

PLEASE NOTE EARLIER STARTING TIMES OF ALL SHOWS IS NOW AT 8:00PM



**MICK
FLANNERY**



ZOMODO



**DON BAKER
BAND**

EVENTS PROGRAMME • **MAY - JUNE 2019**



PoD Junior Youth Theatre @ The Ramor *presents*

Mary Poppins

PoD Junior Youth Theatre proudly present their production of the popular musical Mary Poppins.

Set in Edwardian London in Cherry Tree Lane where we meet Jane and Michael, the children of the wealthy and uptight Banks family, as they face the prospect of another new nanny!! Pleasantly

surprised by the arrival of the magical Mary Poppins, they embark on a series of fantastical adventures with Mary, her Cockney performer friend Bert and a chorus of sweeps.

This exciting production is brought to life by a wonderful cast of young people that will have you singing along in no time . . . "In the most delightful way!"



MARY POPPINS

Wednesday 1st May
Time: 7.00pm

Adm: €8

Ramor Theatre *presents*

The Tully Twins Sit Down Tour of Ireland



Cavan's Tully Twins are taking their antics on a nationwide tour! Having become best known for their blunt wit and country humour, which they shared weekly from their famous couch on Gogglebox Ireland, the boys have answered the demand and embarked on a "sit down comedy tour" around Ireland. The couch however will sadly be left in Cavan! With their hilarious stories and signature style of humour revolving around everything from country life to Gogglebox, the Tully Twins' will regale audiences nationwide. No one is safe while these boys are on stage so brace yourselves for a night of banter and laughs . . . and cross your fingers they don't select you from the audience!

Saturday 4th May
Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €14 • €12

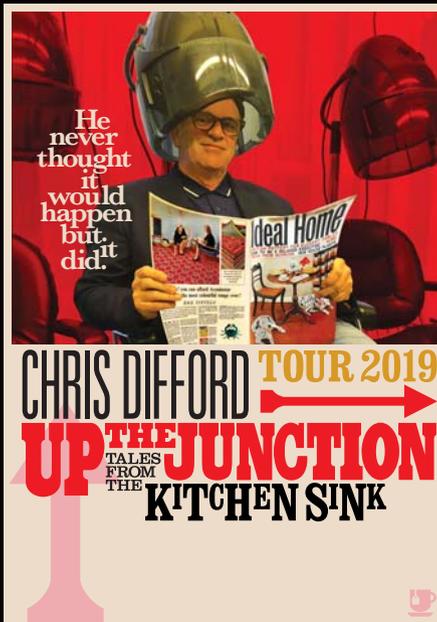
Ramor Theatre *presents*

Chris Difford

Grammy nominated and double Ivor Novello Award winning CHRIS DIFFORD lyricist and songwriter returns to Ireland for a string of shows. His stand up sit down show "Up The Junction" follows on from a successful Edinburgh fringe show in 2018. He will reveal more from his book "Some Fantastic Place" while playing songs from his enviable Squeeze back catalogue and also recounting stories from his 40 year career.

With his collaborator, Squeeze co-founder Glenn Tilbrook, Chris has written some of the most enduring and best-loved songs of our time such as 'Up The Junction', 'Cool For Cats' and 'Labelled With Love', 'Tempted' and many others.

UNMISSABLE!



Sunday 5th May
Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €22 • €20

PoD Senior Youth Theatre @ The Ramor *presents*

PEAS IN A POD

Scene Showcase

PoD Youth Theatre (formerly Ramor Young Players) present an evening of selected scenes from Youth Theatre Irelands 'PlayShare' and London's National Theatre 'Connections'. Since PoD formed in September 2018 members have been focusing on theatre skills such as voice, movement, characterisation, improvisation and ensemble work. Youth Theatre is a unique youth work practise that engages young people by using ensemble drama approaches. It develops social skills, work ethic, commitment and self-confidence. We encourage our young people to create their own identity as a group, in a safe and supportive space while engaging with the wider community.

