



IRISH HERITAGE

Promoting young Irish musicians and Irish composers

February 2015 Newsletter

Dear Friends and Supporters

A Final Reminder

Irish Opera Stars of the Future is on **Thursday 12th February 2015** at 7.30pm at the Bolivar Hall, Grafton Way, W1T 5DL (nearest Underground Station Warren Street - 3 mins).

Featuring Kelley Lonergan (soprano) and Jessica Costelloe (mezzo-soprano) with Tim Short (piano), the music programme will include arias from popular operas: Handel - Ariodante; Mozart - The Marriage of Figaro and la Clemenza di Tito; Bizet - Carmen; and songs by famous composers: Richard Strauss, Frank Bridge, Kurt Weill, J Sibelius, E Elgar, Philip Martin, A Dvorak.

Tickets: £15 (students and artists £5) including wine reception and programme from: Kathy O'Regan, tel: 020 7226 4578, e mail: Kathy.oregan@hotmail.co.uk

On line at www.irishheritage.co.uk click on DONATE (no booking fee), where you can also find more information and view the full music programme.

Tickets can be purchased on the night at Bolivar Hall box office (**subject to availability, so check our website**) but please come early if you have not pre-booked.

Note to Students and Artists: the special rate of £5 is available only for web bookings in advance see www.irishheritage.co.uk

Wine reception at the interval sponsored by Allied Irish Bank (GB)

Stop Press: [News of our Artists](#)

We have just received the great news that **Jennifer Davis (soprano)**, who performed so beautifully at our May 2014 tribute concert to the late Ethna Kennedy, has been accepted onto the Jette Parker scheme at the Royal Opera House. Jennifer is one of 5 young singers selected from a list of 370 applicants from 59 countries.

The Jette Parker Young Artists work as salaried members of The Royal Opera for a two-year period, during which time they perform in a variety of main-stage productions, concerts and recitals, as well as covering lead roles. They also receive coaching in all opera disciplines, including role interpretation, language and stagecraft.

There will be numerous opportunities to meet the Young Artists throughout the Season in the Royal Opera House, including lunchtime recitals, [Meet the Young Artists Week](#), which includes a fully staged production, and the [JPYA Summer Performance](#). **The Irish Heritage Newsletter will keep you advised.**

See also <http://www.roh.org.uk/news/five-new-singers-and-a-stage-director-to-join-the-jette-parker-young-artists-programme-in-september-2015>

[An Interesting Event](#)

I have been advised by the Marketing Department at **The Barbican**, that on **3rd March 2015** **The Gloaming**, the Irish folk 'super-group', combining traditional Irish folk music with New York Irish music and contemporary elements, are performing in the Main Barbican Hall at 8.00pm. You may recall that The Gloaming performed in the Royal Albert Hall on 10th April 2014 at the special concert celebrating the visit of President Michael D Higgins to Great Britain.

For details and tickets see <http://www.barbican.org.uk/music/event-detail.asp?ID=17063>

With kindest regards and thanks for your continued support.

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