



cork CONVENTION BUREAU

Cork City and County Festivals 2009



Ocean to City (www.oceantocity.com)

Event	Details	Date
Cork St Patrick's Festival	<p>The Cork St. Patrick's Festival is a three day festival running from Saturday 14th, Sunday 15th and Tuesday 17th March. All events are outdoor and free.</p> <p>Marking the U.N. International Year of Astronomy, the Cork St. Patrick's Festival and Blackrock Castle Observatory are celebrating with the theme <i>Cosmic Chaos</i>.</p> <p>www.corkstpatricksfestival.ie</p>	March
Cork International Choral Festival	<p>Founded in 1954 to be a dynamic force in developing choral music in Ireland, the Cork International Choral Festival is held annually over the four days preceding the first Monday in May in Cork's City Hall (capacity 1,000) - one of the most attractive and acoustically superb venues in Ireland.</p> <p>www.corkchoral.ie</p>	April

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Kinsale Sevens	<p>The Kinsale Sevens is Ireland's premier 7-a-side Rugby Competition. For 20 years the town of Kinsale has played host to Sevens teams from across the rugby playing world who have provided a wonderful display of fast paced, running Rugby and enjoyed Kinsale's historic and unique brand of hospitality.</p> <p>www.kinsalesevens.com</p>	
8 Degrees West Arts Festival	<p>This corner of East Cork is a hot bed of creativity, huge numbers of famous, and not-so-famous artists and craftspeople call this beautiful place home. Regional and international artists appearing at Ballycotton, Shanagarry, Ladysbridge and Cloyne, East Cork.</p>	June
Eurochild International Festival	<p>The Eurochild International Festival is an annual arts festival that celebrates children's creativity and imagination through the arts. Through workshops, performances and creative events, the festival nurtures the collective voices of the children.</p> <p>www.eurochild.net</p>	June
Ocean to the City	<p>This exciting boat race is open to all traditional and fixed seat rowing boats and follows the 15 mile course from Crosshaven to Cork City Centre.</p> <p>www.oceantocity.com</p>	June (Bank Holiday Weekend)
Cork City Marathon	<p>This exciting fun sports event gives participants and spectators an ideal opportunity to savour a great sporting and community event. With Cork's proud sporting history, the participants are sure to get tremendous support as they make their way through the centre and around the 26.2 mile course.</p> <p>www.corkcitymarathon.ie</p>	June (Bank Holiday Weekend)

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Cork Midsummer Festival	Ireland's fastest growing and most innovative festival of local, national and international arts takes place during the last two weeks of June. Cork City will explode with strange and wonderful performances all over the city in locations ranging from abandoned naval bases to mid air suspended from one of the cities construction cranes. The festival also presents the ever-popular Lord Mayor's Picnic in the Park and the Emmet Place Spiegeltent. www.corkfestival.com	June / July
Live at the Marquee	The popular "Live at the Marquee", in Cork Docklands will treat audiences to musical genius and original comedy from Ireland and abroad. www.aikenpromotions.com	June / July
Kinsale Arts Festival	With summer comes all of the excitement and colour of Kinsale Arts Week. Every year the historic beauty spot of Kinsale is electrified by the best in art, music, spectacle, theatre, literature and family entertainment for nine sunny days in July. www.kinsaleartsweek.com	July 11-19
Taste of Cork 2010	Taste of Cork is a four-day celebration of fine food and drink. Cork's most prestigious restaurants and celebrated chefs serve sample-sized signature dishes to sophisticated foodies. www.tastefestivals.ie	July
Bupa Ireland Cork City Sports	This major sports meeting is held at the Mardyke arena and attracts top athletes from Ireland and overseas www.corkcitysports.ie	June
Frank O'Connor International Festival of the Short Story	The Frank O'Connor International Short Story Award is announced each September at the Frank O'Connor International Short Story Festival in Cork, Ireland. The prize is for 35,000 euros (approx US\$42,500). Eligible books are those by living authors, published for the first time, in English anywhere in the world. www.munsterlit.ie	September

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Beamish Cork Folk Festival	<p>The Cork Folk Festival's annual objective is straightforward – to present the best of local, national, and international folk and traditional music, song and dance on Leaside in late August/early September each year.</p> <p>www.corkfolkfestival.com</p>	September
East Cork Early Music Festival	<p>The festival presents eight consistently excellent concerts to full houses and enthusiastic audiences.</p> <p>www.eastcorkearlymusic.ie</p>	September
Guinness Cork Jazz Festival	<p>The Guinness Jazz Festival is Ireland's biggest and most prestigious jazz event and is one of the most important events on Ireland's arts and cultural calendar.</p> <p>www.corkjazzfestival.com</p>	October
Cork International Film Festival	<p>Established in 1956, the festival has enjoyed a steady growth in scale, in numbers of admissions and guests, in reputation and in media coverage. The festival has developed an ever-increasing audience of general public, film lovers and filmmakers.</p> <p>www.corkfilmfest.org</p>	November
Cork ArtsFest	<p>Annual Arts festival co-ordinated by Cork Institute of Technology</p> <p>www.cit.ie/artsfest/</p>	November