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SLIGO LÚNASA FESTIVAL

Programme 2012

LATE BARS THURSDAY TO SATURDAY in association with the Vintner's Association

Wednesday 8th August, 1pm

The Model, The Mall

Up The Walls Tour by Seamus Kealy



Up The Walls is an exhibition of international and Irish artists who are all exploring painting in new and innovative ways.



**Wednesday
8th August, 1.15pm**
Yeats Memorial Building,
Hyde Bridge
**Outing to Knocknarea
and Carrowmore**

Wednesday 8th August, 3pm

Yeats Memorial Building, Hyde Bridge

Sligo Emigration Workshop

Maureen Murphy:

“Thousands are Sailing”:

A workshop on emigration from Sligo.



**Wednesday 8th August,
5.15pm**
Sligo Race Course,
Cleveragh
Races

Relax and enjoy the panoramic views of the beautiful Sligo landscape while having a flutter.



Wednesday 8th August, 8pm

Yeats Memorial Building, Hyde Bridge

Emigration Road:

A Dramatic Recital for Two Voices

Performed by Sean Coyne and Tegolan

Knowland, devised and directed by

Eamon Grennan.

Wednesday 8th August 9pm

Fureys, Bridge Street

Open Mic

Opportunity for musicians to showcase their talents.



Wednesday 8th August 9pm

McGarrigles, O'Connell Street

Maeve Kelly and Fling



Fling is a coming together of accomplished musicians who share a joy in music and travel. Their music is a blend of traditions and styles - a world music, that has twangs of bluegrass, Irish trad and good ol' rock and roll. Their influences range from Planxty and Lunasa to Rory Gallagher and Led Zeppelin.

Wednesday 8th August 9pm

Caheny's, Mail Coach Road

60's Party

Have a night to remember. Enjoy a real Sligo experience in the terrific



atmosphere of Caheny's Bar. Have the craic and sing and dance along to Ann's choice of 60's hits with the locals. Sing or play yourself, you will get loads of help. Food also served on the night, BBQ weather permitting.

Wednesday 8th August 9.30pm
Hargadons, O'Connell Street
Ruby Ridge



Sharon Conway is carving a name for herself as one of Ireland's most progressive young songwriters. She set up musical stall with a band of talented Sligo based musicians in 2010 called Ruby Ridge. They provide the perfect

musical backdrop for Sharon's original material with their signature folk/rock sound and eloquent four part harmonies.

Wednesday 8th August 9.30pm
Harp Tavern, Quay Street
Trad Session



This lively set has Kevin O'Brien on accordion, Pat Sweeney on banjo and Sean Dwyer on guitar. All musicians welcome to join in for what promises to be a great trad night at Sean's.



Wednesday 8th August 9.30pm
Shoot The Crows, Castle Street
Members of No Crows

Acoustic music session featuring regular members of No Crows alongside some guests.

Wednesday 8th August 9.30pm
The Swagman, Wine Street
The Outoftowners



The Outoftowners are a roots based band showcasing original songs by singer and guitarist Ollie Alcorn. Many of Ollie's songs are drawn from

travelling and growth. Their sound is rhythmic and easy on the ear. Ollie's backed up by two brilliant musicians Jaimie Carswell (Bass) and Robert Naczas (Harmonica).

Wednesday 8th August 10pm
The Strand Bar, Strandhill
Grizzly Dippers



The Grizzly-Dippers are a newly formed Old-time/Bluegrass country trio from Sligo. Equipped with two guitar/vocalists,

Tom Eaton & Harry Mercer and a room filling harmonica played by Mark Conway this trio are aiming to get the crowd going for a fun filled, dixie-fried homegrown session.

Wednesday 8th August 10pm
Garavogue, Stephen Street



Off The Hook

Off The Hook was the brainchild of former X Factor contestant Marie Conway and Aviator ex-frontman Derek

O'Hara. Together with drummer Darren McGough and ex Aviator bandmate Deco Laing on bass, they cater to all tastes. Typical songs include everything from Chuck Berry to Bon Jovi.

THURSDAY

Thursday 9th August, 1pm
Sligo County Library,
Museum Building, Stephen Street
“The Feast Of Lunasa” Talk by Brian Leyden



A lunchtime talk by Brian Leyden on the gatherings, beliefs and rituals associated with this major feast day in the Celtic Year. He was Writer in Residence with Sligo Libraries in 2010 and contributes a popular

‘Soapbox’ column to the The Sligo Champion.

Thursday 9th August, 1.15pm
Yeats Memorial Building,
Hyde Bridge
Student Poetry Reading



Thursday 9th August, 5.15pm
Sligo Race Course, Cleveragh
Races – Ladies Day

A chance for the human fillies to go on parade in high fashion and amazing hats. Careful you don't get too distracted from the serious business of racing.



