

**COIS
CEIM
DANCE**

BROADREACH



**SONGBIRDS
LED BY AOIFE MCATAMNEY**

**CULTURE NIGHT 2021
FAIRVIEW PARK
DUBLIN 3**

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SONGBIRDS

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PERFORMERS

Kristina McElroy
Anne Scriver
Nora Hamill
Kathleen Boyle
Phil Stewart
Bridget Suttle
Rose Malone
Mary O'Connell
Valerie Owens
Sally Mongey
Margaret Humphreys
Liam O'Brien
Rhona O'Connor

GUITARIST

Joe Beggy

CHOREOGRAPHER

Aoife McAtamney

BROADREACH

COORDINATOR

Caoimhe Coburn-Gray

SONG PRODUCER

Simon Cullen

CHOREOGRAPHER'S NOTE

Dearest Guests, thank you for joining us in Fairview Park today for the premier of SONGBIRDS! We are so excited to share with you our journey which started in early August, dancing and singing together in the Park. During our time together, we invited nature to inspire our movements and our words and through that, we got to discover who we all are as individuals and who we all are as a group. As our time went on our dancing and singing became to be about gratitude, presence and wonder - defining what is most important to us. In SONGBIRDS we gave ourselves a voice, found an inner confidence that only fresh experience can bring. Our movement and our words propel us into a future as dancers, writers, singers and most importantly as a group of friends, sharing so many great memories
.- Aoife McAtamney 2021

SONGBIRDS | THANK YOU SONG

Verse 1

Sun Comes Out
Sun Comes Out
Opening our hearts

Sun Comes Out
Sun Comes Out
Magic of the dance

You may feel out of sorts
But it makes things fun

Time stands still
Time stands still
Dancing through the years....

Chorus

Laughed almost cried
You as our guide
Sharing memories....

Verse 2

Thank you friends
Thank you friends
Dancing to the beat

Thank you friends
Thank you friends
Moving hands and feet

Together marching on
Singing our thank you song

Time stands still
Time stands still
Dancing through the years.....

Chorus

Laughed almost cried
You as our guide
Sharing memories....

Outro

La la la, la la la la la,
la la la la la la, la la la la la, la la la la la,
la la la la la la

CoisCéim BROADREACH

CREATIVITY, PARTICIPATION, ACCESS

CoisCéim Dance Theatre aims to be at the forefront of the evolution of dance as an artform – in world class performance work, in unique access and participation initiatives, as an advocate for dance – to provoke, to inspire, to entertain and to bring contemporary dance theatre to new audiences of all ages.

Integrated, original and comprehensive, CoisCéim's artform awareness and participation initiatives are run by CoisCéim BROADREACH, which is founded on the principle that dance is a performing art. The activities are pioneering, targeting all sections of the population in an exciting and innovative manner to create a genuine curiosity in dance and to positively influence health, wellbeing and social responsibility.

Established in 2006, BROADREACH touches the lives of over 5,000 people of all ages every year and enables them to experience dance as creators, performers, educators and observers through a varied programme of projects and initiatives that draw on CoisCéim's reputation of producing ground-breaking, distinctive contemporary dance theatre. It does this by working in partnership with different cultural, social and educational organisations and communities at local and national levels.

Central to our ethos is to facilitate and enable people to work inventively and imaginatively together – to take creative risks and explore the unknown

DANCE WITH US!

DANCE CLASSES FOR PEOPLE AGED 50+

VENUE: ONLINE USING THE ZOOM PLATFORM

WEDNESDAYS | 2.00 – 3.30pm | 22 September – 13 October

Roll up the rug and grab your dancing shoes – it's time for another series of online dance classes for older people via Zoom! We're delighted to welcome Cassie Meador, a Maryland-based dance artist, to lead us as – once again – we get up & be active at home! FREE. BOOK NOW

STORYTELLERS | COMING SOON

LED BY AOIFE MCATAMNEY AND BHARGAVI GOPALAN

FREE WORKSHOP SERIES

19 OCTOBER – 7 DECEMBER 2021

After SONGBIRDS, the plot thickens! STORYTELLERS is an international collaboration with Bhargavi Gopalan based in New Delhi, India. Together (virtually), Bhargavi and Aoife invite you to gather and create a performance that brings music, drawing, text and movement together – all to tell a story.

COISCÉIM DANCE THEATRE

CoisCéim Dance Theatre is one of Ireland's leading dance companies known for its expertise and track record in presenting highly original work to audiences large and small across artforms and media. Led by David Bolger, a member of Aosdána, our work is benchmarked with the best in the world and celebrated for its artistic excellence. It challenges, stimulates, inspires and entertains - seen on international stages including 14-18NOW & LIFT (UK), Peak Performances, Jacobs Pillow Dance Festival (USA), Sydney Opera House and Venice Biennale.

In tandem with the performance programme the company conducts an integrated, inventive artform awareness and participation initiative: Broadreach. Established in 2006, its activities are pioneering, targeting all sections of the population in an exciting and innovative manner to create a genuine curiosity in dance.

CoisCéim is proud to be funded by the Arts Council of Ireland and supported by Dublin City Council and Culture Ireland.

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CoisCéim would like to thank all our Dance Angels:

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