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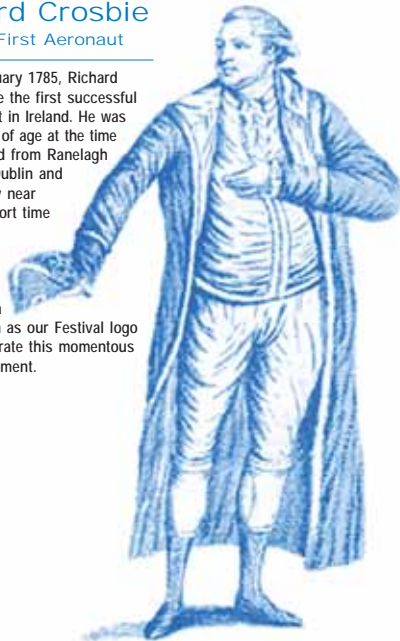
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On 19th January 1785, Richard Crosbie made the first successful manned flight in Ireland. He was just 30 years of age at the time and ascended from Ranelagh Gardens in Dublin and landed safely near Clontarf a short time later.

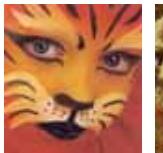
Ranelagh Arts Festival has chosen a hot air balloon as our Festival logo to commemorate this momentous local achievement.



*Welcome to the first annual  
Ranelagh Arts Festival*

The aim of the Festival is to reinvigorate the village and community atmosphere traditionally associated with Ranelagh.

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# Introduction

2005

A group of Ranelagh residents has come together to deliver an innovative and inclusive arts festival for the local community from **29th September to 2nd October 2005**. The objective is to establish an annual arts festival for the people of the village and beyond.

The aspiration of the committee was to create a diverse programme with something for everyone. The programme features local artists and musicians, performances by children from the area, poetry, plays and film, as well as internationally recognised artists.

The Festival works in partnership with many creative individuals and we would like to acknowledge and thank everyone for their invaluable contribution.

The Festival would not have happened without the generous support of many local businesses and the dedication of all those on the committee.

The committee hopes you enjoy the first year's programme and wishes all of our visitors a fantastic Festival weekend.



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# Open Day

SAT 1  
**Ranelagh Gardens**

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Family-focused music and entertainment.

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2.30pm  
**The Army Band**

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3.00pm  
**Macnas *Ranelagh Rhythm***

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3.20pm  
**The Young Orchestral Pops**

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4.05pm  
**Independent Theatre Workshop**  
Scenes from: Aladdin, Miss Saigon & The Wizard of Oz

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4.20pm  
**Sandford Park School  
Percussion Ensemble**

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Open Day

*Other attractions include:*

**Traditional Games**

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**Face Painting**

**Clowns**

**Mime Artists**





## Ciaran Tourish Arty McGlynn Sean Óg Potts & Guest

supported by  
Fintan Vallely, Sheena  
Vallely & John Fay

THURS 29

### IL MONDO over 'The Four Provinces'

9.00pm €15

Ciaran Tourish, best known as the nimble-fingered fiddler from Altan, is one of East Donegal's most celebrated musical exports, recognised by fellow musicians worldwide as an unusually gifted player. To be singled out amid the hotbed of traditional music in Donegal, is no small accomplishment. Tourish grew up surrounded by Irish traditional music's best.

## Roesy supported by Orca featuring the music of Ranelagh born vocalist & pianist Anna Jordan

FRI 30

### IL MONDO over 'The Four Provinces'

9.00pm €12



Roesy hails from Birr, Co Offaly. From singing along to his father's records, he moved on to writing lyrics, which soon turned into songs when he taught himself the guitar. Like many teenagers, music became a passion for Roesy, but for him, it's a passion that has grown and developed over the years.



## Gospel Choir 'An Evening of Gospel Music'

FRI 30

### Sandford Road Church

8.00pm €8

The Gospel Choir. Also featuring the Cullenswood Singers.



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*'Inaugural Festival Night Out'*

SAT 1

**IL MONDO** over **'The Four Provinces'**

9.00pm

€15

Bree Harris has worked on the Dublin circuit for some time. She's in great demand at many of the blues and arts festivals around the country. Known as one of the finest blues and soul singers, she has delighted audiences with her renditions of the music of Tony Joe White, Tom Waits, Leonard Cohen, and Bonnie Raitt. With her powerful voice, exuding raw energy and emotion, accompanied by some of Ireland's finest, this is a performance not to be missed.