Thursday 9th August, 7pm
Source Sligo, John Street
Wine Tasting with Steve from
Hargadons Wine Shop

French regional wine presentation with canapés / nibbles.

Cost €20.00

Booking essential 071 9147605



Thursday 9th August, 8pm
Yeats Memorial Building,
Hyde Bridge
Ciaran Carson Reading



Come and enjoy this excellent reading by well known Belfast poet and novelist.

Thursday 9th August, 8.30pm
Source Sligo, John Street
Source Session Theme Night No. 4

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Thursday 9th August, 9pm
Caheny's, Mail Coach Road
70's Party

Time to break out the Glitz. Frizz up your hair, get out your flares, platforms and circle pattern disco shirts as Ann plays the hits of the 70's from The Bee Gees to Joe Dolan for another great night in Caheny's bar. Food on the night, BBQ weather depending.

Thursday 9th August, 9pm
Bistro Bianconi, Tobergal Lane
Own A Chord



Own A Chord are a Strandhill based Quartet who specialise in close harmonies and barbershop arrangements of well known easy listening songs. They

provide a novel form of vocal entertainment. Come on down to the "Italian Quarter" for this great gig. While away the evening with pizza, pasta and piattini from Bistro Bianconi and A Casa Mia.

Thursday 9th August, 9.30pm
Hargadons, O'Connell Street
Ultan Conlon



Galway musician Ultan Conlon's emotive and intelligent lyrics have gained him many fans over the years. He is regularly played on Today FM (Ray Darcy show), Radio 1 (late date), Lyric FM (Blue of the Night), and most regional stations

throughout Ireland, and is a favourite in many premium music venues nationwide. You can also enjoy oyster tasting with Guinness or Champagne. Native, local & Scottish Oysters.

Thursday 9th August, 9.30pm
Mc Lynns, Old Market Street
Guitar Night



The normal Tuesday session at Dudes moves to Thursday for festival week. Anyone learning guitar is welcome to join in.



Thursday 9th August,
9.30pm
Harp Tavern,
Quay Street
Screamin' Bluecats

The Screamin' Bluecats, a dynamic three piece rockabilly band, based in Galway, have just released their debut album "Too Hot To Rock N' Roll".

Formed in 1997 the band set out to recapture the raucous and energetic sounds of the 50's rock 'n' roll, and their blistering live performances have thrilled audiences north and south of the country. At last year's Sligo Lunasa Festival they had everyone dancing.

Thursday 9th August, 9.30pm
The Swagman, Wine Street
Saki Soto



Saki Soto are a 3 piece original rock band whose influences are The Beatles, Foo Fighters, Queens Of The Stone Age, Led Zeppelin, and Black Sabbath.

The trio is a powerhouse with its raw and melodic sound.

Thursday 9th August, 9.30pm

**The Clarence, Wine Street
Tallahassee Blues in Sligo**



Direct from Tallahassee, USA, Sligo Sister City. Folk, Bluegrass, Blues, Rhythm n Blues and a whole load of fun! Mimi Hearn, a powerful female vocalist, The Currys - 3 dashing young men, 2 brothers and a cousin - are a home-grown acoustic folk trio and the famous Rick Ott - singer/songwriter and acoustic guitarist. Special guest- Ann Kirrane. Filmed by WFSU TV crew as part of the band's tour of Ireland.

Thursday 9th August, 10pm

**McGarrigles, O'Connell Street
Alan Pipes & Catmelodeon**



Amazingly talented uilleann piper Alan Roberts has been entertaining crowds in the West of Ireland all his life. His spirited style is distinct, brilliantly musical and full of creative energy - reinventing traditional tunes and improvising his own compositions with unique flair and style.

Thursday 9th August, 10.00pm

**The Strand Bar, Strandhill
The Magee Family**



The Magee Family feature Conor, Sean, Jamie and Eli-Rose. Sean is an All Ireland Fiddle Champion and Jamie is an Ulster Button Accordion

Champion. The Family, noted for the Talent of Sean's Fiddle playing, cover a range of folk and traditional music. This will be a mighty session.

**Thursday 9th August, 10.00pm
Garavogue, Stephen Street
DJ Scruffy Till Late**



Scruffy is without doubt one of the most experienced and professional DJ's in Ireland. His highly successful karaoke shows in the Canary and the Channel islands have established him as one of the most influential and respected entertainers of his profession.

