

## The Musicians

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### Allegria Quartet

Allegria Quartet is a dynamic new quartet that was established in 2023. With burning enthusiasm for romantic repertoire, the group is ever so excited to present a fiery program, for their debut at the West Cork Chamber Music Festival.

### Aradia Quartet

The Aradia quartet have been playing together since 2020, and are delighted to be returning to West Cork Chamber music festival for the third year in a row. They were the 2022 fellowship quartet at Concorda Chamber Music Course.

### Ensemble MidtVest

Ensemble MidtVest is a versatile group of international musicians based in Denmark, known for the high-quality of its chamber music concerts, as well as for creating innovative musical experiences both on and off stage.

### OCMA Quartet

The OCM Academy Quartet was founded in 2022 as part of a project conceived by the prestigious Orchestra da Camera di Mantova. Today it is the protagonist of the projects Sei/Ottavi and Made in Oficina OCM, as resident youth quartet of the Mantua Chamber Orchestra.

### Sonic Quartet

The Sonic Quartet was formed in August 2023. They made their debut performance in a masterclass for the Schumann Quartet as part of the Wigmore Hall Festival at the Whyte Recital Hall.

### Sonoro Quartet

Founded in 2019, Sonoro Quartet is one of the leading young string quartets of its generation. Hailing from France, Ireland and Belgium and performing over 40 concerts annually, their repertoire encompasses classical masterpieces alongside works and commissions by contemporary composers.



Sonoro Quartet, Photo: Eva Ravel

## JOIN US ON A MUSICAL ADVENTURE ACROSS WEST CORK!

The West Cork Chamber Music Festival is bringing wonderful musicians from all over the world to our little corner of Ireland for a fantastic 10-day Festival this summer. The Fringe brings these musicians out of Bantry to other beautiful locations around West Cork, bringing chamber music into communities.

The Fringe concerts are informal, family friendly concerts, lasting about 40mins – perfect for first-time concert goers, as well concert veterans.

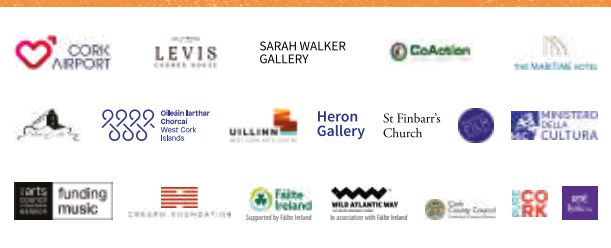
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# FREE, FAMILY-FRIENDLY CONCERTS AROUND WEST CORK, 28 JUNE - 7 JULY

Ahakista • Ballydehob • Castletownbere  
Whiddy Island • Baltimore • Skibbereen  
Bantry & Schull

## ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

As well as this exciting Fringe programme, there are many more concerts and events happening in Bantry.

**COFFEE CONCERTS** This popular series takes place every morning at 11am in St Brendan's Church. Pop into the marquee for coffee, cake and chat before the concert and enjoy some of the most beloved music in the classical repertoire, from Beethoven and Bach to Handel and Haydn.

**12.10 CRESPO SERIES** This series is a recent addition to the Festival and is a chance to listen to some of the lesser known works of chamber and solo music. These concerts are less than an hour, but is music for listeners who like to wander off the beaten track.

**YOUNG MUSICIANS SERIES** Featuring the ensembles participating in the Masterclass Programme, this series takes place most afternoons at 2pm in St Brendan's School Hall. Lasting only an hour, it is the perfect concert to take young people to.

**4PM CRESPO SERIES** These hour-long concerts take place daily. If you can't quite squeeze in a full two-hour concert, then here is the chance to listen to world class musicians perform in the marvellous surroundings of Bantry House or St Brendan's Church.

**MAIN EVENING CONCERTS** The centrepiece of every day at the Festival. These concerts last two hours at Bantry House or St Brendan's Church, and feature multiple musicians and groups in each concert. The concert atmosphere is wonderful, with an interval and bar, audiences can get the full concert experience.

**CANDLELIT LATE NIGHTS** A much-loved series, these late concerts, lasting less than an hour, are a perfect close to the day, with the venues lit by candles and the sun setting, it's chamber music as it's truly meant to be heard.

## FREE CONCERTS

Concerts start promptly and run for 40-45 minutes

### FRIDAY 28 JUNE

14:15 / Cork Airport / **Aradia Quartet**

### SATURDAY 29 JUNE

13:30 / Levis Corner House, Ballydehob  
**Allegria Quartet**

### SUNDAY 30 JUNE

12:30 / Sarah Walker Gallery, Castletownbere  
**OCMA Quartet**

### MONDAY 1 JULY

11:00 / Co-Action, Bantry / **Allegria Quartet**  
13:30 / Maritime Hotel, Bantry / **Allegria Quartet**

### TUESDAY 2 JULY

12:30 / Baltimore Castle / **OCMA Quartet**

### WEDNESDAY 3 JULY

14:30 / Whiddy Island / **Sonoro Quartet**  
(Ferry €8 return departs Bantry 14:00)

### THURSDAY 4 JULY

13:30 / Uillin Arts Centre, Skibbereen  
**Sonic Quartet**

### FRIDAY 5 JULY

**Bantry Market pop-ups**  
10am, 11am, 12pm, 2pm (weather dependent)  
14:30 / Heron Gallery, Ahakista  
**Ensemble MidtVest**

### SATURDAY 6 JULY

15:00 / Fastnet Film Centre, Schull / **Sonic Quartet**

### SUNDAY 7 JULY

12:45 / St Finbarr's Church, Bantry / **Aradia Quartet**

