

Hammersmith & Fulham Irish Centre News (No.31)

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From 'A Woman's Heart' Irish Singer
Francis Black Here Fri Dec 15th

What's On Nov / Dec 2000

Sat Nov 4th Doors 8.30pm £6/£5

Niall Keegan & Clive Carroll

Fri Nov 10th Doors 8.30pm Free.

Session Of Irish Music

Sat Nov 11th Doors 8.30pm £4.

The Big Session Night

With Master Irish Fiddler Brendan Mulkere

Fri Nov 17th Doors 8.30pm £8/£6

From The USA The Great Irish Supergroup

Patrick Street

Sat Nov 18th Doors 8.30pm £4.

The Big Irish Ceili

Fri Nov 24th Doors 8.30pm £5/£4

From Afterhours Superb Irish Singer Songwriter

Alan Burke

Sat Nov 25th Doors 8.30pm £6/£5

Anam

Sun Nov 26th 12midday - 4pm Free.

Irish & Spanish Music Session

With James O Grady & Friends

Sunday Dec 3rd Doors 8.30pm £8.

They're back!! One of Ireland's Greatest

4 Men & A Dog

Fri Dec 8th Doors 8.30pm Free

Session Of Irish Music

Sat Dec 9th Doors 8.30pm £6/£5

'Best Irish Trad Act 99'

Danu

Fri Dec 15th Doors 8.30pm £7/£6

From 'A Woman's Heart' Top Irish singer

Francis Black

Sat Dec 16th Doors 8.30pm £4.

The Big Irish Ceili

Sunday Dec 31st Doors 8pm £8/£6.

New Years Eve Party !!!.

Beyond the Pale

Friday December 15th £7/ £6concs

Francis Black

'A Woman's Heart'



'The Woman's Heart' album featuring the best of Ireland's female singers, sold in excess of 1 million copies since its release in 1993. This album, more than anything was largely responsible for launching the career of Francis Black. In 1994 / 95 Francis was voted Ireland's top selling solo artist and in the following two years she was voted No. 1 Irish female artist. Since then Francis has had hit releases, rave reviews and she has toured internationally. This will be a rare and unique chance to see her live in an intimate setting. It is an honour for the Irish Centre to present Francis Black for one of the closing concerts of this winter season. **Doors 8.30pm Late Bar Support**

Sat Nov 4th Doors 8.30pm £6 / £5

Niall Keegan & Clive Carroll



Niall Keegan is probably one of Ireland's virtuoso and most innovative musicians, held in high esteem by Ireland's most accomplished musicians. He plays around the globe with his mentor Michael O Suilleabhain. Director of traditional Irish music at Limerick University, Keegan was recently featured on the BBC Series 'A River Of Sound'. Playing in concert with the exhilarating young master guitarist Clive Carroll. Until a few years ago Clive was virtually unknown, until 'Boys Of The Lough's' Chris Newman heard him and quickly set out to produce his first album. Now Clive's playing is much admired by top musicians including Christy Moore. These extraordinary musical talents will be joined by Sandra Joyce on bodhran, mixing Irish tunes with Jazz and contemporary styles to absolutely thrilling effects. **Plus Support Late Bar**

Sunday December 31st £8/ £6concs

Beyond The Pale



A great favourite with audiences in London, Ireland and all over Europe. Beyond The Pale deliver great Irish tunes and songs with a vibrant, contemporary edge. Featuring 3 singers, with the sounds of fiddles whistles, guitar and bodhran, this exciting band supplied us with a great St Patrick's night party earlier this year and so they are a sure bet to provide you with a great New Years Eve party, full of high energy jigs and reels to get your feet dancing, along with some of your favourite and best loved Irish singalong songs. No better party in London to see in the New Year.

Plus Support Act.. Late Bar. Doors Open 8pm

Friday November 24th 8.30pm £5.

ALAN BURKE



It is always a great pleasure to present Irish Singer Songwriter **ALAN BURKE**. He performs raw traditional Irish, Gaelic & contemporary songs with great passion & gusto. Playing acoustic guitar & bodhran, he spent 10 years building an international reputation with his outstanding band **AFTERHOURS**. A breathtaking singer & superb musician, Alan always wins the hearts of his audiences & delivers excellent entertainment.

Plus Support Late Bar Doors 8.30pm

Friday Nov17th Doors 8.30pm £8/£6.

Patrick Street

'SIMPLY THE BEST IRISH SUPERGROUP'



If there is anything approaching 'supergroup' status it's Patrick Street. They have already achieved massive cult status amongst lovers of Irish 'trad' and folk music and it's not surprising as this all star legendary group features the superb fiddle playing of **Kevin Burke** (ex **Bothy Band!**) The accordion wizardry of **Jackie Daly** (ex **De Dannan!**) the haunting vocals, mandolin, harmonica and bouzouki playing of **Andy Irvine** (ex **Planxty!**) and the fine guitar playing of **Ged Foley** (**The House Band!**) This is traditional Irish music at its' highest, played by real masters of their craft - Irish music as good as it gets!..