**Thursday 9th August, 10.15pm
The Venue, Top Road, Strandhill
Ray Coen**



Ray Coen's 'Out Of Sight' has been described as "a work of understated songwriting genius... a voice that could have been gifted by mother nature ... that deserves to be heard from Coast to coast" Review by Martin McCool – Music Reviews. "Beautifully recorded, beautifully judged string, guitar, brass and vocal arrangements." Hot Press

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FRIDAY

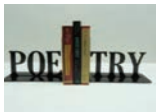
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Friday 10th August, 1.15pm
Yeats Memorial Building,
Hyde Bridge
Sligo Poets Reading



Friday 10th August, 1.30pm
Café Victor, JFK Parade
Collette Sheerin



Collette Sheerin, Flautist and Singer Songwriter has a strong background in traditional Irish music. She has extended her musicianship to other genres including gypsy, rock, classical

and jazz. Today is a very special gig, not to be missed, where Collette will sing some of her favourite's along with a tune or two thrown in for good measure.

Friday 10th August, 4.30pm & 6pm
County Sligo Youth Theatre, Lower Quay Street
Borough Boundaries: CSYT Performance

Friday 10th August, 5pm
Garavogue, Stephen Street
BBQ



The Garavogue burger or the delicious fresh battered cod with side orders of your choice are the perfect way to set yourself up for a great festival night out.

Friday 10th August, 6pm
Haragadons, O'Connell Street
Red Queen Contest



Lurking somewhere in the realm of alternative rock, Red Queen Contest are a dual fronted

four-piece with soaring harmonies, gritty guitars and an almighty rhythm section. Formed in 2010, these Navan men have already managed to share the stage with Ocean Colour Scene, Whipping Boy and Delorentos. They release their debut single 'Eiderdown' in August, with an album due later in 2012.

"...one of the best bands in Ireland right now...they have the songs, the energy...and are amazing musicians " Peter Nagle - 2 U I Bestow. Native, local & Scottish oyster tasting with Guinness or Champagne.

Friday 10th August, 6pm
KoKo Latte, Quayside
Dean Gurrie

Dean has supported such acts as The four of us, Perry Blake, Tommy Flemming, Paddy Casey, The Frames and Ryan Sheridan. His set list contains originals mixed with cover versions of artists like Foo Fighters, Pearl Jam and Luka Bloom.



Friday 10th August, 6pm
McGarrigles, O'Connell Street
The Candles



The Candles are a folksy, bluesy rock band, featuring Collette Sheerin vox/guitar/flute, Leslie Jones on guitar/mandolin, Hugh Feeley on bass and Willie

Kelly on drums. They put their own special twist on a fine variety of songs, their style influenced by Tom Waits' growl, the lyrics of Mr Leonard Cohen, and the brilliance of Bob Dylan.

Friday 10th August, 6pm
Source Sligo, John Street
Cocktail Making Class / Demo



Also all participants receive a complimentary cocktail in Source Wine Bar – only valid that evening.

Cost €20.00 Booking essential 071 9147605

Friday 10th August, 8pm
Eala Bhan, Rockwood Parade
Karl Burthom



Karl Burthom presents a repertoire of classical and finger style jazz pieces. The classics range from Bach to Tarrega with the jazz flavour supplied by such tunes as Body & Soul and Black Orpheus. His music will be the perfect accompaniment to the special menu the award-winning restaurant, Eala Bhan, is offering over the festival weekend with the emphasis on staying local and showing exactly what the food producers in Sligo have to offer.

Friday 10th August, 9pm
Source Sligo, John Street
The Dean Martin Tribute Show



It was singer Adrian Cullen's deep admiration for the late, great Dean Martin and the music of swing and jazz, that sparked the concept for The Dean Martin Tribute Show. He performs such hits as Everybody Loves somebody Sometime, That's Amore and Little 'ole Wine Drinker

Me, together with those rarities that will please the truly dedicated fans of Dean Martin and The Rat Pack. Bring your dancing shoes so you can work off some of the energy provided by the delicious food at Source.

TOWN CRIER Mon Wed Fri @ 10am.

Friday 10th August, 9.45pm
Sligo Park Hotel, Pearse Road
Fergus Harmon



Fergus Harmon from Carrick-On-Shannon has been involved in the music industry for many years and has showcased his talents across the States, Denmark and Rome.

He has played many lead roles in well known musicals and can be regularly seen performing at the Sligo Park Hotel. This would be a great way to wind down after an excellent meal at the hotel's Hazelwood Restaurant.

Friday 10th August, 10pm
Hargadons, O'Connell Street
Anything Goes



Anything Goes is a Sligo based group fronted by the incredibly versatile vocalist, Sinead Conway. The group was a big hit

at the Derry Jazz and Big Band Festival and the Cork Jazz festival. They have been acclaimed by many as the ultimate party band, with the widest of repertoires from Sinatra to Ella, Cee Lo Green to Stevie Wonder, Queen to Tina Turner and bizarrely, Riverdance.

