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Celebrating Celtic and Mediterranean Cultural Fusion

The Pier, Ballyvaughan, Co. Clare, Ireland
MAY 28th, 29th & 30th 2010



Ocsession
Wall Street Swing
Altan
Pascale Valenta
Young Wolfe Tones
Boucherie
Kenny Margant
Lexington 125
Galway Bay
Jazz Quartet

Plus lots of other Guest Artists

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PASCALE VALENTA

CONCERT TIMES:
Friday, May 28th, 6.30pm
Saturday, May 29th, 9pm

Our opening performer is Pascale Valenta. We start with a journey down memory lane - A bit of nostalgia! A performance not to be missed. Pascale who is one of the most versatile singers on the continent performs the songs of Edith Piaf & other French Greats as well as some great English standards also.



THE YOUNG WOLFE TONES

CONCERT TIMES:
Friday, May 28th, 9pm

Real Irish music from a Real Irish Group. Back in the Burren for the first time

since 1971 - Derek Warfield brings his Young Wolfe Tones to play & sing all the familiar old Wolfe Tones numbers as well as some exciting new & energetic material.



OCSSESSION

CONCERT TIMES:
Saturday, May 29th, 5pm
& Sunday, May 30th, 6pm

Even if it was the haphazard encounters with Appalachian, Irish and Scottish music that rocked their days and nights, it is the music of Occitany (the South of France) that brought the five musicians of OcSession together. They have a common taste for the song and dance tunes of their native region although they are also more than capable of livening things up with some great jazz numbers as well. OcSession is simply a band of musicians trying to give the best of themselves and the music of the country they come from. Each one carries with him his own bag of musical experiences and idioms which enrich the global sound of the group



ALTAN

CONCERT TIMES:
Saturday, May 29th, 7pm

Celebrating 25 years together with this performance in the Burren. Altan are an Irish folk and traditional music group, who were formed in County Donegal 25 years ago. The popular outfit who are led by the world-renowned fiddler and vocalist Mairéad Ní Mhaonaigh have produced many critically acclaimed albums and they have a relentless touring schedule. They emerged during the 90's as one of Ireland's premier traditional musical groups and have since sold millions of records worldwide. A performance not to be missed!



KENNY MARGANT

CONCERT TIMES: Friday,
May 28th, 10.30pm,
Saturday, May 29th, 10pm
& Sunday, May 30th, 10pm

Young, lively & exciting - Kenny Margant will have you on your feet & dancing. If you close your eyes you'd think you were at a Tina Turner concert. Kenny's lively mix of French, English, West-Indian & Afro music & song is always a real crowd pleaser.



BOUCHERIE

CONCERT TIMES: Friday,
May 28th, 8pm & Sunday,
May 30th, 7pm

John Martin and his band, 'Boucherie', play Cajun music of South-western Louisiana: traditional waltzes and two-steps, first recorded in the late 1920s by such milestone artists as Denu McGee, Cleoma and Joseph Falcon, and Amedie Ardoin. Assimilated material from other genres, such as country, string band and western swing, is represented with songs from D.L Menard, The Hackberry Ramblers and Harry Choates. "The word 'Boucherie,' in Louisiana, refers to the occasion of communally slaughtering a pig or two. An activity that was commonplace in Ireland, in the recent past.



LEXINGTON 125
CONCERT TIMES: Friday,
May 28th, 11pm, Saturday,
May 29th, 10pm & Sunday,
May 30th, 10pm

Lexington 125 is an original band Playing live gigs with a lot of personality. The music they play is a unique kind of pop rock mainly inspired from the sixties and the Galway based band finds inspiration mainly in the British Invasion rock and American Rockabilly, played in a new and exciting way. They play originals and covers. They make solid set lists and energetic personalities key elements of their live performances.



WALL STREET SWING BAND Sunday, 2pm

GALWAY BAY JAZZ QUARTET Sunday, 8pm

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 28th

5.00pm Arrival of Festival Wines onboard the tallship Bessie Ellen direct from France.
6.00pm Festival Opening by TV3's Aishling O'Loughlin of TV3's Exposé.
6.30pm The Festival gets under way with opening performer: Pascale Valenta accompanied on guitar by Rob Fuke

8.00pm John Martin & Boucherie
9.00pm Back in the Burren at last Derek Warfield & Young Wolfe Tones
10.30pm Kenny Margant will have you on your feet with her unique blend of French & West Indian Pop & Rock
11.00pm "Le Session" with Lexington 125, Kenny Margant & various artists

SATURDAY, MAY 29th

11.00am Farmers Market, Food & Wine Fair
11.30am Wine Seminar in the Marquee - Meet the winemakers - Taste the wine
12.00pm Big Barbeque spectacular with all day food displays by our team of chefs direct from the Cevennes Mountains in France joined by our own Irish chefs.
5.00pm Jean-Pierre Goudrand & OcSession with guest Irish musicians
7.00pm Celebrating 25 years - Altan
9.00pm Pascale Valenta accompanied on guitar by Rob Fuke
10.00pm Rock the night away - Kenny Margant, Lexington 125 & Guests
ALSO Music sessions by local & French artists throughout the day.

SUNDAY, MAY 30th

10.30am Food & Wine Fair, Meet our French Wine Makers
11.30am Food Village opens for the day with Big Barbeque spectacular and all day food displays
2.00pm Jazz & Swing Session with the Wall Street Swing Band
ALSO Music sessions by local & French artists throughout the day & evening
6.00pm - 7.00pm "The Occitan Session" - OcSession & friends perform once more for your enjoyment
7.00pm John Martin & Boucherie perform some more Cajun greats
8.00pm Jazz Spectacular - The Galway Bay Jazz Quartet accompanied by Pascale Valenta will perform all the great jazz numbers
10.00pm Rock the night away for the final time with Kenny Margant, Lexington 125 & Guests
VARIOUS GUEST ARTISTS APPEARING EACH DAY ALSO