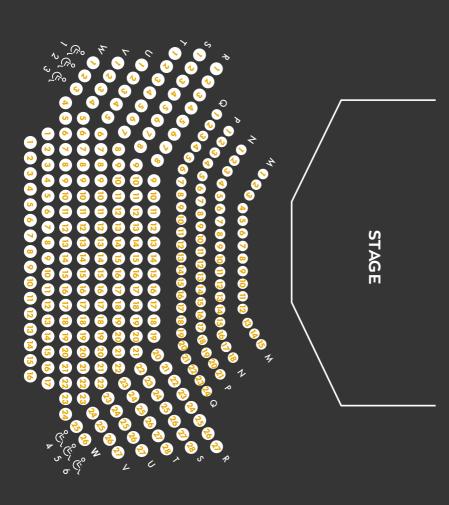
Riverside THEATRE

WHAT'S ON SPRING / SUMMER 2025 RIVERSIDETHEATRE.ORG.UK





HOW TO BOOK

ONLINE (24hrs) riversidetheatre.org.uk

TELEPHONE 028 70 123 123

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Riverside Theatre, Ulster University, Coleraine, BT52 1SA

BOX OFFICE

Monday - Friday 10am - 2pm & 1 hour before all ticketed events & performances.

HOW TO BOOK A TABLE IN OUR CAFÉ FOR PRE-THEATRE DINING & LUNCHES

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ACCESS

The Riverside Theatre is committed to being an accessible venue and our public areas are fully accessible for those with limited mobility. Facilities include carparking, adapted toilets and auditorium seating and from time to time we offer accessible relaxed and captioned performances. If you have an access requirement, please make our Box Office staff aware whilst booking tickets.

Visit www.riversidetheatre.co.uk

Your Visit section to see full auditorium seating plan and Wheelchair seating available.

Disclosure: Please note: All information accurate at time of print. Some details may be subject to change. The most up to date event information is listed online:

www.riversidetheatre.org.uk

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Spring/Summer 25

Date	Event	Time	Genre
Monday 13th January	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Friday 17th January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Saturday 18th January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	2.15 pm / 7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Monday 20th January	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Tuesday 21st January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Wednesday 22nd January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Thursday 23rd January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Friday 24th January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Saturday 25th January	RYT Juniors	2.15pm / 7.45pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 25th January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	2.15pm / 7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Monday 27th January	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Tuesday 28th January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Wednesday 29th January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Thursday 30th January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Friday 31st January	Charlie Chocolate Factory	7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Saturday 1st February	RYT Juniors	11am - 12.30pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 1st February	Charlie Chocolate Factory	2.15pm / 7.45pm	Musical Theatre
Monday 3rd February	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Friday 7th February	Jake O Kane	8pm	Comedy
Saturday 8th February	RYT Juniors	2.15pm / 7.45pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 8th February	Legends 60s Show	8pm	Music
Monday 10th February	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Thursday 13th February	Maggie	8pm	Comedy/Drama
Friday 14th February	Flash Harry	8pm	Music
Saturday 15th February	RYT Juniors	11am - 12.30pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 15th February	Megaslam Wrestling reschedule	6.45 doors / 7.30pm	Sport
Monday 17th February	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Thursday 20th February	National Theatre Live -	7.30pm	Screen/Theatre
	The Importance of Being Earnes	t	
Friday 21st February	SodaPopz	8pm	Music
Saturday 22nd February	RYT Juniors	11am - 12.30pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 22nd February	Evening with Still Game's Paul Riley	8pm	Comedy
Monday 24th February	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Thursday 27th February	Give My Head Peace	8pm	Comedy/Drama
Friday 28th February	Give My Head Peace	8pm	Comedy/Drama

