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CORK MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL OF THE SENSES 2008

Hello and Welcome to Cork Midsummer Festival 2008. This year sees our usual two week festival expand to 21 Days and Nights of sensory overload in a festival that will stimulate all of your senses with a whole host of unique experiences. Whether it's baring all with hundreds of others for artist *Spencer Tunick* in his first ever work in Ireland, or throwing yourself into *Sensazione* our interactive fairground, or tucking into Cork's finest food at *Taste of Cork* we've something that will appeal to everyone. There will be giant robots at *Robodock*, a new show from *Corcadorca* and loads of exciting theatre happening in the most unlikely places. Add to that our most vibrant Spiegeltent to date where you the audience can take part in our very own nightly cabaret *The Last Resort*.

We've got more home-grown work than ever before with over 7 new theatre productions from Cork companies. As the festival is more international than ever this year we have also included the country of origin for each event. Finally, you will notice at the bottom of some pages a caption which reads 'Festival Director *Why I chose this?*'. In these instances I have added a little bit of extra information, particularly in the case of presentations which might be less familiar.

Savour it all!

William Galinsky Festival Director

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- Two complimentary tickets for single membership & four for double membership to a selected Festival Event
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- Single Membership €115 & Double Membership €190

To become a friend of the Festival for '09 let us know now and we will keep your details for next year!
www.corkmidsummer.com

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THE LORD MAYOR'S PICNIC IN THE PARK

A magical playground of clowns, fools, music, good vibrations and fabulous food awaits you at *The Lord Mayor's Picnic in the Park*.

We have boat rides down the river, circus shows, fantastic street theatre, face painting, string quartets, bands, fun activities and lots more!

So make sure you get down to the park for what promises to be a fantastic day of sunshine and merriment at Cork's favourite picnic of the year!

FITZGERALD'S PARK

Sunday June 15, 12-6pm

FAMILY PROGRAMME SUPPORTED BY

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*The Lord Mayor's Picnic in the Park is a co-production between
Cork Midsummer Festival and Goldiefish Events*



Magnet Productions

END OF THE LINE

By Paul Ioachim, adapted by Jody O'Neill, directed by Donal Gallagher



*At the end of the line, three desperate strangers meet...
Waiting on a train.
It's the last stop...
But are they waiting to get on,
or to get off...?*

The Irish premiere of internationally renowned Romanian playwright Paul Ioachim's bittersweet comedy; a quirky, absurd look at three people on the edge of society about to fall off.

This unique international collaboration brings together award-winning actor/director Dan Tudor from the National Theatre of Bucharest ("...Dan Tudor is excellent..." Irish Times on Storytellers' *Mushroom*), actor Carl Kennedy ("...three players at the top of their form..." The Irish Times on *Father Mathew*), and director Donal Gallagher ("... a tribute to Donal Gallagher's production... flawless control" The Irish Times, on Asylum Productions' *Pondlife Angels*), in a new adaptation by Cork playwright Jody O'Neill ("...assured, beautifully pointed ..." The Irish Times on *They Never Froze Walt Disney*).

Presented in association with Cork Midsummer Festival and Granary Theatre.

A Cork City Council Arts Office Project Scheme Award

GRANARY THEATRE

Monday 16 June (preview),
Tuesday 17 – Friday 20 June, 7.30pm
Saturday 21 June, 3:30pm & 8pm
Tickets €15/€12, preview & Saturday Matinee €10



SNATCH COMEDY:

UNCUT AND EXTENDED

Snatch Comedy have been stretching the limits of skill and inventiveness for six years. Now, for the first time ever in Cork, they will improvise an entire play! There is no safety net, and you, the audience, are the catalyst. A different show every night, this is improvisation as you've never seen it before!

Snatch Comedy's "short-form" improv and sketch shows have earned them huge popularity over the years. This new style is one they have developed themselves specially for the Cork Midsummer Festival. The group will use quick wits and skill to make up the show with no rehearsal whatsoever. There will be thrills — and there may be spills — as they juggle ideas and make entertainment out

of chaos. Will it be sad? Terrifying? Romantic? Fantastic? Nothing is certain until the moment it happens.

"Snatch Comedy are surreally inclined, daftly imaginative and gifted people... This is the most truly interactive and happening comedy in Ireland now" CORK NOW

CORK ARTS THEATRE

Monday 16 – Saturday 21 June, 9:30pm
Tickets €15/€12

Abbey Theatre

The Seafarer

by **Conor McPherson**

Irish Premiere



Drink yourself up on to the next shelf in the basement. Drink to where possibility feels infinite and your immortality feels strong.

It's Christmas Eve and Sharky has returned to Dublin to look after his irascible, ageing brother who's recently gone blind. Old drinking buddies Ivan and Nicky are holed up at the house too, hoping to play some cards. With the arrival of a stranger from the distant past, the stakes are raised ever higher. In fact, Sharky may be playing for his very soul...

The Abbey Theatre is delighted to present the Irish premiere of the latest play from Conor McPherson (*The Weir, Shining City*) at the Cork Opera House as part of the Cork Midsummer Festival. A triumph in London and New York, *The Seafarer* is a powerful, funny and unsettling tale that proves once again that McPherson is a born storyteller.

Directed by Jimmy Fay, winner of Irish Times Theatre Award, Best Director, 2007.

Cast: Liam Carney, George Costigan, Phelim Drew, Maelíosa Stafford, Don Wycherley

'...a wide-awake nightmare...poetic, brutal, athletic, hilarious' THE SUNDAY TIMES

CORK OPERA HOUSE

Tuesday 17 – Friday 20 June, 8pm

Saturday 21 June, 3pm & 8pm

Tickets: €20/€25/€30, Matinee €18

Tickets can be purchased from the Festival

Box Office or from Cork Opera House on

021 4270022 or online on

www.corkoperahouse.ie

SPENCER TUNICK

Artist Spencer Tunick is recognized world-wide for his elaborately posed still and video images of multiple nude figures in public settings. His temporary site-specific installations have taken place around the globe in cities including Montreal, Melbourne, Lyon, London, Newcastle-Gateshead, Santiago, New York, Mexico City and Barcelona to name a few. Tunick gathers volunteers to participate in the making of his work which, in the past, have totaled anywhere from 100 - 18,000 participants. The photograph from his Greenpeace project on Aletsch Glacier in Switzerland was named Time Magazine's Picture of the Year 2007.

From his beginnings documenting individual live nudes in public locations in NYC he has taken his celebration of the nude form international having photographed over 75 temporary site-specific related installations all over the world.

This is his first work in Ireland and will comprise a number of installations in Cork and then in Dublin.

To participate in this extraordinary event please register on-line at www.spencertunickireland.ie. In exchange for participating you will receive a limited edition photograph by the artist, made in Ireland. You will only be nude for a short period of time.

Spencer Tunick Ireland is commissioned by Cork Midsummer Festival and Dublin Docklands.



Venue -you will receive information after registering on www.spencertunickireland.ie

Tuesday 17 June, time to be announced

Note. Participants must be 18 and over



MEXICO CITY



NEWCASTLE

Festival Director "Why I chose this?" Taking part in a Spencer Tunick installation is a life affirming and, perhaps, life changing experience. There are few contemporary artists who have so managed to capture the spirit of our age. Spencer's work is a celebration of the human body, of the landscapes which surround us and of the power we all have to change the world.

AUDIO DETOUR: REAL FOXES ARE CREEPING UP

Audio Detour: Real Foxes are creeping up is a site-specific audio piece from Fiona Hallinan and Alex Synge.

At the starting point you pick up an mp3 player and a hand-drawn map and press play. A voice describes your surroundings and takes you on a journey through public and private spaces, using the architecture of the city as stage design. Audio Detour layers soundscapes and stories on top of the real city and asks you to use everyday space with a playful and childlike sense of experimentation, exploration and adventure, exploring places you might normally ignore.

Fiona Hallinan, is a Dublin-based artist recently graduated from TCD in Multimedia Systems. Her work is concerned with perception, patterns in society, technological fear and the interactions between human beings. She works in a range of media, including drawing, photography, sound, installation and the organization of relational art events.

Alex Synge is a multi-instrumentalist and composer currently based in Dublin. As well as being member of a number of bands including The Dewoh, Toothsticks and St. Catherine's Home for Lazy Infants, he also produces work for a number of personal projects. He has a fondness for delicate ambient soundscapes, broken melodies and the humble three-minute pop song.

STARTS AT FESTIVAL BOX OFFICE

Monday 16 June – Saturday 5 July,
Mon– Fri: 11am – 5pm
Saturdays 12pm – 5pm
Sundays 2pm – 5pm
Tickets €5



Wonderland Theatre

LIFE: SHOP TIL YOU DROP!

Life Shop till you Drop! is the Sassy Girl's Self Help Solution. It will change your life.

Ailish, our Recruitment Consultant heroine is out to get her dream man, dream job and dream life, by literally following the mantras of self-help gurus. After hitting her self-help books hard she joins an expensive Dating Agency, re-imagines her childhood, goes speed dating and feng shuis her apartment to attract love into her life. No Mayo parent, ex-boyfriend or block is going to stop our Ailish.

A cautionary tale, or more likely, a wickedly fun spoof on our love of going life-shopping.