SUPPORT from BBC Trad Musician of the year nominee Luke Daniels. **LATE BAR**

Sat November 25th Doors 8.30pm £6

Anam



Anam, Gaelic for 'soul' are a wonderful and talented young band who blend diverse Irish and Celtic musical traditions with inspirational songs and singing. Comprised of 5 fine musicians with their roots in Irish, Scottish and Cornish music, there exists in this band a natural wealth of endless musical influences, to provide an evening of memorable musical entertainment. **MUSIC WEEK** says 'Anam have the class and the energy to beat bands like Clannad to the top of a lucrative market'. Don't miss! **Late Bar Support**

Sat Dec 9th Doors 8.30pm £6/£5

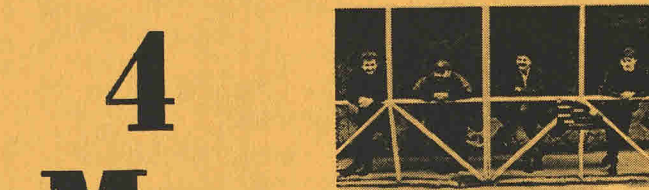
Voted 'Best Overall Traditional Irish Band'

Danu



Danu are an Irish traditional group based in County Waterford, made up of 7 young musicians, who perform Irish music with a skill and sizzle that has captured the imagination and attention of audiences and musical critics worldwide. They band has a strong ethos of loyalty to the tradition from which their music comes and yet they still bring a fresh, inspiring approach to their performances, playing sounds which manage to 'stir the blood and lift the heart'. Voted 'Best Irish Trad Band in 99' by **Irish Music Magazine**, their live performances are simply an Irish musical storm. **Late. Bar Support** from Irish trio **Saoirse**

Sun 3rd December Doors 8pm £8.



One of the best bands to come out of Ireland in the 90s & they're back for a one off gig!! Featuring 4 of Ireland's best! All Ireland fiddler **Cathal Hayden**, the greatest banjo player **Gerry O Connor**, **Kevin Docherty** on vocals and guitar and the dynamic bodhran player **Gino Lupari!!** Their sounds darts between blue grass, salsa & blues, whilst never straying far from their scorching trad roots! The liveliest band you'll ever see to get you 'rockin & reelin'!!!! **LATE BAR Adv Booking Advised**

Cathal Hayden

Gerry O Connor

Kevin Docherty

Gino Lupari

Daytime Sun Nov 26th 12- 4pm Free

Irish Spanish Gaeletic Crossings

With Top Irish Piper & Fiddler James O Grady

James O Grady from top Irish World music band 'Sin E' will be gathering together with a host of great Irish musicians along with several of his musical friends and dancers from Spain. The afternoon promises to be full of Spanish and Irish magical musical fusion, - All musicians, singers are welcome to come and join this session!! A lovely way to spend a Sunday with friends & family. Lic Bar

Irish Art Exhibitions

Currently Running Until November 21st
Artist Maire Gartland's 'einini'

'einini' is the Irish word for birds. It is also the name of a lullaby I learned as a child in Dublin, where each bird is named and then invited to go to sleep' Maire's beautiful exhibition includes paintings, pastels and installation.

Opening Tues Nov 28th 7pm Free

'A Grey Eye Staring'

The Irish Along The Shepherds Bush Road

A moving and poignant photographic and textual exhibition by writer and photographer

David Stokes

Based on conversations with Irish people along Shepherds Bush Road in 1999.

Come to the opening of this exhibition, meet the writer/photographer and hear readings from the text of this powerful exhibition.

Gasra Na NGael Presents

Saturday November 18th 8.30pm

The Big Irish Ceili Night

Saturday December 16th 8.30pm

The Big Christmas Ceili Night

With Caller & Live Irish Ceili Band

Great Fun. No Experience Necessary

FREE SESSIONS OF IRISH MUSIC

With Comhaltas Ceoltioiri Eireann

Fri Nov 10th. Fri Dec 8th 8.30pm

Pensioners Irish Tea Dances

The First Thursday Of The Month £2.

Thurs Nov 2nd. Thurs Dec 7th . 1.30pm

Saturday November 11th 8.30pm £4.

Master Mulkere's Big Session

Renowned teacher and Irish fiddle master Brendan Mulkere will be gathering with a his big band of rising musicians from his Irish music workshop, to present another great night of entertainment. He will be joined by some very special musical guests, well known and loved on London's Irish music circuit. This will be a great night out for friends & all the family. Late Bar

Irish Centre Notice-board

Children's Irish Language

A fun Irish language class for children has started at the Centre, taught by our new Irish Language tutor Ann Lanigan. It's a great way to for children to get in touch with their roots, they can learn to count, tell the time, learn songs and rhymes in Irish. Why not register your child for January. Language classes for adults on Wednesdays (intermediate) & Thursdays (Beginners).

Irish Creative Writing Thursdays 7 - 9pm.

If you want to be an Irish Writer, here's where to start. An excellent workshop led by top tutor Bernard Canavan

Irish Library Open Thursday, Fridays 10 - 4pm.

Our Librarians Liam and Gary will help with your enquires. Please let your Irish Library have any old Irish books, records, Irish video tapes, old Irish photos!!!

Wanted! Musical Instruments

If you have got any old musical instruments lying around the house which you don't use, we would gratefully receive them for our children's & adults music workshops!!

Wanted Support Acts.

Up & coming musicians or singers, send a tape of your act to the Centre's Events Organiser now!!.

Kathleen's Irish Knitting Circle Mon 2pm - 4pm.

If you want to learn how to knit, how to do Arran, or develop your knitting skills, Kathleen will show you how!

From January 15th 2001

The Irish Education Adult Programme Will Include

Irish Music, fiddles, whistles, multi instruments.

Irish Bohdran & Whistle Irish Uilleann Pipers

Irish Songs & Singing. Irish Drama & Theatre.

Irish Language Beginners & Intermediate;

Irish History & Cultural Studies Irish Creative Writing

Irish Set Dancing Riverdancing Irish Storytelling

The Children's Programme Will Include

Child's Irish Saturday School Starts Jan 13th

Includes Irish Music Lessons Irish Dancing Lessons

also mid week Child's Irish Dancing Lessons.

Childs Irish Drama Course Childs Irish Language Lessons

**Telephone The Centre on 020 8563 8232 For
Full Education Programme Leaflet**