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Spring/Summer 25

Date	Event	Time	Genre
Saturday 1st March	RYT Juniors	11am - 12.30pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 1st March	This Flight Tonight-	8pm	Music
	The Songs of Joni Mitchell'		
Monday 3rd March	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Thursday 6th March	Neil Delamere (Diamond Hall)	8pm	Comedy
Saturday 8th March	RYT Juniors	11am - 12.30pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 8th March	Thunder Rolls	8pm	Music
Monday 10th March	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Friday 14th March	Colin Murphy	8pm	Comedy
Saturday 15th March	RYT Juniors	11am - 12.30pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 15th March	Goldilocks and Humpty Dumpty	2pm	Family
Friday 21st March	Foster & Allen 50 years	8pm	Music
Saturday 22nd March	RYT Juniors	11am - 12.30pm	Children & Young People
Saturday 22nd March	Mr Hullabaloo Easter show	2pm	Family
Monday 24th March	RYT Seniors	6.30 - 8.30pm	Children & Young People
Thursday 27th March	CASS Showcase	7.30pm	Musical Theatre
Saturday 29th March	RYT Juniors Showcase/		
	RYT Seniors Connections	12noon / 7pm	Children & Young People
Wednesday 2nd April	Thursdays with Elvis	8pm	Theatre
Tuesday 8th April	The Railway Children	7.45pm	Theatre
Wednesday 9th April	The Railway Children	7.45pm	Theatre
Thursday 10th April	The Railway Children	7.45pm	Theatre
Friday 11th April	The Railway Children	7.45pm	Theatre
Saturday 12th April	The Railway Children	2.15pm / 7.45pm	Theatre
Saturday 3rd May	Ralph McTell -	8pm	Music
	Time Drift of the Road		
Friday 23rd May	Little Women	7.45pm	Theatre
Thursday 29th May	Steptoe & Son Live!	8pm	Theatre
Saturday 31st May	The Belfast Ma-	8pm	Comedy
	Away round your own door		
Wednesday 4th June	The Summer Country Show	8pm	Music
Saturday 14th June	Cash returns	8pm	Music
Saturday 21st June	VLDD Showcase	2pm / 7.30pm	Dance

YOUR VISIT TRUVA RIVERSIDE CAFÉ

By day a perfect spot for long lunches and relaxing pit stops and by night a creative hub and socialising space for cast, crew, audiences and the general public. Truva Riverside serves up a fresh authentic Mediterranean inspired menu with stunning views across the River Bann.



A selection of coffee, tea and soft drinks with a varied menu of mezze & small 'plates' freshly prepared daily. Food that is great in taste & good value, served with our exemplary service from our friendly, helpful staff. Whether you have time to enjoy the view or need to grab a fresh & tasty lunch on the go Truva Riverside will transport you to the Med for an experience that will tantalise your taste buds.

Pre theatre dining available on show nights from 5pm. Book a table online here: www.riversidetheatre.org.uk or by emailing: truvameze@gmail.com

RIVERSIDE BAR

The Riverside Bar also opens for all evening performances offering an extensive selection of drinks.

BEAT THE QUEUES

Beat the interval queue by preordering your drinks and snacks at our service points on arrival, or via the SMS you receive on the day of the show. Simply place and pay for your order before the show starts and it will be waiting for you at the collection point allowing you more time to enjoy the short interlude.

CONFERENCING/ EVENTS/ WEDDINGS

From bohemian bash to red carpet showbiz glitz and vaudeville

circus themed spectacle – the Riverside team can help you source additional extras to make your event unique to your own particular vision. Let us know if we can help source anything extra for the day... from red carpets, performers, photographers ... the sky is the limit ... to create an event you and your guests will never forget ...

PRIVATE PARTIES

Whether you are a community group hoping to arrange a bespoke gathering or a parent trying to organise a child's birthday party – the Riverside can tailor a package to suit your party's needs.

Email: r.sturgeon@ulster.ac.uk

for more information on all our hospitality packages or enquire by calling **028 7012 3387**.



RIVERSIDE YOUTH THEATRE (RYT) WORKSHOPS SPRING 2025 TERM.

The Riverside Youth Theatre has been in operation for nearly 50 years - nurturing the hottest creative talent NI has to offer. Our workshops and productions allow children and young people to explore, discover, learn and experiment creatively with professional artists, learning a range of theatre arts skills in a safe environment. More importantly, there is the chance to meet new friends and above all - have a lot of fun.

RYT JUNIORS

For primary school children aged 5-11 years old Saturdays 11am – 12.30pm

TERM 1:

25th, January / 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd February and 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th March 2025.

Showcase for family and friends – 12 noon on the final Saturday. **FEE:** £80 per child x 10 weeks course.

RYT SENIORS – CONNECTIONS 2025. FULLY BOOKED

For secondary school children aged 12 – 18 years old Mondays 6.30-8.30pm

13th, 20th & 27th January / 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th February and 3rd, 10th, & 24th March 2025

The group will take part in a series of workshops and rehearsals to take part of a series of performances in different NI Locations for the National Theatre of London's Connections Festival 2025.

In 2024-25 we are excited to welcome two new tutors to takeover the RYT Seniors group - they're not the only ones with skeletons in the cupboard, and there was more to the 80s than glitterballs and strange haircuts!

