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25 APRIL - 3 MAY 2020



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Introducing the first edition of Cellissimo

Join us for this major new international triennial cello festival, as we celebrate one of the world's most beloved and versatile instruments in all its diversity.

Experience the core artistic programme featuring three major orchestral concerts – the opening concert of Crouching Tiger Concerto by Tan Dun (Irish premiere), performed by the RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra and conducted by the composer, while the Zagreb Soloists and the RTÉ Concert Orchestra present cello concertos by Haydn, Vivaldi and Elgar.

Enjoy the premieres of new cello concertos by Gerald Barry and Julia Wolfe, co-commissioned with the Amsterdam Cello Biennale, and Beethoven's 250th anniversary will be marked by a performance of all five cello sonatas.

Get your Bach fix every morning at our Bach Plus concerts featuring the six Bach cello suites, repeated in six different locations in Co. Galway. And don't miss Bill Whelan's new piece for the Galway Cello, an instrument lovingly crafted by luthier Kuros Torkzadeh from locally grown trees.

Go on a cello trail on Inishbofin with Cello Ireland, explore the cello in traditional music, bring a child to our children's show, discover all about the Galway Cello at the exhibition – and there are also talks and a movie. Oh, and if you are a cellist, bring your own instrument and join us for the cello extravaganza closing concert.

Anna Lardi Fogarty Festival Director **Finghin Collins** Artistic Director

2020 Festival Lineup

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In person:

Town Hall Theatre

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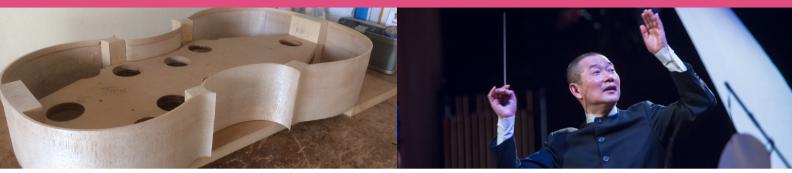


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17 APRIL – 2 MAY 25 APRIL



Cellissimo Exhibition

Curated by Rob D'Eath, this exhibition highlights the Galway Cello, a cello fashioned from timber grown in Co. Galway (concept Philip Fogarty) for Cellissimo as part of the Galway 2020 European Capital of Culture programme and commissioned by Music for Galway from luthier Kuros Torkzadeh.

Other highlights of the exhibition include:

- a specially commissioned cellist's chair by students of Design from GMIT's Letterfrack and Cluain Mhuire (CCAM) campuses
- a short film featuring Adrian Mantu
- a live performance by cellist Lucy Railton
- photographic portraits of Galway cellists
- pop-up performances by visiting cellists
- a lecture on the making of the Galway Cello by Kuros Torkzadeh
- · a short documentary film on the Galway Cello

Various times

126 Artist-Run Gallery, St. Bridget's Place, Woodquay | Galway City Museum

Visit the Galway
City Museum and
check out *The Curious*Cello by Jonathan
Nangle, suitable for
young audiences age
5 and older. On loan
with kind permission
from The Ark,
Children's Cultural
Centre, Dublin.

Crouching Tiger

in association with RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra

At the very start of the festival, we unveil the Galway Cello, fashioned out of the Galway landscape by luthier Kuros Torkzadeh. We then hear two original works by Oscar-winning composer Tan Dun, performed by star Italian cellist Giovanni Sollima with the RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra, conducted by the composer himself.