"This one-woman farce is a fast paced parody of the self-help industry, showing its star's comic range in male and female characters" SUNDAY TIMES

UNITARIAN CHURCH

Wednesday 18 – Friday 20 June, 1pm
Saturday 21, 11am and 3pm
Tickets €10/€8

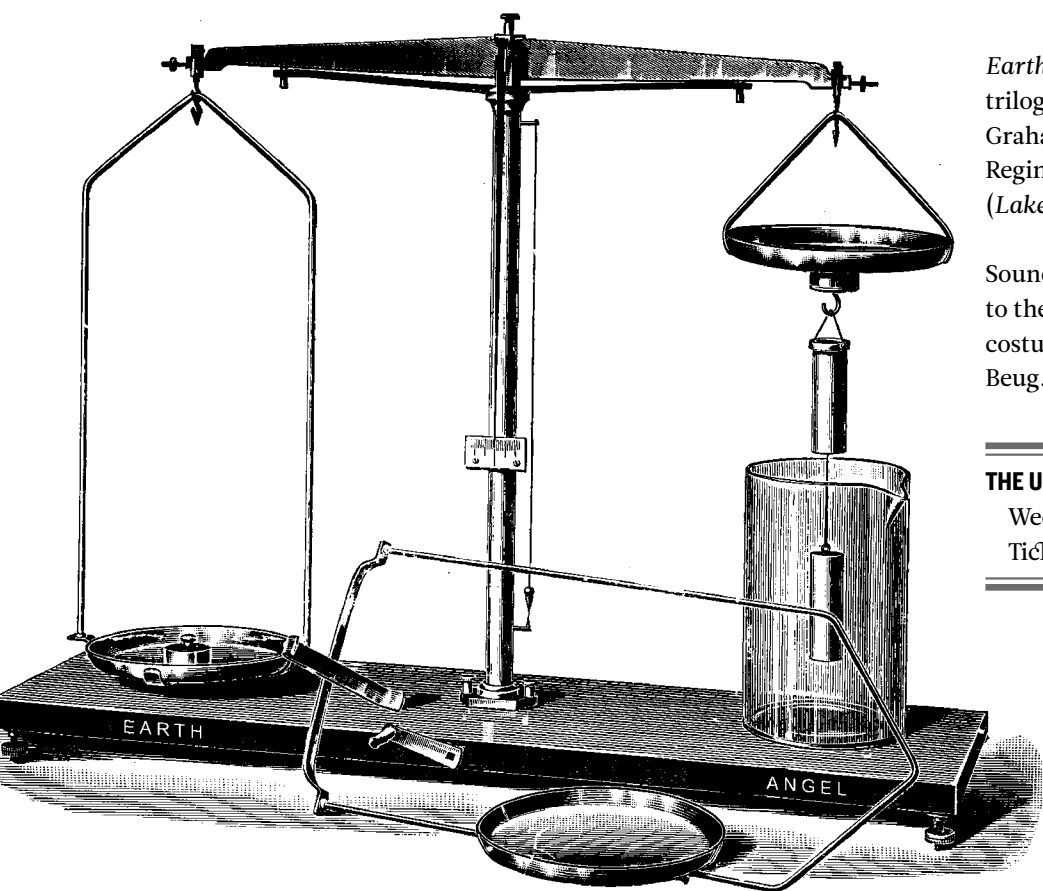
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Gaitkrash

EARTHANGEL/ LAKE TIME

“... there is an angel there, a small stone angel, that has fallen, long ago toppled from its plinth ...”



Earthangel and *Lake Time* are the first two parts of a trilogy – a new piece of writing for the theatre – by Graham Allen, performed by Bernadette Cronin and Regina Crowley (*Earthangel*) and Mairin Prendergast (*Lake Time*).

Sound/artist Mick O'Shea creates an aural landscape to the pieces as part of the live performance. Set and costume design is created by visual artist Katherine Beug.

THE UNITARIAN CHURCH

Wednesday 18 – Friday 20 June, 6.30pm
Tickets €10

DEFAULT

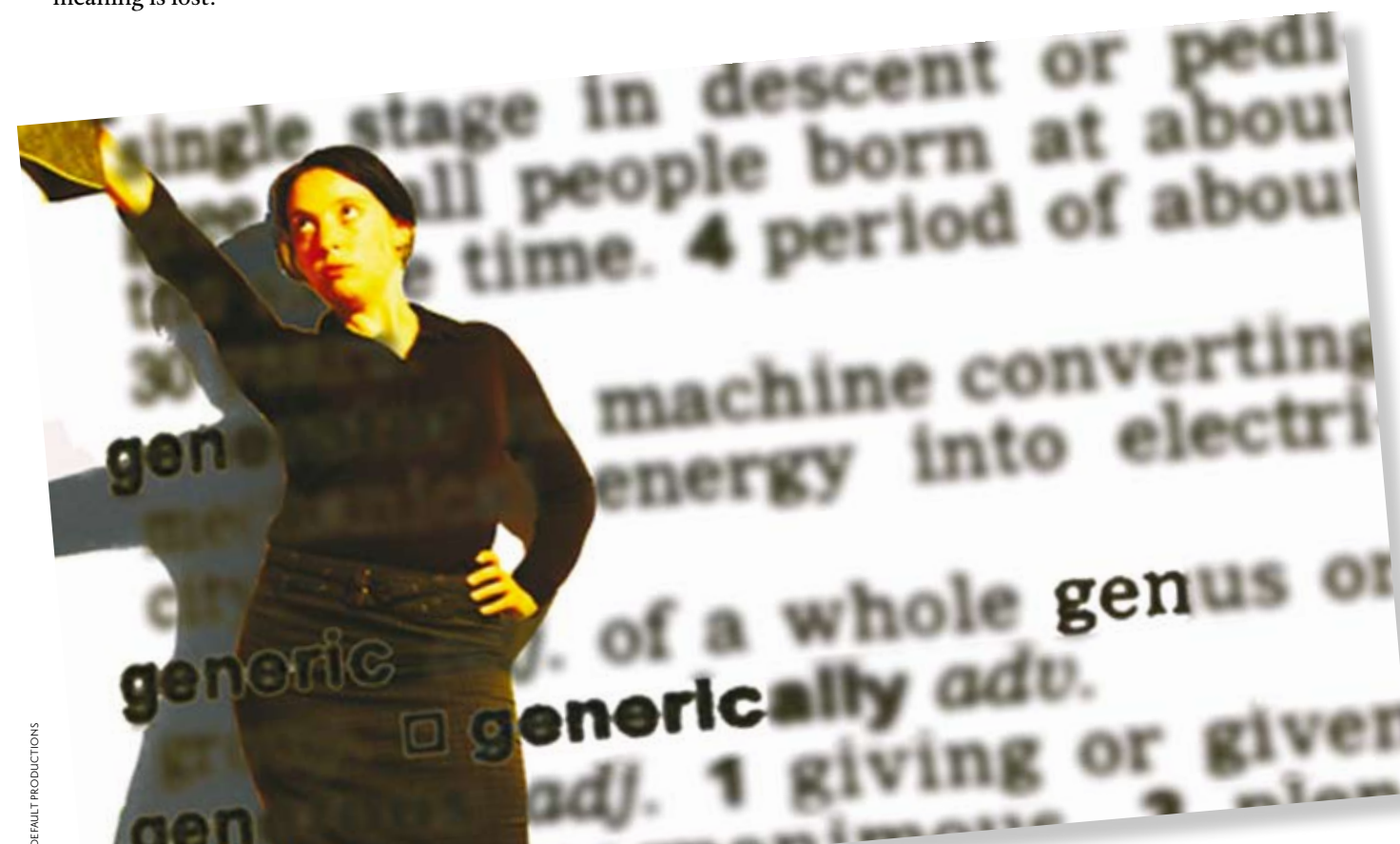
GENERIC

Generic looks at interpretations and misinterpretations, how language is confused and confusing. Two performers sit facing each other reading prepared descriptions; they are sometimes personal stories, sometimes lists of statistics, sometimes one liners. Set in a mock office environment where the audience is free to come and go, this performance/installation represents an unrelenting attempt to define and organise words that are commonly used, sometimes misunderstood, and often ambiguous. *Generic* demonstrates that if you speak enough, all meaning is lost.

DEFAULT Productions are a Cork-based arts ensemble dedicated to the investigation of art on all levels.

PATRICK'S STREET ART GALLERY

Wednesday 18 – Saturday 21 June, 7pm – 10pm
Free Event, Donations Welcome





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Festival Director “Why I chose this?” Whatever your age, whatever your walk of life, Sensazione is a great experience. Pure, unadulterated fun. One visit to this fairground won’t be enough. We are also pleased to bring Sensazione to Youghal in County Cork, the home of the Irish funfair.



Laika & Time Circus

SENSAZIONE

The theatrical fairground

Imagine a fairground that runs off your energy. A high-octane carnival that’s a cross between a night at the circus and the thrill of the funfair.

Once through the gateway the audience, transported to a world of fairground folk with fantastic tales, are free to roam, following the performers from location to location and enjoying the array of custom fairground rides all made from recycled materials. In the true spirit of climate change all the energy to operate the rides comes from the patrons of the funfair... even the lighting.

A globascope, a ferris wheel, a merry-go-round, or a visit to the fairground fortune teller, are all activities on offer, ...the funfair, the carnival, theatre and circus all rolled into one fantastic spectacle that is Sensazione!

Laika is an international theatre company based in Antwerp that creates a ‘theatre of the senses’.



Awarded
1st prize
Tarrega
International
Theatre Festival
2007

Time Circus, also from Antwerp, specialise in building innovative theatre machines.

The Sensazione tour of Ireland is a co-production between Cork Midsummer Festival, Clonmel Junction Festival and Earagail Arts Festival, Donegal.

**ST CATHERINE'S STREET CAR PARK,
YOUGHAL TOWN CENTRE, CO. CORK**

Thursday 19 – Sunday 22 June
6.30pm, 7.45pm & 9pm
Tickets €16/€14

**MARDYKE WALK,
NEXT TO CRICKET GROUND, CORK CITY**

Thursday 26 – Sunday 29 June
6.30pm, 7.45pm & 9pm
Tickets €16/€14

Note 12 years old and up



Compagnie Dakar
Irish Premiere

BRAAKLAND

Braakland tells in sober, penetrating images, a tale of nine figures wandering about a forgotten land. They surrender to the laws of living and dying, without defense. Is this something that they have chosen or merely failed to escape?

Award-winning director Lotte Van den Berg was inspired by the novels of J M Coetzee when making this astonishing piece of theatre. A performance without words, *Braakland* makes you feel the violence, the desolation and the poetry of Coetzee's work.