Friday 10th August, 10pm
The Swagman, Wine Street
Old School Rock & Metal with Chris Reddin

Fingers Crossed Promotions, an Independent music promotions company, run two club nights in The Clarence Hotel in Sligo called "Musik Non



Stop". They play the best in alternative and metal music. The nights have been a success and they are going to bring it to the Swagman Bar on August 10th during the Sligo Lunasa Festival.

Friday 10th August, 10pm
The Strand Bar, Strandhill
Rackhouse Pilfer



Rackhouse Pilfer are a six member high energy rockin' bluegrass and American roots band. They perform their unique take on many classic songs from artists such as Bruce Springsteen, Ryan Adams, Steve Earl and John Hiatt. They also do some traditional bluegrass and original songs. They play acoustic guitar, fiddle, banjo, mandolin, slide guitar, upright bass, drums and their big harmonies put the hat on the cowboy.

Friday 10th August, 10pm
Garavogue, Stephen Street
This Club



This Club celebrated the release of their eagerly anticipated debut album 'Highlife' in June 2012 with a performance on The Late Late Show and a Number 2 position on iTunes in Ireland bring their lively show to the festival. The band's signature upbeat, energetic style has received rave reviews and it promises to be a great night. Followed by late DJ Mark Gunning from iRadio.

FAMILY FUN

at Johnston Court: 2pm – 5pm Sat. 11th Aug



2pm "Glittering Galaxies" with Heidi Wickham

400 years ago this year, the amazing Andromeda Galaxy was first observed through a telescope from Earth. The theme of these felting workshops will be to create a unique and colourful "mini Galaxy" with each child. Glitter will be added to the felting process for a magical shine to the art works, maybe a space rocket or two.



2pm Play in Clay with Rachel Quinn Ceramics

Ceramic artist Rachel Quinn will run her very popular play in clay workshops using air drying modeling clay, which the children can bring home and paint. The workshop will explore the Sligo crest and what the symbols represent. The ruined tower represents Sligo Abbey, the tree symbolises the dense woodland that once covered the site of the Town, the hare in flight is the abundance of game and wildlife. The oyster shells emphasise the fact that the "Sligeach" is so named because of its abundance of oyster shells.



2pm Tony Conway of Art House presents "Medb" the shadow show!

From ancient time Irish storytellers passed on their tales by the fireside from generation to generation by word of mouth. This new and exciting blend of the old seanachí storytelling and Chinese shadow puppets creates a truly unique and unforgettable experience for children of all ages. This Shadow show tells the ancient Irish tale of Medb, warrior Queen of Connacht. This is an educational thrilling, comical and enthralling production. Show times: 2pm, 2.50pm, 3.40pm, 4.30pm



2pm Wine Street Car Park The Lark in The Park

As Our School's Got Talent expands to a national competition under the title "All Ireland School's Talent Search" we are delighted to showcase some of the successful acts featured in the OSGT Connacht event over the past two years. For an afternoon of Rock music from Roscommon, Grunge from Galway, Melodies from Mayo, Laughter from Leitrim and singers from Sligo join the cream of student talent outside Johnston Court Wine Street Car Park from 2pm – 5pm.



SLIGO LUTASA FESTIVAL MAP

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Galleries & Theatre

Hamilton Gallery, Castle Street
Invited Artists – Barrie Cooke, David Crone, Bernadette Kiely and Paul Mosse

Hamilton Gallery is delighted to host this invitational group exhibition featuring four of Ireland's foremost artists. Barrie Cooke, David Crone, Bernadette Kiely and Paul Mosse, are central to the recognition of contemporary Irish art throughout the national and international visual arts world over the last 30 years. Individually they are represented in many of the most prominent art collections at home and abroad, having exhibited in the finest art galleries in Europe.



The Model, The Mall
Up The Walls

Up The Walls is an exhibition of international and Irish artists who are all exploring painting in new and innovative ways.



The Model, The Mall
Yeats and Son

These two separate but interrelated exhibitions drawn from The Niland Collection look at the artistic achievements of two members of the Yeats family – John Butler Yeats and his son Jack B. Yeats. Although both gifted artists, John and Jack were vastly different both in terms of personality and creative expression.



City Hall
Friday 10th August, 9am – 5pm
City Hall, Quay Street



An Exhibition on The Borough of Sligo: Aspects of its History over 400 Years. This exhibition to mark the 400th anniversary of Sligo Borough, in City Hall, covers a variety of aspects of the Borough's history from 1612 - 2012. There is something for everyone from sport, architecture or business to political and military history. There are fascinating facts, images and artefacts. Some, from private collections, are on view to the public for the first time. Admission free.

