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2018 IRISH FESTIVAL

Main Stage Schedule

Saturday, March 17

Sunday, March 18

10:00 am

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The Emerald Bards w/
Bruce Cosacchi & Bill Barnes

Carroll-Henderson Irish Dancers

Irish Music

Set Dancers

Garret Heraty Irish Folk Music

St Patrick's Day Parade Closing Ceremony

Crafton Street Irish Dancers

Tara Academy Irish Dancers

Children's Contest:
Most Irish Looking Face

Dublin Abbey Irish Folk Music

No Programming

Balefire - Irish Dancers

Comerford Irish Dancers

Children's Contest:
Smilingest Irish Face

Slievaloughane Irish Dancers

Fire and Ice Irish Dancers

Carrigaline Irish Music

Raffle for 2 R/T Tickets to Ireland

Stage Manager: Ralph Kosche. **Backstage Manager:** Caron McMahon

upper level loft activities

FEATURED ARTIST: RONALD THOMPSON



Image: *Sneem Ring Of Kerry*, a painting by Ronald Thompson

Ronald Thompson, a native of Dublin, became an active artist in his teens and sold many of his works before he began his studies in Architecture with the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland and also with the Royal Institute of British Architects. Working for prominent Architects in Dublin and London enabled him to have a lucrative sideline as a perspective artist. During his career in London, he took advantage of the numerous Art Exhibitions available, and also became a member of the Royal Academy of Art. In 1962 he emigrated to the US and qualified to practice Architecture here. His career since then involved working on a variety of prestigious airport design projects around the world, including in Singapore and Saudi Arabia. Meanwhile, he continued painting and took regular painting vacations to Ireland and Scotland. His paintings have been exhibited in places as diverse as Saudi Arabia and at the Museum of Modern Art in San Francisco.

Visit: <http://bit.ly/2EAZ3dY> for details.

Cooper Family's Antique Irish Postcards



John and Alice Cooper and their granddaughter Keely Cooper grace the Irish Festival again with their exhibition of thousands of antique Irish postcards, plus 48 original reproductions of Bartlett's Views of Ireland dating from the 1840s, just a few years before the Great Potato Famine. Ever changing and ever interesting, the Coopers' collection provide an interesting glimpse into the social history, cultural history and material culture of Ireland, especially in the late 1800s and early 1900s, the "Golden Age of Postcards".

IRISH COOKING DEMONSTRATION

Loft Level (*top of the stairs*)



Join Mary Shriane and her assistant cooks at the Irish Cooking Demonstration Booth on the Upper Level at the Seattle Center during the Irish Festival on *Saturday and Sunday, March 17 and 18, from 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm both days.* Demonstrations, sampling, discussion and recipe sharing.

- 12:30 pm** - FOR YOUR TEA BREAK: Traditional Irish Soda Bread
- 1:30 pm** - DINNER ENTRÉE: Dublin Coddle Irish Stew with bacon, sausages, potatoes & veggies
- 2:30 pm** - SIDE-DISHES: Colcannon, parsnips, carrots, turnips (rutabaga)
- 3:30 pm** - DESSERT: Irish Trifle

upper level

Workshops / Lectures Room 311

SATURDAY MARCH 17, 2 PM “Irish Women and the Struggle for the Vote”

Lecturer: Father Thomas Murphy, Associate Professor of History, Seattle University

It was one hundred years ago that Irish women first gained the right to vote. This talk will examine the events leading up to this historic achievement and the impact it would have on Irish society.

SATURDAY MARCH 17, 3 pm “Basic Irish Genealogy”

Lecturer: Jean Roth, Irish Interest Section, Seattle Genealogical Society

Get some idea of the background of your Irish ancestors' family history. We'll look some of the basic guides to research and major new resources that have recently become available to help you in your search.

SATURDAY MARCH 17, 4 PM “Tips for Visiting Ireland on a 3-5 Star Budget”

Lecturer: Ari Hausler, MA Irish Studies, Certified Irish Travel Specialist

Learn how to make the most out of a trip to Ireland that fits your budget. From B and B's to castle stays and whether or not to drive, this talk will have something for everyone from first time visitors to seasoned explorers of Ireland.

IRISH GENEALOGY SEMINAR

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 10 AM – 6 PM Upper Level Loft Suites



IRISH GENEALOGY SEMINAR, MARCH 18, SEATTLE CENTER



An Irish Genealogical Workshop conducted by experts from Ireland

Presenters:
Fintan Mullan, Executive Director, has been with the Ulster Historical Foundation

(ancestryireland.com) for 22 years and is also a non-executive director of the Irish Family History Foundation.

Gillian Hunt, Research Officer, manages the genealogy side of the Foundation's work and carries out research for individual clients. She is a hugely experienced user of the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland and of Ireland's General Register Office.

A detailed workshop schedule can be found at: irishweek.org.

Email:
Genealogy@IrishClub.org

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CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES

LOFT LEVEL
(above the main stage)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
Noon to 5:00 pm

CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA - Children can become little leprechauns and Irish dancers by crafting masks and finger puppets. They can learn the legend of the shamrock and decorate their own three-leafed clover. Interactive games for children include the Monster Head game, Ring Toss, and Tic Tac Toe, all games presented by the professionals at National Event Pros.



MAIN STAGE
(lower level)

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 4:00 pm
“Most Irish-looking Face” Contest

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 1:30 pm
“Smilingest Irish Eyes” Contest

All children 12 & under are invited to participate onstage in these fun contests - just be at the Main Stage when the contest is announced. What determines who has the “Most Irish-looking Face” or the “Smilingest Irish Eyes”? As the song says, the winners are those kids with smiles that would “steal your heart away,” or eyes that “twinkle as bright as can be”. It’s not necessarily kids with fair skin, freckles, red hair, green eyes, etc.



