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Welcome and Thank You

WELCOME TO THE FIFTH EDITION OF THE CAIRDE ARTS FESTIVAL We have an excellent week in store for you and we hope that you will enjoy the broad spectrum of fun cultural events on offer. We hate to use a cliché, but we feel there really is something for everyone.

This year, The Cairde Arts Festival has come together with the Season of Yeats to offer two very unique cultural events celebrating the legacy of the Yeats family to this area. On Sunday July 1, The Shelly River Boat Race ties in with Jack B Yeats love of model boats – join in the fun and make a model boat for this year's special event. The Stolen Child on July 7 welcomes everyone to enjoy a site specific outdoor theatre promenade which takes its inspiration from WB Yeats poem of the same title in the beautiful surrounds of Hazelwood. Look out for other Yeats inspired events throughout the summer on seasonofyeats.com.

The Cairde Arts Festival is branching out this year with events taking place in Rosses Point and Strandhill. We are looking forward to building on this growth with the inclusion of additional locations throughout the county in future years.

Cairde continues to be run on a voluntary basis and we'd like to acknowledge those who work on a year round basis to help make it work:

Barra Cassidy, Tony Conway, Zoe Dunne, Dicky Gabel, Pia Luck, Karen Masdsen, Maeve McGowan, Nikky Millar, Gillian Ni Chaiside, Amy O'Hara, Stephanie Pawula, Denise Rushe and everyone at Branching Out, The Nest.

We'd also like to thank all those who volunteer for The Shelly River Boat Race, Park Fest and during the week of the festival – too many to mention here but we couldn't do it without you. And finally to all the people of Sligo and visitors to the area, thank you for coming along. We look forward to seeing you during the week. Enjoy!

Cairde Festival Director
Tara McGowan

Cairde Festival Co-Ordinator

Gráinne Dunne

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Opens Saturday June 30 at 6pm

Barra Cassidy
Solo
Exhibition

Venue The Yeat's Art Gallery

Hyde Bridge, Sligo

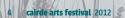
runs daily until Sat July 14

10am - 6pm

Adm Free

Barra Cassidy is a Dublin born, Sligo based artist. This solo exhibition is a collection of sculpture and photography. Sculptures are made of bronze, ceramic, wood and paper / mixed media. They represent a range of surreal, fictional and non-fictional animals, including the human.

The subject of Barra's photos in this exhibition are birds in flight. These images have been overlaid with photos of a derelict wall resulting in an overall colourful and painterly aesthetic.



Sunday July 1 from 7.30pm The Shelly River Boat Race followed by free outdoor concert

Venue Race starts JFK Parade

Adm Race entrance fee €3 / All entertainment Free

Drop in to our Free Boat Building Workshops

Sat June 16 from 2 – 5pm at The Quayside Shopping Centre

Sun June 17 from 2 – 5pm at The Model, The Mall, Sligo

Sat June 23 from 2 – 5pm at Johnston Court Shopping Centre

The Shelly River Boat Race is a fantastic outdoor celebration of the Shelley River featuring a model boat race with a myriad of colourful street entertainment, music, parade and pageantry along the river banks. This year's event takes place as part of the Season of Yeats and is inspired by Jack B. Yeats love of model boats.

There will be a prize giving immediately after the race followed by a free outdoor concert featuring 21 Outs,
The Katonahs and Tabby & Band.

A great evening out for all the family...

Prizes generously donated by Lough Gill Tours, North-West-Adventure Tours.

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Monday July 2 Oh My Darling

Venue Hargadons, O'Connell Street, Sligo, 6pm

Adm Free

With a sweet name and even sweeter sound, Oh My Darling conjures up the right mix of emotion and elation with their unique brand of country. Their prairie roots mixed with bluegrass, Appalachian old time, southern twang, and Franco-folk, makes their style a melting pot of musical languages. Infused with dynamic vocals, brilliant claw-hammer banjo, inspired fiddling, and grooving bass, their music will get your hips swinging, toes tapping, and put your heart right into their hands.