Bill Whelan: Newly commissioned piece for cello and voice, written for the Galway Cello – world premiere

Tan Dun: Crouching Tiger Cello Concerto **Tan Dun:** The Map – Concerto for cello, video
and orchestra

The Galway Cello sponsored by MJ Conroy Giovanni Sollima's appearance in Cellissimo is kindly sponsored by Techrete

8-10pm

Bailey Allen Hall, NUIG

Tickets: €30 | €27 MfG Friends: €26 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €15

Artists:

RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra Tan Dun Giovanni Sollima Naomi Berrill

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Inishbofin Cello Trail with Cello Ireland

Travel from Galway to Cleggan by coach, and to Inishbofin by ferry. In small groups you will be led on a cello trail around the island. Along the 2.4km walk there will be four stops with short performances. After a lunch break everyone will gather in the Church for a cello octet concert of about 45 minutes. The ferry will be ready to take everyone back to the bus for the return to Galway.

Experience breath-taking scenery and magical music in stunning locations. Places are limited so book early, call the **Town Hall Theatre** on +353 91 569777

*Weather appropriate clothing and walking shoes are a must.

Tan Dun Interview

Find out more about Tan Dun's fascinating life and star-studded career at a public interview with David Davin-Power.

"[Tan Dun's] music – which at one moment is as tonal as Beethoven and as melodic as Gershwin and the next delves into sounds that, before Cage, were considered mere noise — reveals a remarkable range of influences, from Chinese folk song to the Internet."

UT San Diego, 2012

9am-8pm Inishbofin

Tickets:

€50 – travel from Galway + event (€40 with free travel pass)

€40 – boat + event (€25 with free travel pass) Meet at Cleggan pier: 10.45am

€25 – event only Meet at Inishbofin pier: 12.15pm

11.30am-12.30pm Town Hall Theatre – main stage

Tickets: €10 | €8

MfG Friends: €8

Unwaged & Students
(full-time): €5



Masterclass with Giovanni Sollima

FREE EVENT

Giovanni Sollima works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

Giovanni Sollima's appearance in Cellissimo is kindly sponsored by Techrete

2–5pmTown Hall Theatre –

Town Hall Theatre – studio

Journey into Twilight as part of Abendmusik Series

This concert takes us on a journey from the

brightness of day into the shadows of evening. The unique sonority of solo cello with chamber choir is explored through a varied programme contrasting the lush romantic textures of Arensky and Rheinberger with the startling contemporary innovations of Giovanni Sollima and Sam Perkin (new commission).

In Nystedt's Stabat Mater the journey into darkness concludes with a glimpse of glory, the cello acting as expressive commentary on the ancient text.

5-6.15pm

St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Tickets: €20 | €18 MfG Friends: €16 Unwaged & students (full-time): €10

Artists:

Adrian Mantu Collegium Mark Duley 26 APRIL 27 APRIL





Masterclass with Naomi Berrill

Naomi Berrill works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

FREE EVENT

10am-1pm Town Hall Theatre –

Bach Plus 1 with Giovanni Sollima

Bach: Cello Suite No. 1 in G major BWV 1007 Works by G. Sollima, Giulio de Ruvo, Eliodoro Sollima, Steve Hackett, Bernhard Cossmann, Francesco Corbetta

There will be tea/coffee and a nibble.

Sponsored by Tigh Neachtain

11am-12 noon St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Tickets: €12 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €6

Masterclass with Adrian Mantu

Adrian Mantu works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

FREE EVEN

3-6pm Town Hall Theatre –

Sollima/Berrill

Two unique cellists, two unique voices. One from Sicily, the other from Headford; both resident in Italy. Witness their very first public collaboration, where anything might happen.

With Giovanni Sollima and Naomi Berrill.

8.30-9.50pm

Town Hall Theatre – main stage

Bach Plus 1 with Giovanni Sollima

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6-7pm

Campbell's Tavern, Headford

Tickets: €12 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €6 *Tickets on door*

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Cello Ireland

Cello Ireland is a collective of diverse cellists from across Ireland. Expect music for different combinations of cellos, from two to eight cellos, with well-known favourites and some unexpected departures.