Taking place in an immense wasteland, the experience of watching *Braakland* is like compelling live cinema. A line drawn in a landscape full of cruelties, without any apparent cause and effect, leading nowhere.

Compagnie Dakar was established in Holland in 2001 by artistic director, Guido Kleene. Guido was born in Dakar, Senegal and Compagnie Dakar's artistic purpose is to explore the relationship and contrast between the European and African worldview. The company makes theatre work in Europe and Africa.

***Braakland* is a performance for adults (16+)**

**BUSES LEAVE CORK CITY CENTRE
TRAVELLING TO A SECRET LOCATION.**

Thursday 19 June, 8.30pm

Friday 20 & Saturday 21 June, 6.30pm and 8.30pm

Tickets €20/€15

Attendees should allow 2.5hrs for this show. This includes travel to site and actual show. Please be aware of weather conditions on the day and dress accordingly. This performance is seated.



Koninkrijk
der Nederlanden



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'... in making Braakland I wanted to make fear palpable, not to offend or to disgust, but to give the audience a feeling of comfort. The way you feel, I feel it too. The way you live, I live. The way you die, so shall I.'

Award winning director Lotte Van Den Berg on her production, *Braakland*.

Festival Director "Why I chose this?" Braakland is a must-see for any serious theatre or film goer. Corcadorca's *Relocation* meets the films of Andrei Tarkovsky or Bela Tarr. Braakland is an intense and intelligent live experience.



SHANDON STREET FESTIVAL

Shandon Street Festival will take place all day on Saturday 21 June 2008. Everyone, whether long-time local or first-time visitor, is invited to join in.

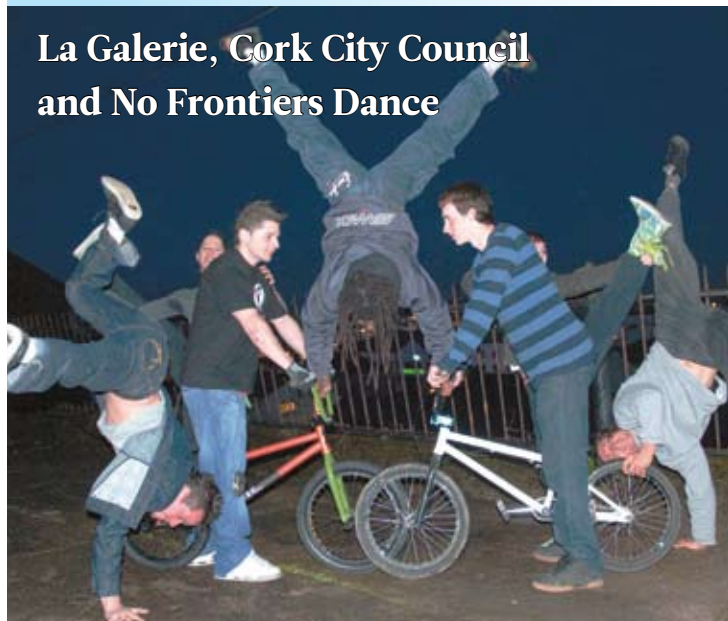
Bob & Joan's Walk, Church and Exchange Street, decorated by local youth groups, will create a colourful setting for family fun, with face-painting, Cork Circus, and music from the likes of the Butter Exchange Band, Unity Drums, Sonus Rock Band. Try a Tango or Salsa in the street. If you get hungry or weary after all that activity, sample a tasty snack from the Food Fair, sit back and enjoy performances from local schools and community groups, with historical re-enactments of local characters and stories. You might even tell your own story!

Sponsored by the Shandon Business Association, Cathedral Credit Union, Coughlan Heating and the Firkin Crane.

SHANDON STREET, CORK

Saturday 21 June, all day
Free Event

La Galerie, Cork City Council and No Frontiers Dance



THE BICYCLE BALLET

A Swirling, Weaving, Spinning, Twirling, Whizzing, Ambling, Pirouetting, Whirling *DANCE*

The Bicycle Ballet is a dance of cycling; a spectacular choreography about riding a bike. *The Bicycle Ballet* explores the feelings of ecstatic joy you get on your bike with the wind behind you and the sun on your face, tempered by the gritty reality of manoeuvring amongst traffic and pollution.

This original art street piece is organized by La Galerie Art events. Choreographed by Chloe de Buyl-Pisco, performed by No Frontiers Dance Company in collaboration with local young people skilled in urban vehicle freestyle.

OUTSIDE BROWN THOMAS, ST. PATRICK'S STREET

Friday 20 & Saturday 21 June, 1pm
Free Event
Duration 30 mins

Asylum Productions

CLEANER



An alternative adult fairytale about a woman who falls in love with her sweeping brush.

Using a combination of puppetry, dance and domestic cleaning products, Martha relives loves lost, loves dreamed and loves endured...

Performed by Medb Lambert and directed by Donal Gallagher, of previous festival hits, *Meat* ("This production has everything" – The Irish Examiner), *Bedbound* ("....completely brilliant..." – Irish Times) and *Pondlife Angels* ("...superb..." – Irish Times).

Supported by Cork City Council

THE UNITARIAN CHURCH

Monday 23 – Saturday 28 June, 1pm.
Monday 30 June – Saturday 5 July, 1pm.
Tickets €8

Victoria and Miet Warlop

PROPOSITIONS 1&2

VICTORIA

Victoria is one of the most innovative theatre companies in Europe. They have stunned audiences at the Dublin Theatre Festival in recent years. In Propositions 1 and 2 they collaborate with emerging theatre artist Miet Warlop on a new piece about bringing inanimate objects back to life and reconstructing childhood memories.

PROPOSITION 1: REANIMATION

Miet Warlop in association with Sofie Durnez

In *Reanimation* the scene of a murder is brought back to life through the eerie manipulation of everyday objects: clothing, tables, chairs all take on new life in this fascinating forensic reconstruction.

PROPOSITION 2: RECONSTRUCTION

Miet Warlop in association with Kurt Stockman and Adriaan Verwee

Reconstruction explores the world of childhood memories and childhood souvenirs. Funny, beautiful and very, very different.

Presented in association with Project Arts Centre.

BEHIND REEL PICTURE CINEMA, BLACKPOOL RETAIL PARK

Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 June, 9pm

Tickets €15/€12



Festival Director: "Why I chose this?"

Every piece of theatre Victoria make is a true original. Fun and thought provoking, it's well worth taking a chance on.

Julian Fox

YOU'VE GOT TO LOVE DANCING TO STICK TO IT

Fluttering somewhere between theatre, comedy and performance art, this is an oddly fantastical mix of urban reflections, home videos and electro-ish pop songs. Performance artist, Julian Fox, cult BBC Radio 4 star, presents this low-key extravaganza.

Julian has previously been nominated for a *Guardian* Alternative Perrier Award at the Edinburgh Festival and has been commissioned by and performed at BAC and the Barbican Theatre London. This show played at Edinburgh in 2007 and Soho Theatre London in 2008.

Presented in association with Kinsale Arts Week.

'Engaging and uplifting' THE OBSERVER

'Turns scenes from ordinary life into something extraordinary.' THE GUARDIAN

'Fox has become a cult.' FINANCIAL TIMES

HALF MOON THEATRE

Sunday 22 – Tuesday 24 June,
Doors 8:10pm, Performance 8:30pm
Tickets €15/€12



Festival Director. "Why I chose this?"

Julian Fox is an original. This is my personal favourite from last year's Edinburgh Festival. Come and see it and you will understand why.

Hammergrin

K:THE IOWA PROJECT

*...the most memorable
and most startling
experience of your life!*

From the blackness of a hundred million nights and through the depths of the psyche, four U.S. government agents, Team Alpha, nobly bid to give a great nation its own great literary giant. Their subject: science fiction writer Philip K. Dick!

Using a mysterious new technology – H.A.C.K. – the world's first mind reading machine – Team Alpha will probe beyond space, into the unknown and beyond the mysteries of the sixth sense, in an attempt to crack a literary code that counterspies of every nation would *risk their lives* to get!

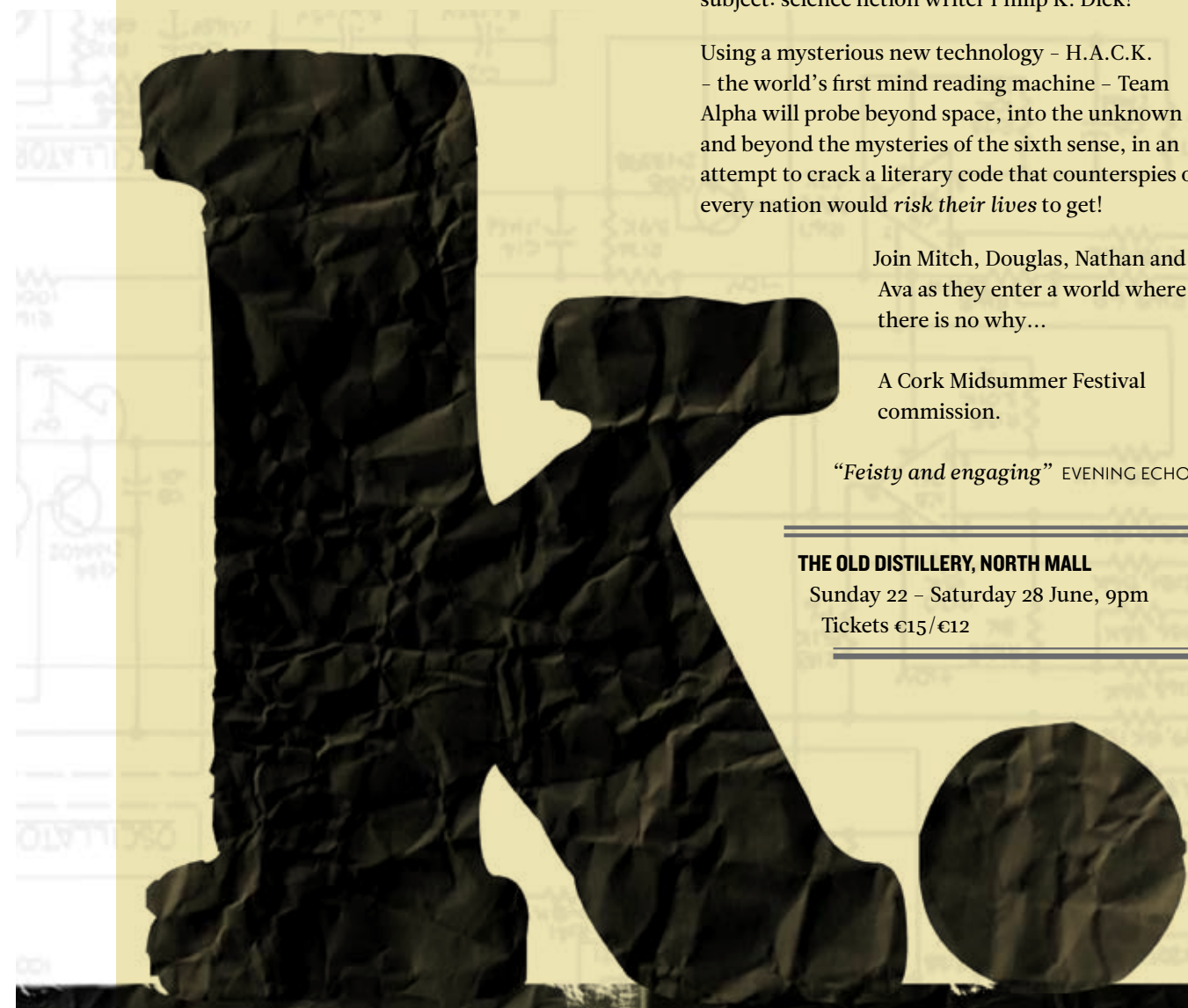
Join Mitch, Douglas, Nathan and Ava as they enter a world where there is no why...

