pm Matinees: Saturday 12, Sunday 13, Saturday 19 | £13.00 / £10.00 Concession | 2.30pm Auditorium | Genre: Family

The Lakeland Players return with 'Ali Baba And The Forty Thieves'. Although not a common story line, this pantomime by Norman Robbins contains the classic ingredients of goodies, baddies, an outrageous pantomime dame, corny jokes, a lively mix of music and 'behind you' scenes to have you delighted and groaning in equal measure! Find out how Ali Baba, with a lot of help from his friends, overcomes the evil Al Raschid and how Tinbad the Tailor stitches up the plot. We do not guarantee forty thieves (the wardrobe mistress won't produce the costumes!) but we do offer plenty of laughs and excitement for children and adults alike.



'Babe in Arms' tickets available for the matinee performances upon request from the Box Office.

**Please note:** Patrons should note that this production contains visual effects which may include pyrotechnics.

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Suitable for 18+ years.

**David Hull Promotions presents** 

Charlie Lansborough
The Farewell Tour

Thursday 24 January | £24.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Music

In 2019, UK Country Music legend, Charlie
Landsborough, plans to retire from touring to
concentrate on writing and recording music. Before his
retirement he will be embarking on an extended tour of
Ireland. Known as the UK's premier country music singer,
country music is only one part of his live shows. Charlie's gigs
are a night of beautiful ballads, folk, blues, country, rock 'n' roll,
pop, gospel and anthems.

Winner of 'Best Songwriter', 'Best Song', 'Best Male Vocalist' and 'International Country Album,' Charlie's talent and chart-topping records received the ultimate recognition in 2011 when he was inducted into the British Country Music Hall of Fame.





Joe Gallagher Entertainments presents

### Bagatelle in Concert

Friday 25 January | £25.00 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Music

Bagatelle started in 1978 at a time when original bands weren't all that successful in Ireland. In fact, the idea of a band touring nationwide with a full original music set just didn't work out – for most!

However, Bagatelle's music did work and would establish them firmly on the Irish Music Circuit/Worldwide. Over those 40 years they have had several Number 1 singles with iconic songs like Summer In Dublin, Second Violin, Trump Card and more

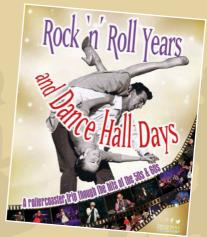
They have shared stages with legends like Bob Marley, John Denver, The Pogues, Duran Duran, Van Morrison, George Micheal, U2, Jose Feliciano and UB40. The list is endless! Two years ago they completed their Final Year Tour, retired (for all of about three months) got bored not touring, then played a major series of their 'One For The Road' sold out gigs right across Ireland and the UK.

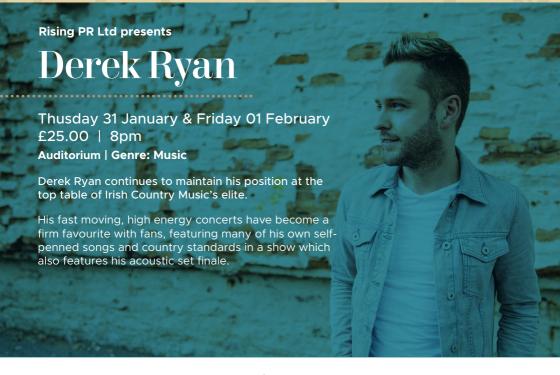
Now they bring Bagatelle @ 40 – 40 Years of Original Music to The Ardhowen. This is not to be missed!

### Rock 'n' Roll Years and Dance Hall Days

#### Saturday 26 January | £20.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Music

'The Rock'n'Roll Years and Dance Hall Days' is back! After last year's smash hit tour this wonderful nostalgic musical hits the road again! The all-star cast will once again take you on a whirlwind journey through the musical decades of the 50's and 60's. Paying homage to the lives and music of the Everly Bros, Johnny Cash, The Four Seasons, Ruby Murray, Bobby Darin, Elvis and much, much more. Don't miss this year's new show, you won't be disappointed!





The Lisa Richards Agency presents

### Neil Delamere Controlled Substance

Saturday 02 February | £22.00 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Comedy

Fresh from a sell-out tour, the star of BBC's The Blame Game and Soft Border Patrol, Neil Delamere returns to The Ardhowen with a brand new show. This time he thinks he has that whole 'illusion of control' idea sussed. Then again he would think that, wouldn't he?

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'You'll be hard pressed to find a more gifted comic at the Fringe' The Scotsman

One lean, mean, comedy, killing machine' **The Herald** 

**Tom Kelly Promotions presents** 

### Isla Grant - Hits Tour

Wednesday 06 February | £25.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Music

Scotland's most popular singer-songwriter Isla Grant makes a welcome return visit to Ireland after an absence of two years. Isla is now established in Ireland, Australia, the UK and America as a singer/songwriter of the highest quality.

Over the last few years she has completed hugely successful tours of New Zealand, Australia and the UK and once again received five 'Gold Discs' for CD sales. Add this to six 'Platinum Discs' already received in Ireland and you can see why this 'Scottish Lass' is so popular. Her highly entertaining concert show features all her wonderful 'hit' songs and some new from her latest album. Isla's interaction with her audience is second to none making the atmosphere at her live shows a joy to behold. Together with an excellent band which includes Al Grant, Glen Flynn and Willie Dunne the ingredients are there for a concert of the highest quality.