An Afternoon of Poetry  
& Music with  
**MacDara Woods**  
&  
**Benjamin Dwyer**

supporting musical acts

Sonny Condell & Garvan Gallagher  
James Delaney & Kevin Doherty  
Neil McAvinia & Zhang Ning

SUN 2

**Ranelagh Gardens** *'In the Ranelagh  
Gardens'*

2.00pm

Born in Dublin in 1942, MacDara Woods has been publishing his work since the early 1960s. He has published ten books of poems, translated from a number of languages, and edited The Kilkenny Anthology.

Benjamin Dwyer is a highly distinguished composer and guitarist. Since his European debut, playing Rodrigo's *Concierto d'Aranquez* with the Neubrandenburg Philharmonic Orchestra, Benjamin Dwyer has been regarded as one of Ireland's leading musicians.



An integral part of the Irish music scene since the early '70s, Sonny Condell is probably best known for his innovative collaborations with Leo O'Kelly in *Tír na nÓg*, and with Philip King in *Scullion*.

# Donal O'Sullivan

1945-1991

## *'A Retrospective'*

Curated by Mello Bleahen and Terry Connaughton

### Sandford Park School

This retrospective is a celebration of Donal O'Sullivan's life's work. He was born in Ranelagh and lived most of his life here. Donal was a seminal figure in the artistic life of his native city from the late sixties until his death. His work was held in high regard, as evidenced by the work presented here, donated by his many patrons, family and friends.



### Viewing Schedule

|        |            |
|--------|------------|
| FRI 30 | 1pm - 7pm  |
| SAT 1  | 10am - 4pm |
| SUN 2  | 10am - 4pm |

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Sean McSweeney  
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George Walsh - *"Madonna & Child"*



Elizabeth Brophy - *"At the Beach"*

The book *"Elizabeth Brophy - An Irish Impressionist"*, foreword by Dr. Hilary Pyle, is now available for sale in the Gallery.

### Gallery Hours

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
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### Art Exhibition Featuring Two Finnish Artists

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**Suleima Rintala**

Internationally Based

**Hasan Fuat Sari**

#### Viewings:

THURS 29 & FRI 30 1pm - 7pm  
SAT 1 & SUN 2 10am - 4pm

**Multidenominational School, Ranelagh Rd.**

Hasan Fuat Sari was born in 1953 in Tarsus, Turkey. Since 1980, he has lived and worked in Turku, Finland.

As an artist, Sari often shifts between two worlds - from two dimensional to three dimensional and vice versa. He paints and sculpts often mixing the boundaries of the two mediums. Many of his assemblages include familiar elements, such as bicycle parts, which are used in a witty way. Playfulness and humour, as well as deeper

meanings, belong as an essential part of Sari's art.

Sari has exhibited since 1977 and has had numerous exhibitions all over Europe. His works are included in several collections such as State Painting & Sculpture Museum Ankara-Turkey, Waino Aaltonon Museum - Finland and private collections.

Suleima Rintala is a Finnish artist living in Ranelagh since 1998. This is her second Dublin exhibition, entitled 'Access'.

Her new collection of paintings is brilliantly multi-coloured. The paintings depict dreamy landscapes in a subtle abstract style.



## 'The Octodeciad'

by  
R. Carroll

A play based on  
the number 18  
tram



SUN 2  
**Birchall's Pub**  
6.00pm

Those of you who remember the film "Rooney" will also recall the number 12 bus John Gregson was on being transformed into a number 18 when it turned right into Ranelagh at the Triangle instead of left, and the effect that that had on you. Thirty years earlier in The Octodeciad, Carolan presented us with the reverse of this when the 18 jumped its tracks at Belgrave Square and carried its screaming passengers and crew into the dreadful publess wastes of Palmerston, never to be seen alive again.

Through the eyes of Rathgar Man, exploring Ranelagh for the first time, we learn of the events leading to the gathering of a few brave men and their final battle with the forces of evil in the demon tram and the monsters who rode in it.

## Architectural Tour of Ranelagh

SUN 2  
**Ranelagh**  
12.00pm

An architectural tour of Ranelagh by Susan Roundtree, a Senior Architect at Dublin City Council and Fellow of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland.

The tour will start at the Ranelagh Triangle at 12pm, ending at the Mountpleasant Inn. The tour is free, but places are limited, so early booking is advised.