A Cork Midsummer Festival commission.

"Feisty and engaging" EVENING ECHO

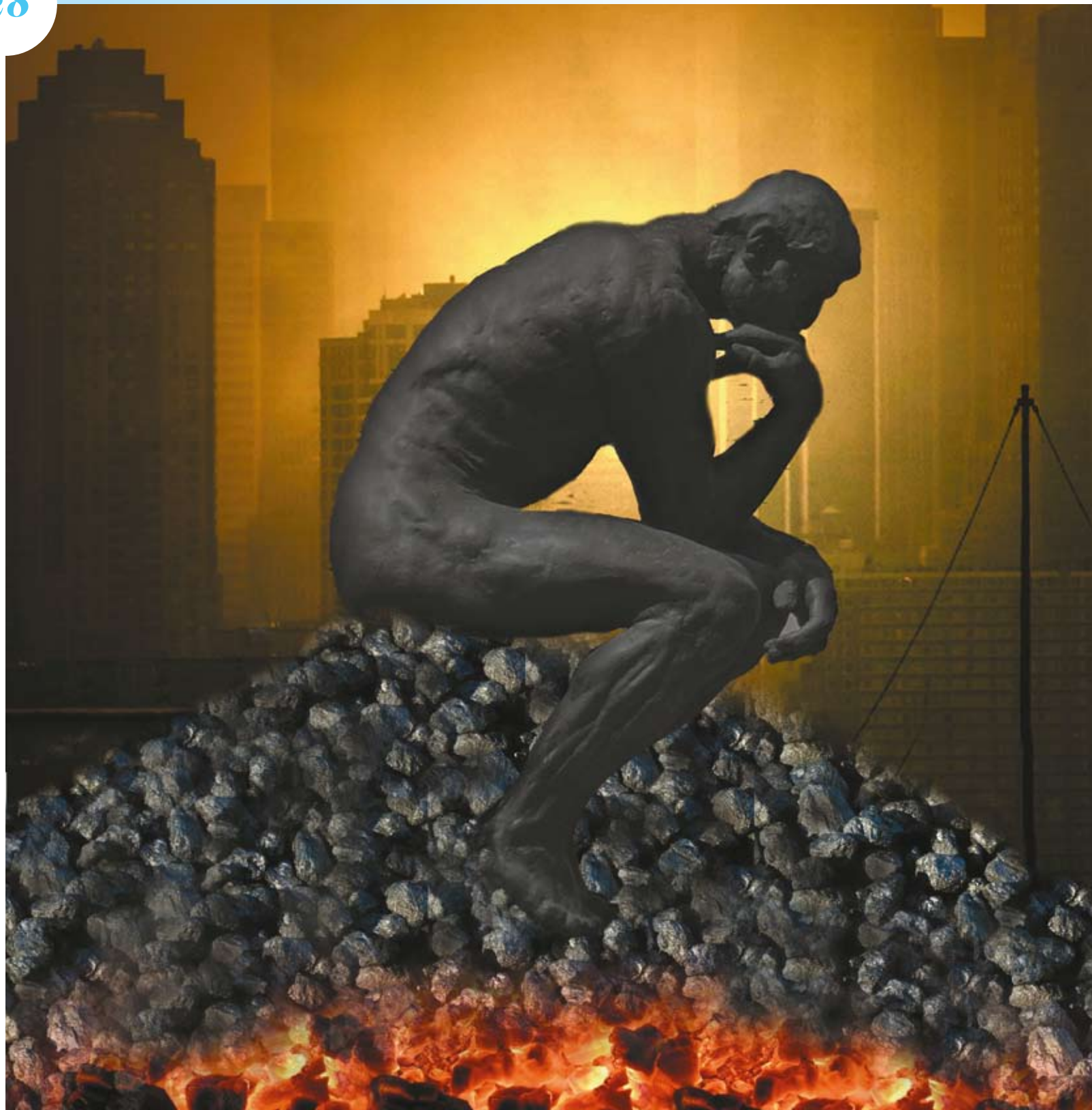
THE OLD DISTILLERY, NORTH MALL

Sunday 22 – Saturday 28 June, 9pm
Tickets €15/€12



Festival Director. "Why I chose this?"

Hammergrin are one of Cork's most innovative, young theatre companies and were behind previous Festival hits 'Trying Jokes' and 'The Threat of Humour'. This is their most adventurous project to date.



CORCADORCA

THE HAIRY APE

Corcadorca, famed for staging spectacular theatre in unusual locations, brings *The Hairy Ape* by Pulitzer prize winner Eugene O'Neill to Cork's Docklands.

For the past four years, Corcadorca's shows for the Midsummer Festival have completely sold out, and have twice been nominated for Best Production in the Irish Times Theatre Awards. (*Woyzeck* at Ireland's Naval Base in Haulbowline last June, and their multi-location production of *The Merchant of Venice* in 2005.)

This year, Corcadorca will create the setting for the eight scenes of *The Hairy Ape* within a series of warehouses. It will be a highly visual promenade production.

O'Neill, considered one of America's greatest playwrights, was awarded 4 Pulitzer prizes, as well as the Nobel prize for literature. This is the first time *The Hairy Ape* has been staged in Ireland.