Patrick Talbot Productions and Rathmore Productions presents

## Fly Me To The Moon

A comedy written and directed by Marie Jones, the Olivier Award winning author of Stones In His Pockets

Friday 08 & Saturday 09 February £18.00/£16.00 Concession 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Comedy

Patrick Talbot Productions and Rathmore Productions presents from the Olivier Award winning author of Stones In His Pockets.

Francis and Loretta are community care visitors. Davy, one of their elderly charges, has had a significant win on the horses, but he doesn't know. When the cash-strapped women learn that Davy will not be around for a considerable time they are faced with a mouth-watering dilemma. Marie Jones is the author of some of the most successful plays ever produced in Ireland, including 'Stones In His Pockets', 'Women On The Verge Of HRT and 'A Night In November'. This hilarious comedy investigates whether we are valued more in life or in death.

Desperately funny'
The New York
Daily News

'Fizzes with comic energy' The Belfast News Letter

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Suitable for 13+ years.





**Enniskillen Amateur Dramatic** Society presents Sive by JB Keane Thursday 14, Friday 15 & Saturday 16 February £12.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Theatre Following the success of 'The Field', Enniskillen Amateur Dramatic Society returns with famous Irish playwright, J B Keane's, first published play 'Sive'. Powerful and provocative, 'Sive' is the story of a scheming matchmaker and a resentful woman forcing a beautiful young girl to marry an old man. Set against the harsh poverty of 1950's Ireland it is a story inspired by a true situation, witnessed by J B Keane in his early years as a publican in Listowel. 'I put everything into the writing of the play. For me, writing the final scene was one of the most profound moments of my life, and I found myself overwhelmed by emotion' John B Keane. 1928-2002

### Give My Head Peace - Live

### Tuesday 19 & Wednesday 20 February £22.50 | 8pm

**Auditorium | Genre: Comedy** 



The Give My Head Peace crew have been selling out theatres all over Northern Ireland for years and, fresh from their Christmas Special on BBC1, they hit the road with a brand new stage show in February and March 2019. We'd like to tell you what the show's going to be about but given Brexit, Trump, and an empty Stormont...who knows? Anything can happen! All we know for sure is that Ma, Cal, Da, Billy, and Dympna will be there. Uncle Andy can't make it (he's spending a year in bed in order to get a PIP claim) so he's asked his old mucker Big Mervyn (BJ Hogg) to take over. And along with Ulster's favourite menacing cleric Pastor Begbie (Paddy Jenkins) the gang guarantee a night of topical comedy, fantastic jokes and up to the minute satire. Plus there'll be some superb stand-up from Tim McGarry. Don't miss the funniest show of the year.

**Please note:** This show contains adult references. Responsibility for allowing under 12s to view lies with the accompanying adult

Joe Gallagher Entertainments presents

# Some Guys Have All The Luck

Thursday 21 February | £25.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Music

Some Guys Have All The Luck is a brand new theatre production direct from London's West End celebrating the life and career of Rod Stewart, one of rock music's greatest icons. Starring Paul Metcalfe and featuring a fantastic live band with impeccable credits, the show takes the audience through Rod's incredible story, from his humble beginnings through to worldwide superstardom and record sales in excess of 100 million!

The first half of the show charts Rod's rise to fame from his early days singing in the r 'n b clubs of the 60's through to worldwide success in the early 70's. It features songs from the earlier part of Rod's career, including 'Handbags And Gladrags', 'In A Broken Dream',

'Stay With Me', 'Ooh La La' and 'Wear It Well'. It also includes an unplugged section.

The second half of the show captures all the excitement and energy of a Rod Stewart concert and is full of the same swaggering showmanship, audience participation and sheer sense of fun. It is crammed full of hits such as 'Maggie May', 'Sailing', 'Baby Jane', 'Da Ya Think I'm Sexy', 'Tonight's The Night', 'The First Cut Is The Deepest' and 'You're In My Heart' to name but a few! Paul throws his mic stand around, comes out into the audience and even kicks a volley of signed footballs into the crowd!



Joe McCadden Management presents

# The Fureys

Saturday 23 February | £22.50 | 8pm Auditorium | Music

Legends of Irish music and song The Fureys, renowned for their hit songs 'I Will Love You', 'When You Were Sweet Sixteen', 'The Green Fields Of France', 'The Old Man', 'Red Rose Café', 'From Clare To Here', 'Her Father Didn't Like Me Anyway', 'Leaving Nancy', 'Steal Away' and many more.

They have been entertaining audiences worldwide for 41 years, audiences that have included former Australian Prime Minister John Howard, Former Irish

President Mary McAleese and the late Pope John Paul while Tony Blair has publicly stated his favourite peace song of all time is 'Green Fields of France' and President Michael D Higgins attended their last concert in National Concert Hall.

Don't miss an amazing night of music that is well worth seeing.

**Tom Kelly Promotions presents** 

### **Brendan** Grace

The Best of 48 Years of Comedy

Tuesday 26 February | £25.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Comedy

The greatest family comedian of our generation proudly celebrates 48 years in the Comedy business and most of this time at the very top of his profession. Brendan's latest show features the best and most requested pieces from his vast repertoire over the last 48 years. His sense of timing and ability to read an audience is without equal. A brilliant character actor, his 'Bottler' character is legendary and his interpretation of the 'Irish Wedding' will forever remain a masterpiece. His material owes more to the best of the traditional stand-up-comics than it does to modern alternative humour and this is very much a show for all the family.



