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Visiting Band From Ireland
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Saturday June 19th

What's On June / July

Sat June 5th Doors 8.30pm £5.

Dublin Literature Evening Featuring

Peter Sheridan

Followed By Session Of Irish Music

Charity Event For Irish Aid Organisation GOAL

Fri June 11th Doors 8.30pm Free.

Session Of Irish Music

Fri June 12th Doors 8.30pm £6.

Hazel O Connor

With Irish Harpist & Musician Cormac De Barra

Wed June 16th Starts 8.00pm £5.

Bloomsday Theatre Night

'the he and the she of it' A Portrait Of James Joyce

Written & Performed By Frank Grimes

Fri June 18th Doors 8.30pm £4.

SET DANCE & CEILI NIGHT

Sat June 19th Doors 8.30pm £5.

Visiting Band From Ireland

Oige

Fri June 25th Doors 8.30pm £3.

Club Sceal Stories & Irish Music

Sat June 26th Doors 8.30pm £6.

From The Top Irish American Band SOLAS

Karan Casey

Sat July 3rd Doors 8.30pm £3.

THE BIG SESSION

With Fiddler Brendan Mulkere & Friends

Fri July 9th Doors 8.30pm Free

Session Of Irish Music

Fri July 16th Doors 8.30pm £4.

SET DANCE & CEILI NIGHT

Fri July 17th Doors 8.30pm £6.

A Night Of Mighty Irish Music

With Brian Finnigan Ed Boyd John Jo Kelly

Fri May 17th Doors 8.30pm £6.

Visiting Irish Canadian Band

The Barra McNeils

Sat June 5th Doors 8.30pm £5

Irish Literature Night, With Irish Music, Featuring

Peter Sheridan

reading from his novel

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A Dublin Memoir

Peter Sheridan's evocative first novel has already received high acclaim in the United States.

Frank McCourt author of *'Angela's Ashes'* says *'it's brilliant writing matches the rhythms of backstreet Dublin, sharp, jazzy, hilarious and often painful'..*

Film Director Neil Jordan states *'..great fiction and the truth of great autobiography'..*

Peter Sheridan (brother of film director Jim Sheridan) will read from his book and tell Dublin stories and a great session of live Irish music will follow.

Proceeds will be donated to the Irish Aid Charity **GOAL** who are currently working with Kosovar Refugees

Late Bar

Sat June 26th £6. Doors 8.30pm

Karan Casey

vocalist with the premiere Irish American band

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Lead vocalist with Solas, the top traditional Irish band in the United States, The Wall Street Journal claims that *'Karan Casey's pristine singing voice is one of the true glories of Irish music'*. Stemming from a large musical family from Waterford Karan has recently launched her first solo album *'Shanchie'*. It is full of beautiful, powerful thought provoking Irish songs. According to Hot Press, the album should elevate her to her rightful place as one of the very best female Irish singers around today. A Rare London Appearance.

Late Bar Plus Support

Sat June 12th Doors 8.30pm £6

Former Queen Of Punk

Hazel O Connor

In her musical show

Beyond Breaking Glass

One time 'Queen Of Punk' Hazel O Connor presents her autobiographical live music show *Beyond Breaking Glass*. It was a *'pick of the fringe'* hit at The Edinburgh Festival 98. It tells the story of the enigmatic performers personal journey into stardom, her turbulent experiences of the music business and her return to her Celtic roots. The show features some amazing renditions of Hazel's best loved hit songs including her UK number one hit, *'Will You'*. Now resident in Ireland Hazel is accompanied by the talented Irish harpist & 'trad' musician Cormac De Barra.



What The Press Say About Beyond Breaking Glass

A show which is streets ahead of the rest...Hazel's voice is evocative, haunting and simply entrancing.. if you get the chance to see this show don't think twice.. just go!

Edinburgh Central Telegraph

'Spellbinding uplifting experience' **The Scotsman**

Advanced Booking Advised. Late Bar

Sat June 19th Doors 8.30pm £5.

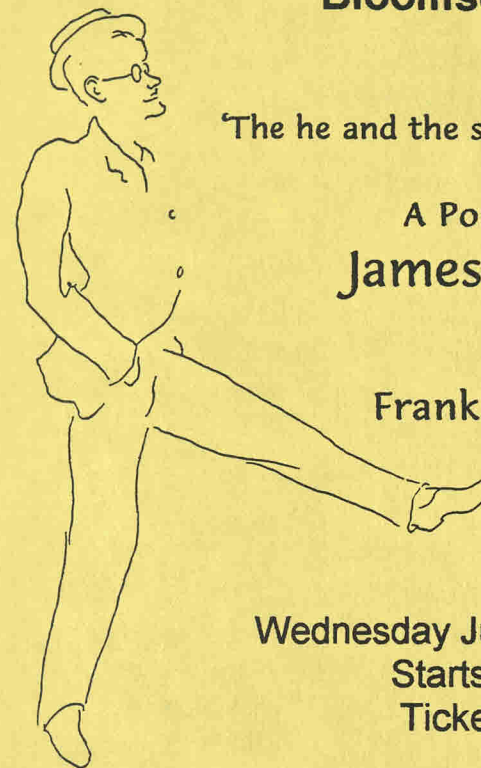
Oige

A Band Of 4 Young All Ireland Champions

Visiting from Ireland, Oige are one best young bands to emerge on the Irish traditional scene in recent times. Featuring 4 All Ireland Champions, Oige have had their sessions broadcast live on *'Folk On 2'* (BBC). They play breathtaking Irish music, with a life and energy which is almost unparalleled.. The band also features astounding traditional vocals from Marrana McCloskey, who has been hailed as a Dolores Keane protégé.