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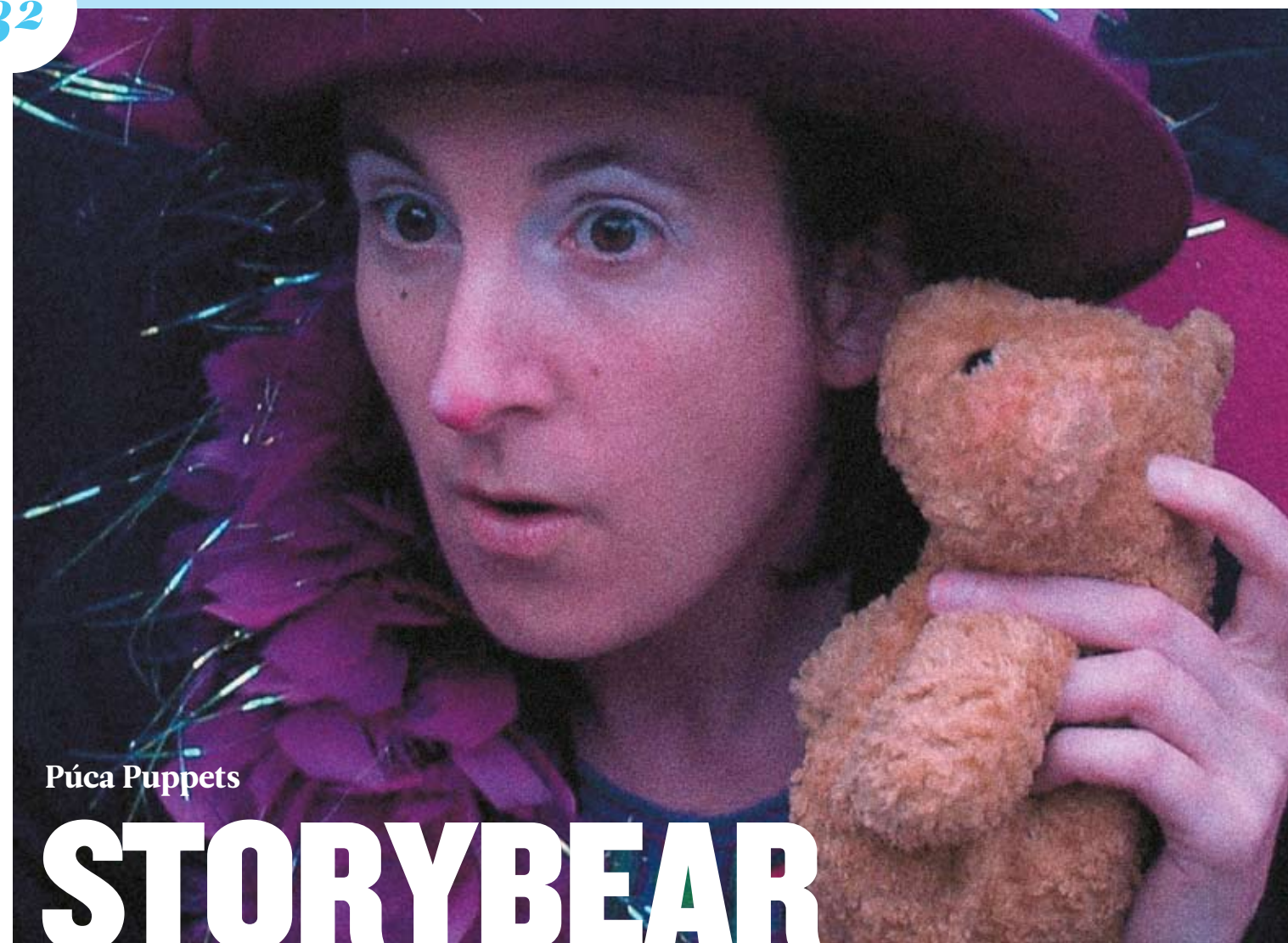
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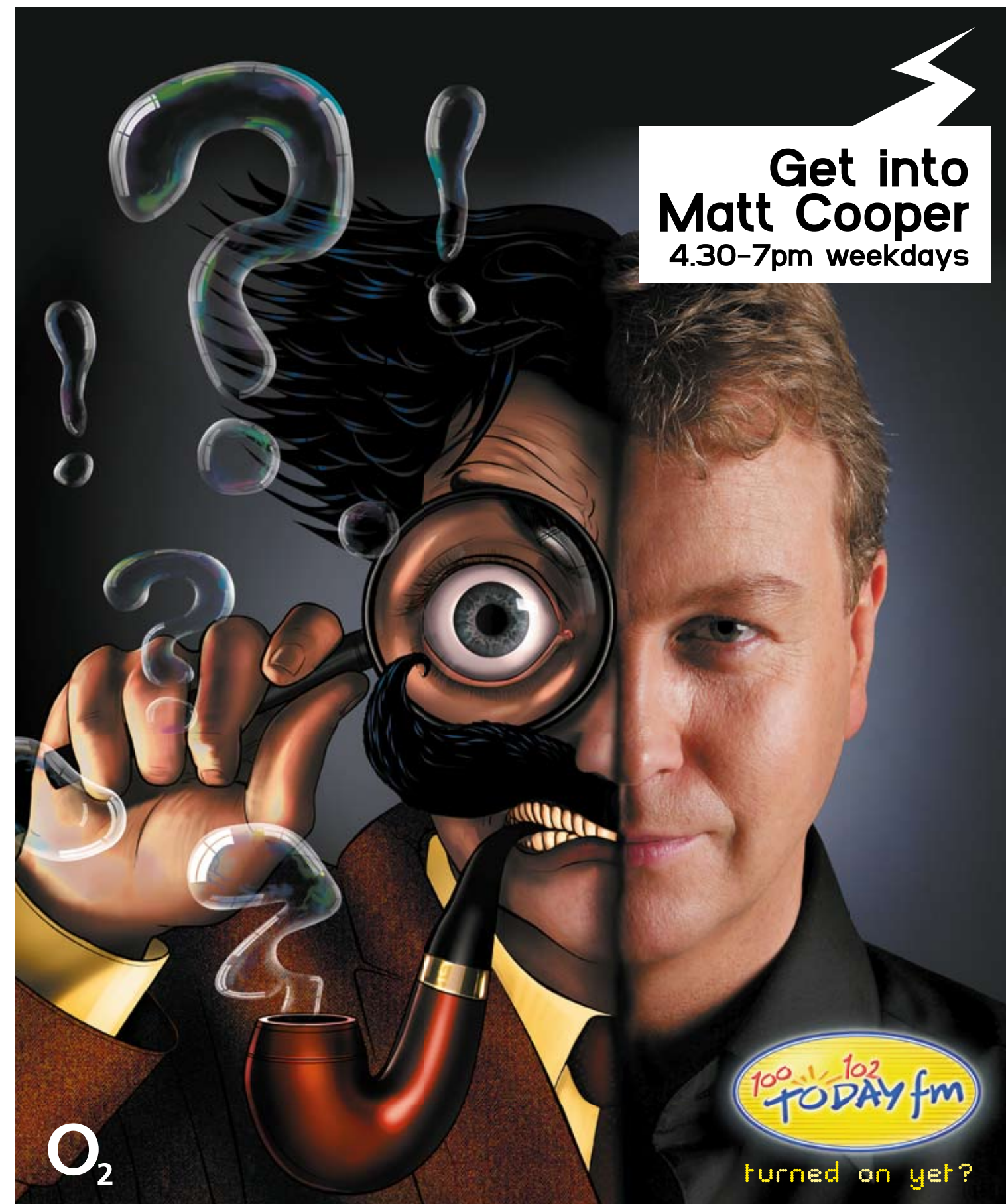
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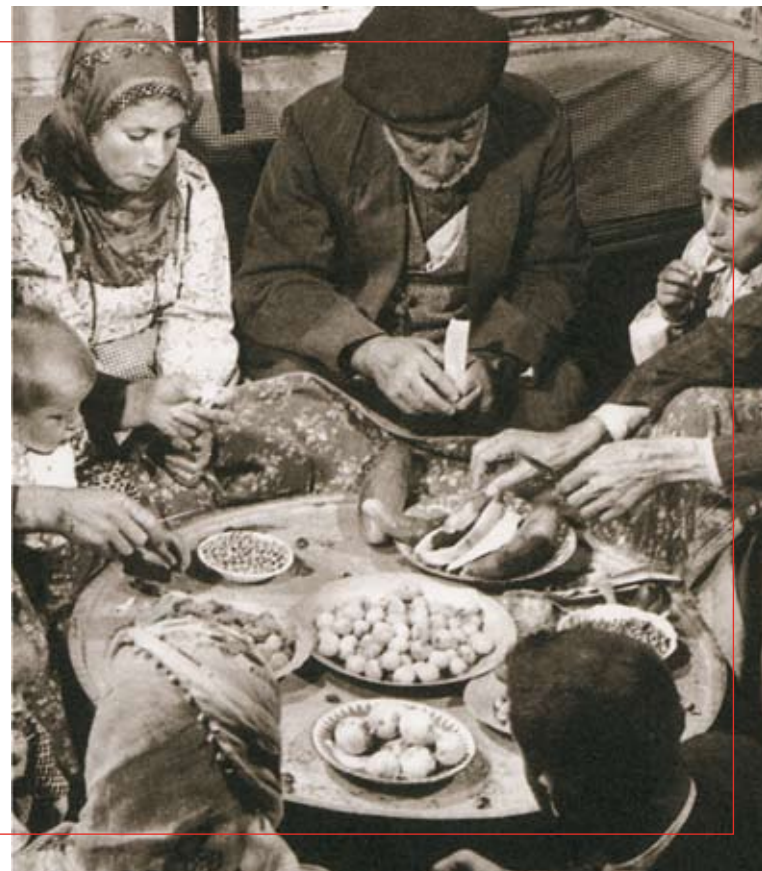
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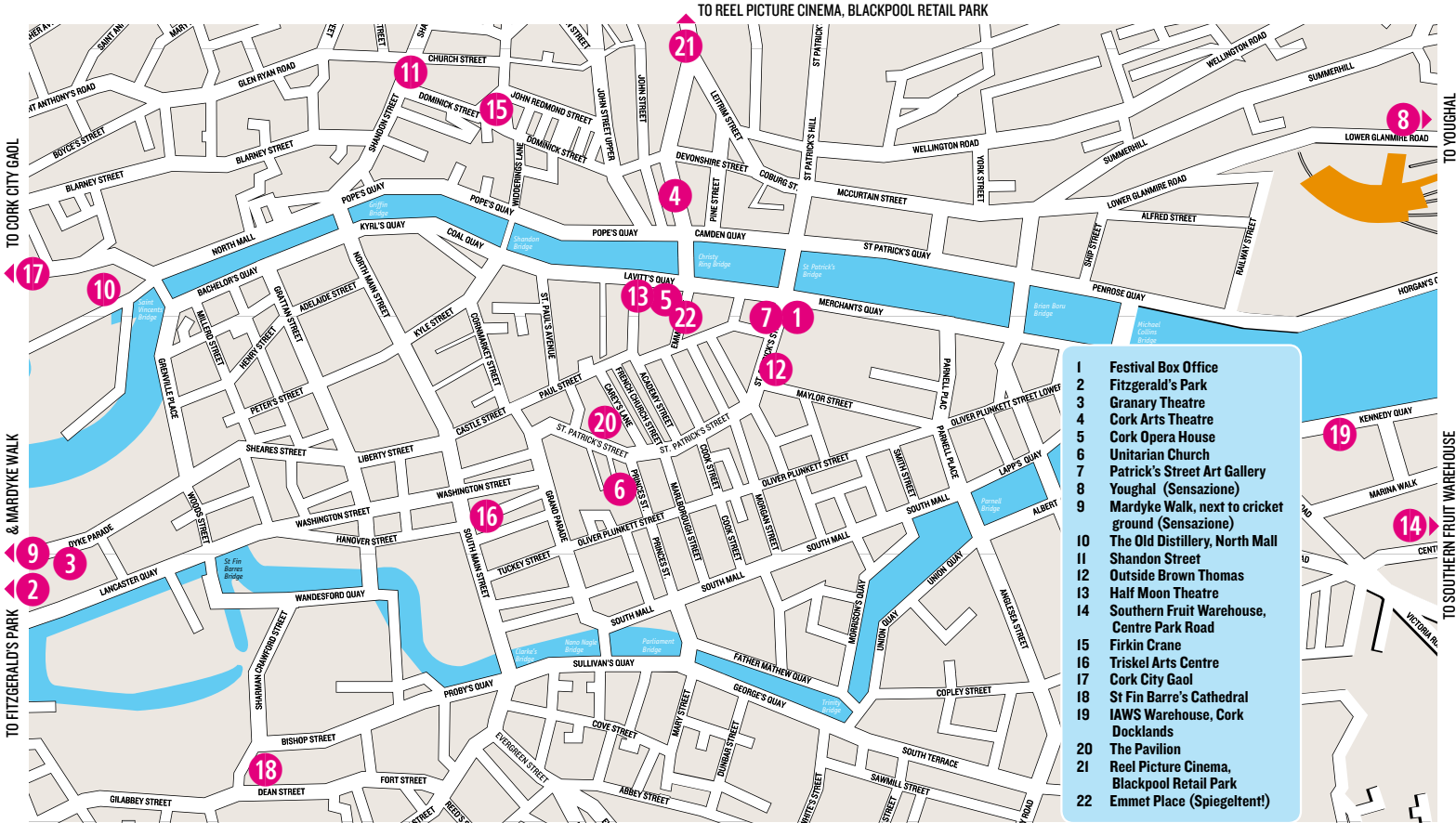
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SNATCH COMEDY	9	Cork Arts Theatre		9.30pm	9.30pm	9.30pm	9.30pm	9.30pm	9.30pm															SNATCH COMEDY	9
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MON 23 JUNE		
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TUE 24 JUNE		
1:00pm	YURAH LANGER! (THE LAST RESORT AUDITIONS)	p. 8
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WED 25 JUNE		
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8:00pm	THE FRANKS PLAY GRAND PARADE	p. 10
10:30pm – late	THE LAST RESORT	p. 5
THURS 26 JUNE		
1:00pm	YURAH LANGER! (THE LAST RESORT AUDITIONS)	p. 8
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10:30pm – late	THE LAST RESORT	p. 5
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1:00pm	SUMMER AFTERNOON BINGO	p. 14
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Croi Glan, in partnership with the Firkin Crane, presents the premiere of an evening length dance performance including two duets commissioned from international choreographers Jess Curtis (Berlin) and Kim Epifano (San Francisco) and a large group dance choreographed by Croi Glan's artistic director Tara Brandel.

