

MUSIC FOR GALWAY

36th International Concert Season

2016-17



*Aimez-vous Brahms?*

Thurs 22 Sept	LUNCHTIME 1	Hotel Meyrick
Wed 28 Sept	Quatour Van Kuijk / Andreea Banciu / Finghin Collins	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Thurs 29 Sept	LUNCHTIME TALK: Brahms The Man	Hotel Meyrick
Tues 11 Oct	Adam Laloum, piano	Aula Maxima, NUIG
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Fri 4 Nov	JACK Quartet	The PorterShed
Thurs 10 Nov	LUNCHTIME 3	Hotel Meyrick
Tues 15 Nov	ConTempo Quartet / Romain Guyot	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Thurs 24 Nov	Lucy Parham / Derbhle Crotty / Henry Goodman: BELOVED CLARA	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Sat 10 Dec	Irish Baroque Orchestra: Handel's Messiah	Galway Cathedral
Fri 20 - Sun 22 Jan	Midwinter Festival: PRODIGY	Town Hall Theatre
Sun 12 Feb	Catherine Leonard / Hugh Tinney	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Thurs 16 Feb	LUNCHTIME 4	Hotel Meyrick
Fri 24 Feb	Emily Anderson Memorial Concert: BEETHOVEN - Ficcino Ensemble	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Tues 7 March	Trio Dali / Nathan Braude	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Thurs 23 March	LUNCHTIME 5	Hotel Meyrick
Wed 29 March	Academy Chamber Ensemble	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Fri 14 April	Collegium / Mark Duley: POPULE MEUS	St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church
Thurs 20 April	LUNCHTIME 6	Hotel Meyrick
Thurs 27 April	RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra	Leisureland
Thurs 4 May	Finghin Collins / Cédric Tiberghien	Aula Maxima, NUIG
Thurs 18 May	LUNCHTIME TALK: Brahms in Love	Hotel Meyrick
Thurs 18 May	Elizabeth Cooney and Friends	Aula Maxima, NUIG

**ALTERATIONS TO PROGRAMME**

Music for Galway reserves the right to alter any advertised programme if necessary.

**LATECOMERS**

Please check starting times for individual concerts. Latecomers will only be admitted during a break in the programme.

**TICKETS**

Concessions apply to MGF Friends, senior citizens (over 65) and the unwaged. Evidence will be requested at point of purchase. 10% discount on bookings for 10 or more people. Student tickets (full-time) students only. Identification required. One ticket per person. Family Tickets available at door.

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# Welcome

Finghin Collins  
Photo: Frances Marshall

For Music for Galway's 2016-17 season, I have decided to shine a spotlight on that titan of the nineteenth century, Johannes Brahms. Inheritor of the great tradition of Bach and Beethoven, Brahms made his mark on musical history like no other composer, creating music of enormous stature and searing passion. Across the season we will hear many of his finest compositions, from solo piano works and songs to works for piano duet, piano quartet, piano quintet, clarinet quintet, viola quintet and string sextet. We will also hear his glorious Third Symphony performed by the RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra in April - the music which provides much of the soundtrack to "Goodbye Again", the movie adaptation of Françoise Sagan's evocative 1959 novel "Aimez-vous Brahms?" which gives our season its title. Two free lunchtime talks by Gerry Murphy will explore the conflicted character of the man behind the music.

Of course, there is a lot more to the season besides Brahms. There's music from the 16th century and a programme of cutting-edge music from the 21st century. And there's a whole lot in between! As ever, our visiting artists are of the finest quality and many of them are making their Irish début.

Our Midwinter Festival PRODIGY will focus on the phenomenon that is the child prodigy, with an entire weekend of works composed by child and teenage composers, from Mozart and Mendelssohn to Glazunov and Prokofiev. Eleven-year-old Alma Deutscher, whose mother is Irish, will dazzle and intrigue us as she too makes her Irish début here in Galway.

Choral aficionados will once again be thrilled by the IBO's Messiah (this time in Galway Cathedral) and soothed by Collegium Choir's Good Friday programme in St. Nick's. We are proud to present our second MFG lunchtime series at the Meyrick. Thank you to all our funders, our concert sponsors, our Patrons and Friends. I am very excited about this new season and hope you will enjoy it!

*Finghin Collins, Artistic Director*

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THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 1.05pm

## LUNCHTIME 1

See lunchtime music menu page 19.

WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 8.00pm

## SEASON OPENING CONCERT

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



Quatuor Van Kuijk  
Photo: Adrien Vecchioni

**QUATUOR VAN KUIJK**  
**ANDREEA BANCIU** viola  
**FINGHIN COLLINS** piano

**HAYDN** Quartet Op. 76 no. 4

**BRAHMS** Viola Quintet in G major, Op. 111

**BRAHMS** Piano Quintet in F minor, Op. 34

This acclaimed young French string quartet won the Wigmore Hall International String Quartet Competition in 2015. For their Irish début, they will be joined by ConTempo's Andreea Banciu and MFG Artistic Director Finghin Collins for a cracking season opener.

*"Style, energy, and a sense of risk [...].  
These four young Frenchmen made the  
music smile."* *The Guardian*



Tickets: €20 / MFG Friends/concession: €16 / Students (full-time): €6

THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 1.05pm

## LUNCHTIME TALK

**GERRY MURPHY: BRAHMS THE MAN**

TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER 8.00pm

## ADAM LALOUM PIANO

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



Adam Laloum  
Photo: Carole Bellaiche

**MOZART** Sonata K. 576

**SCHUBERT** Impromptus D. 935

**BRAHMS** Three Intermezzi Op. 117

**BRAHMS** Six Piano Pieces Op. 118

Another French prizewinner makes his Irish début – this time the pianist Adam Laloum who won the Clara Haskil Competition in 2009.

*"...the way Laloum led his audience through this incredible  
"Garden Fantasy" of musical colors and sensual impressions,  
was the peak of the evening and one of the highlights of the  
Munich concert season. Truly masterful!"* *Süddeutsche Zeitung*

Tickets: €18/€14/€6

THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER 1.05pm

## LUNCHTIME 2

See lunchtime music menu page 19.



FRIDAY 4 NOVEMBER 6.00pm (PLEASE NOTE START TIME)

# JACK QUARTET

THE PORTERSHED



Jack Quartet  
Photo: Henrik Olund

**CAROLINE SHAW** Ritornello 2.sq.2.j  
**PETER ROSSER** String Quartet No. 2  
**JOHN ZORN** Remedy of Fortune  
**JULIA WOLFE** Early That Summer

*"Superheroes of the new music world..." (Boston Globe) who have achieved "godlike stature in the contemporary music scene" (Washington Post) will thrill Galway audiences with a programme of mostly 21st century music at the newly-refurbished technical hub that is the PorterShed.*

Tickets: €12/€8



THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER 1.05pm

## LUNCHTIME 3

See lunchtime music menu page 19.

TUESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 8.00pm

# GALWAY'S CONTEMPO QUARTET WITH ROMAIN GUYOT CLARINET

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



ConTempo Quartet

**ENDA BATES** Quartet No. 1 with tape  
**BARTÓK** Quartet No. 2  
**BRAHMS** Clarinet Quintet in B minor, Op. 115



Romain Guyot

Galway's own ConTempo Quartet need no introduction; they constantly produce fresh and exciting performances. Our season focus will continue with a performance of Brahms' autumnal and searingly beautiful clarinet quintet, for which they will be joined by clarinetist Romain Guyot, praised for his *"undulating charm, tenderness and brilliance"* (La Croix).

Tickets: €20/€16/€6



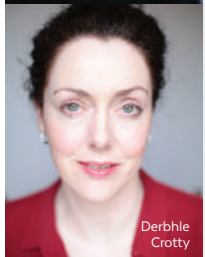
THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER 8.00pm

# BELOVED CLARA

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



Lucy Parham



Derbhle Crotty



Henry Goodman



**LUCY PARHAM** piano  
with actors **DERBHLE CROTTY**  
and **HENRY GOODMAN**

Delve into the story of the intricate and complex relationship between Brahms, Clara and Robert Schumann which has fascinated music-lovers for years.

*"A lovely entertainment, flawlessly performed"*

*The Independent*



Tickets: €20/€16/€6



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Admission to every Music for Galway event in 2016-17 Season including 24 concerts and 2 talks.

Season Ticket price: €241 · For more see page 21

SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER 7.30pm

# HANDEL'S MESSIAH

GALWAY CATHEDRAL (PLEASE NOTE VENUE)



Irish Baroque Orchestra  
Photo: Frances Marshall

**IRISH BAROQUE ORCHESTRA**

**MONICA HUGGETT** director

**RESURGAM** choir

**KATHERINE CROMPTON** soprano

**RAPHAELA MANGAN** mezzo-soprano

**OWEN GILHOOLY** tenor

**TRISTAN HAMBLETON** bass-baritone



IRISH BAROQUE ORCHESTRA



Resurgam

Ring in the Christmas season with the Irish Baroque Orchestra and Resurgam who will make Galway Cathedral reverberate to the sounds of Handel's perennial masterpiece led by IBO Artistic Director Monica Huggett.