WE'VE GOT THE GOLDEN

BALLYWILLAN DRAMA GROUP TRANSPORT YOU PURE IMAGINATIO FRI 17 JAN to SAT 1 FE SIXTEEN AMAZING CHOCOHOLIC PERF

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BALLYWILLAN DRAMA GROUP PRESENTS

CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Friday 17th January – Saturday 1st February Friday - Saturday 7.45pm Saturday 2.15pm

TICKETS: From £15

MUSICAL THEATRE

January 2025 sees one of the biggest musicals of recent years arriving at the Riverside Theatre for sixteen huge performances. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory will amaze, delight and excite the thousands of people who will undoubtedly flock to see it.

Because of the popularity of both the novel and film, audience's expectation will be high in regard to the production, so Ballywillan are pushing the boat out with the production values. A huge digital screen is being installed to show the animated imagery being designed for the show by a Holywood, USA company and bespoke sets and scenery being imported from Italy will be a first for Ballywillan and, indeed, the theatre.

The musical is not designed to have a youth or children's cast and is totally adult led. So, an amazing adult cast has been assembled with the only children being the four wonderful young actors selected to share the title role of Charlie over the sixteen performances.

Telling the story of Charlie Bucket who finds a Golden Ticket to visit Willy Wonka's famous chocolate factory this really is a show not to be missed.With wonderful pricing offers over the opening weekend early booking is recommended

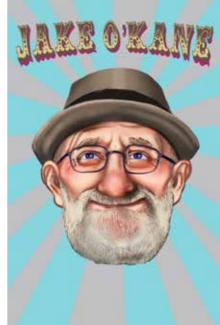
JAKE O KANE -The Absent Intelligence Tour

Friday 7th February 2025 8pm

TICKETS: £26

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Jake O'Kane, one of the country's most popular standup comics returns along with the talented Terry McHugh for his annual end of year review show. A high-tech presentation of photos and videos picking apart the great, the good and the not so good from the previous year. As always, the backbone of the show remains Jake's unique mix of political satire and personal observations covering his struggles with ageing, modern technology and his beloved Protestant and halflings. If you're one of Jakes army of fans you'll already know who the Protestant and halflings are; if you don't, then you won't regret buying a ticket to find out.





LEGENDS OF THE 60s

Saturday 8th February 8pm

TICKETS: £26

With a brand-new production for 2025. Join a multi award-winning all-star cast of musicians and singers Stephen, Raymond and Chris for the musical masterpiece that is the "Legends of the 60s Show". The show with the ultimate feelgood factor will transport you all the way hand clapping, swinging and singing back to that magical golden decade that was the 1960s. Whether you come to relive your childhood memories or you just simply want to see what your parents have been raving about for all these years, this is the No.1 live show to see. Performing high auality tributes to icons like Elvis. The Beatles. The Monkeys, The Rolling Stones, Roy Orbison, Tom Jones, Cliff Richard, The Beach Boys and the Drifters to name but a small few, all in one night, let us deliver to you an entertaining musical live experience featuring over 40 iconic hit songs never to be forgotten.



MAGGIE

Thursday 13th February, 8pm

TICKETS: £26

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Missed the Feg Run? Yer Ma sold out? Never seen the original 50 Shades of Red, White and Blue? Well, now is your chance to catch up with 'Le Muff!'

Maggie is BACK with a brand-new show which is the whole story – all FOUR Maggie plays – in one show! We're talking Mr Red, White and Blue and his 'red room of pain', getting caught short at Dirty Dancing lessons, a Feg Run to remember and of course, Maggie finds out who her Da is...there will be titters, belly-laughs and the tears will be running down your legs!

All the laughs AND all the highlights! Put some fun into your new year and come and see MAGGIE MUFF – the whole story!

Written by award-winning playwright Leesa Harker, directed by Andrea Montgomery and starring the fabulous Caroline Curran - sure you're guaranteed a geg!

FLASH HARRY

Friday 14th February, 8pm

TICKETS: £25

MUSIC

Flash Harry presents a show that embraces the very essence of Queen's live performances. Audiences will see the band

rocking out Queen's greatest hits from 'Radio Gaga', to 'We Are the Champions', 'Bohemian Rhapsody' and everything in between. Quite simply it's live music entertainment at its best.

The band Flash Harry has been celebrating the music of Queen for over 32 years! To carve out a career of that length and sell more tickets now than at any time in their history, proves that this band can deliver. Their track record speaks volumes for the quality of the performances and the sheer entertainment value of their show.



MEGASLAM WRESTLING

Saturday 15th February, 7.30pm (Doors open at 6.45pm)

Tickets:£15 (Adult) / £10 (Child) / £45 (Family of 4)

Team Megaslam battle it out with Team Nasty in a series of exciting, edge of your seat matches designed to get the whole family out of their seats and cheering on their favourites.