THIS IS POD'S FIRST PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR, THE FIRST OF MANY TO COME IN THE FUTURE.



Thursday 9th May
Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €8

Bluegrace Music *presents*

MICK FLANNERY

in Concert

Mick Flannery is widely regarded as one of the finest singer-songwriters to come out of Ireland in recent years. Mick has announced a headline show for THE RAMOR THEATRE as part of his Nationwide Tour.

An award winning- double platinum selling artist, Mick has released five albums to date – including two number ones and received widespread airplay. He became the first Irish musician to ever win awards at the International Songwriting Competition in Nashville, aged 19. His critically acclaimed live performances have seen him sell out shows in Ireland's Olympia Theatre and Cork Opera House.

astute and sophisticated lyrics" RTE

"strong, imaginative melodies" Irish Examiner

"a song-writing force to be reckoned with" Irish Times

"an album dripping with maturity, poise and potential" Entertainment.ie

SUPPORT Canadian Songwriter **MO KENNY**



Friday 10th May
Time: 8.00pm

Price: €22

Ramor Theatre *presents*

ZoMoDo in Concert

Described by critics as a "trad music supergroup", ZoDoMo is the latest highly acclaimed traditional Irish group to step into the limelight. The trio features three of Ireland's eminent musicians, Zoë Conway, one of the country's most gifted virtuoso musicians who is equally at home in both traditional Irish and classical styles. Dónal Lunny, popularly regarded as having been central to the renaissance of Irish music over the last three decades and Máirtín O'Connor, a master musician whose dexterity and innovation has won him worldwide acclaim.

"(ZoDoMo) achieves the near impossible: capturing the energy of a live performance in studio, fuelled by a heady (and deliciously unpredictable) mix of traditional and spikily original tunes, along with a smattering of covers. The title tells it like it is: In Full Sail – Faoi Lán Seol is a magical snapshot of three musicians flying fast and high on the momentum they have conjured with apparent effortless ease."

Irish Times



Saturday 11th May

Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €22 • €20

Zoë Conway
fiddle

Dónal Lunny
bouzouki

Máirtín O'Connor
accordion

Ramor Theatre in Association with Cavan Older People's Council and Cavan Arts Festival *presents*

The Best Years of Our Lives Have Yet to Come

This is a moving and hilarious theatre piece written by and for Cavan Older People's Council with the support of drama facilitator and director Maura Williamson. The drama captures the richness of older people's experiences and allows the audience to understand the issues they face in negotiating a range of everyday circumstances. The performers take us through a number of scenes, giving us an insight into their perspective on life as an older person in today's society. This 'Age Friendly' social commentary uses humour to point up instances of older people's unique perspective on the world. The Older People's drama project won the 2019 All Ireland Community and Council awards for best community initiative and is on tour in 2019 due to popular demand following successful performances in 2018.



Friday 17th May

Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €10 • €8

Ramor Theatre in Association with
Cavan Arts Festival *presents*

Kirsty Cox

Chart-toppin' Nashville-based Kristy Cox, Australia's biggest bluegrass & country music export, is on quite the roll, and she's rolling right into Virginia. Capturing attention with her powerful singing style, youthful energy-infused bluegrass, and song writing acumen, she continues to enjoy radio & television success in both the US and in her native Australia where she's a multi award-winning Australian Country Music Awards Golden Guitar recipient – most recently she picked up the 2019 Golden Guitar for Bluegrass Album of the Year for early 2018's Ricochet.

*"... one of the best in
the business"*

according to Bluegrass Today, Kristy is excited to be making her very first visit to Ireland with her band, and we're proud to present the penultimate performance of her 9-gig tour in Virginia's Ramor Theatre.

Accompanied by her husband Travis, Australia's premier honky-tonk singer, this is youthful energy-infused bluegrass with maybe a bit of country thrown in for good measure.