Programme will include traditional Irish airs, classical duos by David Popper, a tango by Piazzolla, pieces by Arvo Pärt and Messiaen and a movement from Villa-Lobos' Bachianas Brasileiras No. 1

8–10pmSt. Mary's
Cathedral, Tuam

Tickets: €20 | €15 MfG Friends: €15

Masterclass with Christopher Marwood

FREE EVENT

Christopher Marwood works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

10am-1pm

Town Hall Theatre – studio

Bach Plus 2 with Adrian Brendel

Bach: Suite No. 2 in D minor BWV 1008 Imogen Holst: "The Fall of the Leaf" (1963) Jonathan Harvey: "Curve with Plateau" (1982)

There will be tea/coffee and a nibble.

Sponsored by Tigh Neachtain

11am-12 noon

St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Tickets: €12 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €6

Traditional Workshop

Introduction to rhythmic accompaniment in Irish music on the cello. With this workshop American Natalie Haas demonstrates her exploration of the cello within traditional music. Natalie has worked with the best of Irish and international traditional musicians and she will debate, workshop and demonstrate what this instrument can bring to that genre of music.

FREE

1–2pm

Mick Lally Theatre

Open to all levels and ages – minors to be accompanied by a guardian

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Bach Plus 2 with Adrian Mantu

"Dances, songs and poems", performed on baroque, modern and electric cellos.

Bach: Cello Suite No. 2 in D minor BWV 1008 Works by Sollima, Hamza el Din, Philip Glass.

2-3pm

Ballynahinch Castle Hotel

Tickets: €10 coreillv@ballvnahinchcastle.com | 095 31006

> **FREE EVENT**

Masterclass with Laura van der Heijden

3-6pm

Laura van der Heijden works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

Town Hall Theatre studio



Beethoven x 5

Celebrate Beethoven's 250th birthday with a performance of all five cello sonatas, which span his entire career, from Opus 5 to Opus 102. Introduced by musicologist Richard Wigmore.

Artists: Christopher Ellis, Laura van der Heijden, Christopher Marwood, Tatjana Vassilieva, Adrian Brendel, Finghin Collins

Sponsored by Optique Opticians

7-10.30pm

Town Hall Theatre

With two intervals

Tickets: €25 | €22.50 MfG Friends: €21 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €12.50

Masterclass with Adrian Brendel



Adrian Brendel works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

10am-1pm

Town Hall Theatre studio

The Decibel Family

A play for the young and the young at heart



All over the world celebrities have proven that they can do almost anything they want. They can dance, conduct orchestras, make masterchef-quality food and bake. But can they learn to play the cello in just one month?

In this play, the Dutch cultural attaché has asked celebrity Micha Wertheim to do just that. He has taken on the challenge and has promised Cellissimo to perform *The Swan* by French composer Camille Saint-Saëns on a 400 hundred year old Stradivarius. But why is Micha refusing to open the cello case? And what is he doing waving around that dangerous saw?

Micha Wertheim is a Dutch comedian. children's book writer and columnist, known for his experimental take on stand-up comedy.

Fay Lovsky is a Dutch composer, singer songwriter and multi instrumentalist. Among other instruments she plays both the theremin and the musical saw.

10-11am

Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €6.50

Recommended age:

This show is very much geared towards the young and voung at heart and we recommend it for people age 6 and up.

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Bach Plus 3 with Laura van der Heijden

Bach: Cello Suite No. 3 in C major BWV 1009 **Britten**: Cello Suite No. 2 Op. 80

There will be tea/coffee and a nibble.

Sponsored by Tigh Neachtain

11am-12 noon St. Nicholas'

St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Tickets: €12 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €6

Richard Wigmore

Insights on Bach Cello Suites

Musicologist Richard Wigmore gives a talk about the six Bach Cello Suites with the participation of Laura van der Heijden.



12.15–1pm St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Bach Plus 3 with Christopher Marwood

Bach: Cello Suite No. 3 in C major BWV 1009 Sculthorpe: Threnody for solo cello Boris Tchaikovsky: Solo Suite (Irish premiere)

1-2pm

Church of Ireland, Oughterard

Tickets: €10 leslielyons@eircom.net 086 3981572

Traditional Workshop

Natalie Haas continues exploring the cello's role in traditional music in a panel discussion with Alec Brown and Sean Warren on the state of the cello in Irish music, past and present.



