

SWISS RELATED EVENTS IN IRELAND

March 2025



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Festival



Celebrating French language and cultural diversity, the Francophonie Festival continues during the month of March with events across Ireland.

Check out : [Programme Francophonie 2025](#)

Opera

The Flying Dutchman – Richard Wagner / Irish National Opera

23-29 March 2025

Bord Gáis Energy Theatre, Dublin



The Dutchman's mysterious ghost ship is doomed to roam the seas until he finds true love on land. The young Senta dreams of the mythical Dutchman and longs to break his curse. But a chance to do so only occurs every seven years.

Wagner's epic score brilliantly captures the vast scale of the story, from the stormy overture to the final scene of tragedy and redemption. *The Flying Dutchman* is directed by Rachael **Hewer**. Irish National Opera's artistic director, **Fergus Sheil**, conducts the Irish National Opera orchestra and chorus.

Running time is 2 hours 45 min including one interval. Sung in German with English surtitles. Further information: [Irish National Opera](#)

New Music

Concert with the Ensemble BLUE SHROUD BAND - New Music Festival Dublin

Saturday, 5 April 2025 9:00 p.m.

The Studio, National Concert Hall Dublin



Line-up for the **BLUE SHROUD BAND**

Barry Guy – bass and director (GB)

Savina Yannatou - voice (GR)

Jordina Millà – piano (ES)

Maya Homburger – violin (CH)

Fanny Paccoud - viola (FR)

Ben Dwyer – guitar (IR)

Torben Snekkestad – soprano sax / tenor / reed
trumpet (NOR)

Michael Niesemann – alto sax / oboe (DE)

Per Texas Johansson – tenor sax / clarinet (S)

Julius Gabriel - baritone sax / soprano (DE)

Percy Pursglove - trumpet (UK)

Marc Unternährer – tuba (CH)

Lucas Niggli – percussion (CH)

Ramón López – percussion (ES)

Barry Guy performs and directs the Irish Premiere of his new work, **The Blue Shroud**, a piece that brings together fourteen musicians from around the world, all masters of a range of musical styles, and all dynamic personalities. After his great compositions for the London Jazz Composers Orchestra and the Barry Guy New Orchestra, Barry Guy has written a large-scale work for a new international ensemble. The Blue Shroud, is an homage to the painting Guernica by Pablo Picasso. Irish poet Kerry Hardie has provided a text based on the nine figures of Picasso's Guernica painting

Information: [National Concert Hall](#) www.theblueshroud.com

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