In *Asymmetrical Tendencies*, Jess Curtis explores the idiosyncrasies of disabled dancer Rhona Coughlan and contemporary dancer Tara Brandel, and weaves their movement into a two-part harmony ranging from the classically beautiful to the intriguingly odd. Difference creates identity yet we search for commonality to find connection.

In *Body*, Tara Brandel takes 4 dancers using wheelchairs, 3 nondisabled dancers, and a very live guitarist to play with balance, interdependence and the innate grace of the human body.

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Some bands are destined to stay together, the songs a powerful cohesive in the intertwined lives of their performers. Scullion is such a band. Three decades on from their formative gigs together, their signature sound is as strong as ever, maturing like a good wine, gaining depth and clarity. The voices of Sonny Condell and Philip King have taken on a seamless harmony, pinioned by the bravura guitar playing of Robbie Overson, who has ably filled the role of founding member Greg Boland.

They've remained loyal to the band's original vision and its recasting of folk and traditional songs with contemporary splashes of jazz and blues colour. It's a recipe that yielded four seminal albums, and an impressive catalogue of songwriting landmarks like *Eyelids into Snow*, *Down in the City* and *John the Baptist*, that still form the backbone of their set today.

The band will be joined by an array of guests over the three nights to create a true celebration of a great force in Irish music.

Scullion are Sonny Condell, Philip King and Robbie Overson.

Presented by the Triskel Arts Centre in association with Cork Midsummer Festival.

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TICKET TYPES

Standard: €25*

Entry to Taste Festival only

Premium: €40*

Includes 20 Florins (equal to €20)

VIP: €75*

Includes 25 Florins (equal to €25), entry to VIP enclosure, complimentary glass of champagne, complimentary cocktail

*Booking Fee Applies.

*Tickets include a complimentary cook book

Groups: Discount applies on groups of 10 or more, please call 01 210 9290 for further details.

SESSION TIMES

Friday June 27:

5:30pm – 9:30pm

Saturday June 28:

12:00pm – 4:00pm & 5:30pm – 9:30pm

Sunday June 29:

12:00pm – 4:00pm & 5:30pm – 9:30pm

GETTING THERE:

Cork City Gaol & Heritage Centre, Convent Avenue, Sunday's Well, Cork City.

Tel: 021 430 5022

Visit www.tastefestivals.ie for further details on our Park n Ride facility.

BOOKING AND INFORMATION

Tickets available:

By phone: **0818 717 200**

Online: www.tastefestivals.ie

In person from: Cork Midsummer Festival Box Office, Merchant's Quay





Djinn Theatre Company

THE MAGIC TREE

A new play written and directed by Ursula Rani Sarma

designed by Beccs Andrews
produced by Roise Goan

Which comes first, loneliness or violence? This is the story of love born in a very dark place between a man who wants to belong and a woman who wants to be forgotten. On a stormy night, they shelter in an abandoned summer home and tentatively discover what it is that they have in common. But just when it seems something beautiful might emerge, the opposite appears.

The Magic Tree is an exploration into human behaviour at a time when humanity seems determined to endlessly repeat the mistakes of the past. It looks at why good people are capable of doing bad things and asks if love alone can save us.

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“...beguiling freshness in Rani Sarma’s writing ... tricky tonal switches from aching lyricism to robust demotic humour ...mesmeric mix of floating abstraction and earthy realism and its fluid structure which moves with a fine psychological expressiveness, between past, present and future”

THE INDEPENDENT – THE FIVE BEST PLAYS IN LONDON

A co-production between Cork Midsummer Festival and Belltable Arts Centre Limerick in association with Granary Theatre, Project Arts Centre and Culture Ireland.

GRANARY THEATRE

Thursday 26 & Friday 27 June, 7:30pm (previews)
Saturday 28 June, 7:30pm (press night)
Sunday 29 June – Friday 4 July, 7:30pm (no show on Sunday 29 June)
Saturday 5 July, 3:30pm & 7:30pm
Tickets €15/€12
90 mins

Festival Director: “Why I chose this?” Ursula Rani Sarma is one of the most exciting playwriting talents to have emerged in Ireland in recent years. A graduate of UCC, her work has been produced all over the world and translated into several languages. We are pleased to welcome Ursula back to Granary Theatre where her career started.



MAKE ME STOP SMOKING

**A lecture performance
by Rabih Mroué**

In this multi-media lecture performance actor/director Rabih Mroué reconstructs the landscape of his homeland Lebanon, destroyed by so many wars and crises, with the aid of dozens of anonymous personal documents, videos, photographs, newspaper clippings and eyewitness reports that he has collected over the years.

"I have been collecting worthless material for almost ten years now, taking good care of it, arranging it, documenting it, indexing it, and preserving it from any possible damage. Today I possess what resembles an archive which I cannot liberate myself from. I hope that by making it public I can get rid of its weight. This is my attempt to destroy a memory that doesn't know how to erase itself."

After the tremendous audience response to *Bath of Baghdad*, presented by the Experimental Theatre of Syria at the 2007 Cork Midsummer Festival (*Irish Times Top Ten Theatre Events of 2007*), we have been keen to present more theatre from the Middle East. Rabih Mroué is one of the most interesting voices in contemporary Lebanese theatre and his intriguing performances are attempts to understand Lebanon's turbulent past and present.

Presented in association with Project Arts Centre.

HALF MOON THEATRE

Tuesday 1 & Wednesday 2 July,
Doors 8:10pm, Performance 8:30pm
Tickets €15/€12

Festival Director "Why I Chose this?" Theatre from the Middle East has been all too absent from our cultural landscape. Rabih Mroué represents a new and exciting aesthetic in contemporary international theatre. A must for any serious theatre-goer.



Brooklyn Knights

THE HUNGER MOUNTAIN BOYS

“the trio’s sibling-tight singing and easy instrumental empathy on a range of swing, blues, country and folk music that sounds straight out of the 1930s. Whether ruminating on the current state of America, firing up Frankie and Johnny into a breathless drama or making Show Me the Way to Go Home sound improbably cool, the Boys are unmissable.”

THE SCOTTISH HERALD

Following a hugely successful European tour last year, The Hunger Mountain Boys from Massachusetts fly in, intent on keeping their reputation as one of the hottest bands on the US roots music circuit intact. Radio Presenter Mark Lamarr from the BBC described their music as “one of the best things I’ve ever heard”. They arrive in Europe this time for a string of summer festival appearances starting at the Cork Midsummer Festival.

With four albums behind them, this trio interprets rip roaring roots-of-country, American old-time and early bluegrass with such authentic panache that they have been invited to tour with greats such as Taj Mahal, Ralph Stanley and Doc Watson.

THE PAVILION, CAREY’S LANE

Saturday 5 July, 8pm

Tickets €15

For the finale of this year's Cork Midsummer Festival we invite you to come down to the Cork Docklands for a highly unusual experience...

ROBODOCK

Robodock is a unique international festival from Amsterdam that merges technology and the arts. In this unique collaboration, Cork Midsummer Festival hosts its very own spectacular indoor techno-park brimming with life-size robots, fabulous robotic theatre shows and amazing industrial installations suitable for all ages.

The whole of *Robodock* is spectacularly designed from recycled scrap metal and other industrial waste products. This is an important part of the *Robodock* ethos. You won't believe what the *Robodock* crew can do with the stuff we throw away!

Robodock promises to be an unforgettable finale to this year's Midsummer Festival.



FRED ABELS



FRED ABELS



SIEF PIETERS



BONIS VAN HOTTEN



FUTOSHI SAKAUCHI

INCLUDES...

Paka and Rusty the Horse

Paka is a cantankerous old man lost in the twilight of obsession. Having misplaced the thread between fantasy and reality he is off on his final adventure with a head full of romantic dreams and a pocket full of nuts and bolts. Along with Rusty, a life-sized horse with his own distinct character, philosophy and ego, Paka is a contemporary Don Quixote armed with roses, pyrotechnic gadgets and a tantalising whiff of razzmatazz.

The Giant Robohand

Your chance to operate this fantastic, giant robotic hand. It's big enough to crush a car! Put on the remote control glove and it becomes an extension of your own hand. Feel the power!

