

ADVANCE PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

St. Patrick's Festival 2017

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DCC SPC

Please note this is an advance programme overview with further detail and programme to be confirmed

ST PATRICK'S FESTIVAL 2017

Thursday 16th

Friday 17th

Saturday 18th

Sunday 19th

CEILI

PARADE

TREASURE HUNT

BIG DAY OUT

GAELSPRAOI : CLAR GAELACH : IRISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMME

STREET THEATRE & MUSIC PROGRAMME OVER 4 DAYS

SPF CULTURAL PROGRAMME OVER 4 DAYS:

OUTDOOR PURSUITS

FESTIVAL FUNFAIRS

GREENING THE CITY

CITY WIDE EVENTS : COMEDY / 5K RACE / IRISH CRAFT BEER & WHISKEY VILLAGE - RDS ...PLUS PLUS PLUS

SPF COMMISSION

Ireland You Are

A POEM BY STEPHEN JAMES SMITH

A SHORT FILM BY MYLES O'REILLY



- Festival theme 'Ireland You Are' will cohesively weave through the programme and be the theme for parade 2017
- Exclusive premier at festival launch – poem and video
- Online international and national promotional tool for festival

PARADE

Theme: Ireland You Are

St. Patrick's Festival invited proposals for creative pageantry and street theatre based on the theme Ireland You Are.

Over the past 3 years we have looked at Ireland past, present and future. For 2017, we invite you to look at Ireland through a fresh lens and celebrate who we are as a new culturally diverse and brave society, with strengths and characteristic traits that are many.

The theme 'Ireland You Are' is asking pageants to reflect on who we are as a nation.

Exact Creative will be agreed in early 2017 but the types of areas being celebrated by the pageant companies include:

- A nation of storytellers
- An Island : but connected to the World through our seas and diaspora
- Food Producers
- A rich tapestry
- Myths & Legends

FESTIVAL PARADE BANDS 2017

	Band Name	Country	No's (tbc)
1.	Trommlerkorps Gut Klang	Germany	25
2.	DeKalb High School	Illinois, USA	100
3.	Fränkeshränzer Bubendorf	Switzerland	42
4.	Combined Universities of Washington,	USA	175
5.	St. Laurence O' Toole Pipe Band (TBC)	Dublin, Ire	40
6.	Illinois State University	Illinois, USA	150
7.	Edgewood High School (tbc)	Wisconsin, USA	60
8.	Trompetterkorps Alkmaar (tbc)	Holland	25
9.	Bahamas All Stars	Bahamas	115
10.	Clondalkin Youth Band	Dublin, Ire	100
11.	Artane Band	Dublin, Ire	100



THURSDAY: FESTIVAL CÉILÍ

A vibrant festival parade scene. In the foreground, a man wearing a black top hat and a blue vest is looking down. Behind him, a large wooden gear prop is visible, which serves as a frame for a circular inset image. This inset shows a street scene with a crowd of people, a person in a white coat, and a tall, thin monument in the background. To the right, a large blue and red Ferris wheel is partially visible. The overall atmosphere is festive and colorful.

FRIDAY : FESTIVAL PARADE

SATURDAY: FESTIVAL TREASURE HUNT





SUNDAY: FESTIVAL BIG DAY OUT

STREET THEATRE





MUSIC IN THE CITY



FESTIVAL 5K ROAD RACE



WALKING TOUR: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PATRICK



COMEDY



FILM

CITY AT PLAY: FUNFAIRS


GREENING THE CITY



DUBLINS CULTURAL PARTNERS

Creating a city en fete we wish to grow a wider cultural programme throughout the city and greater Dublin region by connecting with cultural groups and arts centres. Some examples include:

- National Cultural Institutions
- Fingal County Council
- Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council
- Tallaght Arts Centre
- Civic Theatre
- Dublintown
- Dublin One Cultural Quarter
- Parnell Cultural Quarter
- Monto
- Merrion Square Network
- Custom House Quay Quarter
- Temple Bar Cultural Quarter



In 2017 we will be announcing a series of engaging, evocative and intimate cultural events and happenings curated by the Festival.

The full programme for 2017 is still in development but the following events are confirmed.

Venue: Dublin City Book Shops

Event: Dublin: A Year in Words

Admission Free Ticketed

SPF will bring to life an online project in partnership with UNESCO City of Literature, of spoken word and poetry readings by creating a trail across the city centre on Saturday 18th March, in the bookshops where the readings were filmed, including Ulysses Rare Books on Duke St, Gutter Bookshop in Temple Bar and many others. Each event will feature established and emerging poets from Paula Meehan to John Cummins.

DUBLIN

UNESCO
City of Literature



Venue: National Concert Hall, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2

Event: Young Blood – The Beat and Voices of our Generation

Admission €18.00 – 35.00

Kojey Radical (UK), Rejji Snow (Irl), Rusangano Family (Irl) plus Irish poets from the 4 provinces. Hosted by Stephen James Smith.

This unique event will present a snapshot of our evolving cultural identity, reflecting Ireland's emerging creative producers; an evening with our leading musicians, poets, storytellers and rappers who will perform inspirational aspects of their daily lives and experiences.



Venue: St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin 8

Event: Music for 18 Machines

Saturday 18th March

Admission €18.00

18 Machines is a reimagining of Steve Reich's minimal 1976 piece Music for 18 Musicians on its 40th anniversary, replacing 18 musicians with 18 synthesisers.



Venue: Vicar Street, Thomas Street, Dublin 8

Event: Usher's Island feat. Donal Lunny and Andy Irvine

Admission €18.00

Usher's Island sees the coming together of five of the most influential and acclaimed names in traditional Irish music- Andy Irvine and Dónal Lunny, both members of Planxty, Paddy Glackin a founding member of The Bothy Band, Mike McGoldrick of Lúnasa and Capercaillie and John Doyle of Solas. Each is a talented soloist but in this new band they offer a blend of old and young vocal and instrumental talents that results in exceptional music.

