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Thank you for the positive feedback to our first Newsletter. We hope you will find the newsletters informative and we would be pleased to have your suggestions on the items you would like to see included. E-mail us at irish.heritage1@googlemail.com. You can also keep in touch via our website www.irishheritage.co.uk.

We are particularly keen to see all our Friends at the Wigmore Hall on 28th June to support Michael McHale in his major event. Please tell your friends.

Niall Gallagher, Chairman

NEXT EVENT

Michael McHale, piano, Monday 28th June 2010 at 7.30 pm

Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London, W1U 2BP.

Programme includes works by Mozart, Wilson, Liszt, Brahms, and Rachmaninov.

Tickets £20, £17, £14, £10 from box office at the Wigmore Hall. Telephone 020 7935 2141 or online www.wigmore-hall.org.uk.

Irish Heritage enquiries: contact Kathy O'Regan tel. 020 7226 4578. Email Kathy.oregan@hotmail.com

There are more details on the **attached flyer**. Michael has an excellent website - www.michaelmchale.com.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE IRISH TIMES

Following the success of our three Young Musician Programmes in the Irish Club (in October 2009, February 2010 and May 2010) we would like to acknowledge the help and free advertising we received from **The Irish Times**, through our good Friend, Patrick Lennon. We also received their valuable advertising support for our April event in The Royal College of Music.

NEWS OF IRISH HERITAGE ARTISTS

Stephanie McCabe, founder of London-Irish Camerata, is performing in a **free recital** on **Thursday 3rd June 16.50 in Duke's Hall at the Royal Academy of Music**, playing a programme including Mozart, Schumann, Smetana and Piazzolla. This is Stephanie's final "exam" performance and she

would be delighted to have some friendly Irish Heritage friends in the audience!

Finghin Collins at the proms: Following his very successful debut at the 2008 Proms, Finghin Collins, who performed several times with Irish Heritage, is playing in the Proms on **Thursday September 9th in the Royal Albert Hall**. More details in the next Newsletter.

ITEMS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

Barbara Stanley, a former Committee member of Irish Heritage, has an exhibition of work by Alison Dickson from the 9th June to the 4th July in her highly successful **Barbara Stanley Gallery** 279 Upper Richmond Road, Putney, London SW15 6SP, Telephone 020 8789 8088, Email barbara.stanley@tiscali.co.uk.

"I'll Live 'til I Die", A Celebration of the life and music of legendary Irish folk singer, **Delia Murphy**. **Friday 4th June at The London Irish Centre** 50-52 Camden Square NW1 9XB. www.irishcentre.org tel: 020 7916 2222 Delia's niece Carmen Cullen will lead an evening of song, story and Music. Admission £5.

Raymond Walker, Chairman, Victorian Opera, who lectured at Irish Heritage in October 2008 on Michael William Balfe, has advised us that Victorian Opera's new **complete recording of W V Wallace's 'Lurline'** has now been released by Naxos, under cat. no 8.660293-94 at a bargain price of £10 for the 2CD set. See www.victorianoperanorthwest.org

IRISH HERITAGE PATRONS

We are privileged to have four well-known **Patrons of Irish Heritage** to support and advise the Committee on key matters of strategy and communication. They are: H E Mr Bobby McDonagh – Irish Ambassador, Lady (Mary) Clancy-Hatch, Mr John Gilhooly and Mr Seamus McGarry.

Representatives of our Committee recently met with our patrons for lunch in The Irish Club, and received valuable advice and encouragement in our task of charting our future course in the difficult economic times. We will share with you our future plans and our programme for next year over the summer months.

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