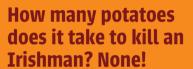
Monday July 2 & Tuesday July 3

Delicious O'Grady

Venue The Factory Performance Space

Lwr Quay Street Sligo, 8pm

Adm €10 / Suitable for 12+



Delicious O'Grady is a tragicomedy set in the time of the Great Irish Famine (though it wasn't that great). Inspired by the satirical works of Flann O'Brien, this circus theatre piece tells the tale of a family and its demise during the great hunger. It is a story of love, loss and potatoes.

Few artists tackle this still painful subject. Colm O'Grady has found a way to depict the story of his ancestors with irreverence, wit and physical skill. He brings to life characters who may have lived through the blight and died of it. O'Grady presents a show that is touching, hilarious and uplifting. Caution: Contains nudity and potatoes.

'Circus, comedy and the Irish Famine, it might sound like a bizarre combination but believe me it really works!'
Roise Goan, Dublin Fringe Festival Director



Tuesday July 3 & Wednesday July 4

The Cool Mules 'A Fish Tale'

Venues Tues July 3 at 2pm, Strandhill Celtic Club, Old Airport Rd

Tues July 3 at 7pm, Sligo Yacht Club, Rosses Point

Wed July 4 at 12pm and 3pm, Chapters Café, Bridge Street

Adm €5 / A Family of four €15

What happens when two Mediterraneans are stuck in a country where it rains so much? Well... they create their own Mediterranean!

Fish Tale is the story of a young Mediterranean boy and his world: the Sea. The sounds, melodies and rhythms of his people. The celebration of a simple and down-to-earth life... But most of all, it is the simple story of a journey for Freedom.

childhood, adding each ingredient with joy and excitement to create a STEW that is traditional yet modern, nostalgic yet foot tapping, local yet universal.

Bring the Whole Family along!!!

Languages Used: English, mixed with words in Catalan, Spanish, French and Italian.

The Cool Mules evoke the tales of their

Tuesday July 3 at 7pm

Tom Portman *Guitar and Dobro*

Venue Osta, Garavogue Weir

Off Stephen Street, Sligo

Adm Free

Multi-instrumentalist, performer, composer and songwriter Tom Portman plays acoustic & electric guitar, dobro & lap steel. His compositions draw on many global styles yet have a distinct flavour of their own. January 2011 saw the launch of Tom's 2nd solo album, 'At One' with a sell out show in Galway's Town Hall Theatre.

This self produced collection features instrumental compositions, songs and arrangements of traditional Irish tunes for fingerstyle guitar and Dobro. Tom has performed solo at the Suwalki Blues Festival in Poland, around Ireland with the Bahh Band (thebahhband.com) and at the Clonakilty Guitar Festival with the Juke Box Gypsy's and John Smith.

'Fascinating... he is absolutely captivating.' — Galway Bay FM



Wednesday July 4 **Sketches of Mexico**Peter Crann & Morgan Szymanski

Venue The Factory Performance Space, Lwr Quay Street, Sligo

7pm Peter Crann Exhibition Opens

8pm Morgan Szymanski Music Performance

Adm €10

Sketches of Mexico features an exhibition of Peter Crann's recent work and a live music performance by classical quitarist Morgan Szymanski.



Multi-award winning virtuoso Mexican guitarist Morgan Szymanski described as 'a player destined for future glories' (Classical Guitar Magazine), over the last year Morgan Szymanski was selected as 'one to watch' by Gramophone Magazine and the BBC Music Magazine, was featured artist on the cover of Classical Guitar Magazine and was a finalist in the '2008 Outstanding Young Artist Award' (MIDEM Classique/IAMA).

Peter Crann After leaving art college in Sligo in 1993, Peter made his way to Spain where, through a series of fortuitous events became a leading painter of religious iconography in Spain. He has painted over 150 paintings that are hung permanently in churches and private collections throughout Southern Spain. Since his return to Ireland in 1998, Peter became increasingly involved with music, and it features in all his recent paintings.

