

celebrating ireland all over tyneside... ...including music, dance, poetry & song from three irish tenors, alan kelly band, salsa celtica, brendan kennelly, vin garbutt, nollaig casey & arry miglynn and more Mon 15 Oct 8.00pm Bridge Hotel

Sean & James Cannon

Lead singer with the renowned Dubliners for nearly twenty years, Sean Cannon has also long enjoyed a successful solo career. In a new departure, he joins forces with his son James, developing a great family tradition of song and guitar playing.

Tickets: £4

Tues 16 Oct 7.30pm Tyneside Irish Centre

Two short dramas of Irish emigrants and immigrants.

Hungry for Home

From Cheltenham Literary Festival and based on Cole Moreton's best-selling book of the same name, it tells of the islanders starved out of their beloved Great Blasket in the 50's. Told in words and song in Gaelic by Aine Ui Laoithe and Eilin Ni Chearna, last remaining keepers of the Blasket tradition, with accompanying musicians.

Bridging The Gap

Supported by GMB Union

Performers from the Festival's own youth project tell the story in song, words and dance, of the Irish who built Tyneside's High Level Bridge in this its 150th year. Written by Chris Goulding.

Tickets: £5/£2.50 concs

Wed 17 Oct 7.45pm Newcastle Opera House

Brendan Shine

Irish cabaret from perennial favourite Brendan Shine, singing comic, country and traditional songs.

Tickets: £10/£12.50 Box Office 0191 232 0899

Wed 17 Oct 8.00pm Tyneside Irish Centre

Vin Garbutt



For 25 years, the number one solo draw in British folk clubs, Vin Garbutt is a worthy winner of the BBC's Top Folk Singer Award 2001 for his deeply committed song-writing. What's more, he is an

accomplished guitarist, fine whistle-player and a genuinely funny performer, full of fresh, quirky observations. Vin is proud of the opportunity to display his Irish roots.

"fine musicianship, a zany and rare wit with introductions that have audiences rolling in the aisles... perfect" Folk On Tap

Tickets: £6



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