**JMG Music Group presents** 

# Roly Daniels

Wednesday 27 February | £20.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Music

Following a hugely successful sell-out tour last year to standing ovations, join one of Ireland's finest entertainers, showmen and singers, Roly Daniels, for a nostalgic show by one of our true greats.

He will perform his biggest hit songs like 'Mr Jones', 'I Will Love You All My Life'and 'Hello Darling' to name a few, with the 2019 tour introducing some new material in the company of the fabulous band Keltic Storm.

Joining Roly on the tour will once again be one of our favourite local stars Joe Moore.



## Oh! What a Feeling

### Friday 01 March | £21.50/£20.00 Concession | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Music

A high octane show celebrating the music of: Lionel Richie and The Commodores.

'Oh! What A Feeling' – Winner of 'Best Newcomer' in 2018 at the 'National Tribute Music Awards' and voted 'Official UK No.1' by 'The Agents Association of Great Britain' is back in 2019 with a stellar line-up of world class musicians including Talon's own Jonny Miller and the awesome talent of Malcolm Pitt in this high octane show celebrating the music of Lionel Richie and the Commodores.



Performing hits such as: 'Dancing On The Ceiling', 'Easy', 'Say You Say Me', 'Stuck On You', 'Three Times A Lady', 'Hello', 'All Night Long' and many more...Following his recent appearances on the BBC's 'Graham Norton Show' and 'Sunday Night At The Palladium' for ITV, Malcolm Pitt delivers a powerhouse and breath taking performance in this must-see theatre production. We're gonna' be 'Dancing On The Ceiling' 'All Night Long' with a magical evening of pure Lionel Richie and The Commodores!

**David Hull Promotions presents** 

### Frank Carson A Rebel Without A Pause

Saturday 02 March | £17.50 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Comedy Written and Performed by Dan Gordon

Belfast funnyman Frank Carson blazed a comedy trail for over fifty years. His quick-fire gags and infectious laugh delighted audiences in variety shows, on telly and in clubs across the land; The Comedians, The Good Old Days, Seaside Special, Royal Variety, Noel's Houseparty, Tiswas, and many more. In 1976 alone he did forty-one network TV shows. He was Mayor of Balbriggan (twice), King of Blackpool, Clown Prince of Ireland and Prime Minister of Fun. But there's more. In this acclaimed

one-man show, written and performed by Dan Gordon, we journey with Frank from his Belfast boyhood - where life was so tough even the arms on the chairs had tattoos - through his adventures in the army, and into the world of showbiz where he entertained Royalty, delighted Pope John Paul II and never forgot where he came from. A whirlwind comedy drama celebrating the man, the myth and the mouth - it's a cracker!!!

### Island Disco

Wednesday 06 March | £3.00 | 7pm

Gallery Bar | Genre: Dance

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Suitable for 18+ years.



Friday 08 to Saturday 16 March | £10.00/£8.00 Concession | 8pm Nightly Special Season Ticket covering all 9 productions £45.00 Special 4 Productions Ticket £20 (dates must be chosen at time of purchase)

**Adjudicator: Tommy McArdle** 

Auditorium | Genre: Theatre

Enniskillen Drama Festival is now in its 39th year and continues to attract the best of amateur drama from all over Ireland. There will be nine different drama companies staging full length plays over nine nights, all vying for the coveted Blue Riband. For the winning group this will be a giant step in their aim of reaching the Ulster and All Ireland Finals held in late Spring 2019.

There will be a wide range of plays on offer, comedy, tragedy, well known and

also new writing from local groups and those further afield. This festival will appeal to those new to the theatre and the seasoned theatre goer. The nightly adjudications from our well respected and knowledgeable adjudicator will enable all the audience to gain an insight into the writing, performing, production and directing of plays and is likely to be of use to Drama and Performing Arts students as well. Supported by Fermanagh and Omagh District Council.



**Tom Kelly Promotions presents** 

# An Evening with Johnny McEvoy in Concert

#### Friday 22 March | £25.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Music

Johnny McEvoy has always been highly acclaimed for his excellent shows and his current nationwide concert tour is getting a huge response from his legion of fans.

This nostalgic evening of 'Song and Story' features his many hit songs, including 'Muirsin Durkan', 'The Boston Burglar', 'Those Brown Eyes', 'Long Before Your Time' as well as songs from his new album. His songs are haunting, evocative and beautifully presented with many in the folk and ballad style.

Johnny has been one of the most enduring and talented singer/songwriters in these islands over the past 50 years. His concert performance is second to none with his songs beautifully delivered in truly artistic fashion and storytelling of the finest order.

