

Irish comedians launch Galway Festival in Edinburgh



COMEDIANS LAUNCH GALWAY COMEDY FESTIVAL 2013 IN EDINBURGH

Top comedians including Jason Byrne and Phil Jupitus took time out from performing at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival today, Wednesday 14 August 2013, to launch the Galway Comedy Festival.

The festival, which takes place over an action-packed week from 22-28 October, has over 50 unmissable shows. With top international headliners, Irish comedy legends and new performers, the Galway Comedy Festival will have something to tickle everyone's ribs.

The 2013 programme includes top comedy headliners **Kevin Bridges, Sean Lock, Lee Mack, Russell Howard, David O'Doherty, Stewart Lee, Jason Byrne, Phill Jupitus and Andrew Maxwell.**

The Galway Comedy Festival is just one of many events happening in Ireland as part of The Gathering 2013. It's a year-long celebration of all things Irish and anyone with a connection or interest in celebrating the traditions, heritage and history of Ireland is welcome to join in the fun. Hundreds of events are taking place throughout the year – ranging from comedy festivals, clan reunions, family-get-togethers, community activities, food festivals and sporting events to larger national celebrations. Visit www.ireland.com for a full list of events.

If that's not enough to get you booking a trip to Galway, **Primal Scream** play Leisureland on Saturday October 26th, and the stand out festival act of 2013, **Chic with Nile Rodgers**, play the Radisson Ballroom on Sunday October 27th.

Tickets for the Galway Comedy Festival go on sale from 9am on Friday 13 September 2013 and can be purchased from www.GalwayComedyFestival.com.

Fly from Glasgow to Shannon or Edinburgh to Knock with FlyBe and travel to Galway within an hour.

For further information visit www.galwaycomedyfestival.com



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