If you are looking for spectacular family entertainment with the WOW factor look no further than Megaslam. Grab your foam fingers, take your seats and get ready to witness the Megaslam spectacular. Featuring a whole new line up for Coleraine.



National Theatre Live

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST

Thursday 20h February, 7.30pm TICKETS: £11

SCREEN/THEATRE

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by Oscar Wilde

a production from National Theatre Max Webster (Donmar's Macbeth; Life of Pi) directs a joyful and flamboyant reimagining of Oscar Wilde's most celebrated comedy. Olivier Award-winner Sharon D Clarke(Ma Rainey's Black Bottom;Doctor Who) is joined by Ncuti Gatwa(Doctor Who;Sex Education) and Hugh Skinner (WIA; Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again) in this hilarious story of identity, impersonation and romance.

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The Soda Popz 1950s Rock'n'Roll Show

Friday 21st February 8pm

Tickets: £24

The sensational Soda Popz band return to the Riverside with their spectacular Rock'n'Roll show! Get ready to shake, rattle and roll with this high energy night out, paying an authentic tribute to the best-loved hits from the fabulous 1950's/60's. Put vour alad rags on and enjoy the best retro experience around with music from iconic artists such as Johnny Cash. Buddy Holly, The Drifters, Connie Francis, Brenda Lee and more.

So what are you waiting for? Join this brilliant seven piece live band and rock around the clock this February! 50s attire encouraged. *as seen at NI International Air Show in Sept

★★★★★ "We all dressed up and danced along!! FaB-u-lous!"

***** "Highly recommend the Soda Popz – they are great fun and really know how to keep everyone entertained!! What a fantastic atmosphere they create too!!"

★★★★★ "Best night ever! The Soda Popz are just brilliant and the dancefloor was jumping!"

THE SODA POPZ

1950S ROCK'N'ROLL SHOW!

"THE BEST RETRO EXPERIENCE AROUND!"





Get ready to shake, rattle and roll with this high energy show paying an authentic tribute to the best hits of the 1950s/60s!

MUSIC

Featuring music from iconic artists such as JOHNNY CASH, BUDDY HOLLY, THE DRIFTERS, CONNIE FRANCIS, BRENDA LEE & MORE...

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FRI 21 FEB RIVERSIDE THEATRE SHOW START 2025 COLERAINE 8PM

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY!

An Evening with Still Game's Paul Riley

Saturday 22nd February 8pm

Tickets: £41 (VIP)*, £21

* Pre-show meet and greet, with photo and merchandise signing opportunity. Please note that we must limit merchandise items to a maximum of 4 per person. Ages 14+ Only

'Winston' in BBC & Netflix sitcom, Still Game.

Join us for an unforgettable evening with the BAFTA award-winning actor and comedian, Paul Riley!

In this special 'evening with' event, Paul Riley, renowned for his iconic role as Winston Ingram in the beloved Scottish sitcom Still Game, will take you on a journey through his remarkable 30-year TV career. This is your chance to delve into the behind-the-scenes stories, anecdotes, and ask anything you've ever wanted to know about the iconic Still Game.

Best known for his work on Chewin' the Fat, the sketch show that laid the foundation for Still Game, Riley has also made his mark as the star, writer, and director of Dear Green Place. With a record-breaking run of live shows at the OVO Hydro, Paul will regale you with tales from his time on Still Game, providing an intimate look at the much-loved character Winston Ingram, and unveiling some of the show's best-kept secrets.

As a double BAFTA award-winner, Paul Riley will share insights into his life's journey, touching on eclectic themes such as an ecumenical debate with a bishop about E.T., partying with Motörhead, and even facing a gunpoint encounter with armed police!

The tour, commencing in February 2024, promises a night filled with off-the-cuff stand-up comedy, meet and greet opportunities, and a chance to connect with one of Scotland's most admired household names.

Please note, for legal reasons, Paul will not appear as the character 'Winston.'

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COMEDY

GIVE MY HEAD PEACE

Thursday 27th / Friday 28th February

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COMEDY/DRAMA

TICKETS: £28.50

8pm

After numerous sell-out tours across Northern Ireland last year, the Give My Head Peace team return to the stage with a brand-new live show for 2025.

You will meet your favourite characters from Ulster's best-loved dysfunctional family. Da, Cal, Ma, Dympna, Billy the Peeler, Pastor Begbie and Sandy the Kneebreakers barman.

There will be up to the minute satire, top class stand-up from Tim McGarry, silly plots and the occasional song.

Give My Head Peace is a firm favourite for all the family. It's a night of riotous fun with guaranteed laughs. Book early to avoid disappointment.