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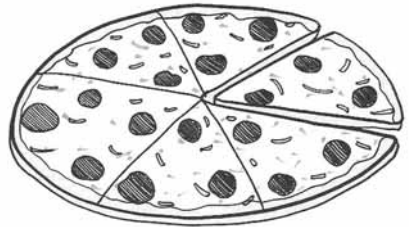
  
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# Unveiling of Plaque to mark the former residence of Dr. Kathleen Lynn Veteran of 1916 rising

SAT 1

**9 Belgrave Road, Rathmines.**

12.00pm

This will be an occasion to celebrate an extraordinary doctor, feminist, revolutionary, public representative and community benefactor.

Dr Lynn lived in Belgrave Rd for over fifty years, from 1903 - 1955 and had her GP practice in the house. She was Chief Medical Officer to the Irish Citizen Army, took part in the 1916 Rising, campaigned for treatment of VD, founded St Ultan's Hospital for Infants, the first of its kind in Ireland, was elected to the Dáil but being anti-Treaty, didn't take her seat, elected to Rathmines Town Council, pioneered the use of the BCG vaccination against TB, commissioned work from the emerging architect, Michael Scott and much, much more. She was kind, humane, innovative and committed and her whole life was spent making others' lives more bearable.



## The Race of the Ark Tattoo

starring  
David Heap

FRI 30

**Mountpleasant  
Tennis Club**

8.30pm



*"Every item has a secret. It's either seen something when you were out of town, or it's been touched by someone who will eventually betray you."*

The Abbey Theatre production of 'The Race of the Ark Tattoo' by David Hancock. Starring David Heap and directed by David Horan.

Experience the flea market - where junk shines brighter than neon! Barter with Mr Foster, second-generation flea market proprietor. Learn to distinguish between cast-offs and collectibles. Part flea market, part séance - bargain buyer and seller beware...

Originating from the Abbey's Americana season: David Hancock's Obie award winning play - brilliantly performed by David Heap - is funny, bizarre and startling, as it uncovers a darker, more personal American history.

# Cinemobile

SAT 1

Sandford Park School Carpark



A mobile cinema showing films for all ages. Cinemobile is a large truck which transforms into a 100 seater state of the art cinema, fully heated, air conditioned and with Dolby Surround Sound.

## Film Schedule

| Film   | Starts | Ends  | Format | Price |
|--|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| Children's Film (film to be announced)   | 10:00  | 12:00 | Film   | €5    |
| <b>Rooney (88 mins)</b><br>A charming film tells the story of a young hurling star, filmed in Ranelagh and Rathmines in the 1950's<br><i>Support Programme: Irish Gossamer (26 mins)</i>   | 12:30  | 2:30  | DVD    | €5    |
| <b>The Tear and the Smile (50 mins)</b> / Introduced by a special guest of the festival<br>A once-off opportunity to see a groundbreaking documentary on the subject of Ireland in the 1950s, made by CBS television, presented by Walter Kronkite.<br><i>Support Programme: Foilsíú Nuachtán (3 mins) + Irish and Elegant (10 mins)</i> | 3.30   | 5.00  | DVD    | €8    |
| <b>The Ballroom of Romance (1982 - 65 mins)</b> / Introduced by a special guest of the festival<br>A rare opportunity to see this groundbreaking film.<br><i>Support Programme: The New Matchmakers Doc (26 mins)</i><br><i>Support Programme: Maet (8 mins)</i> A short film by Danny Forde   | 6.00   | 8.00  | DVD    | €8    |
| <b>The Bicycle Thieves (1948 - 93 mins)</b> / Introduced by a special guest of the festival<br>See De Sica's masterpiece on the big screen!<br><i>Support Programme: Cycle Safe! (8 mins)</i> - a 1947 public service film on safe cycling<br>historic Gael Linn newsreel  | 8.30   | 10.30 | DVD    | €8    |

Cinemobile schedule may be subject to alteration. Please check in advance with festival office on 085 743 7212 or on [www.ranelagharts.org](http://www.ranelagharts.org)



