

National Arts Festival for young people by young people

Lasta 7th-9th June 2024









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Now in its third year, the national LASTA young curators festival is a testament to collaboration, engagement and community. Started in 2020 by Backstage Theatre, the programme has blossomed to include seven venues nationwide, nineteen individual curators, and an expanding programme of exciting, multidisciplinary work. The spark that fuels the project is faith in the next generation of audience members, artists and programmers. It is this trust and desire to connect from the network that encourages a belief in performance and participatory practice, and cultivates the elevation of contemporary sentiments as they emerge.

In this wide-ranging programme of work, you are called to spectate, participate, and listen to a broad and exciting range of voices. Boasting theatre, music, film, visual art (and more!), the programme is a showcase of what we want to hear in our venues, and want to share with our communities.

Under the guidance of theatre artist Maisie Lee, we are thrilled to share an auditorium, a moment, and a festival with you. Ambitious and expansive, it speaks to the value we place on holding space, creating forum, and opening up to the possibilities of what new voices can add to the conversation.

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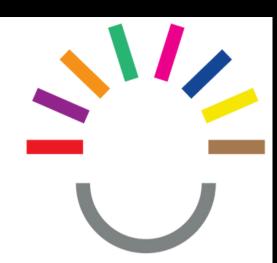








A note from our Young Curators...



at Siamsa Tíre

What a year! Lasta Festival 2024 has been such a wonderful experience for us both. We are delighted to have been working on Siamsa Tire's Young Curator Programme in preparation for the festival and looking forward to seeing the whole weekend come together.

The experience we have gained over the past year and the friends we have made have been invaluable to us both. We got to visit some festivals and had regular meetings with the other Young Curators across the programme. A highlight for us both has to be the trip to Galway International Arts Festival, where we got to see "The Pulse".

Being in folk theatre, we chose to keep our festival largely folk based. We have a variety of workshops and performances planned over the weekend and are looking forward to seeing all participants in the Saturday and Sunday night events.

We would like to thank everyone who helped us over the year and Maisie Lee for her constant guidance and support.

Lastly, we would especially like to thank Joanne Barry for all her help on our journey. Always full of good advice, great suggestions, and the occasional shove to get a job done!

Nuair a stadann an ceol, stadann an rince.

Mairtin and Greta

CALLING ALL YOUNG FILMMAKERS

Show Online 2024 me

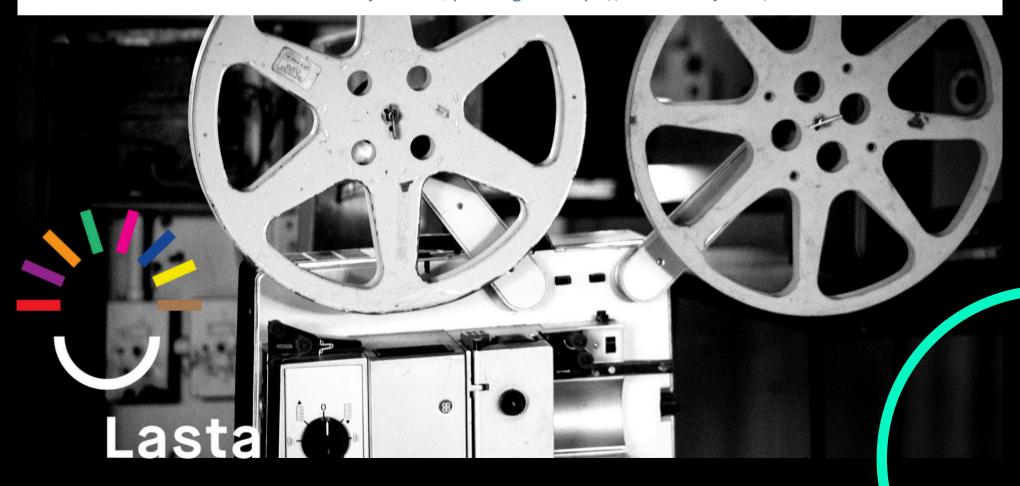
Do you have a short film that you want screened?

As part of the National Lasta Festival 2024, our young curators are programming a selection of short films to be screened online to celebrate the nationwide festival happening from June 3rd - June 9th 2024.

Lasta is looking to promote films made by filmmakers aged 18 - 30 from or living on the island of Ireland. We will accept all genres of short film, documentaries, animation, student film, music video, dance film, experimental films, Irish language films and other languages. Submissions can be as short as you wish but no longer than 15 minutes in length.

The deadline to submit your film is the 12th of May 2024. Award for Best Short Film - €200

For all other information and to submit your film, please go to https://filmfreeway.com/Lasta





The Greatest Showman Cing Along

Ladies and gents, this is the moment you've waited for...