Tickets: €25/€20



Galway Cathedral



George Frideric Handel





Illustration by Páisín Coyle

# MIDWINTER FESTIVAL PRODIGY

TOWN HALL THEATRE 20-22 JANUARY



**AILISH TYNAN** soprano  
**CHRISTIAN CHAMOREL** piano  
**ALMA DEUTSCHER**  
 piano, violin, composer  
**CONTEMPO QUARTET**  
**ESPOSITO QUARTET**

*"When I try to get a melody it never comes to me. It usually comes to me either when I'm resting or when I'm just sitting at the piano improvising, or when I'm skipping with my skipping rope."* Alma Deutscher

The 2017 Midwinter Festival takes child prodigies as its inspiration. Every work in the weekend programme will have been written before or by the age of eighteen. An amazing range of music by incredibly talented prodigies from down through the ages. We are also joined by the astounding 11 year old prodigy Alma Deutscher for her Irish début, in which she performs many of her works on multiple instruments. Age of composer at time of composition in brackets.

## FRIDAY 20 JANUARY

### 8.00pm CONCERT

**ALMA DEUTSCHER** (8) Variations in E flat major  
**SCHUBERT** (15-18) Selected songs  
**MOZART** (18) Piano Sonata in E flat, K. 282  
**MENDELSSOHN** (14) Piano Quartet No. 2 in F minor, Op. 2

## SATURDAY 21 JANUARY

### 2.00pm SPOTLIGHT ON ALMA

Alma Deutscher is joined by Finghin Collins, Ailsh Tynan and members of the ConTempo Quartet for performances of a selection of her compositions. She will also perform early works by Beethoven and Clara Schumann.

### 3.30pm - 5.30pm OPEN REHEARSALS

### 8.00pm CONCERT

**ARRIAGA** (17) String Quartet No. 1 in D minor  
**MOZART** (17) Viola Quintet in B flat, K. 174  
**MENDELSSOHN** (15-18) Six selected songs from Twelve Songs Op. 8  
**GLAZUNOV** (16-17) String Quartet No. 1 Op. 1  
**PROKOFIEV** (16-18) Piano Sonata No. 1 Op. 1

## SUNDAY 22 JANUARY

### 11.00am FILM: *IMAGINE... DO OR DIE:* *THE LANG LANG STORY*

From child prodigy to global phenomenon, Alan Yentob reveals the extraordinary life of Chinese superstar Lang Lang.

### 3.00pm CONCERT

**SCHUBERT** (15) String Quartet No. 2 in C major, D. 32  
**MAHLER** (16) Piano Quartet movement in A minor  
**KORNGOLD** (14-16) Four Songs from Sechs Einfache Lieder Op. 9  
**MENDELSSOHN** (16) Octet Op. 20

#### TICKETS

Main concerts: €22/€18/€6 · Family ticket (2 adults & 2 children): €44  
 Lunchtime: €10/€8/€6 · Family ticket (2 adults & 2 children): €20  
 Film screening: Free (booking advised)

**BOOKING** through Town Hall Theatre: 091 569777 or [www.tht.ie](http://www.tht.ie)



SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 3.00pm (PLEASE NOTE START TIME)

# CATHERINE LEONARD VIOLIN AND HUGH TINNEY PIANO

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY

## FRIENDS CONCERT



Hugh Tinney &  
Catherine Leonard

- BACH** Two movements from Sonata BWV 1017  
**SCHUBERT** Sonata D. 385  
**MESSIAEN** Thème et Variations  
**RAYMOND DEANE** "Parthenia Violata"  
**BRAHMS** Sonata No. 3 in D minor, Op. 108

The acclaimed Irish duo of Catherine Leonard and Hugh Tinney will make a long overdue Galway début.

*"Leonard and Tinney... perfect poise and balance. Nothing understated, nothing forced, everything spot on."* *The Irish Times*

This is a tour funded by the Arts Council Touring Grant

Tickets: €18/€14/€6

Free admission for Friends of Music for Galway



THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY 1.05pm

## LUNCHTIME 4

See lunchtime music menu page 19.

FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY 8.00pm

# EMILY ANDERSON ANNUAL MEMORIAL CONCERT: BEETHOVEN

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



Ficino  
Ensemble

## KEVIN JANSSEN piano and FICINO ENSEMBLE

- BEETHOVEN** Piano Sonata "Quasi una Fantasia"  
Op. 27 No. 1 in E flat major  
**BEETHOVEN** String Trio Op. 9 No. 2 in D major  
**BEETHOVEN** Septet Op. 20



Kevin Janssen  
Photo: Conor McCabe

*"I will seize fate by the throat;  
it shall certainly never wholly  
overcome me."* *Beethoven*

Tickets: €20/€16/€6



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TUESDAY 7 MARCH 8.00pm

# TRIO DALI AND NATHAN BRAUDE VIOLA

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



Trio Dali  
Photo: Keith Saunders

Nathan Braude  
Photo: Marco Borggreve

**BEETHOVEN** Trio Op. 1 No. 1  
**HAYDN** Trio in C major Hob XV:27  
**BRAHMS** Piano Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 25

*"Trio Dali are very serious about having fun with music."* *Limelight Magazine*

Tickets: €20/€16/€6

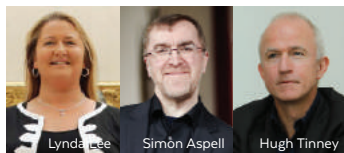
THURSDAY 23 MARCH 1.05pm

**LUNCHTIME 5** See lunchtime music menu page 19.

WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH 8.00pm

# ACADEMY CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



**LYNDA LEE** soprano  
**SIMON ASPPELL** viola  
**HUGH TINNEY** piano

**SCHUMANN/BRAHMS** Selected songs  
**CHOPIN** Nocturne in D flat, Op. 27 no. 2  
**SEOIRSE BODLEY** 2 pieces from *Aislingí* Nos. 1 & 5  
**JANE O'LEARY** Forgotten Worlds  
**BRAHMS** Two Songs for voice, viola, piano Op. 91  
**BRAHMS** Sonata for viola and piano in F minor, Op. 120 no. 1

The ACE is drawn from the rich pool of talent that comprises the staff of the Royal Irish Academy of Music. For this concert, three of Ireland's foremost musicians collaborate on a diverse programme centred around Brahms.

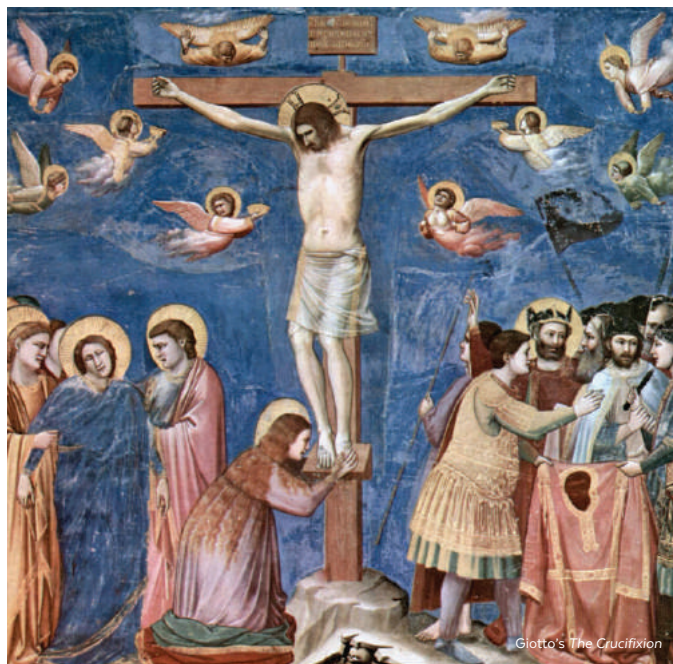
Tickets: €18/€14/€6

Royal Irish  
Academy of  
Music

FRIDAY 14 APRIL 5.00pm

# POPULE MEUS MUSIC FOR GOOD FRIDAY

ST. NICHOLAS' COLLEGIATE CHURCH



Giotto's 'The Crucifixion'

**COLLEGIUM CHAMBER CHOIR**  
**MARK DULEY** conductor

  
**Hewlett Packard  
Enterprise**

The title is drawn from the Improperia, a series of antiphons and responses for the Good Friday liturgy (more commonly known as "The Reproaches"). These are some of the most emotionally charged texts for this holy day, linking Old Testament acts of God to the events of the passion as Christ remonstrates with humanity. The centrepiece of this one-hour concert will be Robert White's beautiful "Lamentations" and the programme will also contain works by Bruckner, Victoria, John Sanders and Jonathan Harvey.

Tickets: €15/€12/€6

THURSDAY 20 APRIL 1.05pm

**SAP LUNCHTIME 6**

See lunchtime music menu page 19.



