



Molly Donnery

Molly Donnery is a critically acclaimed traditional Irish and contemporary singer from Laois. Best known for her vocals with emerging band The Haar, Molly's style combines the emotive storytelling of the tradition with modern techniques and improvisation. She is currently balancing life as a freelance film producer while putting the final touches on her EP which will be released in March.

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Sharyn Ward

Sharyn Ward is a singer/songwriter, trad and ballad performer and a proud Irish Traveller woman. She was recently Artist in Residence at Axis Ballymun where she wrote material for her forthcoming album, performed at an international showcase supported by US Embassy and sang original material for the President of Ireland and the Lord Mayor of Dublin. Ward came to national/international attention in 2019 when she was a finalist on *Ireland's Got Talent*. She was awarded the Traveller Pride award in recognition of her contribution to Irish traditional music. "One of the country's most captivating and inspirational talents" – Hot Press Magazine, 2024

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Showcase at TradFest

Grand Social, Dublin
Friday 26 January 2024
Emerging Artist Showcase

Presented by Kieran Hanrahan, Artistic Director of TradFest

Please turn off mobile phones during the performances.

Out of respect for the performers, we would ask that audiences stay in their seats during each performance.

There will be a short pause between each performance for technical changeovers.

TRADFEST

TradFest and Culture Ireland are grateful to The Grand Social for their assistance with this event.



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Krea

Krea is the moniker adopted by Irish musician Karen Cowley. Following a hiatus from her band Wyvern Lingo, Krea was awarded the Music Bursary by the Arts Council for her solo project. No stranger to the Irish music scene, Krea has worked with artists including Denise Chaila and Hozier, having featured on the duet *In A Week* from the latter's debut album. A vocalist, pianist and harpist, Krea's debut EP, *The Callows* is a remarkable showcase of her strength as a solo artist.

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Alp Luachra

Alp Luachra is a trad/rock fusion band who came together in 2018 and have performed widely since then. Their musical influences range from Traditional Irish, through Celtic rock to heavy metal. The band come from a variety of musical backgrounds and enjoy exploring both traditional and progressive styles. In addition to performing well-known Irish tunes, the band's repertoire features new and original music composed by Alp Luachra members.

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Bog Bodies

Bog Bodies' meteoric rise in the Irish music scene is marked by an International Songwriting Competition Award and sold-out performances at Whelans Live and Tradfest. Their live shows are renowned for being high energy, immersive and described by many as "transcendental." Bog Bodies have the unique ability to navigate the delicate balance between tradition and innovation, creating a sound that resonates with a diverse audience, earning them international radio play. Adding to their growing success, Bog Bodies have signed with the US-based indie label Invocation Records and secured booking representation with the Doomstar Agency (Heilung, Eivør).

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