The world is singing along with the most entertaining movie of the year and now you can too with this special sing-a-long screening of The Greatest Showman, the Golden Globe winner for Best Original Song. It's your time to shine – have fun, sing loud and 'Come Alive' – It's Showtime!

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FRI 7TH JUNE 2024 || 7PM-9PM || TICKETS: ADULT €9 CHILD €7.50 BOOK AT WWW.SIAMSATIRE.COM



Woodwork & Noodwork Demonstrations

21 year old Cork Man **Eoin Reardon's** unique and charming woodworking tutorials have garnered a global following of over three million followers on TikTok, and 450k subscribers on YouTube.

Eoin will be in the Siamsa Tíre round gallery on Saturday 8th June providing wood turning demonstrations, similar to his social media demonstrations.

He is available for questions and advice throughout this pop-up session which visitors are free to come and go to between 10am and 4pm.

@pintofplane

SAT 8TH JUNE 2024 || 10AM-4PM || FREE EVENT, NO BOOKING REQUIRED WWW.SIAMSATIRE.COM



Safe Sets

You are invited to join **Safe Sets** for an afternoon of Irish set dancing on the Siamsa Tíre stage, or support the dancers and enjoy an afternoon of traditional Irish music and dance in the comfort of the theatre.

Ba mhaith linn an domhain a chur ag rince!
Tá sé tábhachtach an rince a bhaineann lenár
gcultúr féinigh a choimeád ag imeacht.
Teastaíonn uainn rinceóirí nua a mhealladh
don bhfoghlaim agus don gcraic!

It is our goal to get the world dancing!
It is important to practise our traditional dancing and invite newcomers to join us, learn, and, most importantly, have fun!

@safe.sets2024

SAT 8TH JUNE 2024 || 12PM-3PM || TICKETS: €5 +BF BOOK AT WWW.SIAMSATIRE.COM

FREE EVENT!



Pop-up Choir

Everyone is welcome to enjoy this free popup choir led by **Sorcha O'Connor**, a vocal coach and piano teacher with Killarney School of Music. Sorcha also teaches singing with the Oliver Hurley Stage School and is a tutor with Music Generation Kerry.

Sorcha balances her busy teaching career with an assortment of choral work throughout Kerry, and has recently been appointed Choral Director for Killarney's newest choir 'Stronger Together Choir'.

Join Sorcha and her choir to rehearse performance pieces which will be included in the **Bothántaíocht** event at 7.30pm.

SAT 8TH JUNE 2024 || 3:30PM-5:30PM || FREE EVENT, NO BOOKING REQUIRED WWW.SIAMSATIRE.COM

MUSIC/DANCE Lasta

Bothántaíocht

A gathering together of like-minded people to celebrate culture, talent and creativity! As part of this years Lasta Festival, Siamsa Tíre's Young Curators have invited young performers and audiences to come together and celebrate their talents. To play music, sing and dance together.

The evening, **curated by young people for young people**, will give Kerry's finest talent the opportunity to perform as part of a celebration of creativity!

Young talent will take centre stage with some special guests along the way. A wonderful night of music, song and dance is promised, celebrating the idea of 'gathering together' to share, to sing and to have fun!

SAT 8TH JUNE 2024 || 7:30PM-9PM ||
TICKETS: €12/€10/€8 +BF
BOOK AT WWW.SIAMSATIRE.COM



Children aged 5yrs+ will make their very own sock puppets in this wonderful workshop with Puppeteer and Puppet Maker Alex Hindmarsh. With colourful socks, googly eyes and fun decorations, these puppets are a great introduction to puppetry for young children. The workshop also includes an insight to puppetry techniques so the kids can enjoy bringing their new creations to life!

All materials will be provided and each child will take their unique sock puppet home to enjoy.



SUN 9TH JUNE 2024 || 3PM-4:30PM ||

TICKETS:€10 +BF

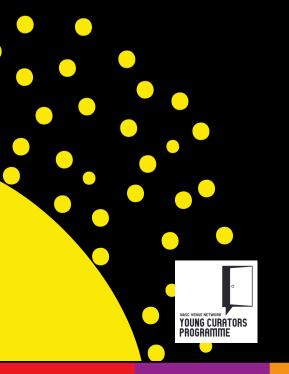
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The Lasta Festival Venues are:

Backstage Theatre (Longford), Dunamaise Arts Centre (Portlaoise), Glór (Ennis), An Grianán (Letterkenny), Lime Tree Theatre(Limerick), Siamsa Tíre (Tralee) and Town Hall Theatre (Galway).

All events in this programme take place at: Siamsa Tíre Theatre, Town Park, Tralee, Co. Kerry.

Booking fees apply for some events. www.siamsatire.com





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