

Irish Heritage

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NEWSLETTER

November 2012

Dear Friends,

A final reminder that we present **A Classical Irish Evening in Handel's Church** on **Tuesday 13th November at 7.30**. It will be our first visit to the famous St George's Church, Hanover Square (otherwise known as Handel's Church) and should not be missed. See www.stgeorghanoversquare.org for directions and other information.

Fiona Murphy (soprano), Owen Gilhooly (baritone) and Ciara Moroney (piano) can guarantee you an outstanding evening with a fantastic programme of lieder, opera, light opera and Irish songs. It will feature the works of distinguished Irish and international composers, among them, Richard Strauss, Franz Schubert, Franz Lehár, Herbert Hamilton Harty, Thomas Moore and John Field and songs including *The Merry Widow Waltz*, an aria from *The Marriage of Figaro* and Irish songs, including *Father O'Flynn* and *The Lark in the Clear Air* – just to give you a tiny flavour of what is a wonderful programme of music. There will be a wine reception at the interval.

Tickets to include the wine reception are £18 (£15 for paid up members) and may be obtained from Kathy O'Regan on 020 7226 4578 e-mail Kathy.oregan@hotmail.co.uk. Details are also on our website www.irishheritage.co.uk. It is advisable to book in advance but tickets will be available at St George's on the night.

Season Tickets Now on Sale

We are pleased to again offer a season ticket for our 2012/13 programme at the unchanged price of **£50** to cover all events organised by Irish Heritage for the *event year to June 2013, starting with the concert on 13th November – see above*. Please contact Membership Secretary, Kathy O'Regan, telephone 020 7226 4578, e-mail Kathy.oregan@hotmail.co.uk. Remember, you may bring a **guest free of charge** to any one of our events as part of the offer.

Other Events of Interest

Barbara Stanley is hosting private views of **Ceol Na Mara (Music of the Sea)**, new paintings by Marie Fitzpatrick on Tuesday 20th November 6-8.30pm and Sunday 25th November 12-4pm at **The Barbara Stanley Gallery**, 27 Connaught Street, London, Greater London W2 2AY see www.irishartinlondon.com for details. This exhibition will also feature a selection of paintings by Christopher Banahan and rugs by Graham Knuttel. Marie Fitzpatrick will talk about the inspiration behind her paintings at 7pm on 20th November and 12 noon on 25th November. Irish Harpist, Anneke Hodnett, will play a selection of music relative to Marie's work on the 25th November.

News of Irish Heritage Artists

Celine Byrne (soprano) continues to feature in major events in Ireland and internationally. On 5th December she is the principal soloist in the National Concert Hall of Ireland's "*The Great Christmas Concert*". At the same venue a few days later, Sunday 9th December, it features "*Christmas with the Palestrina Choir*" under its distinguished Musical Director, **Blánaid Murphy** who, along with other family members, is well known and respected for "services" to Irish Heritage.

Note to Artists

As this Newsletter goes to many media and community groups, as well as our Friends, I would ask all artists who receive this monthly publication to tell us about their latest career achievements and forthcoming events. Just drop us an e-mail at Irish.heritage1@gmail.com We will try to include your events and achievements, so keep them coming and good luck in your work.

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