1–2pm Mick Lally Theatre

Masterclass with Natalie Haas



Natalie Haas works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

3–6pmMick Lally Theatre



Meet the Cello maker



Luthier Kuros Torkzadeh undertook the challenge of fashioning the Galway Cello out of woods mainly grown in East Galway. Hear him talk about the ups and downs he encountered as he made this remarkable instrument.

4.30–5.15pm Gallery 126

Exhibition performance



Live performance with cellist Lucy Railton.

5.30–6.30pm Gallery 126

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Concerto Gala

with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra

We present the two new cello concertos we have co-commissioned with the Cello Biennale Amsterdam and follow them with the evergreen masterpiece that is the Elgar Cello Concerto. Three star soloists join the RTÉ Concert Orchestra conducted by the leading Irish conductor of his generation, David Brophy.

Gerald Barry: Cello Concerto – world premiere Julia Wolfe: Wind in my hair - second performance, Irish premiere Elgar: Cello Concerto

7.30-9.30pm Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €25 | €22.50 MfG Friends: €21 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €12.50

Artists:

RTÉ Concert Orchestra David Brophy Tatjana Vassiljeva Jakob Koranyi Nicolas Altstaedt

From Prussia with Love

A chamber music concert with particular emphasis on the cello. Two quintets by the extravagantly gifted Boccherini and the sublime Schubert frame one of Mozart's Prussian Ouartets.

Boccherini: Cello Quintet in C major, Op. 28 No. 4

Mozart: String Quartet K. 575 Schubert: Cello Ouintet in C maior, D. 956

Presented with Shorelines Arts Festival

Trad Late Night

Juilliard grad Natalie Haas is one of the most sought after cellists in traditional music today. She and Scottish fiddler Alasdair Fraser have toured as a duo for twenty years, wowing audiences at festivals and concerts worldwide with their unique sound. Natalie has also toured with Mark O'Connor as a member of his Appalachia Waltz Trio. As a studio musician, Natalie has been a quest artist on over 50 albums, including those of Cape Breton fiddler Natalie MacMaster, Irish greats Altan, Solas, and Liz Carroll, and Americana icon Dirk Powell. She is an associate professor at the Berklee College of Music in Boston.

As part of Cellissimo's exploration of the cello in traditional music, she teams up with concertina player & dancer Caitlín Nic Gabhann and fiddler Ciarán Ó Maonaigh. Get your toes ready to tap!

8-10pm

Church of Ireland. Portumna

Tickets: €20 MfG Friends: €16 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €10

Artists:

ConTempo Quartet Hannah Roberts

10.15-11.15pm Mick Lally Theatre

Tickets: €15 MfG Friends: €13 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €7.50

Artists:

Natalie Haas Caitlín Nic Gabhann Ciarán Ó Maonaigh

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Masterclass with Nicolas Altstandt

FREE EVENT

Nicolas Altstaedt works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

10am-1pm

Town Hall Theatre studio

The Decibel Family

A play for the young and the young at heart



The Decibel Family is based on the picture book of the same name that Micha Wertheim wrote with illustrations by Cristina Garcia Martin.

See page 15 for full event description.

Sponsored by Yvonne Barry

10-11am

Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €6.50

Recommended age: over 6 years old

Bach Plus 4 with Tatjana Vassiljeva

Bach: Cello Suite No. 4 in E flat major BWV 1010 Kaiia Saariaho: Spins and Spells Cassadó: Cello Suite

There will be tea/coffee and a nibble.

Sponsored by Tigh Neachtain

11am-12 noon

St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Tickets: €12 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €6



Traditional Workshop



Natalie Haas continues her exploration of the cello within traditional music. Plus, there will be an open rehearsal with cello trio for tonight's Trad Late Night concert.