Saturday 18th May
Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €20

Decadent Theatre Company *presents*

Pumpgirl

By Abbie Spallen, Directed by Andrew Flynn

There's one in every town, and they call her the Pumpgirl. She works in the garage, changes the oil and thinks she's one of the lads. She's sweet on 'No-Helmet' Hammy, but he loves no one but himself. He's out all night with his racing boys, whilst wife Sinead's off on a joyride of her own, with an ache that's about to be cured.

It's a turbo-charged race through the diesel fumes and country music of the Armagh badlands. Newry playwright Abbie Spallen's explosively comic play takes us deep into the unspoken thoughts and darkest desires of three lives destined to collide.

Spallen creates and peoples the borderlands of south Armagh with remarkable finesse. Showing plenty of writerly flourishes and psychological wisdom, she is a vital and hugely intelligent talent. This revival of her breakthrough play is timely.
Irish Independent, 2017.



Thursday 23rd May
Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €18 • €16

Ramor Theatre *presents*

The Legend of Luke Kelly

This ever-popular tribute show to the iconic Luke Kelly of The Dubliners, returns to Virginia in what promises to be another memorable performance. Featuring the acclaimed vocals of one of Ireland's finest ballad voices of today, Chris Kavanagh, this performance will take the audience on a journey through the numerous hit songs, music and times of the legendary Luke Kelly.

Accompanied by excellent musicians, Chris Kavanagh's singing talent captures the depth and passion of this folk legend. So much so that Chris toured as a guest member of The Dubliners on their final European tour in 2012. His performances received rave reviews across mainland Europe and help to confirm him as one of Ireland's principal balladeers.

Early booking is highly recommended for what promises to be another standing ovation performance for one of Ireland's finest ballad shows.



Friday 24th May

Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €20

Bottom Dog Theatre *presents*

SMALLONE

Written and Directed by John Murphy
Starring Michelle O'Flanagan.

Mingey loves her cats, Peru and Club Milks. She hates Sunday mass ones, Black mange mutts and papery sausages. She is feisty and mischievous and has a heart full of love. She guards her privacy like a treasure. She refuses to be cowed by other people's view of her or surrender to the sadness she sometimes feels.

Through humour and pathos Smallone explores the life of a woman we can recognise, telling her story via fragments of memory and events from her present. Using voice-over we observe her interaction with others in her orbit - her parents, her husband and the fella who calls every third Tuesday.

Moving and tender, Smallone is inspired by people who live lives of quiet privacy, examining the struggles and joys that all of us might feel.

Bottom Dog mark their 11th season with the "small but purrfectly formed" Smallone, by Irish Times Theatre Awards nominee John Murphy.

"I told him, 'there's plenty more fish in the sea'. But he knew and I knew that that was a pile of useless shite cos fish are slippery and hard to keep a hold of." – Mingey



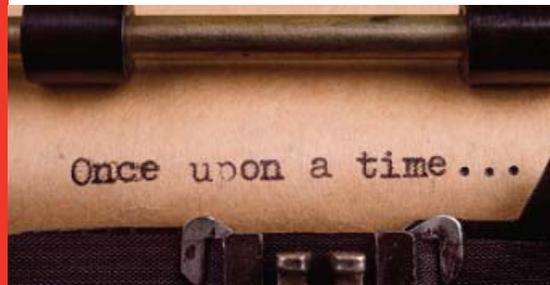
Saturday 25th May

Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €16 • €14

Fostering Shared Communities
Peace IV Arts Project *proudly present*

Once Upon A Time . . .



A uniquely devised theatre & music performance created by a talented ensemble of young performers from across Cavan.

Led by a team of music, drama, creative writing and movement facilitators and funded by the *Peace IV Fostering Shared Communities Project*, the performance is the culmination of a series of cross community and education based arts workshops taking place in venues across the County throughout Spring 2019.

