

celts in carlow 2026



Pan Cheilteach '26

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Festival Highlights

FÉILE IDIRNÁISIÚNTA

Pan Cheilteach 2026



7th - 11th APRIL

carlow, ireland

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Oscailt Oifigiúil Official Opening

Dé Máirt / Tuesday, April 7

7pm | Grounds of Carlow College & Visual

Le Chéile Informal Gathering

7.30pm | George Bernard Shaw Theatre @ Visual

Seoladh & Ceolchoirm na Féile

Official Launch and Opening Concert

The Celts have come! Céad míle fáilte go Ceatharlach! Gala Concert of Celtic music, song and dance from the six Celtic nations.

Streamed live on:

www.facebook.com/pancelticfestival

Clubanna na Féile

Seven Oaks Hotel
Festival Club Nights



The popular Festival Club Nights will showcase the best of celtic culture **nightly from 9pm 'til late** in the Seven Oaks Hotel with musicians, singers and dancers from the visiting nations.





Comórtais Amhránaíochta Traidisiúnta (GRÚPAÍ & AONAIR)

Dé Céadaoin / Wednesday, April 8

3pm | GB Shaw Theatre @ Visual

Traditional Celtic Singing Competitions

with groups from the six Celtic nations going head-to-head followed by the Traditional Singing Solos featuring national winners of an tOireachtas (Éire), An Mód (Alba), Eistedfodd (An Bhreatain Bheag) etc.

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Paráid na Féile – the Celtic Parade

Dé hAoine / Friday, April 10

2pm | with bands, dancers in national costumes, flags and banners galore. Join the parade!





Comórtas Idirnáisiúnta

deárdaoin / thursday, april 9

7.30pm | GB Shaw Theatre @ Visual Pan Celtic International Song Contest '26

'Dúlra Scriosta' will be the Éire entry competing against the national winners of Alba, Cymru, Breizh, Kernow and Mannin for international honours, the Pan Celtic '26 trophy and a cash prize of €1,500.

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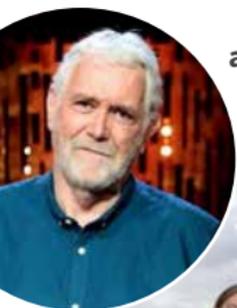
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Ceolchoirmeacha / Concerts galore!



- Charlie McGettigan
- enCÓRe
- Caoimhe & Séamus Ó Flatharta
- Eleri Darkins, harpist
- Timahoe Male Voice Choir
- Éire & CuChulainn Ó Faoláin
- Carlow College of Music
- Indeceltic
- Cór na nÓg & Carlow Community Choir
- Roots in Tune
- Carlow Ukulele Players
- Music Generation Carlow
- South Always South

Concerts, recitals & performances galore at lunchtime, afternoon and evening time, with:





dé sathairn / saturday, april 11

Lá Teaghlaigh **Town Hall**

Family Day 'as Gaeilge' with scéalaíocht, ealaín, drumadóireacht, ióga, fear grinn, lámhchleasaíocht agus tuilleadh.

Streetfest Lots of fun and street entertainment for all the family. Come on down to Tullow Street and enjoy!



Comórtas Buscála

Street Busking including musicians, singers, dancers and entertainers. Solo, groups and bands, international judges and **€800 in prizes.**

dé haoine / friday, april 10

THE Duntally CÉILÍ BAND

from Letterkenny,
Donegal



Céilí: 9-12pm

Woodford Dolmen Hotel
Kilkenny Road,
Carlow, R93 N207

Doors open: 8.30pm
Admission: €15 on the door
(at the door only)



Festival Fringe



Experience a flavour of celtic storytelling, dance workshops, language classes, conversation circles, poetry readings, historic walks, exhibitions, the **Duntally Céilí Band**, comedy with **Áine Gallagher** as well as the daily Open Mic Calls at Pembroke Club D'Art.

Bands @ Pan Celtic Festival '26



Bands performing outdoors and at The Exchange featuring in the programme will include:

The Army Band of the Defence Forces, St. Patrick's Brass & Reed Band Kilkenny, Killeshin Pipe Band, Paid Gofyn, Dros Dro & Lo-fi Jones from Wales, and more!





Cuigeal - Mná na hAlban

Scottish Waulking group '**Cuigeal - Mná na hAlban**', all members of the Mull Gaelic Choir, will be at Pan Celtic '26. 'Waulking the tweed' (luadh in Gaelic) is a traditional Scottish Highland and Hebridean method of finishing, thickening, and softening newly woven wool cloth by soaking it and rhythmically pounding it on a wooden table.

Comórtais / Competitions



Experience Choral Singing at its best at the **Choral Concert** and **Choral Competitions**. Competitions also in Celtic dance, harp & fiddle, piping & drumming.



The Invites Ensemble with Wouter Vandenabeele

de sathairn / saturday, april 11

This music workshop is organised by **Roots in Tune**, a non-profit organisation aiming to connect people from different cultures through music and the arts. Belgian violinist and composer Wouter Vandenabeele and some 25 accomplished musicians will take part in the workshop to form this year's Ensemble.

4.30pm | St. Mary's Church





Follow the **Heineken Pan Celtic Pub Trail** during the festival week with celtic bands, musicians and singers leading concerts, gigs and trad sessions in a host of pubs and venues across town.



Eolas & ticéid / info & tickets

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