1-2pm

Mick Lally Theatre

Masterclass with Jakob Koranvi



Jakob Koranyi works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

3-6pm

Town Hall Theatre studio

Bach Plus 4 with Hannah Roberts

Bach: Cello Suite No. 4 in E flat major BWV 1010 Sally Beamish: "Gala Water"

Crumb: Sonata for solo cello

Presented with Coole Music School

6-7pm

Lady Gregory Hotel, Gort

Tickets: €10 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €8 091 632333 | Eventbrite

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Mischa & Lily Maisky

We are delighted to present Mischa Maisky, one of the world's truly legendary artists, in recital with his daughter Lily. The programme could scarcely be more dynamic, more diverse, more appealing.

Beethoven: Seven Variations in E flat major on Mozart's Magic Flute in E flat major, WoO 46 **Rachmaninov**: Sonata for Cello and Piano in G minor, Op. 19

Britten: Sonata for Cello and Piano in C, Op. 65 **Piazzolla**: Le Grand Tango

Trad Late Night

Continuing the journey of discovering what the cello can do in traditional music, Natalie, Caitlín and Ciarán are joined by three cellists, who have worked with Natalie as a traditional cello quartet (of sorts) in the past.

8–10pm
Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €48.50 | €38.50 | €25 MfG Friends: €44.50 | €34.50 | €21

This will be a very popular concert, so do book early!

10.15-11.15pm Mick Lally Theatre

Tickets: €15 MfG Friends: €13 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €7.50

Masterclass with Hannah Roberts

FREE EVENT

Hannah Roberts works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

10am-1pm

Town Hall Theatre – studio

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Sponsored by Yvonne Barry

10-11am

Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €6.50

Recommended age: over 6 years old

Bach Plus 5 with Marc Coppey

Bach: Suite No. 5 in C minor BWV 1011
Jean-Pierre Duport: Etude No. 8
Enno Poppe: Zwölf (2014)

There will be tea/coffee and a nibble.

Marc Coppey's appearance in Cellissimo is in partnership with the French Embassy in Ireland

Dutilleux: Strophes sur le nom de Sacher (1976)

Sponsored by Tigh Neachtain

11am-12 noon St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Tickets: €12 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €6 1 MAY 1 MAY

Masterclass with Mischa Maisky

Mischa Maisky works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

3-6pm
Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €10 MfG Friends: €8 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €5

Bach Plus 5 with William Butt

Bach: Suite No. 5 in C minor BWV 1011 **Cassadó**: Cello Suite

Presented with Athenry Music School, with young student cellists

5-6pm

Community Hall, Athenry

Tickets: €10 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €5 *Tickets on door*

Zagreb Soloists

We present the Zagreb Soloists directed by their former artistic director, the charismatic French cellist Marc Coppey. To open the programme, Coppey will be joined by one of his students, the outstanding young Dublin cellist Christopher Ellis.

Vivaldi: Concerto for Two Cellos and Orchestra in G minor

Haydn: Concerto in C major **Barber**: Adagio for Strings **Bartók**: Divertimento for Strings 7.30-9.30pm
Town Hall Theatre

Artists:

Zagreb Soloists Marc Coppey Christopher Ellis



Late Night at the Castle

Round off your day with a late-night concert in the beautiful surroundings of Claregalway Castle with outstanding English cellist Adrian Brendel and pianist Finghin Collins.

Janáček: Fairy Tale

Nadia Boulanger: Three pieces

Sibelius: Melancholy

De Falla: Seven Spanish Popular Folksongs

A shuttle bus will run from the Town Hall Theatre to Claregalway Castle on time for the Late Night at the Castle concert. To book the bus transfer (£11 return) call the THT on 091 569777.

