



Tipperary
ETB

Bord Oideachais & Oiliúna Thiobraid Árann
Tipperary Education & Training Board

2025 SCHOOLS' TALENT SHOW

Thursday, February 27

SHOWCASING
OUR TALENTED
STUDENTS IN
MUSIC AND DANCE!

Venue:

Coláiste Dún Iascaigh
Cahir, E21 NV38





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Special guests, colleagues, students, ladies and gentlemen; it's an honour to welcome everybody here to Coláiste Dún Iascaigh for the 2025 Tipperary ETB Schools' Talent Show.

We are delighted to share tonight's wonderful experience with teachers, ETB staff, parents, and visitors from across Tipperary and further afield.

I would like to thank a number of people for their

team of staff, the stage crew, and the Parents' Association of the school for their hard work in preparing for tonight.

Thanks to our Director of Schools, Ms Clodagh Kelly, Ms Fiona Conroy and Tipperary ETB's Corporate Services team for assisting with the organisation of the event over the last few weeks and even months.

Tipperary ETB is very much a community of schools and provides opportunities for our

work in making this event a great success including our MCs Aoife Walsh and Shane Ronayne, Coláiste Dún Iascaigh Principal Mr Peter Creedon, Deputy Principals Darius

Delahunty and Sinead Tarrant, their

staff to collaborate in areas such as excellence in learning and teaching with many educational support networks established. Education is a partnership between the school and the parents to support students and challenge them to attain to their potential.

Tonight is very much about showcasing the talents of our students. We would like to thank all of the staff and students from all of our Tipperary ETB schools for supporting this Tipperary ETB event. This is an opportunity to showcase the amazing talent of just a small section of our student base across the county, and tonight is the culmination of all your hard work and perseverance.

I would also like to thank the Tipperary ETB Board member, led by our Chairperson Cllr Roger Kennedy, for their support.

We hope you all enjoy the show!



MCS: AOIFE WALSH &
SHANE RONAYNE

We're delighted to have these Coláiste Dún Iascaigh teachers with us as MCs for tonight's event in Cahir.

Aoife Walsh is a teacher of English, History and Geography, and is also a prominent influencer and model. She was crowned Miss Ireland in 2013,

going on to

represent Ireland at Miss World later that year.

Shane Ronayne teaches Physical Education and Maths in Cahir, and is also a highly successful football coach.

His coaching CV includes stints with the Tipperary and Cork Senior ladies' footballers, as well as the Waterford men's footballers.

Our acts



School Ensemble Borrisokane Community College

Having grown over the past few years from ten to 40 members, Borrisokane's School Ensemble repertoire includes Traditional Irish music and rock/pop.

They were successful last year with their first venture into the Waltons RTÉ Lyric FM Music for Schools Competition receiving 'Very Highly Commended'.

Borrisokane Community College would like to take the opportunity to thank the students for their dedication, enthusiasm and commitment to music in the school. Their entry this year is called *Light of our Lives*, featuring *The Climb* by Miley Cyrus and Coldplay's *Sky Full of Stars*.



Darra Bourke Borrisokane Community College

Sixth-Year student Darra is a singer-songwriter and has been composing her own music since the age of 13. In 2021, she released her debut single *Amazing*, available on Spotify and Apple Music. She continues to write her own music and is working alongside Atlas White Studios.

Darra uses TikTok and Instagram to promote her talents and efforts, while also fundraising for Focus Ireland's battle against homelessness. She has taken part in the *Today FM's* Big Busk annually since 2022.

Tonight, Darra is going to sing her version of Cian Ducrot's *All For You*.



College Choir Coláiste Dún Iascaigh

This act is comprised of students from 1st Year to 5th Year. The College choir meet once a week and perform at a wide variety of school functions throughout the school year, and they always have fun while representing the school.

Tonight they will perform *California Dreamin'* by Mamas and Papas.

Our acts



Trad Ensemble **Coláiste Dún Iascaigh**

This act is a mix of students from 1st to 6th Year who will be playing, singing and dancing a selection of jigs and reels.

This trad group at Coláiste Dún Iascaigh practices every week, and are involved in local Comhaltas branches in Cahir and Cashel.



School Choir **Coláiste Mhuire Co-Ed**

This choir has gone from strength to strength in recent years, showcasing their talent and dedication across a variety of platforms.

Since they began competing at Limerick Choral Festival in 2019, they have consistently impressed, representing the school at the ETB Talent Show and the AIMS Choral Festival. In 2022, they were awarded first place in the Senior Chorus category, and in 2024, they triumphed again, placing first in the prestigious Cameo Competition at the AIMS Choral Festival.



