



Cultúr Éireann
Culture Ireland

Promoting Irish Arts Worldwide for 20 years

Classical: NEXT

Exhibition Stand No. 5

12 – 15 May 2025

Colosseum, Berlin, Germany

Celtic Reception with Ireland, Scotland and Wales
Tuesday 13 May from 4pm

This year, Ireland is co-hosting a joint Celtic Reception.
Meet the Irish delegates at the Culture Ireland stand (No. 5)
as well as our colleagues from Wales and Scotland.

Official Showcase Artists

Catrin Finch & Aoife Ní Bhriain

A spellbinding collaboration between two musical powerhouses. Dublin native Aoife Ní Bhriain is one of Ireland's foremost traditional fiddle players and a classical violinist of international stature who commands both the classical world and her Irish traditional heritage. From across the Irish Sea and the west coast of Wales, harpist Catrin Finch has also built an impressive classical career and ventured into uncharted musical territory, most notably through her award-winning international collaborations.

Finch and Ní Bhriain create a spellbinding musical dialogue where traditional and contemporary elements converge in a breathtaking celebration of musical synergy, taking listeners on a captivating journey on the wings of the bees across the Irish Sea, inspired by the cultures of their home countries.

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A Mwldan Production.*

13 May 2025

5.30pm–6pm

Colosseum, Kino 10 Gleimstraße 33
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**Meet the Artists at the
Ireland and Wales Reception**

14 May, 11:30am–12:30pm
Stands 5 and 7

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Delegates



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Culture Ireland

Established in 2005, Culture Ireland's mission is to promote Irish arts worldwide.

Through grant programmes and showcase initiatives, it supports and develops opportunities for Irish artists and companies to present their work across the globe. Through this work, it builds relationships and networks with arts and cultural organisations, relevant public bodies, state agencies and Government departments at home and abroad to advance the global impact of Irish artists.

Culture Ireland runs a regular funding scheme to support the international presentation of work by Irish artists and companies. Applications are accepted from both participating artists and from international presenters.

Culture Ireland also operates See Here, a scheme to support the inward travel to Ireland of international presenters, curators and promoters to see new Irish work on the island of Ireland available for touring.

For more details on Culture Ireland's grants and showcase activities:



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