Theatre

8th-12th August, 8pm
Hawk's Well, Temple Street



The Hostage /Dir.Frank Brannigan

Sligo Drama Circle, celebrating more than fifty years of drama brings Brendan Behan's masterpiece to the Hawk's Well stage with actors Brian Woods, Eily Kilgannon, Edmund Henry, Fergal McGill, Ray Collins, Sally Browne, Yvonne Curran-Foley and John O'Dea leading a cast of twenty in this rollicking comedy.

Friday 10th August, 4.30pm & 6pm
County Sligo Youth Theatre, Lower Quay Street
Borough Boundaries: CSYT Performance

CSYT has created a rhythmic choral dreamscape which will enthral audiences. Drawing on historical, forgotten, personal and fictional visions of Sligo, this presentation is a collaborative work under the guidance and direction of Sligo actor, Bob Kelly.

Friday 10th August, 10.15pm
The Venue, Top Road, Strandhill
Seamie McGowan & Chris Baillie



Chris Baillie and Seamie McGowan have been playing together for over a year at a resident Sunday gig in Strandhill.

Chris, originally from New Zealand, has toured the globe with his unique show. He and Seamie play a wide range of music from a wide variety of artists.

Friday 10th August, 10.30pm
McHughs, Grattan Street
DJ Cliff

Mainstream chart. A great way to unwind at the end of a busy week.



Friday 10th August, 10.30pm
Shoot The Crows, Castle Street
Hickory Wind



Hold onto your hats kids, there's a new band in town and they smell of musty old Alabama cherry wood trunks filled with moth-eaten gowns and half-painted, hand-carved wooden toys. Embrace your

inner bluegrass and take some young Irish lads, string together in the treble clef, douse in bourbon, whip into a lively froth and you've got Hickory Wind.

Friday 10th August, 10.30pm
McCullaghs, Bridge Street
The Katonahs



The Katonahs are a no nonsense, guitar driven indie rock band fronted by Dubliner Peter Butler and complimented by Sligo guitarist Sean Mulligan, drummer Paul Conlon and bassist Dominic Callaghan. Rich melodic vocals, vibrant mesmerising guitar licks and a solid bold rhythm section come alive to define the group's innovative sound.

Friday 10th August, 11pm
Fureys, Bridge Street
The Hot Sprockets



The Hot Sprockets are 5 friends from the Delta Blues Mecca of South Dublin with a shared love of Rock 'N' Roll - the kind of Rock 'N' Roll

that is haunted by the ghosts of Country and Blues. They have played in festivals all over the country including The Electric Picnic (where BP Fallon sang some numbers with them) and recently headlined the Friday night at NPLD, Templehouse. Their video for "Cruisin'" has been nominated for Best Video and Best Band at the Irish Music Television Awards.

Key Festival Dates go to
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SATURDAY

Saturday 11th August, 9am **Sligo IT Carpark, Ash Lane** **Farmers Market**



This is the largest out-door Farmers Market in the region hosting a wide range of fresh, local, seasonal, organic, and artisan produce at the 'family friendly' location.

Saturday 11th August, 11am **Lyons Café, Wine Street** **Breakfast Club with** **James Blennerhassett & Robert Harris**



The breakfast club, with James Blennerhassett on NS Stick and Robbie Harris on percussion, is

worth getting up for. Experimental rhythmic music with a very distinct Celtic influence, it will suit an eclectic mix of musical tastes. It will be great fun for young and old. James is the most recorded base player in Ireland and Robbie is of Riverdance fame. Breakfast ranging from the full Irish to French toast and maple syrup will be served from 8.30am.

Saturday 11th August, 11.30am **Parke's Castle, Leitrim** **Lough Gill Swim**



The Lough Gill 10km Swim is an annual fundraiser for the NW Hospice Sligo which takes place on August 11th 2012. Fifty brave swimmers will cross the entire length of Lough Gill and the Garavogue River finishing at Doorly Park. For more information see www.loughgillswim.com.

Saturday 11th August, 2pm **Lily's Café, Hyde Bridge** **Joy Booth & Band**



Joy Booth, a seasoned songwriter and performer from Navan, Co. Meath, is no stranger to some of Ireland's best venues. Joy has opened for many established artists including Wallace Bird, Cathy Davey and more recently Rainy Boy Sleep. Joy's soulful and unique voice has been in demand as she collaborates with Eugene Donegan. One not to be missed.

Saturday 11th August, 3pm **Grappa, Rockwood Parade** **Gerry & Aoife Grennan**



Local Sligo father/daughter duo, Gerry and Aoife Grennan, are an acoustic act with songs drawn from a mixture of genres: Blues, Reggae, Folk, Country and Contemporary. This duo are building a loyal following for their sweet vocal and tasteful guitar based sound.