Late Bar Plus Support

Bloomsday '99



'The he and the she of it..'

A Portrait Of James Joyce

By **Frank Grimes**

Wednesday June 16th

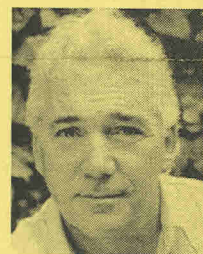
Starts 8.00pm

Tickets £5.00

The Irish Centre celebrates Bloomsday '99 with a performance by top Irish actor

Frank Grimes

in his one man show



Frank trained at Dublin's Abbey Theatre, he has worked for the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Royal Court and the National Theatre. He has performed extensively on Broadway. The New York critics voted him 'Best Actor' for his role as Brendan Behan in *The Borstal Boy*. He also won 'Best Actor 97' for his role in *Equus* (Theatre Clwyd.) **Advanced Booking Advised**

The Big Session

Brilliant Irish Fiddle & Accordion Player

Brendan Mulkere

will be joined by his mighty band of students from the centre's

Irish Music Workshop

With Great Musical Guests.

A Grand Night Of Irish Entertainment

Sat July 3rd 8.30pm £3. Late Bar

Saturday July 24th Doors 8.30pm £6

The Barra MacNeils

'Canada's Most Talented Celts'



A family of 4 top notch musicians, the Barra MacNeils are recognised as Canada's most talented Celtic group. Playing vigorous traditional music steeped in the Cape Breton tradition, the band features the sounds of blazing twin fiddles, Celtic harp, flute, whistles, bodhran, box and guitars, along with encapsulating vocals, ancient mouth music and group harmonies. The Barra MacNeils have wowed audiences around the world, bringing a unique and contemporary edge to traditional reels, gigs and tunes from their homeland.

'They leave you full of dumbstruck awe'..

Now Magazine Toronto

'Their irresistible force sends shivers down your spine'..

LATE BAR SUPPORT

The Daily News Halifax

Sat July 17th Doors 8.30pm £5.00

A Night Of Mighty Irish Music

Brian Finnigan

John Jo Kelly

Ed Boyd

From The Outstanding Band

'FLOOK'

Three Of The Most Supreme Musicians
Blending Whistles, Flutes Guitar, Bodhran
Plus Guests. Entry £5. Late Bar



Friday June 18th £4. 8.30pm
IRISH SET DANCE NIGHT

With Caller & Live Irish Music From
The Mick O Connor Band
Great Fun. No Experience Necessary

Saturday July 16th £4. 8.30pm
CEILI DANCE NIGHT

With Caller & Live Irish Music From
The Captain Moonlight Band
Featuring Frankie Fox & Friends

FREE SESSIONS OF IRISH MUSIC



With Comhaltas Ceoltioiri Eireann
Fri June 11th. Fri July 9th 8.30pm

Pensioners Irish Tea Dances

The First Thursday Of The Month £2.
Thurs June 3rd. Thurs July 1st. 1.30pm

Club Sceal

Irish Storytelling & Irish Music Club



Yarnspinning Stories & Music
Presents On

Friday June 25th £3.

Irish Storyteller & Musician

Julie Mac Namara

Plus Irish Music From

Murphys Mob

Open Floorspots Welcome
Bring A Song To Sing Or A Story To Tell
Late Bar Doors 8.30pm

IRISH EDUCATION COURSES

For Adults 10 Week Courses
Starting September 13th

Mondays

Irish Language Beginners

Irish Set Dancing

Irish Music Multi Instruments

Tuesdays

Irish Riverdance / 'Step' (Beginners & Intermediate)

Irish Songs & Singing

Irish Studies (Covers Irish Literature History Irish Art)

Thursdays

Irish Language Intermediate

Irish Bohdran

For Children

Irish Language (Private Class)

Irish Dancing Display Class

Saturday School

Irish Music Irish Dancing

Registration for courses takes place on the starting night.
For our 'Irish Education Courses Leaflet' Please
telephone The Irish Centre on 0181 563 8232.

**Children's Irish
Summer School**

For 7 - 12 yrs olds 10- 4pm Daily

Week 1 July 26th - 29th

Drama Project Making An Irish Play

Week 2 Aug 3rd - Aug 7th

Riverdancing & Irish Music

ADVANCED BOOKING ADVISED

**LONDON IRISH
PENSIONERS FORUM**

Fundraising Dance

Thursday June 10th

Doors 8.00pm

With Live Irish Band

Finbarr & The Glensiders

Tickets £3.00 (At Door)