

what's going on

event of the week



Brad Pitt Light Orchestra

Dolan's Upstairs, Sunday, December 23 @ 8pm. Tickets €10

Alan Owens

POPULAR local band The Brad Pitt Light Orchestra return to Dolan's for a special Christmas gig this Sunday night - the night before Christmas Eve. The theatrical, musical

tour-de-force - whose album Lowering the Tone was one of the finest of 2010 - have had a bumper year. Alongside a summer of festivals including The Electric Picnic and Castlepalooza, the bplo are fresh from 'The Cohen Project'. This collaboration with Liam Ó Maolai

saw them performing the music of Leonard Cohen in the Irish language. The show is scheduled for a national tour in 2013. Joining them on the night will be the indomitable Mikey and the Scallywags, a group whose backgrounds range in influence from Hip-Hop,

Prog-Rock, Trad, Bluegrass all the way to Classical and Jazz. Energetic, engaging and entertaining to say the least! Now a treasured annual event, the BPLO's Christmas Dolan's show promises to be a joyful night to remember. Oh come all ye faithful!

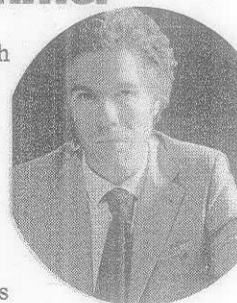
Local filmmakers' video becomes YouTube hit

WE really like this one; a music video filmed in Limerick by local band Campaign LK, using local filmmakers, and a top song to boot. Exactly How You Feel is an angry diatribe against the Government and a largely failed society - wrapped in a catchy tune, raw and unflinching lyrics and a soaring harmony. From producer Sean

Flynn, director/filmmaker Shane Serrano, plus Campaign LK's Keith 'Weenz' Ryan and Brian O'Brien, the superb video was shot around Limerick last month, and already has 6,000 views on YouTube in a matter of days. See it at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jYtDZeG9wvQ>

Josh Ritter to play Milk Market next summer

TOP American singer-songwriter Josh Ritter is to play a show in Limerick's Milk Market next summer. The award-winning Ritter, who plays with the Royal City Band, will play in the Big Top at the Milk Market next July 18, 2013 - just days after his compatriot Bruce Springsteen rocks Thomond Park. Tickets for the show by the Idaho born singer, widely heralded by critics and fans alike for albums such as The Golden Age Of Radio, Hello Starling and others, are on sale priced at €30.



Limerick's panto season gets underway in earnest

LIMERICK has the benefit of not one, or two, but three pantos this Christmas in the city. Choosing one from the other won't be easy - with punters and families facing the unenviable and delightful choice of attending shows in the Belltable - CentreStage's Jack and the Beanstalk - the Lime Tree

Theatre - Limerick Panto Society's Beauty and the Beast - and the University Concert Hall - Robert C Kelly's Cinderella. All three are top quality productions with laughs aplenty (Oh no he isn't etc etc) and it is great to see such a selection of top shows on offer to audiences this Christmas. Enjoy!

gigs

Dr John's, 9pm.
Trad Music
O'Connell's Annacotty, 9.30pm.

Trad Session
Bobby Byrne's, 9.30pm.

Idol Bones
Locke Bar, 9.30pm.

FRIDAY 21 DECEMBER

GIGS
Piano Man
Locke Bar, 6pm.

East 17
Dolan's Warehouse, 8pm. €20.

Seducers
Smyth's, 9pm.

A2DF
Mickey Martins, 9pm.

Bloody Kisses
Blind Pig, 9pm.

Enda House
Dr John's, 9pm.

Piano Man
Locke Bar, 9.30pm.

SATURDAY 22 DECEMBER

GIGS
Crooning with Liam O'Brien
Dolan's Warehouse, 8pm. €22.

Unusual Suspects
Smyth's, 9pm.

DJ Leon
Mickey Martins, 9pm.

We Come in Pieces
Blind Pig, 9pm.

Aoife Ni Canna
Dr John's, 9pm.

Black Road
Locke Bar, 9.30pm.

SUNDAY 23 DECEMBER

GIGS
Asian
Dolan's Warehouse, 8pm. €16.

BPLO
Dolan's Upstairs, 8pm. €10.

Gorilla Radio
Smyth's, 9pm.

Peter Curtin
Mickey Martins, 9pm.

Ireland Malden
Blind Pig, 9pm.

TUESDAY 18 DECEMBER

GIG
Jack and the Beanstalk
Belltable, 6.30pm. Until December 29. €15.

Strummer in the City
Cobblestone Joe's, 8pm.

The Big Trad Train
Dolan's Warehouse, 8pm. €12.

Choke Comedy
Dolan's Warehouse, 8pm. €10.

Plan B
Smyth's, 9pm.

Shinawill
Locke Bar, 9.30pm.

ART

Into the Light
LCCA, until January 18.

Enda O'Donoghue
LCCA, January 18.

Ferrals
Belltable, until January 25.

WEDNESDAY 19 DECEMBER

GIGS
Cinderella
UCH, 2/7pm. Until January 6. €27.50.

Judy O'Connor
Dolan's Warehouse, 8pm. €15.

Bad Eggs
Smyth's Bar, 9pm.

Elbow Rooms
Mickey Martins, 9pm.

Trad Session
Locke Bar, 9.30pm.

THURSDAY 20 DECEMBER

GIGS
Damien Dempsey
Dolan's Warehouse, 8pm. €20.

Ken Stringfellow
Bourke's, 9pm.

Escapade
Smyth's, 9pm.

DJ Eggz
Mickey Martins, 9pm.

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