Saturday 11th August, 3pm **City Hall, Quay Street** **Northwest LGBT Pride Parade**



Join the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community, their family and friends for the 7th NW Pride Parade in Sligo town. This spectacle of colour, carnival costume and spirit celebrates the right of all LGBT people to live without fear, and the feast of fabulous fun is welcome to all. Join the parade which moves off from City Hall at 3pm sharp.

**Check out family fun page for Workshops,
Puppet Show and The Lark in the Park**

Saturday 11th August, 4pm
Café Fleur, O'Connell Street
The Boi's



The Boi's are an innovative father-and-son duo from Sligo. Declan Courell is well known on the local music scene and his distinctive backing style of traditional music is held in high regard. Tiernan Courell plays flute, tin whistle and low whistle. His style of playing is much admired and together they deliver a distinctive sound encompassing traditional tunes and contemporary songs.

Saturday 11th August, 5pm
The Adelaide Bar, Wine Street Car park
Papa Legs



Papa Legs are a four piece rock band playing a mix of old school rock 'n' roll and 70's blues rock. With each member of the band bringing their own influences to the group the product is an eclectic mix of trippy/funky/jazzy/heavy tunes guaranteed to keep you moving.

Saturday 11th August, 5pm
Garavogue, Stephen Street
BBQ

The Garavogue burger or the delicious fresh battered cod with side orders of your choice are the perfect way to set yourself up for a great festival night out.



Saturday 11th August, 5pm
Bistro Bianconi, The Italian Quarter
The Cool Hand Dukes



The Cool Hand Dukes are a three-piece country, blues and rock n' roll band influenced by American roots music from the 1940's & 50'. Brothers Niall, (guitar & vocals) and Patrick Kellegher, (harmonica & vocals), enlisted the talents of Boyle native Johnny McGlynn (banjo & slide guitar) to complete a trio dedicated to playing high-energy music. And while you're listening you can enjoy the "Italian Quarter's" great food from Bistro Bianconi and A Casa Mia. Join us on the Piazza for an amazing afternoon & evening of Pizza, Pasta & Piattini.

Saturday 11th August, 6pm
Hargadons, O'Connell Street
Saramai & The Swords



Although comparisons to Kate Bush, Fiona Apple and Tori Amos have been drawn, Saramai and The

Swords have a distinct playing, singing and songwriting style that is difficult to categorise. There are classical twists and hints of darkness throughout unusually structured songs. They are currently working on their debut album. Native, local & Scottish oysters with Guinness or Champagne.

Saturday 11th August, 7pm
Sligo Park Hotel, Pearse Road
Jazz dinner with Twoplay

Eddie Lynch (piano), and Eddie Mc Farlane (guitar) both from Donegal, have



played together on the jazz scene in the North West for years, often joined by visiting musicians such as Louis Stewart, Mike Neilsen, Richie and Michael Buckley. Great sounds to accompany the fine food in the hotel's Hazelwood Restaurant.

Saturday 11th August, 7pm
Mowlam Nursing Home, Ballytivnan
Kevin Conlon



Singer / songwriter Kevin Conlon is probably best known for his huge hit: Sligo Train-Late Again which he first released way back in 1993 and Candle in the Window which became a Christmas favourite. Come and party with residents, family and friends at this special Sligo Lunasa Festival event. Bring a cake or bring a bottle.

Saturday 11th August, 9.15pm
Radisson Blu Hotel, Rosses Point
Sarah Crummy and Hugh O' Neill



Sarah Crummy, an up and coming singer/songwriter, has played piano for most of her life and took up guitar in recent years.

Winner of 'Our School's Got Talent' for the Ursuline College, she covers songs from a range of genres and also plays original work. Hugh O'Neill, winner of RTE'S Class Act, has worked with Sarah on several occasions. His edgy acoustic rock style complements Sarah's chilling voice and beautiful piano playing.

Saturday 11th August, 9.30pm
Source Sligo, John Street
Honor Heffernan & Dick Farrelly



Honor Heffernan has been performing as both a singer and actress for over 30 years. She is both critically and publicly acclaimed as a singer whose versatility and superior vocal ability means she can sing anything from Jazz and Blues to Rock and Folk. She has three solo albums to her credit. 'Chasing the Moon', 'Fire and Ice' and 'The Other Side'. Dick Farrelly has worked with many artists including Van Morrison, Mick Taylor (The Rolling Stones) and Sally Oldfield. He has recorded musical contributions to two films - Michael Collins and The Butcher Boy. For this concert in Sligo, Honor and Dick will be performing a range from blues to jazz.