Wednesday July 4 at 10pm Layne County

Venue The Swagman, Wine Street, Sligo Adm Free

Born out of wedlock, this group plays an edgy mix of folk/country-rock infused with dark poetic lyricism and an ability to rock-out!!

Hailing from the West, this four-piece brings an emotive energy to the stage. Their unique sound demarcates the territory which is Layne County.

Layne County are
Mart Dyar Guitars and Vocals
Darragh Golden Guitars and Vocals
James Conry Drums and Vocals
John Keaveney Bass

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ayne County

Thursday July 5 at 12 & 7pm Friday July 6 at 12 & 3pm

Papagena 'The House'

Venue Adm The Model, Education Room, The Mall, Sligo €8 / Family of four ticket €24

The performance is in English, French Italian and Swedish yet language is not a barrier. This performance has been

enjoyed in Sweden, Croatia, Italy and

Finland.

From Sweden, Papagena Theatre company introduce us to the delights of a mysterious old doll house. Come and have a look and meet the host of colourful characters who reside within. You will meet the Italian tenor rehearsing his scales on the balcony. He is madly but unhappily in love with his neighbour, the French lady. In the kitchen the African mother cooks dinner, on the ground floor an American man re-opens a florist which has been shut for a long time and strange things start to happen.

Performance duration 40 minutes Stay afterwards to meet and animate the puppets.

This performance has been kindly funded by the International Fund for Ireland.



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Thursday July 5 at 9pm **Boutique Fantastique**Featuring Veda

Venue 5th On Teeling, Teeling St Sligo

Adm €10

Hide your daughters, lock up your sons and and whatever you do don't tell granny! On Thursday the 5th of July, Boutique Fantastique, will bring the glitter and glamour of Ireland's most talented, drag artistes to Sligo town.

Hosted by Veda, Queen of Ireland and her entourage of feisty follies Slick O, Paddy Fagan and Claudia Shifter.

Thursday July 5 at 10pm **The Grizzly Dippers**

Venue Furey's, Bridge Street, Sligo

Adm Free

An up and coming blues and country trio featuring Mark Conway on Harmonica/Vocals, Tom Eaton on Guitar/Banjo/Vocals and Harry Mercer on Guitar/Vocals playing a mix of Johnny Cash, Bob Dylan, Old Crow Medicine Show alongside their own original tunes.

Cairde Arts Festival 2012 Events at a Glance

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by Barra Cassidy
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Wednesday July 4

Lavne County

10pm, The Swagman, Wine Street, Sligo. Free

Thursday July 5

Papagena, The House

12 & 7pm, The Model, The Mall, Sligo €8 / Family of four €24

Thursday July 5. Open until Sept 1

Invited Artists

Barrie Cooke, David Crone, Bernadette Kiely and Paul Mosse 6pm, The Hamilton Gallery, Grattan Street Sigo. Free



For booking www.cairdefestival.com or telephone 071 916 1201

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8pm, 5th on Teeling, Teeling St, Sligo

Thursday July 5

The Grizzly Dippers

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Thursday July 5

Niwel Tsumbu and The Heartheat

10pm, The Strand, Strandhill, Co. Sligo. €10

Friday July 6

Papagena, The House

12 & 3pm, The Model, The Mall, Sligo €8 / Family of four €24

Friday July 6

Jimmy Gralton's Dance Hall

8pm, Presbyterian Hall, Church St., Sligo. €5

Friday July 6

Moxie

10pm, Furey's, Bridge St, Sligo. Free

Friday July 6

The Lace Followed by DJ Ben Ó Faoláin 10pm, McGarrigles O'Connell Street, Sligo. €10

Saturday July 7

The Frivolous Fare

12 to 6pm

Coleman's, Stephen St.Car Park

Free

Saturday July 7

The Stolen Child

2 & 4pm, Hazelwood, Bus from Tourist Office, Temple Street, Sligo &8 / Family of Four &24 Price includes transport