THIS FLIGHT TONIGHT -THE SONGS OF JONI MITCHELL

Saturday 1st March, 8pm

MUSIC

Tickets: £25

Acclaimed singer/songwriters Zervas & Pepper present "This Flight Tonight" an intimate fivepiece acoustic live tribute to the music of Joni Mitchell.

Featuring songs such as "California", "Blue", "Woodstock", "Both Sides Now". "Coyote". "Big Yellow Taxi, "A Case Of You", and many more.

Joni Mitchell is one of the most influential artists of the modern age, rising to stardom in the late 1960's, Her music and songwriting is the jewel in the crown of the Woodstock generation. Bursting onto the scene with a sound entirely her own, Joni earned the respect of her musical peers and the love of her audiences Worldwide.

Mitchell's albums and songs are widely recognised as masterpieces, standards that would become the soundtrack to the lives of countless fans throughout the world and continue to draw and inspire new generations of fans.

Zervas & Pepper are Welsh Singer/Songwriters Paul Zervas and Kathryn Pepper. They have been creating and performing original music for over a decade professionally.

The duo and their recording/touring band enjoy cult success on the UK and European Folk/Americana scene and have released five critically-acclaimed studio albums and undertaken countless live headline and support tours, receiving strong national and international network radio support throughout their career and their original music garnering praise and accolades from the likes of CSN&Y legend David Crosby, BBC DJ's Mark Radcliffe, Bob Harris, Lauren Laverne and Don Letts.



NEIL DELAMERE - ACHILLES NEIL

Thursday 6th March 8pm

The Diamond Hall, Ulster University -Coleraine Campus

Tickets: £27



Our comedy hero is back on the road with a brand new epic standup show. Join one of Ireland's favourite comics as he takes on life's absurdities in his own inimitable way. A celebration of the altogether too frequent weaknesses that make us human.

Don't miss the hilarious Achilles Neil.

*Does not contain any actual Greek mythology

"No TV camera could accurately measure the lightning speed of Delamere's wit"- The Irish Times

"One lean, mean, comedy, killing machine' ***** - The Herald

THUNDER ROLLS – THE Garth Brooks Tribute Show

Saturday 8th March, 8pm

TICKETS: £22

MUSIC



Get ready for an electrifying night of country music magic! This live band show is a heartfelt homage to the legendary Garth Brooks. From the moment the first chord strikes, you'll be transported into the heart of Garth's iconic hits. What to Expect:

Friends in Low Places: Raise your glasses and sing along to this timeless anthem.Thunder Rolls: Feel the thunder as the band belts out this powerful classic. The Dance: Let the music sweep you off your feet. Beaches of Cheyenne: A soul-stirring journey through love and longing. Unanswered Prayers: Garth's emotional ballad resonates with us all.

And of course, All of Garth's Biggest Hits will be performed by this Spectacular Live Band.

COLIN MURPHY – MURPHY BEAUCOUP

COMEDY

Friday 14th March, 8pm

TICKETS: £21

After his sell out dates with his Colinization and Whatchamacolin tours, Colin is back out on the road in 2025 with his hilarious new show Murphy Beaucoup! He examines, amongst many other things, dog poo etiquette, living in the future and being on the same planet as other humans who have the bare faced cheek to be younger than you. There will be a lot of the usual winging it with the audience, gratuitous swearing and scenes of a sexual nature.



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Goldilocks and Humpty Dumpty Live

Saturday 15th March 2pm

TICKETS: Adult £12 Children/ OAP £10 Family (4 people) £40

FAMILY

Get ready for a magical adventure with the FairyTale StageShow as they present a delightful double feature: Goldilocks and the Three Bears + Humpty Dumpty Live!

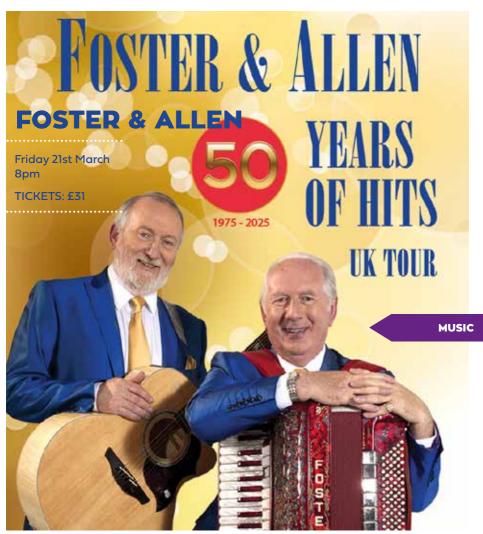
In the first half, meet Humpty Dumpty and his quirky friends as they embark on a whimsical journey filled with laughter and lessons. Can they put Humpty back together again?