# Milo's Hat Trick

Saturday 23 March | £6.00 | 12.30pm & 3pm Family of 4 £22.00, Family of 5 £25.00

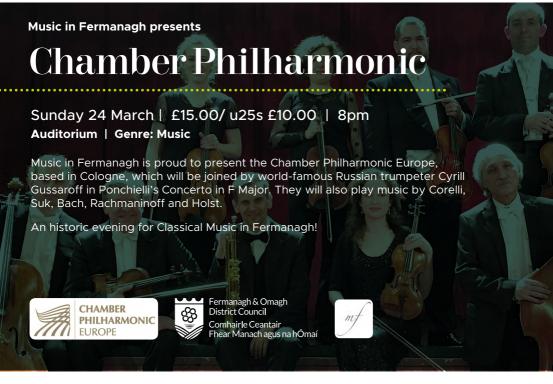
Auditorium | Genre: Family

Milo the Magnificent isn't magnificent at all. His card trick is hopeless. His rope trick is useless and his hat trick is a total mess! Milo has one last chance - to pull a rabbit out of his hat at the next performance - or else! With carrot, string and stick, Milo heads for the woods in search of a rabbit. Instead he finds a bear, a very talented bear, whose sensational hat trick just might save Milo's magic act. Young audiences can expect magic, music

and mischief in this delightful adventure from the multi-award winning Cahoots NI, based on the book by Jon Agee, adapted for the stage by Paul Bosco Mc Eneaney.

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# Sidewalk Boogie

Friday 29 March | £12.00 | 9pm

Gallery Bar | Genre: Music



Sidewalk Boogie perform classic Chicago blues, rhythm and blues and sometimes blend the blues with related genres such as jazz, rock, ska and New Orleans funk to great effect. Formed in Fermanagh in 2009 Ronan McManus, vocals and bass; joined Des Campbell, drums; Cris Gill, guitar the band now includes Maurice Collins, guitar and vocals.

Ronan, Des and Maurice have all performed locally (and beyond) for several decades with a rich diversity of genres; Cris Gill now resides in County Fermanagh after many years in London performing with a range of artists including The Selecter and the legendary Blues musician John Mayall and most recently with Ben Waters and Mick Taylor. The band headlined the hugely popular 'Fermanagh Blues Club' events which were organised by the late Edward Beattie, featuring some of the best of Fermanagh blues music at many memorable gatherings.

The Lisa Richards Agency presents

### Neil Delamere Controlled Substance

Saturday 30 March | £22.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Genre: Comedy

Fresh from a sell-out tour, the star of BBC's The Blame Game and Soft Border Patrol, Neil Delamere returns to The Ardhowen with a brand new show. This time he thinks he has that whole 'illusion of control' idea sussed. Then again he would think that, wouldn't he?

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One lean, mean, comedy, killing machine' **The Herald** 

**MEPC Music Limited presents** 

# Michael English

Thursday 04 April | £23.00 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Music

Michael has gone from strength to strength in the last 5 years packing out venues all over Ireland and the UK for both concerts and dances. Michael and his talented band are renowned for their energetic performances with his musical talents he plays both his famous 'red piano' and accordion at his shows.

He is dedicated to giving his followers an unforgettable show each time they see him.

He is dedicated to giving his followers an unforgettable show each time they see him. And with accolades like 'Best Country Dance Band' at The Country Music Awards and 'Performer of The Year' at the Sunday World Country Music Awards under his belt there is no stopping the Kildare man!

Michael has recently released his first live double album and has had numerous hit singles including 'Joey On The Fiddle' and 'Then It's Love'.

### David Meade - Brainman

#### Friday 05 April | £20.00 | 8pm

Auditorium | Demonstration/Talk

He's back with his brand new show! Just returned from the USA to deliver his funniest and most incredible show yet, Mindreader David Meade – the first mentalist to win a Million dollars in a Las Vegas casino – will blow your mind as he does the impossible live on stage right in front of you. Now performing all over the world, David's coming back to home soil to blow minds across

the country. His last record-breaking tour sold out everywhere, so grab your tickets now and look forward to a jaw dropping performance that your whole family, of all ages, will never forget!!

Suitable for 10+ years.

Please note: Patrons should note that pyrotechnics will be used during his show.

"Hilarious" - Belfast Telegraph "Incredible" - Daily Mirror

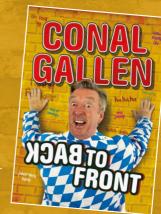
### Conal Gallen TOOR OTBACK

Saturday 06 April | £22.50 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Comedy

When it comes to comedians there is none better or funnier than the King himself, Conal Gallen! Conal is bringing his brand new stand-up comedy show, 'Back To Front' to the stage this Spring. Packed full of hilarious jokes, songs

and a few surprises for good measure. It is guaranteed to have his audiences in fits of laughter from the very start right through to the very end. And as always, audiences can expect the un-expected, because as usual, no one knows what he is going to come out with next (not even Conal). Don't miss your chance to see the master of Comedy at work and book your tickets now!



# A Night Of Traditional Country Music

with Ally Harron, Marian Curry & Guests



Auditorium | Genre: Music

Old Hat Promotions are proud to bring to The Ardhowen a great night of traditional country music with Ally Harron featuring his singing partner Marian Curry and will be joined by the legendary Chris Logue, singer and songwriter Eamon McCann, and up and coming Country star Alanna Maher.

A full live backing band which will include fiddle, steel guitar, piano and drums, will be delivering a professional country sound on the night. Ally has for many years been



With Ally's unique voice and yodelling ability this event promises to be a great night for genuine country music fans.

DVDs and many of their popular tracks will be

Marian have recorded numerous CDs and

featured on the night.