Saturday July 7

Yungchen Lhamo

In concert with Liam O'Maonlai 8pm, The Hawk's Well, Temple St, Sligo €20/€18

Saturday July 7

Madu followed by DJ Barra 10pm, McGarrigles O'Connell Street, Sligo. €10

Sunday July 8

Park Fest

12 to 7pm, The Peace Park, Sligo. Free

Sunday July 8

It's a Wrap

Cairde end of Festival Party

11pm, 5th on Teeling, Teeling St. Sligo

Free



Thursday July 5 at 10pm

Niwel Tsumbu and The Heartbeat

"an unmissable listening experience...
while his voice reeks of the heat and dust
of central Africa, Tsumbu's guitar-playing
is a thing of joy" Hot Press

Venue The Strand, Strandhill, Co. Sligo Adm €10

Niwel's elegant and fluent guitar playing draws from AFRICAN RHYTHMS, RUMBA, JAZZ, CLASSICAL, FLAMENCO and more. Playing electric & acoustic guitars Niwel sings mostly in his native 'Lingala' and French. He composes and plays a range of music that stretches from contemporary versions of Congolese traditional music from the 1930s & 40s to modern jazz.

The Heartbeat are:
Peter Erdei bass
Darragh O' Kelly keyboards
Diego Joaquin Ramirez drums
Eamonn Cagney percussion

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Friday July 6 at 8pm **Jimmy Gralton's** Dance Hall



The Presbyterian Hall, Church St, Sligo Venue Adm

Jimmy Gralton's Dancehall is a celebration through art, theatre, music and dance of the vision and spirit of Leitrim's Jimmy Gralton. The show is produced by Benbo productions and created by a range of artists including musicians Seamie O'Dowd, Rossa Ó Snodaigh, Dee Armstrong, Seanan Brennan, Jaimie Carswell, Margo Barrow, Ciarán Wilde and Tony Travers, visual artists Jackie McKenna and Édaín O'Donnell, theatre artists Sorcha Fox, Des Braiden and Donal O'Kelly, as well as a hot group of swing dancers. Jimmy Gralton's Dancehall is a metaphor for what Ireland might be, a place where people are welcome to dance in a spirit of communal solidarity.

Friday July 6 at 10pm

Moxie Venue

Fureys, Bridge Street

A vibrant new band playing an exciting mix of traditional based compositions with richly developed layers of fantastic harmony. The band includes virtuoso guitar and banjo player Cillian Doheny, JPTrio members Ted Kelly (banjo, tenor guitar, vocals), Jos Kelly (button accordion, keyboard, vocals), Paddy Hazleton (percussion, vocals), Naimh Farrell (main vocals) and Limerick accordion and melodeon powerhouse Darren Roche.

Friday July 6 at 10pm **The Lace**Followed by DJ Ben



Venue McGarrigles, O'Connell Street, Sligo Adm €10

Any performance by **The Lace** means its time to party! Playing a cocktail of well known songs from The Democratic Republic of Congo plus their own compositions, their concerts will usually start with some gently swaying traditional Congolese Rumba made popular by legendary bands like Luambo Franco's TPOK Jazz & Orchestre Matimilla, the signature sound of Kinshasa in the late 70s. Once the audience have warmed up, the band will turn the heat up further and after a few gear changes The Lace are in overdrive, playing the latest Kinois Soukous dance music, with fast, interweaving rhythmic guitars and some sublime solos they will take the audience with them, without fail, for a true Congolese Soukous dance workout.

Followed by **Ben Ó Faoláin-** Resident DJ and promoter of Galway's weekly onestop shop for worldwide beats, bass & boogie, Club Oa2. Ben's visit to Sligo will see him focus on the music of the world's hot places – a Tropical dancefloor trip through the irrepressible energies of '50s Columbian big band jazz, heavy Afro-funk 'n' disco, sun-baked batucada, Trinidadian calypso and soca, punchy cumbia, skanking Jamaican ska 'n' rocksteady, swingin' boogaloo and a twist of contemporary Tropical bass styles!