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# Day by Day Guide

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| Thurs 29 | Traditional Music Night with Ciaran Tourish<br>Arty McGlynn, Sean Og Potts & Guest<br>supported by Fintan Vallely & Friends                                | M   | IL MONDO<br>(Over Four Provinces Pub) | 21:00                   | €15   | 6    |
| Fri 30   | The Gospel Choir & Cullenswood Singers   | M   | Sandford Road Church                  | 20:00                   | €8    | 6    |
| Fri 30   | The Race of the Ark Tattoo<br>starring David Heap  | T   | Mount Pleasant Tennis Club            | 20:30                   | €5    | 17   |
| Fri 30   | Roesy supported by Orca<br>Featuring the music of Anna Jordan  | M   | IL MONDO<br>(Over Four Provinces Pub) | 21:00                   | €12   | 6    |
| Fri 30   | Informal music sessions in 'Birchall's'<br>'Burritos n Blues' & 'Mc Sorleys'   | M   | -                                     | -                       | -     | -    |
| Sat 1    | Open Day<br>Family-focused music & entertainment featuring<br>Macnas Ranelagh Rhythm, the Army Band,<br>Independent Theatre Workshop & traditional games . | C   | Ranelagh Gardens                      | 14:30                   | -     | 5    |
| Sat 1    | Cinemobile<br>A mobile cinema showing films for all ages   | F   | Sandford Park School Carpark          | See page 18 for details |       |      |
| Sat 1    | Unveiling of Plaque to mark the former<br>residence of Dr. Kathleen Lynn,<br>Veteran of 1916 Rising  | O   | 9 Belgrave Road, Rathmines            | 12:00                   | -     | 17   |
| Sat 1    | 'Inaugural Festival Night Out'<br>Bree Harris with James Delaney,<br>Anto Drennan, Paul Fairclough & Tony Molloy   | M   | IL MONDO<br>(Over Four Provinces Pub) | 21:00                   | €15   | 9    |

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| Sun 2                | 'In the Ranelagh Gardens'<br>An Afternoon of Poetry & Music with<br>MacDara Woods and Benjamin Dwyer                      | O   | Ranelagh Gardens                            | 14:00       | -     | 9    |
| Sun 2                | Play: 'The Octodeciad' by R. Carroll  | T   | Birchall's Pub                              | 18:00       | -     | 14   |
| Thurs 29<br>to Oct 2 | Art Exhibition: Donal O'Sullivan<br>'A Retrospective'   | E   | Sandford Park School                        | See Page 10 |       | 10   |
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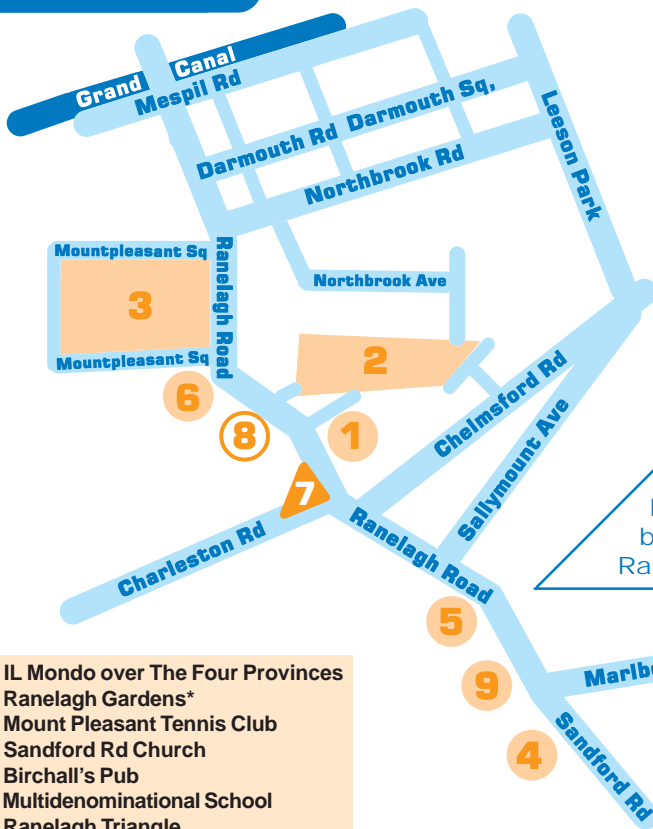
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## Map & Venue Info



Festival  
& Ticketing  
information will  
be available at the  
booth located in the  
Ranelagh Triangle Area

1. IL Mondo over The Four Provinces
2. Ranelagh Gardens\*
3. Mount Pleasant Tennis Club
4. Sandford Rd Church
5. Birchall's Pub
6. Multidenominational School
7. Ranelagh Triangle
8. Ranelagh LUAS
9. Sandford Park School

\*The main entrance to Ranelagh gardens is located through the arch directly beneath the Luas bridge

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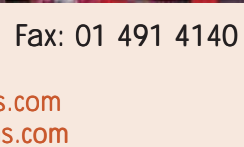
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