Then, in the second half, join Goldilocks as she explores the cozy cottage of the Three Bears, helping her navigate the fun and surprises of their home! This interactive tale is sure to captivate young audiences.

Perfect for children aged 2+, this enchanting production is packed with sing-along songs, interactive games, and delightful surprises that promise to create cherished memories for the whole family.

Secure your seats today for an unforgettable family experience!



The Foster & Allen 50 Years Of Hits Concert will be packed filled with all the songs, that they made them famous all over the world. They will be performing all their Hit Singles like Bunch Of Thyme, Old Flames, Maggie, After All These Years, We Owe It All To You, I will Love You All My Life, Just For Old Times Sake, as well as Medley's Of Songs from their Chart topping Album's and DVD's. They will also be performing some of their new recordings from their latest album We'll Meet Again.

From the opening title track, the evergreen 'We'll Meet Again', to their rendition of popular classics such as 'Grace', 'The Cliffs Of Dooneen', 'Cotton Fields Back Home', Foster & Allen are well and truly back in stride. Foster & Allen aren't showing any signs of slowing down and their recording and touring commitments prove how popular they remain for their fans who like to hear them at home and see them in a live experience.

For A Night To Remember Don't Miss Foster & Allen's 50 Years Of Hits Tour 2025.

Mr Hullabaloo SPRING INTO SPRING

Saturday 22nd March 2pm

TICKETS: £9

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Come celebrate the the joy and magic of Spring this year at the Riverside theatre with Mr Hullabaloo the Magical storyteller! This enchanting fun filled family stage show combines the magic of live storytelling together with puppetry, music, movement and is just blooming with lots of fun surprises! Put a Spring in your step and hop on over when Mr Hullabaloo and friends come to town!



FAMILY

UUSU CASS presents CASS Curtain Call

Thursday 27th March, 7.30pm



TICKETS: £10

annual celebration of music theatre and community spirit. This year's variety show promises an enchanting evening filled with captivating musical numbers and beloved popular songs showcasing a blend of timeless classics and modern musical hits. Audiences can expect a vibrant mix of solos duets and ensemble pieces all

Coleraine Arts and Stage Society's

performed by talented local students dedicated to bringing the magic of the stage to life. CASS Curtain Call isn't just a show! It's a gathering for music lovers of all ages, a tribute to the performing arts and a night that truly lets our community's talent shine!



GBL Productions presents: THURSDAYS WITH ELVIS by Martin Lynch

Wednesday 2nd April 8pm

TICKETS: £28





Lana is a single mother of 12-year-old Libby. She struggles with the cost of living and the rising price of Prosecco, whilst trying to survive on Universal Credit. She can't even afford a night out. So every Thursday night she and her wee christian friend, Mary Magdalene Miriam, doll themselves up and have a wee drink and listen to Lana's mother's music from the 1950s and 60s. She gets the shock of her life when one Thursday night Elvis appears - and returns every week. Is this rock n' roll apparition real, imagined or an impersonator sent by her

Elvis-obsessed father?



Music features strongly in this comedy with Lana singing some of the greatest female songs of the 50s and 60s including, Respect by Aretha Franklin, Love Letters, (Ketty Lester), I'd Rather Go Blind, (Etta James), Be My Baby, (The Ronettes), Then I kissed Her (The Crystals) to name but a few. And, of course, Elvis sings all his greatest hits. When Elvis and Lana duet the house will be rocking like never before!

Is Lana caught in a trap of poverty forever? Or does Elvis have an exciting idea that might just turn her life around?

Ballywillan Drama Group presents THE RAILWAY CHILDREN

Tuesday 8th April – Saturday 12th April Tuesday – Saturday 7.45pm Saturday 2.15pm

TICKETS: From £14

Eight weeks after their musical Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Ballywillan Drama Group are back in the Riverside with the Olivier award winning production of Mike Kenny's acclaimed play THE RAILWAY CHILDREN.

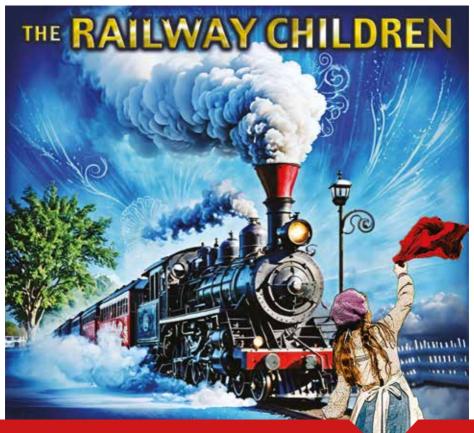
Based on Edith Nesbit's famous novel, the play is a clever, ingenious, emotional and tear-jerking telling of the story and will evoke many memories for the adult theatregoer and introduce this wonderful show to the young.