The Robo-Drifter

A homeless man walks up and down the streets of Cork with a shopping trolley full of plastic bags. Completely life-like you won't believe this is a robot.

The Dicyclet

An amazing bicycle that you can actually turn somersaults in!

IAWS WAREHOUSE, CORK DOCKLANDS

Friday July 4, 3pm & 7pm
Saturday July 5, 3pm & 8pm
Tickets €12/€8.
Family tickets (2 adults & 2 children) €35

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Festival Director "Why I chose this:"

The Robodock festival is one of the most exciting events in the European festival calendar and the Robodock artists are among the most inspirational and innovative that I've met. They create a heady mix of art, technology and, most of all, fun.



FeileAfrica

IRISH AFRICAN GOSPEL CHOIR COMPETITION

Gospel choirs from African communities around Ireland are invited each year to compete in the magnificent St. Fin Barre's Cathedral for the coveted Lord Mayors' Trophy, a cash prize of 1000 Euros and the title of Ireland's Number One African Community Gospel Choir.

The winning choirs are frequently asked to perform for TV & Radio and sing at many festivals across the country, including the opening slot on the main stage at the Dun Laoghaire Festival of World Cultures in August.

Presented in association with Cork City Council

ST. FIN BARRE'S CATHEDRAL

Saturday June 28, 2-5pm

Tickets €7

Note: Tickets will be available on the door but advance booking is advisable



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PAULANER'S NUMBER 1 WEISSBIER

PAULANER

PAULANER originates from the monastic order of St. Paula, which settled in the heart of Munich, Germany in the early 17th Century. This authentic Bavarian-style wheat beer is naturally cloudy with deep golden tones. It is easily recognisable by its unique refreshing taste and fruity aroma.

Enjoy Paulaner Responsibly

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a day in advance to avoid disappointment.



THE LAST STAND AT THE LAST RESORT

FRIDAY 04 JULY 8:00PM €15

The last stand on the last night of the fabulous Spiegeltent will be the party of the season.
An extended Last Resort celebrating 4th July with lots of special guests from the entire Midsummer Festival programme, music,

games and the grand final of YURAH LANGER! Don't miss a great night of anything goes with whoever goes. Be sure to dress up and live it up...and, as you'd expect from your favourite B movie variety show we'll have lots of prizes and surprises...

DAY BY DAY

FRIDAY 20 JUNE		
8:00pm	11:00pm – late	SUPER STAN GOES COUNTRY THE LAST RESORT
p. 6	p. 5	
SAT 21 JUNE		
2:00pm	8:00pm	CIRCO-COPIA FAUST
p. 6	p. 7	
11:00pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
SUN 22 JUNE		
2:00pm	9:00pm – late	CORK GUITAR POETS MASH THE LAST RESORT
p. 8	p. 5	
MON 23 JUNE		
1:00pm	8:00pm	YURAH LANGER! (THE LAST RESORT AUDITIONS) JODAVINO
p. 8	p. 9	
10:30pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
TUE 24 JUNE		
1:00pm	8:00pm	YURAH LANGER! (THE LAST RESORT AUDITIONS) DISCO BOOGIE FOR DEATH ROCKERS
p. 8	p. 9	
10:30pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
WED 25 JUNE		
1:00pm	8:00pm	YURAH LANGER! (THE LAST RESORT AUDITIONS) THE FRANKS PLAY GRAND PARADE
p. 8	p. 10	
10:30pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
THURS 26 JUNE		
1:00pm	3:30pm	YURAH LANGER! (THE LAST RESORT AUDITIONS) SUMMER AFTERNOON TEA DANCE
p. 8	p. 10	
8:00pm		DOUBLETIME GOES OVERBOARD THE LAST RESORT
p. 11		
10:30pm – late		
p. 5		

FRI 27 JUNE		
1:00pm	8:00pm	YURAH LANGER! (THE LAST RESORT AUDITIONS) RED HOT GYPSY SOUL
p. 8	p. 11	
11:00pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
SAT 28 JUNE		
2:00pm	7:30pm (Girls) & 8:00pm (Boys and Couples)	CIRCO-COPIA BALLROOM OF ROMANCE
p. 6	p. 12	
11:00pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
SUN 29 JUNE		
1:00pm	8:00pm	WITHNAIL AND I CAMILLE
p. 12	p. 13	
10:30pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
MON 30 JUNE		
8:00pm	10:30pm – late	CAMILLE THE LAST RESORT
p. 13	p. 5	
TUE 01 JULY		
8:00pm	10:30pm – late	MICK FLANNERY AND GUESTS THE LAST RESORT
p. 13	p. 5	
WED 02 JULY		
8:00pm	10:30pm – late	BONES OF CORK THE LAST RESORT
p. 14	p. 5	
THUR 03 JULY		
1:00pm	8:00pm	SUMMER AFTERNOON BINGO THE FALL
p. 14	p. 15	
11:00pm – late		THE LAST RESORT
p. 5		
FRI 04 JULY		
8:00pm – late		THE LAST STAND AT THE LAST RESORT
		FEATURING YURAH LANGER! GRAND FINAL
		p. 16

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THE BONES OF CORK

WEDNESDAY 02 JULY 8:00PM
€15

The Bones of Cork consist of five jazz trombonists and rhythm section playing jazz standards and original compositions in styles ranging from big band swing to modern jazz.

The band members have worked for the National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland, RTÉ Concert Orchestra, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Irish Film Orchestra, Cyprus State Orchestra, London West End Guys and Dolls, Sid Lawrence Orchestra and Back to Basie Big Band, Crash Ensemble Dublin, Marlon Brass, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Glenn Miller UK Big Band, NYIO, West End Musicals, The Temptations and The Four Tops and London Contemporary Music Group. They have also toured the European and Irish jazz circuits playing at such prestigious venues and festivals as The Cork Guinness Jazz Festival, The Jazz Party at Sea (Caribbean cruise) and Ronnie Scott's Club, UK.

10.30pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
see THE LAST RESORT for €7 when you book a gig on the same night



SUMMER AFTERNOON BINGO

THURSDAY 03 JULY 1:00PM
€5

Join us for a fantastic afternoon of Bingo – good fun and serious competition guaranteed in our gloriously mirrored, stained glass, velvet draped tent.



THE FALL

THURSDAY 03 JULY 8:00PM
€25

PERHAPS THE
GREATEST BAND IN
THE HISTORY OF
ROCK N' ROLL!



“The Fall – always different, always the same,” said John Peel. The Fall was his favourite band. Formed in early 1977, they’ve released about 50 singles, 27 studio albums, and around 50 compilation and live albums (although it seems like more). In August 2004 they recorded their 24th and sadly final John Peel Session.

The band has gone through numerous personnel changes over the years (there have been over 50 different line-ups so far), and at present consists of New Musical Express Godlike Genius Award for Services to Music winner **Mark E. Smith**, **Pete Greenway** on guitar,

Dave (the Eagle) Spurr on bass, **Elena Poulou** on keys, and **Keiron Melling** on drums. This legendary band, will, without doubt be one of the highlights in Cork in 2008

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BALLROOM OF ROMANCE

SATURDAY 28 JUNE 7:30PM (GIRLS), 8:00PM (BOYS & COUPLES) €15

Remember in your parents' generation, the old parish hall where your dancing partner was kept at a long arms length, the boys on one side, girls on the other and holy Catholic Ireland in the middle? This year relive their courtship nightmares at our Ballroom of Romance with gear-jamm'n' rockabilly tunes from Rumblehack, a 50's era roots rock trio with influences from Brian Setzer to The Reverend Horton Heat, among others. This is a shot of high-octane rock'n'roll, shakin' not stirred and all under the watchful eye of Fr. David Hoyle.

Dress to impress and be ready to be rushed up the aisle!

Boys – remember girls like flowers

Girls – remember don't trust boys!

Prizes for best dressed guy and doll!

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CAMBERWELL
CARROTS & THE
FINEST WINES KNOWN
TO HUMANITY

WITHNAIL AND I

SUNDAY 29 JUNE 1:00PM €10

Yes, at last. On behalf of all people with great taste and even better humour we bring you the cult film Withnail and I. Laugh riotously through Sunday afternoon while we take you on a trip to a country house (belonging to Withnail's uncle) to 'rejuvenate'. We'll be replaying the fantastic soundtrack and having a great party along the way as we laugh at the pair of struggling actors – living off a diet of booze and pills – faced with bad weather, altercations with the locals, and the unexpected arrival (and advances) of Uncle Monty (who will never play the Dane).

RE-ENACT OLD
TIME 50'S
COURTSHIP
RITUALS!

11pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
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BRAND
NEW SHOW!
2 NIGHTS

CAMILLE THE DARK ANGEL

SUNDAY 29 & MONDAY 30 JUNE 8:00PM €25

After sell out Spiegeltent shows for the last three years Camille returns for two nights with a brand new show.

Following recent 5 Star sell out seasons at the Sydney Opera House, in New York, UK & an Australian tour, Camille O'Sullivan performs the dark and light songs of Nick Cave, Jacques Brel, Tom Waits, David Bowie and more.

Awarded Spirit of Edinburgh Festival 2007, 'Best Artiste' Australian Theatre Awards 2005, 'Best Music' Brighton Festival 2006 & 'Best Show' Dublin Fringe Awards 2007. Camille transforms into different characters as she performs each song – passionate, sexy, amusing and mesmerizing. Nothing is quite what it seems.

"Like a cross between Sally Bowles, Patti Smith and P-J Harvey.

A major star" THE SCOTSMAN
"Raunchy, dangerously fragile. An exceptional voice"

10:30pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
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FIRST GIG,
NEW
ALBUM!