Saturday July 7 at 2 and 4pm The Stolen Child

Directed by Fiona McGeown

Venue Hazelwood,

Adm €8 / Family of four €24 / Price includes transport

A site specific promenade style performance which will take place in Hazelwood and is aimed at families and children of all ages. Inspired by Yeats' poem, The Stolen Child, this event will engage with Yeats' ideas surrounding mysticism and Celtic myth and will involve the use of mask and live music. The event starts in the bus

Buses will leave from outside The Tourist Office on Temple Street, Sligo at 2pm and 4pm on Saturday July 7th.
Spaces are limited so booking is essential.

Saturday July 7 at 8pm **Yungchen Lhamo**with Liam Ó'Maonlaí

Cairde is proud to present a rare musical and spiritual treat bringing together two inspirational musicians

Venue The Hawk's Well, Temple Street, Sligo

Adm €20 / €18

After fleeing Tibet on foot in 1989, Yungchen Lhamo has emerged as the leading Tibetan vocalist on the world stage. Since the release of her awardwinning first album Tibetan Prayer, her music has met with critical praise worldwide, alternately described as "beautifully evocative," "mesmerizing," "spine-tingling," and "transcendent." From the guays of Sydney, Australia to the spotlight of Carnegie Hall, her a cappella performances have enchanted audiences in more than 70 countries. Her songs take listeners on an emotive journey across plateaus and soaring over vistas, with a charge and a charisma no doubt informed by her remarkable life story.

Liam Ó'Maonlaí needs little introduction.
Renowned for the formation of one of
Ireland's most successful bands, The
Hot House flowers back in 1985; Liam is
a multi-instrumentalist who has gone
on to perform solo and in a wide variety
of musical collaborations. From
travelling to the renowned desert
festival in Mali with Uillean Piper Paddy
Keenan to performing with Toumani
Diabete, Donal Dineen, Ronan
O'Snodaigh, and many more; Liam
believes in the incredible power which
music has to connect people.

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Saturday July 7 at 10pm

Madu
Followed by DJ Barra

Venue McGarrigles, O'Connell Street, Sligo Adm €10

This key Dublin-based band fronted by Irish/Malaysian brother and sister team – dub and beats controller **Salim** and vocalist **Aminah** – play an infectious combination of sounds which steer away from typical dub soul or reggae sounds to create a psychedelic roots music imbued with mystery and nostalgia. Their music is a combination of influences driven by bass heavy rhythms, vibrant melody and conscious lyrics. The horn section provided by Bob and Zoltan crown the sound with lush harmonies and plenty of energetic solos.

Songs written individually or as a collaborative process by the music driven siblings brings diversity to their thought provoking tunes. Salim's years as an experienced producer with his strong affinity for reggae music and skills as an electronic composer are the basis on which he builds the unique Madu sound. His productions intertwine with Aminah's soulful melodies, her experience over the years singing jazz, blues, folk and roots music, combine to create a dynamic sound. Think King Tubby meets Billie Holiday.

Sunday July 8 from 12 to 7pm Park Fest

A day long celebration of music, performance, food, arts and crafts in Sligo's Peace Park! Those who know Park Fest know that this is one of the highlights of the Cairde Arts Festival

Venue The Peace Park, Sligo Adm Free

This year's Park Fest music line up introduces two new musicians from the Sounding Board Project Milo Cummins and Brain Candon and features The Candles, Sharon Conway and Ruby Ridge, Moxie, Jack and Jones and as a grand finale the 30 piece Maracatu percussion band and dancers, Ilya Brillo. Our circus performance comes courtesy of the amazing *Fanzini Brothers*. Gather round, gather round to witness the jaw-dropping antics of these devilishly handsome Italian Kerrymen. They present fantastic comedy and pure fun in their spoof danger, comedy circus show, *Deathwish*. Do not miss these heroes of the Irish circus scene.

Sunday July 8 from 11pm

It's a wrap Adm 5th On Teeling Street Free Cairde end of Festival Party

Bring your own playlist hosted by DJ Ray Fallon. Boogie to your own favourite tunes, just bring them along on i-pod, usb or cd and Ray will line them up!

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