In 2015 Ballywillan staged the play here at the Riverside where it wowed audiences making it the most successful of their plays. Now, in 2025, ten years later, it's time to bring this exhilarating production (and train) back!

THEATRE

After sellout productions at The National Railway Museum, York, Waterloo Station, London and Kings Cross Station, London the play finally returns to Coleraine where it is sure to again to appeal to audiences of all ages.

This story has been credited with having one of the greatest moments in the history of theatre or film. In the closing seconds of the play there will not be a dry eye in the theatre, when Bobbie cries out those poignant words, "Oh, my Daddy, my Daddy".



Ralph McTell -'TIME DRIFT OF THE ROAD'

Saturday 3rd May, 8pm

TICKETS: £31

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Legendary British singer-songwriter Ralph McTell will embark on his most extensive tour of Ireland to date in 2025. As a stalwart of the folk scene for over five decades, McTell's music continues to resonate with fans of all generations.

With 2025 marking Ralph's 80th year, this tour represents a milestone not just in his life, but in his extraordinary

career. Composer of the Ivor Novello award winning, international hit song 'Streets of London', McTell is still passionate about performing and views this tour as a celebration of longevity, artistry, and the continued love for live music.

Reflecting on his upcoming dates, Ralph shares: "I have been doing shows in Ireland for many years. Firstly in Belfast in 1969 and later in Dublin, eventually getting around the whole country, but it has taken a while to do a national tour. In 2025, I shall be undertaking my biggest and most comprehensive set of dates around Ireland ever. My 2023 tour was hugely enjoyable, and 2025 is going to be a real celebration. I'm looking forward to it already." 'Time Drift of the Road' promises to be a moving celebration of both life and song.



Hotbuckle Productions presents

Friday 23rd May 7.45pm

TICKETS: Adult £15 Concession £12

THEATRE

LITTLE WOMEN

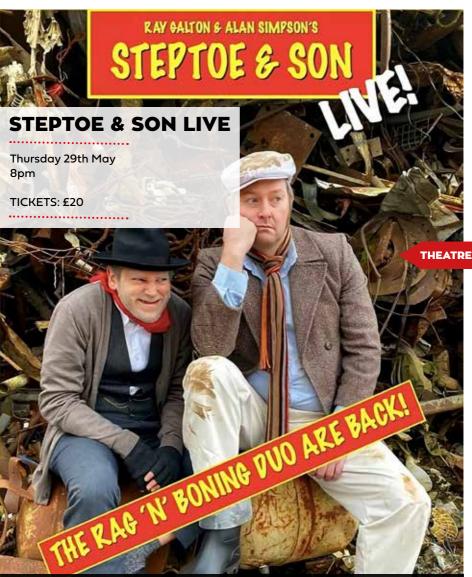
by Louise M. Allcott a new adaptation by Adrian Preator

This beloved classic novel by Louisa May Alcott is given a Hotbuckle makeover in a new adaptation by Adrian Preater. The March sister's journey from adolescence to adulthood is navigated through multi-role playing characterisation and imaginative staging as Hotbuckle explore family, love, and the challenges of growing up. With a touch of the highly acclaimed Hotbuckle humour and fastpaced story-telling, 19 th Century Massachusetts is brought to life as you've never experienced before!





"I am not afraid of storms, for I am learning how to sail my ship,"



You wouldn't think it was possible for this 'rag and boning' duo to still be at it after all this time, but here they are! Albert is still a dirty old man and Harold is as pretentious as ever! Come and join Steptoe & Son for all the hilarious conflict that our four classic episodes have to offer! See your favourite moments from the smash hit BBC television series, being performed for you live on stage – just make sure you don't step in a present from Hercules the horse on your way in...

Steptoe & Son was first seen on our screens in 1962, running for 8 series and 57 episodes, ending in 1974. It starred the wonderful Harry H. Corbett and Wilfred Brambell, as the warring father and son, trying to cope with their ailing business and having to put up with each other along the way!



The Belfast Ma -Away Play Round Your Own Door

Saturday 31st May 8pm

TICKETS: £23



A new comedy written by Tom Rowntree-Finlay and Thomas McCorry

Starring TIKTOK sensation Paul Nugent

Belfast Ma is back with Away Play Round Your Own Door! A hilarious 5-star comedy hit. This number one sell out show tells the story of a wee Belfast Street. The people, the secrets, the craic, the neighbours, the families, the husband and of course the bingo as seen from the eyes of everyone's favourite Sadie Devine.

