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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends,

It feels like Autumn with the leaves turning and the nights drawing in. But the good news is, we have launched our programme for Autumn, Winter, Spring and Summer 2011-2012 and it is an exciting one. I hope most of you have received the printed version with lots of enclosures and notice of the AGM, etc – in case you have not, it is on the *Irish Heritage* website www.irishheritage.co.uk but I will highlight a few things about it:

- The AGM is on Wednesday 28th September at 6.30 in Europe House, 32 Smith Square, SW1P 3EU
- The AGM will be followed at 8.00 by a talk by Eileen Battersby, Literary Correspondent of The Irish Times. If you have received the invitation please reply to Kathy O'Regan as soon as possible, but if not you may contact her at: Kathy.oregan@hotmail.co.uk as we still have a limited number of invitations.
- The Music of Ireland - Ceol na hÉireann on 9th November will be a major event in the beautifully restored St Patrick's Church in Soho Square – see www.stpatricksoho.org The soprano, now confirmed, is Nicola Mulligan. Tickets (£18 or £15 for paid up members) can be obtained from Kathy – but book early!
- This year we are offering a Season Ticket for all the events organised by *Irish Heritage* at the bargain price of **£50 for members (£60 for non members)** to include priority booking and seating – no *Ryanair* extra charges - and a free guest to one event of your choice.

I will keep you updated on our programme during the year with artists who have appeared with us, as well as other events of interest – see details below of John O'Connor's recital.

I sincerely hope you will continue your support for *Irish Heritage* and attend as many of the events as you can. We are making a special effort to make every event a social occasion with a chance to relax afterwards (or before) and to meet the artists. It is the perfect opportunity to bring a guest or two and introduce them to *Irish Heritage*. We will do our best to make them feel the traditional Irish welcome – *céad míle fáilte*.

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Chairman

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John O'Connor, Ireland's leading pianist, in the Wigmore Hall, Tuesday 18th October 2011.

Programme: **Haydn**, Piano Sonata in F HXVI:23; **Field**, 3 Nocturnes: No. 5 in Bb; No. 6 in F; No. 18 in E 'Le Midi'; **Beethoven**, Piano Sonata No. 8 in C minor Op. 13 'Pathétique'; **Schubert** Piano Sonata in C minor D958.

Booking through the Wigmore Hall www.wigmore-hall.org.uk Tel: +44 (0)20 7935 2141

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