Saturday 11th August, 9.45pm
Sligo Park Hotel, Pearse Road
Eamonn Duggan



Eamonn Duggan offers a one man variety show of great song and music for all tastes. He sings country, rock 'n' roll, and Irish ballads and also writes and records his own songs.

Saturday 11th August, 10pm
Harp Tavern, Quay Street
Blowins In The Wind



Blowins In The Wind celebrate Bob Dylan in his 70s, with a lively mixture of Mr Zimmerman's classics, his lesser known numbers

and his downright obscurities! The band is Ide Leddy (vocals, keyboards, guitar, harmonica), Dave Pierce (vocals, acoustic guitar), Bernard Tohill (vocals, electric guitar), Hans Wieland (percussion) & Paul Wilson (bass).

Saturday 11th August, 10pm
The Swagman, Wine Street
The Red Hots

The Red-Hots are Sligo's hottest rockabilly outfit, playing retro rock-n-roll and vintage American dance hall boogie! Featuring a rhythm section of Jaimie Carswell and Tony Travers (ex-Wurlitzer), Seannan Brennan (from Kila) on guitar, and front man Wayne O Connor (legend). Come on you Hepcats and Betties, agitate the gravel and goose it down to The Swagman. Get ready to jive!



Saturday 11th August, 10pm
The Strand Bar, Strandhill
Adela and The Meanits



Adela & the Meanits are a band so red hot cool they must surely be illegal, or at least seriously frowned upon by squares. Their debut single 'Andy', has been described as "combining all

the charming characteristics exuded so effortlessly on the stage: upbeat, off-kilter pop-songs that skateboard down the hand-rail between chart and alternative that make it quite impossible not to fall a little bit in love with Adela. And her multi-talented Meanits of course!" (GMAN).

Saturday 11th August, 10pm
Garavogue, Stephen Street
Late Bar with DJ Graham Cawley



Saturday 11th August, 10.15pm
The Venue, Top Road, Strandhill
Ray Coen & Ian Bordley



Ray Coen's 'Out Of Sight' has been described as "beautifully recorded, beautifully judged string, guitar, brass and vocal arrangements." Hot Press. He is joined for this gig by well-known musician Ian Bordley, whose musical styles range from

Trad to Folk and Rock. A gifted songwriter, he includes original material, inspired by artists and storytellers from around the globe.

Saturday 11th August, 10.30pm
McGarrigles, O'Connell Street
OKO DJ Set with Live Jazz



OKO is a features guitarist Shane Latimer, keyboardist Darragh O'Kelly (Republic of Loose, Niwel Tsumbu), percussionist Shane O'Donovan (Dublin City Jazz Orchestra, Isotope) and turntablist DJackulate (North Strand Kontra Band).

Saturday 11th August, 10.30pm
McHughs, Grattan Street
2 DJs – Brendan Tierney & DJ TC
Brendan Tierney – Mainstream
DJ TC – Popular tunes



Saturday 11th August, 10.30pm
Shoot The Crows, Castle Street
Music TBC



Saturday 11th August, 11.30pm
The Velvet Room, Kempton Promenade
Velvet Room Nite Club



Open just six years, the Velvet Room has won an amazing four awards for best nightclub! Overlooking the Garavogue River and in the heart of the entertainment centre of the town, the night club attracts large numbers every weekend. To ensure you get your Free Festival Cocktail Vouchers for this Saturday night (11th August), check our website www.velvetroom.ie and Facebook page (Velvet Room Niteclub Sligo).

SUNDAY

Sunday 12th August, 12.30pm
Radisson Blu Hotel, Rosses Point
Jazz Brunch with Westcoast Blues



This exciting duo featuring Stan Burns on saxophone and clarinet and Karl Burthorn on guitar, play a wide range of jazz tunes encompassing the bluesy style of Cannonball Adderley, Miles Davis and Sonny Rollins. Chill out and enjoy a Super Buffet Brunch Menu in Benwisken Bar at The Radisson Blu Hotel while you listen. All for just €10 p.p.

Sunday 12th August, 1pm
Harp Tavern, Quay Street
The Jazz Ladds with
special guest Mike Neilson



The Jazz Ladds, Sligo's longest established band, though originally known for traditional jazz, now include in the programme Latin American (Salsa etc.), Blues, Country and even the odd old time waltz, when required. Mike Neilson is one of the leading guitarists in European jazz. He has performed with Kenny Wheeler & Larry Coryell etc.