MICK FLANNERY AND GUESTS

TUESDAY 01 JULY 8:00PM €22.50

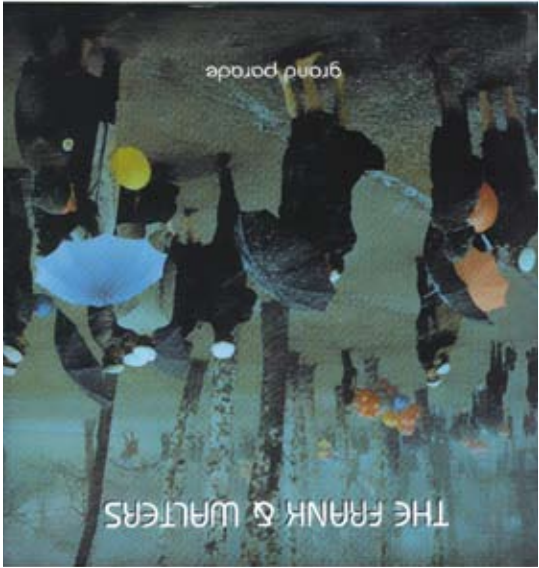
Mick can best be described as a folk rock singer/songwriter. At the age of just barely 23, he's an experienced performer, having toured extensively in Ireland and New York City. A native of Cork his recent gigs at The Everyman Palace and Cork Opera House were sold out and he recently appeared on RTE's "Voices from another Room".

Mick is the first Irish musician to win awards in the prestigious US International Song Writing Competition winning First Prize in two categories. As to the future, Mick has started recording his new album due for release on EMI in 2008 and the Spiegeltent gig will include new material from this album.

"Astute and sophisticated lyrics, strong imaginative melodies, consummate musicianship on both piano and guitar, and a voice that somehow manages to sound long experienced in the ways of the world." THE EVENING ECHO

10:30pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
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THE FRANKS PLAY GRAND PARADE

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE 8:00PM
€22.50

For the first time ever The Frank and Walters will play their critically acclaimed classic album *Grand Parade* in its entirety. This show will include a number of very special guests and old friends plus an exclusive Q&A with The Franks and people that worked on the *Grand Parade* album.



A truly unique event not to be missed.

10.30pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
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FOR
YOUNGSTERS,
OLDERS AND
THE YOUNG AT
HEART!

SUMMER AFTERNOON TEA DANCE

THURSDAY 26 JUNE 3:30PM
€7

Twirl away, waltz right through and quick step round our wonderful Spiegeltent. Be transported back in time while listening to old favourites, having a cup of tea and enjoying an afternoon of good fun, conversation and summer love.

DOUBLETIME GOES OVERBOARD



THURSDAY 26 JUNE 8:00PM
€15

A night of hot and heady music and dance from Ragtime to Swing. The fabulous Swing Street Band will have you rugcuttin' like never before as they play a soulfully percussive mixture of Jump Blues and Boogie Woogie. With spontaneous dance displays of the Charleston, Tap, Lindy Hop, jitterbug and Swing by Jess-a-Belle and the Divine Miss F. Later in the night DJ Gary will be spinning to guarantee you'll be swingin'.



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RED HOT GYPSY SOUL NIGHT



FRIDAY 27 JUNE 8:00PM
€15

Get your blood pumping at our all action, all dancin' gypsy soul night. Playing the tunes are the North Strand Klezmer Band, one of the most unique big band party outfits in Ireland today. Their infectious blend of Klezmer and Gypsy has been likened to the unbridled fun of the Pogues at their fastest. Add to that Cork's very own Polskadots with their foot stompin' musical journey around Macedonia, Bulgaria, Russia and Hungary. Throw into the mix DJ Mayakovksy playing everything from the fiery Gypsy brass of Boban Markovich to the speedy violins of Taraf de Haidouks as well as visuals from the movies of Amir Kusturica and you get a once off, fiery and passionate night of red hot soul.



11pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
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CORK GUITAR POETS MASH

SUNDAY 22 JUNE 2:00PM
€12

What better way to spend a lazy Sunday afternoon than to chill out with Cork's finest guitar poets. An extravaganza with Ger Wolfe and the New Skylarks, Ian Whitty and the Exchange, Aaron Dillon, Cian and special guests. It's Sunday and it's easy come and easy go. Come appreciate the best of Cork's music heritage, the flow of its past, its present and its future.

9pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
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YURAH LANGER! LAST RESORT AUDITIONS

MONDAY 23 - FRIDAY 27 JUNE 1:00PM
FREE FOR AUDITIONERS €3 FOR VOYEURS

This year YOU get the chance to show off your stupidest party piece in the SpiegelTent at our nightly show THE LAST RESORT. Auditions will be held every lunchtime from Monday 23 - Friday 27 June. The winners of each daytime heat will be thrown to the lions at THE LAST RESORT to compete for a chance to be in the grand final on 4th July.

Yurah Langer! auditions: take your pick from the following

- Part from a movie
- Powerpoint Karaoke
- The poem wot I wrote
- Song & Dance
- Choral speaking
- Boy Band/Girl Band
- Freestyle (whatever takes your fancy - no dancing ferrets please!)

To book your audition email us at boxoffice@corkmidsummer.com visit the festival box office or just turn up on the day!

SEE THE YURAH LANGER! FINAL AT THE LAST RESORT ON JULY 4 (P. 16)



JODAVINO

MONDAY 23 JUNE 8:00PM
€15

Following on from their critically acclaimed debut album 'Deep End' in 2006, Jodavino have just finished recording their second album, '12 Rounds', with Grammy award winning producer Jay Joyce in Nashville.

Formed in July 2005 by brother and sister duo, Joe and Aoibheann Carey, the two joined forces with Joe Philpott on guitar, Humphrey Murphy on bass and David Ryan on drums to complete the line up.

"Soaring songs with ornate understatement"
- Ed Power, THE IRISH EXAMINER

10.30pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
see THE LAST RESORT for €7 when you book a gig on the same night



DISCO BOOGIE FOR DEATH ROCKERS WITH RULERS OF THE PLANET & AINE DUFFY

TUESDAY 24 JUNE 8:00PM
€15

Your Imperial Rulers of the Planet summon all subjects to the coronation of the hedonistic and majestic Aine Duffy. We demand you, our subjects, to witness the birth of a new rock 'n' roll state of short sharp sonic bursts of punk rock noise. A defining moment of passionate, hard-edged alternative rock where stand up one minute punk classics sit beside dance floor fillers and aggro-filled rock outs. Dancers, guitars and full throttle rock classics are the new order.

The time is upon us. Disco boogie death
rockers, seize the day.



10.30pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
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SUPER STAN GOES COUNTRY

FRIDAY 20 JUNE 8:00PM
€15

Choice Music Prize Nominees Stanley Super 800, Cork's favourite
psychedelic rock outfit, take you on a once off road-trip to the land
of Country & Western, with dirty dawgs, broken hearts, lonely
cow-girls, bucking broncos, line dancing and too much hooch.

Featuring special guests and Country DJs. So step on in to see what
condition YOUR **condition** is in, at Cork's first full on, full Country
hoe-down.

Prizes for best costumes!



11pm-LATE: THE LAST RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE (see page 5)
see THE LAST RESORT for €7 when you book a gig on the same night



CIRCO-COPIA

SATURDAY 21 & 28 JUNE 2:00PM
€10, FAMILY 2 ADULTS & 2 KIDS €30

Cork Circus presents; 'Circo-copia' a celebration of the vibrancy
and abundance of summer through a display of the colour and
diversity of Cork's thriving street theatre community.

The Spiegeltent will explode with all the energy and fun of clown,
acrobatics and juggling. All the performers are residents of Cork,
but that does not prevent them from presenting skills gathered
from the four corners of the globe.

A family show that will, with surprises galore, thrill and tickle
young and old.

Come and join the summer heat of carnival, festa, circus and fair.



Ping Pong and Cork Midsummer Festival present

FAUST

Rock n' Roll's true survivors FAUST have been experimenting with
noise, electronics and industrial soundscapes since their birth
in the German city of Hamburg in 1971. As early experimenters
with tape loops, studio trickery and an arsenal of home made
instruments, Faust are regarded as the pioneers of everything
from Electronica through to Industrial Rock. Their influence
on contemporary music is incalculable. Faust have changed the
direction of popular music for ever.

To this day the band make great original music (last years
"Disconnected" LP being testament to this) and pull off



SATURDAY 21 JUNE 8:00PM
€25

mind-blowing live shows. The two remaining original members,
Jean-Herve Peron and Zappi Diermaier have teamed up with ex
members of "Nurse with Wound" and "The Bad Seeds" to perform
their incredible live show.

Expect angle grinders, cement mixers, naked live painting (maybe
and some of the most visceral live music you'll ever hear. This will
be their first ever show in Cork, it is simply not to be missed!

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YOUR FESTIVAL CLUB
EACH AND
EVERY NIGHT!
FRI 20 JUNE - FRI 04 JULY

THE LAST

RESORT WITH DAVID HOYLE YOUR FESTIVAL CLUB EACH AND EVERY NIGHT!

FRI 20 JUNE - FRI 04 JULY



Ever wanted to croon to a
loved one with your very
own backing band?

Ever wanted a sleazy part
in your very own freakshow
cabaret

Then come to the LAST
RESORT, late night at Your
Spiegelent

It's a sleazy late night B
Movie rerun where the
host is too much, the band
is too slow and the heartbeat
too fast.

It's a goddamn hell-hole of a
place where for 15 long, hot
and sweaty summer nights
the show is never over till it's
too late to go home.

Be willingly corrupted by LAST RESORT host David Hoyle with
games, stand-up, live music, DJs, special guests and our very own
talent show Yurrah Langer!

Anything goes at the LAST RESORT

Tickets €10 (4 for the price of 3), only €7 when you attend early gig
on the same night

LAST RESORT start times vary. Check Spiegeltent day by day on
page 17 for full details

FROM THE HOSTESS WITH THE MOSTEST **COME PARTY FOR 2**
WEEKS OF FUN FILLED HILARIOUS SWEATY GOOD VIBRATIONS
BE FIRST TO FALL AND LAST TO STAND WITH ROCK N ROLL
GYPSY PUNK AND CABARET ROCKABILLY WALTZ AND JIVE
TO OLD TIME CLASSICS IN VELVET GARTERS GO OVERBOARD
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