# Nobody puts Bernie in the Corner

#### Friday 12 April | £16.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Theatre

Join Bernie Jones on her crazy "Dirty Dancing" themed hen party and get ready to meet her madcap family and friends while you have "The Time Of Your Life!"Bernie is a single mother to her stroppy teenage daughter and from her living room runs an ironing service called "Let's Get Steaming."When Bernie's long-suffering driving instructor pops the question she reluctantly agrees and sets the date! Will she make it down the aisle or will she discover her real-life Johnny Castle? This high energy, hilariously funny comedy show features 90's disco classics and some iconic songs from Dirty



Dancing! If you're crazy for Swayze and fancy a bit of salsa in your Karaoke, then join Bernie Jones for a wild night of fun and laughter and let's get this party started!

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# Bourbon Street Quartet

Saturday 13 April | £12.00 | 9pm Gallery Bar | Genre: Music

The Ardhowen welcomes Bourbon Street Quartet on their second visit to the Gallery Bar.

This exciting new group of young local musicians features Timothy Boomer on piano, Rory Gill on guitar, Jack Kelly on bass and Luke Beirne on drums.

Inspired by American jazz legends such as Charles Mingus, John Coltrane, Miles Davis and Charlie Parker and also the latest generation of jazz artists bringing new life to the genre such as Los Angeles saxophonist Kamasi Washington, jazz bassist and singer Esperanza Spalding, and pianist and producer Robert Glasper.

They know where the one is and can navigate the swirl of polyrhythms as a band.

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**Michael Magill Entertainments presents** 

### Susan McCann

String of Diamonds Tour

Wednesday 17 April | 8pm | £20.00 Auditorium | Genre: Music

International award winning Susan McCann has never been far away from centre stage for most of the last 50 years. 'String of Diamonds' was one of her major hit records, originally released in 1994 and selling over half a million albums.

Weekend Festivals under the banner of 'String of Diamonds' sold out, with fans travelling from as far away as Belgium and Scotland. Her show in The Ardhowen will be a unique opportunity for you to hear her in fine voice performing all her hits such as: 'The Old Man On The Poarch', 'Penny Arcade',



'When The Sun Says Goodbye To The Mountains', 'Broken Speed' and of course her precious 'String of Diamonds medleys'. **Riverbank Productions presents** 

### **Dr Doolittle**

Thursday 25 April | 3pm and 6.30pm £5.00, Family of 4 £18.00, Family of 5 £20.00

Auditorium | Genre: Family

Riverbank Productions brand new show tells the story of Dr John Dolittle MD whose parrot, Polynesia, teaches him how to speak to animals! Of course this enables him to become a first-class animal doctor. One day a monkey from Africa arrives and asks him if he can journey to his homeland to find a cure for a colony of monkeys with a dreadful disease. So, accompanied by his trusty friends, Dab-Dab the duck, Gub Gub the pig, Too Too the owl and Jip the dog, Dr Doolittle embarks on an unforgettable journey to Africa and the adventure begins.

Some of the animals in the production are played by puppets and others by actors. As well as all the animals and the doctor himself, you may expect to meet such characters as Princess Bumpo, some swarthy pirates and a short sighted horse! Featuring new songs, especially composed for the production, sing-a-long favourites, humour and lots of joining in Dr Doolittle is the ideal show for all the family.

Suitable for children aged 5 to 10 years.



# Caritas in Concert

Friday 26 April | £10.00, Concession £8.00 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Music

Caritas is now a thriving mixed-voice choir of about 40 members. It was formed in 2014 and features local singers from County Fermanagh. They rehearse weekly in Fermanagh House on Friday evenings.

The group members, in addition to the choral performances, like to feature the talents of the members: traditional musicians, solo players and many capable vocal soloists from within the group. They have raised over £5000 for local charities and have recently been described 'the choir with the big heart'.

This will be another wonderful night of Caritas as we present you with a variety of local musical talent under the guidance of Helen Hamill.



## The Matchmaker

Saturday 27 April | £18.00, Concession £16.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Theatre By J B Keane

Following recent sold out performances, Michael Scott's iconic production of John B Keane's hit comedy play 'The Matchmaker' makes a welcome return to The Ardhowen stage.

'The Matchmaker' is performed by two of Ireland's favourite actors, Mary McEvoy and Jon Kenny. Together they play a myriad of characters in this hilarious and earthy dramatic comedy.

The play follows the efforts of Dicky Mick Dicky O Connor to make matches for the lonely and lovelorn. Keane, an avid observer of people and the cultures that bind and create their view of the world, uses 'The Matchmaker' as an exploration of rural loneliness. Aware

that generations of people became masters of their own destinies late in life, and only then began to look for companionship and love, once their duties as minder of aging parents were concluded or they had finally inherited, or were the left over brother or sister.

Using his inimitable way with words and his one sense of 'devilment' and wit, Keane delves into the longings, hungers, fears and foibles of this collection of lonely country people and creates a marvellously colourful world, taking us back to a simpler time, when phones were few and far between and the only web was one left behind by spiders.

Suitable for 12+ years

### Philomena Begley & Ray Lynam

Wednesday 15 May | 8pm | £20.00

Auditorium | Music

Known as the Queen of Irish Country music, Philomena Begley has made a firm imprint on the Irish, British and European markets. Begley has regularly toured with Ray Lynam since 1975 and they have recorded many duets together, their most popular songs being 'My Elusive Dreams', 'You're The One I Can't Live Without' and 'She Sang The Melody'.