This event is suitable for a family audience. Funded under PEACE IV Building Positive Relations.



Tuesday 28th May

Time: 8.00pm

Adm: FREE

The Virginians *presents*

2 ONE ACT PLAYS

with a Musical Interlude by Alexis Sheridan & Peter O'Connor

REGRET

by Joe Hanley

Set in a Nursing Home and while there are moments of humour and laughter, it also shines a light on serious issues, including those faced by the elderly and those caring for them.

Cast Includes; Alexis Sheridan, Jimmy Fitzsimons, Frances O'Connell, Marion Clancy, Joe Hanley, Crystal Comer, Fergus Connell, Manuela Facon and Jim McPartlin.



HOPE

by Rory O'Connell

Life has been hard on Kitty and Pat, but even in their darkest moments hope still prevails.



*Cast Includes:
Rory O'Connell,
Frances O'Connell,
Simon Cadden,
Carmel Cadden,
Colm Briody,
Manuela Facon and
Louis McPartlin.*

ALL PROCEEDS TO LOCAL CHARITIES AND FOCUS IRELAND

Friday 31st May & Saturday 1st June
Time: 8.00pm

Price: €16 • €14

Virginia and District Historical Society *presents*

Hello Delia Murphy

'Hello Delia Murphy' is a talk given by her niece Carmel Cullen who also sings Delia's songs, accompanied by musician Gerry Anderson.

No female performer made a bigger impact on the Irish Entertainment scene since Delia Murphy. In the late 1930's, all through the war years and for a long time afterwards, Delia Murphy had the whole nation singing along with her songs like, ***The Spinning Wheel, Three Lovely Lassies From Bannion, The Moonshiner and Dan O'Hara***. She was a unique personality both on and off the stage and is credited with laying the groundwork for the Irish Folk Revival.



Friday 7th June
Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €10

Ramor Theatre *presents*

DON BAKER BAND

Born and bred in Dublin, Don Baker first learnt to play harmonica as a young lad in hospital recovering from a bout of TB. While convalescing, unable to go out like the other boys of his age, he immersed himself in The Blues and most especially The Blues Harmonica listening to the recordings Sonny Boy Williamson and Howlin' Wolf.

Fifty years on and Don is still immersed, still listening, still performing to the songs of Blues legends and adding to the Blues canon with songs and compositions of his own as he developed his talent from musician to gifted songwriter in his own right. Indeed his songs have been recorded by scores of other artists including Sinead O'Connor, Charlie McCoy, Finbar Furey, Declan O'Rourke and Liam O'Maonlaoi. He has released fifteen albums and shared stages with Tom Jones, Sinead O'Connor and Van Morrison.

As an actor Don played opposite three-time Oscar Winner Daniel Day-Lewis in ***"In the Name of the Father"*** and in ***"Mia, Liebe meines Lebens"*** opposite Claudia Cardinale while on television he portrayed gangster Thomas Flynn in RTÉ's ***"Fair City"***.

But it is while performing on stage, back immersed in The Blues that Bono's favourite harmonica player really comes to life. Don is first and foremost a true entertainer.



Saturday 8th June
Time: 8.00pm

Adm: €22

Verdant Productions *presents*

Brothers of the Brush

by Jimmy Murphy



It is exactly twenty five years since the original production of *Brothers of the Brush* appeared in Dublin. A new production of this classic, tells the story of three house painters, making a meagre living, overseen by an arrogant and shifty boss who is running a small business. Underneath the humour and playfulness of the relationships, a tough world is emerging, where workers are losing faith in old ways. Set just at the dawn of the 'Celtic Tiger', it is now interesting to note that *Heno* and *Lar* have returned from London as work is readily available in Dublin as the onset of apartment building kicks off in the city. The need to survive has become far greater than anything else in their lives and manipulation of each is now the new order of the day, where fragile loyalties are tested and taken to the limit. *Brothers of the Brush* is both hilarious and thought provoking.