THURSDAY 27 APRIL 8.00pm

# RTÉ NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

## VADIM GLUZMAN VIOLIN

## DANIEL COHEN CONDUCTOR

LEISURELAND



RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra

**JOHN KINSELLA** Elegy for strings  
**GUBAIDULINA** "Offertorium" violin concerto  
**BRAHMS** Symphony No. 3 in F major, Op. 90

Tickets: €22.50/€18/€10



Vadim Gluzman



Daniel Cohen  
Photo: Benjamin Ealovega

**Stewart**  
Ag tógáil le ceol bílín anuas

**RTÉ NATIONAL**  
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA



THURSDAY 4 MAY 8.00pm

# PIANO DUO RECITAL

## FINGHIN COLLINS AND

## CÉDRIC TIBERGHEN

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



Finghin Collins  
Photo:  
Frances Marshall



Cédric Tiberghien  
Photo: Jean-Baptiste Millot

**BACH** Partita No. 1 in B flat major BWV 825  
**SZYMANOWSKI** 12 Études Op. 33  
**BARTÓK** Etudes Op. 18  
**BRAHMS** 21 Hungarian Dances WoO 1 (four hands)

*"Tiberghien's technique is formidable, but it's his intensity and poetic impulsiveness that catch the ear." The Boston Globe*

*"Friday's star was Finghin Collins, who took a grip on the stormy emotions of Brahms's First Piano Concerto as if the piece might have been written for him.." The Irish Times*

Tickets: €20/€16/€6

THURSDAY 18 MAY 1.05pm

# LUNCHTIME TALK

GERRY MURPHY: BRAHMS IN LOVE

THURSDAY 18 MAY 8.00pm

# SEASON CLOSING CONCERT ELIZABETH COONEY AND FRIENDS

AULA MAXIMA, NUI GALWAY



Elizabeth Cooney

Simon Aspell

Mairéad Hickey

Ruth Gibson

Guy Johnston  
Photo: Jack Liebeck

Brian O'Kane

**ELIZABETH COONEY** and **MAIRÉAD HICKEY** violins  
**SIMON ASPELL** and **RUTH GIBSON** violas  
**GUY JOHNSTON** and **BRIAN O'KANE** cellos

**BRAHMS** String Sextet No. 1 in B flat major, Op. 18  
**TCHAIKOVSKY** String Sextet in D minor Op. 70  
"Souvenir de Florence"

"And should I have forgotten to insult anyone, I apologise!" Brahms

This is a tour funded by the Arts Council Touring Grant

Tickets: €20/€16/€6



MUSIC FOR GALWAY RUNS



# LUNCHTIME SERIES 2016/2017

THURSDAYS AT HOTEL MEYRICK, 1.05-1.55pm

Seán Morgan-Rooney



THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

**Seán Morgan-Rooney** piano

WORKS BY BACH/PETRI, LIGETI, SCRIBAN, CHOPIN, PROKOFIEV

Gerry Murphy



THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER TALK

**Gerry Murphy: Brahms The Man**

Malcolm Proud



THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER

**Malcolm Proud** harpsichord

WORKS BY BACH AND COUPERIN

Toby Carr



THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER

**Duo Chagall** (Gillian Williams violin, Arun Rao cello) with **Lance Coburn** piano, **Siobhán Doyle** violin and **David O'Doherty** viola

'NOTES FROM THE GREAT WAR':

FRENCH CHAMBER MUSIC FROM 1917

WORKS BY CHARLES KOECHLIN, LOUIS VIERNE

Eoin Conway



THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY

**Robert Solyom** clarinet and **David Szabó** piano

WORKS BY BACH, WEBER, LISZT, BRAHMS



Neasa Ní Bhriain



THURSDAY 23 MARCH

**Eoin Conway** counter-tenor and **Toby Carr** lute

WORKS BY DOWLAND, MORLEY, BYRD, MUHLY

Kärt Rubbel



THURSDAY 20 APRIL

**Neasa Ní Bhriain** viola and **Kärt Rubbel** piano

WORKS BY STANFORD AND TURBIN

Johannes Brahms



THURSDAY 18 MAY TALK

**Gerry Murphy: Brahms in Love**

Duo Chagall



Robert Solyom and David Szabó



**TICKETS:** TALKS: Admission free · **CONCERT ONLY:** €7

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Alongside the main concert season Music for Galway brings music in various forms into the community. MFG Offshoots include outreach performances in University Hospital Galway and on the Dublin Road Campus of GMIT as well as performances by Ian Wilson's "The Quiet Club and crOW" on the CCAM Campus of GMIT and in the new HPE building. Some of our visiting international artists will also give masterclasses as part of the Galway Music Residency's Apprentice Ensemble strand.

For more information contact the office at [info@musicforgalway.ie](mailto:info@musicforgalway.ie) or 091 705962.



Jack Quartet  
Photo: Henrik Olund

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*\*Note: MFG Friend subscription not included in ticket price*

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