

## New Ross

Between concerts there are plenty of things to experience in New Ross. From the local scenery and historic sites of The Norman Way, to the 13th century St. Mary's early Gothic Church. A tour of the Ros Tapestry on the Quay will introduce you to the 'tale told in thread' of the Norman adventure, and in the words of the medieval poem about the building of the walls around New Ross 'every stranger finds a welcome here'. Not to mention the many places to eat and drink.

## Getting here

The New Ross Piano Festival takes place in the South East of Ireland, central to Waterford, Kilkenny and Wexford, near the Rosslare Ferry Port and Waterford Airport.



Concerts take place in St. Mary's Church,  
New Ross, Co. Wexford, Y34 DN82

# Welcome

Welcome to our 13th piano festival! This year we present the Irish debut of two very different pianists: **Anne-Marie McDermott**, "one of the great American pianists of her generation", who has a major career as a soloist and chamber musician in the USA and beyond, but has never played in her ancestral home of Ireland; and the Romanian pianist **Alexandra Dariescu**, recently named by International Piano Magazine as 'one of 30 pianists under 30 destined for a spectacular career'. Anne-Marie, Alexandra and the festival's **Artistic Director Finghin Collins** will be joined by outstanding Bulgarian violinist **Svetlin Roussev** and French cellist **Marc Coppey** for performances of three glorious piano trios.

Our popular weekend coffee concerts will be given by **François Dumont** from France and **Marcos Madrigal** from Cuba. Young Waterford pianist **Billy O'Brien** will fill the new Friday coffee concert slot, a free event specifically geared towards younger ears. **David Greilsammer** will return to perform the fascinating late-night programme "Labyrinth" from which he had to withdraw last year due to ill-health.

For the second year running we present our **Jazz Piano Day**, this year on Thursday September 27th, again curated by **Phil Ware**. The headline act will be Swedish pianist and composer **Lars Jansson**, who is acclaimed in Scandinavia and throughout Europe for his eclectic performances and improvisations.

We look forward to welcoming you to St. Mary's in New Ross in the closing days of September to enjoy a great range of piano music!



## New Ross Piano Festival

Promoted by Music for New Ross

Patron: **Michael D. Higgins, President of Ireland**

Festival tickets are booked via St Michael's Theatre in New Ross. Tickets are for **allocated seating** – book early to avoid disappointment.

**Friends priority booking dates:**

11th June – Diamond Friends

18th June – Gold Friends

25th June – Silver Friends

**General bookings open on 2nd July**

### Book tickets

Call St Michael's Theatre box office on:  
**00353 51 421 255**

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PLUS:  
JAZZ PIANO DAY

Artistic Director  
**Finghin Collins**

Featuring today's most exciting pianists

## 26th–30th September