In partnership with Claregalway Castle Anonymous Sponsor 10.15-11.15pm Claregalway Castle

Tickets: €15 | €13 MfG Friends: €13 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €7.50

Artists:

Adrian Brendel Finghin Collins 2 MAY 2 MAY

Masterclass with Marc Coppey



Marc Coppey works with the young cellists of our International Student Programme.

10am-1pm

Town Hall Theatre studio

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Sponsored by Yvonne Barry

10-11am

Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €6 50

Recommended age: over 6 years old

Bach Plus 6 with Jakob Koranyi

Bach: Suite No. 6 in D major BWV 1012 Kaiia Saariaho: Sept Papillons Swedish folk song Värmlandsvisan

There will be tea/coffee and a nibble.

Sponsored by Tigh Neachtain

11am-12 noon

St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church

Tickets: €12 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €6

Rostropovich Talk with Ludmila Snigireva

Moscow born, Galway resident Ludmila Snigireva will give a talk on the legendary Russian cellist Mstislav Rostropovich. She will be joined by Mischa Maisky, who studied with Rostropovich. Ludmila's insights coupled with Maisky's first hand experiences and memories of this giant of the cello, promises to make for a great afternoon.

This ticket includes the screening of 'The Cellist' – see details on the next page.

2-3pm

Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €10 MfG Friends: €8 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €5

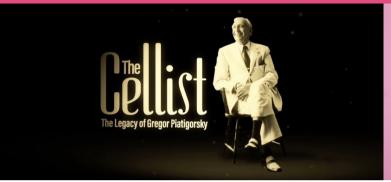


Bach Plus 6 with Jakob Koranyi

Bach: Suite No. 6 in D major BWV 1012 Kaija Saariaho: Sept Papillons Swedish folk song Värmlandsvisan

2.30-3.30pm Clonfert Cathedral

Tickets: €12 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €6 Tickets on door





'The Cellist' a film by Murray Grigor

A film by Murray Grigor about Gregor Piatigorsky, in which Mischa Maisky appears.

The ticket includes a talk by Ludmila Snigireva – see details on the previous page.

Zagreb Soloists

Vivaldi: Concerto for Two Cellos and Orchestra in G minor

Havdn: Concerto in C maior Barber: Adagio for Strings **Bartók**: Divertimento for Strings

See page 24 for full event description.

In partnership with the Clifden Arts Society

3.30-5pm Town Hall Theatre

Tickets: €10 MfG Friends: €8 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €5

7.30-9.30pm Church of Ireland. Clifden

Tickets: €20 | €15 MfG Friends: €15

Grand Cellissimo Finale

We can safely say that Galway will never have seen the like of it before. A spectacular finale to end the week of all weeks, cellistically speaking. Never will so many cellos have been seen west of the Shannon. To join them, we welcome star Irish soprano Claudia Boyle to sing Villa-Lobos' haunting Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5, Expect to be moved, exhilarated, transported, dazzled!

Programme will also include works by Sollima, Tchaikovsky and Bruch and new arrangements of works by Bach and Fauré.

If you are an amateur cellist (grade 5) and you would like to join in the performance, get in touch through the website or send an email to info@musicforgalway.ie before March 1. Applicants must be over 18 years old.

7.30-9.45pm Bailey Allen Hall, NUIG

Tickets: €25 | €22.50 MfG Friends: €21 Unwaged & Students (full-time): €12.50 Family ticket: £60

Artists:

Claudia Bovle Adrian Brendel Adrian Mantu Hannah Roberts Cello Ireland Cello Students

3 MAY



Student Showcase Concert

Our twelve cello students from all over Europe will have spent the week taking part in masterclasses with our visiting cellists and performing short pop-up concerts throughout Galway city.

To help you wind down after last night's extravagance, come and hear them in their very own showcase concert, accompanied by pianist Dearbhla Brosnan.

1-3pm

Town Hall Theatre -Main stage

Tickets: €10 MfG Friends: €8 **Unwaged & Students** (full-time): €5

By phone:

In person:

Town Hall Theatre

Online: cellissimo.ie

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