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upper level

loft suite 2



irish reels film festival

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, Noon – 5:00 pm
“Irish Reels Film Festival”

All screenings are FREE. Visit IrishReels.org for the complete schedule and other screening details. Note that films are not rated and may contain graphic language or adult situations. Parental discretion is advised.

Call (206) 330-4913 with questions. Program subject to change.

OUTSIDE MAIN DOOR



DeLOREAN AUTO DISPLAY
Outside the Armory, SATURDAY and SUNDAY, 1–4 pm

The futuristic-looking Irish-made DeLorean DMC-12 sports car that was made famous in the 1985 movie ‘Back to the Future’ will again be on display outside the Armory at the Seattle Center. 9,200 DeLoreans were manufactured in Belfast in 1981 before the company went bankrupt. Pacific Northwest DeLorean Club members are a community of enthusiasts dedicated to preserving the DeLorean heritage by bringing the community together for social events and to exchange technical expertise. Visit pndc.org for details.

FEATURED PERFORMERS

Carrigaline – Bob, Andrew, Kieran and Christine



Traditional Irish music from local players who are steeped in Irish traditional song and dance. Christine Traxler on fiddle, is a local Seattle player who enjoys traditional music and brings her unique talent to Carrigaline. Bob Howell is a teacher of percussion who specializes in Irish bodhrán. Andrew Anderson, talented vocalist and multi instrumentalist sings in Irish as well as English. He plays an array of stringed instruments including the harp, cittern and banjo. Kieran O'Mahony, a native of Carrigaline, the picturesque village in County Cork from where the band is named, plays Uilleann pipes and whistles.

DUBLIN ABBEY - Rick Mangan, Patrick O'Donin, Amanda Fitch, and Joey Westmeath

DUBLIN ABBEY is an Irish folk band out of Seattle. They invite you on a journey back to Temple Bar, the Falls Road, the Bogside and the narrow lanes of South Armagh. They perform a theatrical combination of Irish originals and standards coupled with the poetry and brogue of Ireland. They are oriented towards bringing the sound and imagery to transport the audience through distance and time to the shorelines and fields, to the country roads and boreens of Ireland.



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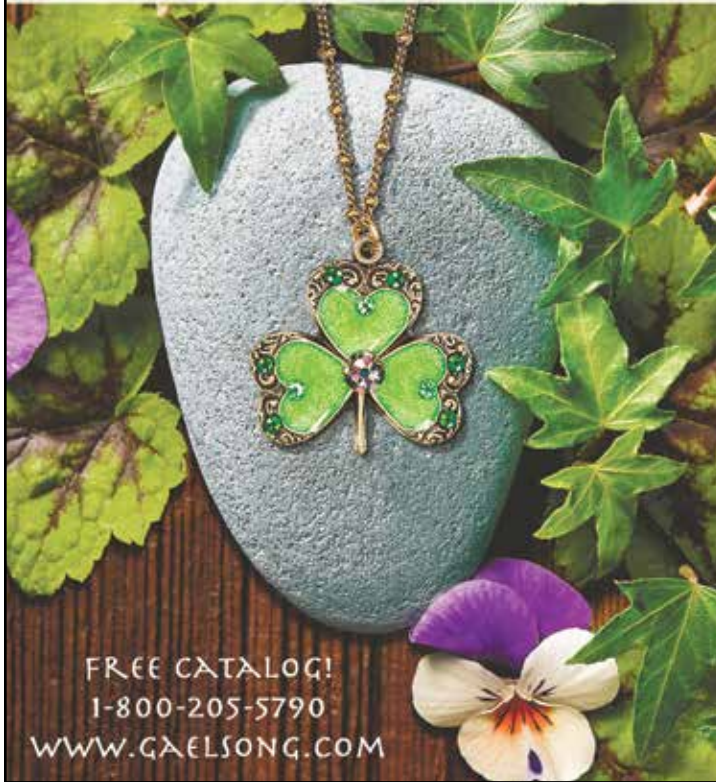
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RAFFLE: TWO ROUND TRIP TICKETS TO IRELAND

Welcome to Blooming Wildflower Cottage Dingle Town



Some lucky person will leave the Irish Festival owning a coupon for two Round Trip tickets direct from Seattle to Dublin on Aer Lingus, a 9 hours and 15 minute flight. Tickets can only be purchased in person from an Irish Heritage Club member – they cannot be sold online or via the mail – and only 1,000 tickets are being sold. So pick up your tickets at any of the Irish Week events or at the Irish Heritage Club booth during the Irish Festival.

2nd prize is a week's stay for two people (one room, dates to be mutually agreed, etc.) at the Blooming Wildflower Cottage B&B located on the shores of Dingle Bay in Co. Kerry (details at www.wildflower-cottage.com), while the 3rd prize is two Belleek China Collectible Plates. The special drawing is on the Festival's main stage at **5:30 pm, Sunday, March 18**, and you do not have to be present to win. *Ádh mór* - Good luck!!

IRISH RE-UNION?

Once upon a time there was a group of immigrants who came to the Seattle-Tacoma area from Ireland. They began the Gaelic Club and the Irish-American Club and other Irish groups which have since morphed into today's Irish Heritage Club. Were you one of those children, hanging around at the dances, Christmas parties, summer picnics doing the 3 legged race or so many other memorable events together in the 70s,

80s and 90s? Join us and reconnect with others you may not have seen in years, on **Saturday March 17th from 3-4 pm** on the Upper Level at the Seattle Center, near the Cooking Demo. Please bring a copy of your family picture to share on our memory wall. AND a picture of your parents to assist all to remember. Name tags will be available!

For any questions contact **Teresa (Rowland) O'Leary** at Rowland.oleary@gmail.com.

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