Written by Jimmy Murphy of Kings of the Kilburn High Road fame, directed by Tracy Ryan and with an all-star cast; Stephen Jones (Love/Hate, Red Rock) Stephen Cromwell (Red Rock) Gerry Byrne (Malachy from Fair City) and Luke Griffin (Band of Brothers) Brothers of the Brush is not to be missed.

Thursday 13th & Friday 14th June
Time: 8.00pm Adm: €18

Cruinniú na nÓg @ The Ramor
Cruinniú na nÓg is set to bring creative fun and flair to the country's youth on 15 June 2019!



A highly engaging initiative of the Creative Ireland Programme in partnership with your Local Authority and RTÉ, Cruinniú na nÓg is all about celebrating and encouraging children and young people's participation in culture and creativity. Completely free and taking place nationwide, young minds are treated to a compelling spread of performances, coding, theatre, art and music workshops, readings and screenings, special events and much more on this special day. All child-centred and incredibly diverse, the day's events are activity-based, with the emphasis on getting young people doing, making and creating.

As part of this National Day of Celebration for Young People The Ramor Theatre will host a number of events from 12 Noon to 4pm. Art and Craft Workshops, Theatre & Drama Workshops, Face-painting, Film Screenings and much, much more. This event is Free to all kids and parents.

Come along and join the celebrations. Keep a eye out for flyers and our website for exact times of events.



Saturday 15th June
Time: 12 noon – 4.00pm Adm: FREE

Ramor Theatre *presents*



Formerly "The Castletown Accordion Orchestra"
Established 1981

Accora Orchestra return to the Ramor Theatre for their 4th annual concert. The Junior and Senior Orchestras are travelling to the World Accordion Festival in Innsbruck, Austria, from the 29th May to the 2nd June, so they will be performing their pieces which they played there. This year, all 5 orchestras will be performing from the Primary to the Senior Orchestras. We hope you enjoy hearing the progression from our younger players to our more experienced players. There will be a huge variety of music on offer from the Greatest Showman to Ed Sheeran and on to some Classical Music. We will also have some special guests performing at this event.

The last 3 concerts have been enormously successful so get your tickets NOW!

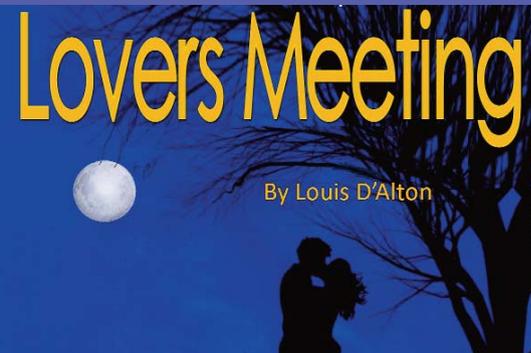


Saturday 15th June
Time: 8.00pm Adm: €18 • €16

Millrace Drama Group *presents*

LOVERS MEETING

by Louis D'Alton Directed by Conor Shaffery



Set in the kitchen of the Sheridan farmhouse, not far from the town of Termon in the Midlands in the 1940s it tells the story of unrequited love, romance, match-making and tragedy with a very gripping storyline and ending. The storyline takes place over an evening in July, early the next morning and two months later.

A previously unrevealed past relationship intrudes tragically into the present as a match is made between a young girl and a neighbouring farmer. Hilarious yet heart-breaking, a powerful play set in 1940's Ireland.

Cast: Mickey Dunne, Leanne Monaghan, Paddy Sheannon, Andrea Duffy, Seamus O'Connell, Sarah McKenna-Dunne, Eoghan Yore, Michael O'Reilly and Irene Yore.

Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd June
Time: 8.00pm Adm: €16 • €14

Beeznee Theatre Company *presents*

TOUCH AND GO

by Derek Benfield

It's been a while now since Beeznee produced a farce and audiences will be well aware that nobody does it better!! John McDwyer directs Pat Feeley, Karen Gordon, Jacinta Gormley, Noel O'Callaghan and Valerie Traynor in Derek Benfield's Touch and Go, an avalanche of mix ups and mistaken identities. While George's wife is in America, he lends his flat to his friend, Brian, who entertains his lover there, unaware that, at the same time, George is over at his flat, being entertained by Brian's wife. When George's wife comes home a day early, well you know the rest . . . **Book now and fasten your seat-belt.**



Saturday 29th June
Time: 8.00pm Adm: €16 • €14

Ramor Theatre *present*

DANCE & DRAMA WORKSHOPS



Monday 8th July – Friday 12th July
10:00am to 1:00pm Daily
Age 7-12
Cost €60
(Advanced Booking at the Theatre)

booking Information

Tickets can only be reserved in advance if accompanied by a payment. Reservations can be made by the following methods:

In Person:

The box office is open Tuesday to Friday 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m and 6.30 to 8.00 p.m. on the night of a show. Tickets can be booked online. www.ramortheatre.com

By Phone:

Box Office (049) 8547074. Payment over the phone can be made using a credit card. Tickets will be held at the box office for collection on the night of a show.

By Post:

To Box Office, Ramor Theatre, Virginia. Cheques and postal orders made payable to Ramor Theatre. Booking will only be made when payment is received. Tickets will be held at box office for collection. Please also enclose a contact phone number.

By Email:

Theatre email address is ramortheatre@cavancoco.ie. Please send details of which event you wish to book together with your phone number and we will contact you. Please do not include credit card details in your email.

Discounts and Concessions:

We offer concessions on most shows. Concessions apply to students and senior citizens.

Ticket exchanges and Refunds

Once purchased tickets cannot be exchanged nor can money be refunded under any circumstances. You have the option of selling or giving your ticket to another person. Reserved tickets must be paid for within 48 hours otherwise will be automatically released for resale.

Latecomers

Performances begin at 8.00pm and patrons are requested to be seated 15 minutes before performances.

Latecomers cannot be admitted until a suitable break in the performance.

Accessibility

- Accessible parking space located at the front of the theatre.
- Accessible entrance located at the right hand side of the building
- No charge for wheelchair customers.

Please notify booking staff of any special requirements or assistance you may need when booking your tickets

BOOK CLUB

Thursday 2nd May 2019

Thursday 6th June 2019

Hearing Loop Installed
Switch hearing aid to T-collar
www.hearingloop.org



Loop system for those with hearing difficulties available at the theatre.
Please check with our booking staff when booking.

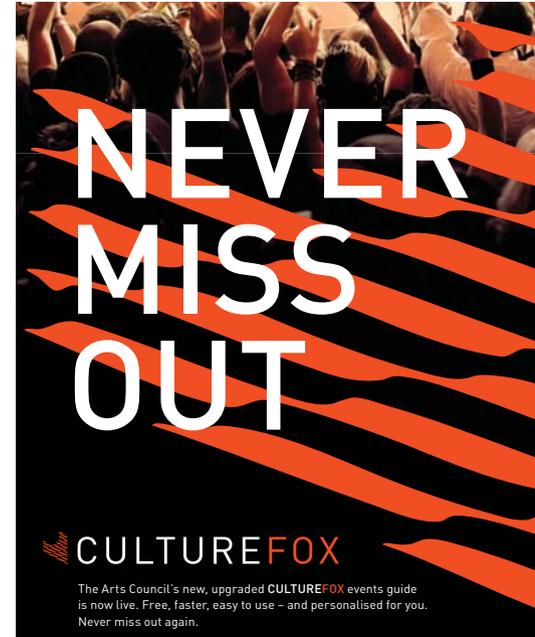
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Gift Vouchers can be purchased from the Box Office and online at

www.ramortheatre.com

and make the perfect gift for any occasion



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