After the 'Simply Devine' and 'Two of Us' tour proving to be an incredible success, the pair are back with special quest Andrea Beglev - 2013 winner of The Voice UK.





### David Meade - Brainman

Friday 17 May | £20.00 | 8pm Auditorium | Demonstration/Talk

He's back with his brand new show! Just returned from the USA to deliver his funniest and most incredible show yet, Mindreader David Meade – the first mentalist to win a Million dollars in a Las Vegas casino – will blow your mind as he does the impossible live on stage right in front of you. Now performing all over the world, David's coming back to home soil to blow minds across

the country. His last record-breaking tour sold out everywhere, so grab your tickets now and look forward to a jaw dropping performance that your whole family, of all ages, will never forget!!

Suitable for 10+ years.

Please note: Patrons should note that pyrotechnics will be used during his show.

"Hilarious" - Belfast Telegraph "Incredible" - Daily Mirror

### The 4 Of Us

Saturday 18 May | £12.00 | 9pm

Gallery Bar | Genre: Music-

Expect a night of classic hits as well as new material from one of the most successful Irish bands in history.

The 4 of Us have been a steadfast part of Irish music history for over a quarter of a century. Formed and fronted by Newry-born brothers Brendan and Declan Murphy, they have notched up six Top 20 Irish charting albums and their music has featured extensively on American, UK and Irish TV soundtracks. Their latest album Sugar Island was launched to huge critical acclaim. Tonight, they present songs from this album as well as their back catalogue of familiar hits including favourites 'Mary' and 'She Hits Me'.



Thursday 23 May | £20.00 | 8pm

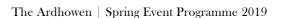
Auditorium | Genre: Comedy

Fresh from another series of award winning Friday night stalwart, The Blame Game, and from fronting his new BBC series, Colin Murphy's Panic Room, he's back on the road with a new tour show Big Time!

Following the sell-out run of his 2018 Bald Ambition Tour, he'll be taking Big Time across the land, using both motorways and most of the dual carriageways, doing what he does best and peeling away the layers of what makes us.

\*\*Warning: some of this show was written on holiday whilst in the EU and, as this tour runs over the March 29th Brexit date, some of these jokes may not be eligible for inclusion and/or not be deemed funny enough to comply with new post Brexit arrangements. Also there may or may not be any electricity.

Please note: Recommended for age 16+ years as some people may find the content offensive



### Anthony Toner

Friday 24 May | £12.00 | 8pm

Gallery Bar | Genre: Music

Anthony Toner, once memorably described as 'James Taylor meets John Prine in a second hand book shop', returns to The Ardhowen to celebrate the release of his ninth album, 'Our Lady of the Wind and Rain'.

Since the release of the popular single 'Sailortown' ten years ago, Anthony has been in constant motion, releasing a string of popular albums and playing countless live performances, the songs interweaved with insightful, moving and funny stories. Along the way he has chalked up a string of memorable songs, including 'Well Well', 'The Road to Fivemiletown', 'East Of Louise' and recently 'An Alphabet', a moving song inspired by his father's Alzheimer's condition. Expect an evening of peerless guitar playing and songs old and new.



**DMC Promotions presents** 

### The Kilkenny's in concert

Saturday 25 May | 8pm | £15.00

Auditorium | Genre: Music

The Kilkennys are at the very forefront of folk groups taking Irish music to the world. They have already proved to be a hit with northern audiences over recent years and their return will once again show why the reputation of this talented and energetic four piece group continues to grow well beyond these shores.

Following recent tours in Europe, the U.S. and Asia, and their acclaimed performance on The Late Late Show on RTÉ, the fame of The Kilkennys continues to grow. This show will take the audience on a journey

through the Irish folk and ballad tradition, it will feature many well-known ballads as well as new material from The Kilkennys that continues the centuries old Irish bardic tradition. From songs of love to ballads of emigration, The Kilkennys will provide an unforgettable, energy filled, toe-tapping and hand-clapping night of entertainment sprinkled with some of Ireland's most prolific songs and ballads.



**JMG Music Group presents** 

# The Summer Country Concert

Wednesday 29 May | £20.00 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Music

Join 6 of Ireland's favourite Country Music Stars all on one super Summer Country Show featuring the entertaining Ritchie Remo, Country Queen Kathy Durkin, the super voice of Frank Mc Caffrey, rising star Owen Mac, the popular Shaun Loughrey and Irelands favourite entertainer Curtis Magee, who each will perform toe-tapping classics in the company of the fabulous Keltic Storm band. If it's country music you like, this is the show for you!

# Chewing The Fat In Concert

#### Friday 31 May | £15.00 | 8pm

Auditorium | Genre: Music

London born multi-instrumentalist James Patrick Gavin creates folk music that dances the line between tradition and irreverence, London and Ireland, groove and grace. Known for previous work with Teyr, The Rad Orchestra and Jez Hellard and The Djukella Orchestra, his debut solo album 'Chewing The Fat' was released in February 2018 to wide acclaim. Described as 'magnificent' by Folk Radio UK, the record contains a wealth of new and old material that weaves together three generations of his own Fermanagh family.

The new album 'Chewing The Fat' blends folk tunes, songs, spoken word and field recordings in an ode to roots and identity. It's a unique sonic world that

both showcases Gavin's instrumental skill, compositional prowess and his broad talent for collaboration. The album was launched in London with a sell-out 11-piece show at the Union Chapel.