Laura O'Hara **Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré**

14-year-old, 2nd Year Music student Laura has loved singing and dancing from a young age. She represented Offaly in the Under 16 Solo Singing and Group Dancing in last year's Community Games.

She's performed with the Coláiste Phobal Choir for various school events and sang solo in last year's school Variety Concert. She was proud to make her debut in Cistercian College's musical *Les Misérables*, playing the role of Eponine.

Tonight, Laura will be singing *I Know I Have a Heart* from the musical *Cinderella*.

Our acts



Musical Medley Coláiste Phobal Ros Cré

This act is made up of 15 students from 2nd Year to 6th Year: Jasmine Murphy, Shannon Fletcher, Alicia England, Laura O'Hara, Chloe Moore, Barry Fitzpatrick, James Kelly, Aoife Moore, Kyra Doherty, Ellie Dunphy, Sophie Fitzgerald, Grace Mulrooney, Jakob Noj, Ely Carroll and Diana Istrati.

Most students study Music, and the others have a keen interest in singing and dancing with some involved with Gravity Dance Group. The group is coordinated by Mr Maher, Music Teacher, & tutored by Sophie Fitzgerald, a 6th year student who has given a huge amount of time and effort to all school music activities over the years.



ABBA Medley Comeragh College

These 20 enthusiastic Transition Year students will perform an exciting, energetic and fun ABBA Medley. Their combination of singing, dancing and acting brings a fresh, youthful spin to ABBA's classic hits such as *Dancing Queen*, *Mamma Mia*, and *Waterloo*.

Sit back, relax and enjoy this vibrant performance which is sure to transport you right back to the seventies and will have you tapping your feet and singing along.



Xhesika Sopiku & Sophie Mooney Comeragh College

These talented Third Year female vocalists perform the duet *I Know Him So Well* from the musical *Chess*, a powerful ballad first performed by Elaine Paige and Barbara Dickson in the original 1984 West End production.

The song expresses a deeply emotional connection and understanding between two women but tonight Xhesika and Sophie bring their younger unique interpretation of the song.

Our acts



Junior Choir CTI Clonmel

This Junior Choir is made up of singers from both Gaelcholáiste Chéitinn and Raheen College in Clonmel.

Tonight, our junior members will sing *Fix You* by Coldplay, and will be accompanied by a variety of junior Musicians.



Junior Trad Band CTI Clonmel

This Junior Trad band is comprised of students from both Gaelcholáiste Chéitinn and Raheen College.

Students from both schools consistently come together on the sports field and finally since last year our musicians have begun to come together to perform at our annual Christmas concert working together in bands, choirs and traditional Irish groups.

Our students have an interest in a variety of different genres, so we decided to play a medley that will include, vocals, guitar riffs and a traditional Irish polka.



CTI Senior Band Tipperary FET College (Clonmel)

Tonight, this band from Tipperary FET College at The Mall in Clonmel performs *Emerald* by Thin Lizzy.

Lead vocals are sung by Axel Kugel, Osgar O Conaill is on first guitar, bass is played by Shona Greene, and drums are played by Adam Tobin.

The band have been collaborating since the Christmas Concert 2024. Axel and Oscar have known each other since they were five and have been in Music Generation for a number of years, performing at concerts together with varying styles and settings. Adam, although only recently learning drums, is extremely competent and professional.



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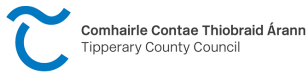


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Dr Music

Music Generation Tipperary

The members of Dr Music met at the Music Generation Tipperary afterschool hub in Newport, where they began playing together.

In the past few months, they have honed their skills and developed a sound that is uniquely their own.

Band members:

Odhran Lenihan—Guitar & lead vocal

Andrea Lynch—Drums

Julie McInerney—Guitar & backing vocal

Oisín O'Gorman—Guitar & backing vocal



The Stoneaways

Music Generation Tipperary

The Stoneaways are a high-energy alt-rock band bringing raw emotion and killer riffs to the stage. Influenced by the greats but carving out their own sound, they blend gritty vocals, powerful instrumentals and honest lyrics that hit hard.

Members:

Eva Kizogian—Vocals/Guitar

Roxie Gorey Fitzgibbon—Drums

Gary O'Regan—Drums

Olivia Kurpan—Guitar

Muireann Whelan—Bass guitar



Music Generation Tipperary Thiobraid Árann

Music Generation Tipperary is a performance music education programme for children and young people, up to 18 years old, available across county Tipperary.