Experience the best of Belfast onstage as Sadie spills the beans on her neighbours Patricia, Stevie, Wee Ian, Big Maureen and Dirty Gerty from number thirty. Find out all the biz as she prepares the street to win 'The Best Wee Street In Belfast Competition'

A hilarious comedy based on everyone's Ma.

The Belfast Ma guarantees a pure geg.

Wednesday 4th June 8pm

TICKETS: £26



Get the Stetsons and Sombreros ready as back by popular demand "The Summer Country Show" returns for another night of blistering toe-tapping magic with 5 of Irelands top country stars all on one unmissable show. The stellar line-up which wouldn't look out of place in Nashville, Tennessee will include the energetic Shawn Cuddy, the multi-talented instrumentalist Stephen Smyth, the hilarious Gary Gamble and his surreal impressions of Daniel O Donnell, the young rising sensation Gavin Gribben and his popular hit song pub-crawl and the truckers favourite Boxcar Brian who each will showcase there trademark songs in the company of Irelands multi-award winning band Keltic Storm! This is a rare chance to see so many top stars all on one super show and one things for sure if its country music you like then this is the only show in town.

Cash Returns

Saturday 14th June 8pm

TICKETS: £26

Europe's no.1 Johnny Cash & June Carter tribute 'Cash Returns' are back and are set to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the box office hit film , Walk The Line' - that starred Joaquin Phoenix and Reece Witherspoon.

Join JP Mac as the man in black and Karen Martin as June Carter along with this spectacular 9 piece show as they pay homage to the 2005 hit film based on the life and career of country music's biggest star and how he met the love of his life.

The brand new show will include songs from the soundtrack of 'Walk The Line, that will have everyone singin 'n' stompin in the aisles , including,'Ring Of Fire', 'Long legged Guitar Picking Man,



'Jackson', 'Cry Cry Cry', 'Cocaine Blues' - plus many more from the legendary couple's huge repertoire.

Cash's very own drummer WS 'Fluke' Holland has even expressed his adulation for JP Mac after sitting behind the Man In Black himself for 40 years by saying, "IF ANYONE HEARS JP MAC THEY WILL KNOW WHY HE IS AN AWARD WINNING JOHNNY CASH ACT – I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS GUY PLAY IN PERSON".

This much revered act is the only live show that will give the full authentic Johnny Cash & June Carter experience.

Victoria Lagan Drama & Dance presents SUMMER SHOWCASE

Saturday 21st June

2pm & 7.30pm

TICKETS: £15

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Join our local award-winning Dance and Drama studio as they perform some of their sensational pieces they have been working on this term.

A night full of youth talent in various forms of dance including Lyrical, Acro, Jazz, Contemporary and Street as well as their talent young actors performing a variation of theatre scripts.



Gift Vouchers

Treat a theatre lover you know with a Riverside Gift Voucher



TRUVA CAFE ©The Riverside Theatre

Lunch & Pre Theatre enjoy a delicious pre show meal

or tasty relaxing lunch in our theatre cafe

SERVING DELICIOUS LITE BITES, SNACKS & PRE THEATRE MEAL DEALS

Sharing Platters

Choose from Vegetarian or Meat Meze platter, filled with delicious traditional Mediterranean meze. See menu for details

Quick Bites

Choice of Loaded Fries, Burgers, Wraps and salads. See menu for details

Kids Menu

Full kids menu available with options for the fussiest eaters.

Tea, Coffee, Soft drinks & sweet treats

LUNCH (TERM TIME) MON - FRI 11AM -3PM

PRE THEATRE 5.30PM - 7.30PN

Visit website for full menu www.truvameze.co.uk

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FIND US

The Riverside Theatre is located on the Ulster University campus in Coleraine.

WALKING

You can access the University on foot via the Cromore Road or Portstewart Road side of the campus on the 'pedestrian access' routes labelled on the map, once on campus signage will lead you by walkways to the theatre.

TRAIN

Translink operate a rail service from Coleraine to the University - visit **translink.co.uk** for more information.

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Translink's 140b and 319a Ulsterbus services go via the University campus visit **translink.co.uk** for more information.

CAR/PARKING

Access to the University campus by car is via the Cromore Road only, entry via aither the main or north entrance will guide you via signage to the theatre. Car-parking is free to the general public after 7pm (Monday-Thursday), after 5pm (Fridays) and completely free over the weekend. (Saturday and Sunday). There is a dedicated disabled car park directly beside the theatre's front door.