'Chewing The Fat' features an award winning host of guests including singers J. Eoin, Seamus Gavin and Jez Hellard, accordionist Tommie Black-Roff, bouzouki and bodhrán player Tad Sargent, flautist Orlaith McAuliffe, piper Dominic Henderson, guitarist Adrian Lever and banjoist Hugh O'Niell. This unique gathering of some of the UK and Ireland's finest folk musicians presents a rare joining-of-dots between innumerable bands from previous decades.



# An Evening of Song

with Donaghadee Male Voice Choir

#### Saturday 1 June | £10.00 | 8pm

Founded in 1932, Donaghadee Male Voice Choir began as a small local chorus performing in churches and other local functions. From those beginnings 86 years ago the choir has developed and flourished over the years. The choir's current Musical Director is Ivan Black.

Choir repertoire embraces both secular and sacred music, and popular, folk, traditional and operatic works.

Donaghadee Male Voice Choir's reputation extends far beyond these shores.

Today it is known internationally, having participated in choral festivals throughout Europe and has also undertaken several concert tours of Canada and the USA where it performed in the Carnegie Hall and St Patrick's Cathedral in New York.

The choir is looking forward to returning to The Ardhowen for another wonderful evening of song and is delighted to have as guests, the terrific Enniskillen Model Primary School Choir and the ever popular country legend Crawford Bell.



### Highlights for Summer 2019





Saturday 6 July Éiru in Concert



### **Adult Workshops**

### Watercolour Painting

With Genevieve Murphy



Saturday 26 January Time: 11.30am – 2.30pm Saturday 27 April Time: 11.30am – 2.30pm Venue: Studio | Capacity: 12 | Cost £12.50

An introduction to the art of Watercolour painting.

Why not try your hand at learning the techniques of watercolour landscape painting in this one day taster workshop for adults.

The workshop will take you through all the processes, from sketching (or tracing!) to colour theory, materials and painting techniques.

Please note: Adult workshops are for participants aged 18+ years.

### **Jiving Classes**

With Modern Country Moves

Thursdays: 21 February, 28 February, 7 March, 14 March and 21 March Time: 8.30pm – 10pm

Cost: £35 per person (for 5 weeks)

Venue: Studio Capacity: 40

Jiving classes for the first time in The Ardhowen!

Have you taken jive classes before? Are you looking for a new challenge? Then this is the class for you! Join Tina and Conor on the dance floor and learn some new steps and moves. Book early to avoid disappointment!



### **Childrens Workshops**

# Big Friendly Giants

Shadow Show Workship with Joan Alexander

Saturday 23 February and Saturday 03 March (2 weeks workshop) | Time: 11am – 1.30pm

Age 7-12 years | Cost: £25.00

Venue: Studio | Capacity: 12

Create and project a Shadow Show of Big Friendly Giants with Shadow Studio using overhead projectors and recycled materials. Making simple 3D puppets out of a combination of materials; natural, recyclable and found materials. Each Big Friendly Giant will be photographed with the option of a making a video of the Giant's projected procession at the end of the workshop.



### Kev F's Comic Art Masterclass

Saturday 18 May

Time: 10am – 12.30pm – Age 7-11 years Time:1.30pm – 4.00pm – Age 8-16 years

Cost: £15.00

Venue: Studio | Capacity: 25

Kev F Sutherland writes and draws for The Beano, Doctor Who and Marvel comics, and now he'll teach you how easy it is. After the end of a Comic Art Masterclass, everyone goes away with a comic containing a strip by everyone in the class plus an individual caricature by Kev F. Learn everything he knows, so you could leave school and steal his job! Materials supplied.



#### General terms & conditions

#### **Payment Methods**

Patrons are advised that tickets cannot be exchanged or refunded.

The Ardhowen reserves the right to offer special discounted ticket prices at any time. Reservations held for more than 4 days which have not been paid for will be automatically deleted from the system.

The use of cameras or recording equipment (visual and audio) is strictly prohibited in The Ardhowen. Mobile phones must be switched off during performances. Smoking and the use of e-cigarettes is not permitted in The Ardhowen. Event details are correct at the time of going to print. We reserve the right to alter the programme (including venue seating arrangements) in the event of unforeseen circumstances

#### Data Protection Act

The Ardhowen team would like to contact you about our exciting programme of performances, workshops and special offers. If you wish to receive information from us we will ask for your consent at the time of booking, you can change your mind at any time. For more details on how your information is stored and used please visit our website at www.ardhowen.com

#### **Concessions**

Where applicable, concession rates are detailed within the relevant performance information

Concession rates apply to people aged 16 years and under, to people aged 60 years and over, also students in full time education with a valid Student ID Card.

For concession tickets, photo identification will be required for proof of entitlement.

#### **Attendance Of Children And Baby In Arms**

Everyone attending a performance including children and babies must hold a valid ticket for that performance. Complimentary 'Babe in Arms' tickets are available for children up to 12 months for designated children's performances only. For health and safety reasons prams and baby carriers will not be admitted into the auditorium. In the interests of everyone's enjoyment and safety parents/carers are requested to observe the recommended age guidelines for events. Children aged 14 and under must be accompanied by a parent/guardian attending performances.