Part of Music Generation – Ireland's National Music Education Programme, developed by Music Network and co-funded by U2, The Ireland Funds together with, the Department of Education and Skills and Local Music Education Partnerships.

Launched in September 2019, it is funded by Tipperary ETB and Tipperary County Council.

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Our acts



Super Trouper Nenagh College

Nenagh College staged its first musical this year, including students from TY and 5th Year. The staging of the ABBA-themed *Dancing Queen* proved very popular with the students. Tonight, we are going to perform *Super Trouper*, one of the numbers from the musical which features a number of the students.

Members: Grace Kilgannon, Grace Quinn, Brianna Graham, Elizabeth Minginovic, Laura Garcia, Blanca Wrona, Thomas Ryan, Matthew Ryan, Darragh Corish, Daire Boland.



Trad Ensemble Nenagh College

Musicians: Filip Wiewiora (Pipes), Aisling Dunne (Guitar), Grace Kilgannon (Fiddle), Abbie Forde (Whistle) Adam Kerin (Banjo).



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Our acts



Last Minute Newport College

The band members are all preparing for their Junior Cycle music exam at Newport College and often take part in other music events in the school such as the annual school concert.

Séamus Bridgeman (Guitar and Vocals) featured as Doody in the school musical *Grease* last year singing the song *Those Magic Changes*, among others. Steven O'Brien is playing drums and Aaron Holland is playing bass.

Tonight, they perform *It's Good to be Free* by Oasis.



Fifth Year Music Newport College

Performing Gotye's *Somebody That I Used To Know*, these instrumentalists have been very busy learning this tune on instruments that are relatively new to them.

Six members of the band featured in last year's musical *Grease* and all regularly take part in school concerts, open nights and other school events.

Members: Dylan Crotty (Bass), Faye Ewing (Vocals), Izzy O'Connor (Piano), Lauren Keogh (Drums), Jessica O'Brien (Vocals), Ola Jezewska (Vocals), Erin Deere (Ukulele), Julie Carroll-McInerney (Guitar).



Edel Hayes Scoil Ruáin

Edel has played piano since she was eight years old. She has represented Scoil Ruáin with distinction at our Christmas concerts, recital evenings and in last year's musical.

She has completed Grade 2 on the piano but now teaches herself. Her favourite type of music to play is anything challenging but well known and popular, regardless of the genre.

Edel will play *I Giorni* by Ludovico Einaudi this evening.

Our acts



Stevie Skehan

Scoil Ruáin

Playing concertina since the age of seven, Stevie also plays button accordion, melodeon and tin whistle. Stevie won the reeds u15 Comhaltas County Final Ceol an Gheimhridh in January. He also won the U15 duets.

Stevie studies Scrúdu Ceol Tíre Grade 5 concertina and Grade 3 button accordion. He's part of a group that achieved 2nd place in the All-Ireland Pléaracha competition two years ago.

Stevie has performed at end of year recitals, Wellbeing Week, Open Night, Christmas Concert and the ETB Talent Show.

Tonight, Stevie will play *Trip to Durrow* into *The Caucus* reels.



Marko Grubor

St Ailbe's

A talented performer and musician, Marko is currently studying Grade 8 piano at Danny Ryan Music School.

He has starred in multiple productions including Amos Hart in *Chicago* (Excel Youth Theatre), TJ in *Sister Act* (Excel Youth Theatre), Uncle Fester in *The Addams Family* (St. Ailbe's), and Teen Angel in *Grease* (St. Ailbe's).

Known for his great vocal range, stage presence, and quirky humour, Marko hopes to pursue a career in the arts.



Second to None

St Ailbe's

Meet *Second to None*, a dynamic 4-piece teenage rock band that ignites stages with a fusion of alternative rock, thrash metal, and groove metal influences.

Lead vocalist/bassist Conor belts out raw, gritty lyrics while shredding guitarist Ronan and rhythm guitarist Vanesa deliver a sonic onslaught inspired by metal legends.

Drummer Sam, provides a thunderous backbone, infusing energy into every performance. Get ready to be swept away by their electrifying sound and contagious energy.



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Thursday, 13 March (2-8pm)
Templemore

Friday, 14 March (8.30-2pm)
Main Guard, Clonmel

Friday, 21 March (9-4pm)
Thurles - Archerstown

Tuesday, 1 April (10.30-12.30pm)
Carrick-on-Suir

Wednesday, 9 April (10-1pm)
Tipperary Town

Thursday, 10 April (10-1pm)
Clonmel - Kickham Barracks

Friday, 9 May
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