Sunday 12th August, 2pm
KoKo Latte, Quayside
Savour high notes & sweet high
tea with Liam Gannon on piano



Experience afternoon tea and indulge in a sumptuous selection of sweet delights, presented from KoKo Latte's range of home-made treats, many of which will be especially created for this unique occasion. Let yourself be transported to musical highs courtesy of local pianist Liam Gannon. Cost: €10pp Booking: 071-9157826

Sunday 12th August, 2.30pm
St. Johns, Ballytivnan
Noelle Carroll,
Declan Courell & Guest



Noelle Carroll, talented flute player and singer with the Dartry Ceili Band, will be joined by Declan Courell a guitar player and singer well known to the Sligo Music Scene and a guest performer on the day. Traditional Tunes will be interspersed with song during the performance. Come and party with residents, family and friends at this special Sligo Lunasa event. Bring a cake or bring a bottle.

Sunday 12th August, 2.30pm
Nazareth Nursing Home,
Gerry Hanley & Friends



Ray Coen - guitar/fiddle singer/song-writer needs no introduction. Recently part of No Crows European tour, Ann Kirrane - singer/concertina player - has launched her debut album. She was

born to sing , daughter of Legendary concertina player Chris Droney. Gerry Hanley - accordion/banjo just back from Louisiana and Florida. Come and party with residents, family and friends at this special Sligo Lunasa event. Bring a cake or bring a bottle.

Sunday 12th August, 3pm
Summerville Healthcare, Strandhill
Phillip Duffy, Micheal O' Halloran
& Kevin O'Brien



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Philip Duffy (Dartry Ceili Band) is a fine Sligo-style fiddle player. Kevin O'Brien is a founding member of the band Sheeben. Joined by Micheal O'Halloran on guitar and song. Come and party with residents, family and friends at this special Sligo Lunasa event. Bring a cake or bring a bottle.

Sunday 12th August, 3pm
The Swagman, Wine Street
Skratch Bastid BBQ



Skratch Bastid is one of Canada's most in-demand DJs and a respected producer. He is increasingly recognized for his comfort and versatility in different styles – hip hop, funk, disco, club, rock, and just about every other

genre that will make you dance. Get down with the sound and enjoy the BBQ spread that The Swagman has laid on.

Sunday 12th August, 5pm
Osta Café and Wine Bar, Hyde Bridge
The Western String Band



A newly formed 8 piece acoustic string band, based in Sligo playing Bluegrass and Americana. Featuring; Guitar, Fiddle, Banjo, Mandolin, Tenor, Bass and vocals, it's bedtime music for one and all.

Sunday 12th August, 8pm
McGarrigles, O'Connell Street
Sunday MASS



People are flocking to Sunday M.A.S.S. at Mc Garrigles Bar, every Sunday at 8pm. Local musicians from different genres meet with their instruments and Jam! A core of four musicians invite special guests and there is no set list, so the night is full of musical surprises.

Sunday 12th August, 10pm
Donaghys, Lord Edward Street
Trad Music Session



This great music is an eclectic mix of Irish, American and European song and song. Visiting musicians are welcome. Now in its twelfth year, Coach Lane Restaurant continues to set the standard for fine cuisine. Its growing reputation for fresh and imaginative cooking can be credited to the efforts of its proprietors, Andy and Orla Donaghy.

Sunday 12th August, 10pm
The Strand Bar, Strandhill
Chris Baillie & Seamie McGowan



Chris Baillie and Seamie Mc Gowan play a popular resident Sunday gig in the Strand Bar. Chris, originally from New Zealand, has toured the globe with his unique show. He and Seamie play a wide range of music from a variety of artists.

Sunday 12th August, 10pm
Garavogue, Stephen Street
Sugar Rush



'Formed in 2011 Sugar Rush has become one of Sligo's most popular cover bands, due in no small part to their huge repertoire of hits. They play tunes from the 60's to the present charts, everything from Queen to Rihanna, Blondie to Jessie J. No musical stone is left unturned.

Sunday 12th August, 10pm
McHughs, Grattan Street
Dean Mahon & Rory O'Dowd. Late bar

Listen to one of Sligo's brilliant young guitar players Rory O Dowd. He is a gifted rock and blues player who has performed all over the North West and also recently recorded with The Martin O'Connor Band. Dean Mahon is a singer who's versatility and superior vocal ability means he is comfortable singing anything from rock to folk.

Sunday 12th August, 10.15pm
The Venue, Top Road, Strandhill
Trad Session

Enjoy this lively set in the relaxed and homely atmosphere.

Sunday 12th August, 10.30pm
McHughs – Downstairs, Grattan Street
DJ Scruffy Duffy



Scruffy is one of the most experienced and professional DJ's in Ireland. From his highly successful karaoke shows in the Canary and the Channel islands, he has established himself as one of the most influential and respected entertainers of his profession.



*French Market brings a touch
of Paris to Sligo*

One of the many attractions as part of the
Sligo Lúnasa Festival
is the French Market on Rockwood

Thursday 9th to Saturday 11th August

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