#### **Discounts**

When 10 tickets or more are purchased for a show, a 10% discount off the full price can be obtained. N.B. Group bookings cannot be made via the internet.

For designated evening performances educational groups can obtain a 20% group discount.

#### **Gallery Bar Events**

Under the terms of The Licencing (NI) Order, anyone under the age of 18 is not allowed in the bar area of The Ardhowen after 9pm. Therefore all ticket holders for evening gallery bar events must be 18 years and over.

#### **Family Ticket**

Family tickets will be available for specified events and admittances, either for groups of four or five. Family of four tickets will admit a maximum of two adults and two children. Family of five will admit a maximum of two adults and three children.

#### **Theatre Hire Events**

Some programmed events have been brought in as a Hire from an independent organisation. The Ardhowen concessions, discounts and Personal Assistance Support Scheme may not be applicable.

#### **Support Acts**

For some performances not promoted by The Ardhowen, a support act may precede the main act, particularly for popular music events. Whilst The Ardhowen endeavours to inform patrons about such support acts in advance, on some occasions it may not be possible.

#### Food And Drink

Under the terms of The Ardhowen Bar and Café Licence Agreement, patrons are not allowed to bring food or drinks into the building under any circumstances. Drinks purchased in the Theatre must not be brought into the Auditorium under any circumstances.

#### **Personal Assistance Support Scheme**

People who have a disability and who require the assistance of a companion in order to attend the venue are entitled to a complimentary ticket for their companion. The person with a disability must first register their details with The Ardhowen before the personal assistance support scheme can be availed of, please contact Box Office for a registration form.

Some programmed events have been brought in from an independent organisation. The Ardhowen concessions, discounts, and Personal Assistance Support Scheme may not be applicable as the Promoters of these events have the right to determine the number of PASS Scheme tickets available at each performance. Box Office will allocate PASS tickets on a first-come-first-served basis until the maximum number allocated is reached.

#### **Car Parking**

There are several large car parks in the grounds of The Ardhowen with specially designated Disabled Parking bays. Patrons are advised Not to Use The Ardhowen's wheelchair parking spaces unless entitled to do so and have a Blue Badge displayed prominently.

#### **Facilities For Patrons With Disabilities**

There is a maximum of three places for wheelchairs, in Row C in the auditorium. Access to this row, to the restaurant and bar and to the box office is free of steps. There is also a 'T' feature hearing aid inductive loop system which works best in rows C, D, E and F. It is important that you mention your requirements to our staff when booking and we will be pleased to assist in whatever way we can.

#### The Ardhowen Café

Call in at The Ardhowen where you can sit back and relax in the beautiful surroundings overlooking Lough Erne.

Serving fresh food daily including scones, breakfasts, sandwiches, toasties, paninis, soups, burgers, chips and a selection of sweet treats to enjoy with their signature blend of Matthew Algie coffee and tea from their range of Suki teas and a free reading of the Café's newspapers.

Gluten free range also available. The bar is open before, during and after performances (within the provisions of a theatre licence).

For enquiries about their Afternoon Tea menu and lunch reservations, please email: cafe231@outlook.com or call the Cafe on 079 0730 2060.

#### Free WiFi

#### **Photography**

The Ardhowen may record through photography (or video) venue activities and events for promotional purposes. We need your permission before any images of your child / children are taken at our facility. The image(s) may be used in Council communications or promotional materials such as social media, website, publications, printed publicity including local media. You will be asked to complete a consent form before any images are taken.

# The Ardhowen Facilities for Hire

The Ardhowen, situated on a lakeside setting in Ireland's only island town, Enniskillen, is just the ticket for your business meeting, conference, training seminar or event.

With free car parking, in-house catering packages to suit all tastes and budgets, a beautiful lakeside setting with marina and picnic facilities making it the perfect venue to host any event. The theatre is easily accessible, situated on the main A4 Belfast Road, on the outskirts of Enniskillen and adjacent to the National Trust's Castle Coole Estate.

#### The Auditorium

- Capacity: 290 seat theatre with fixed, raked seating
- State-of-the-art lighting and sound facilities
- · AV facilities, Data Projector and laptop
- 'T' feature inductive loop systemm

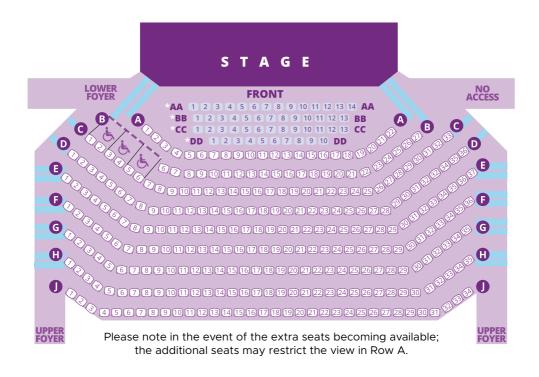
#### The Studio

The Studio can accommodate up to 40 people and can be configured to suit your needs. The Studio is used extensively for dance classes, music, local drama and stage musical rehearsals, workshops and meetings. We can provide full AV facilities, Data Projector and laptop.

Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the building.



#### **Seating Plan**





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#### **BOX OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday: 9.30am – 4.30pm (8.00pm on a performance day)

Saturday: 11.00am – 1.00pm, 2.00pm – 5.00pm, 6.00pm – 8.00pm Sunday: Closed









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