

THE FIRST ANNUAL BATON ROUGE IRISH FILM FESTIVAL 2009

The mission of the Baton Rouge Irish Club is to help support and keep alive the heritage that over 60 million Americans claim as theirs. The Baton Rouge Irish Club began the tradition of supporting Irish culture, history, and festivities in Baton Rouge over fifty years ago.



Since the 1950s and 1960s, parades, grand dances, and large dinners celebrating St. Patrick's Day have been a part of the social landscape of Baton Rouge. Today our city's St. Patrick's Day parade draws the largest attendance for any single event in Louisiana.

Another tradition was added in 2005 when we initiated an annual Bloomsday Celebration on each June 16th with Irish music and readings from James Joyce, the most respected and controversial Irish author. We have also sponsored several concerts by Danny O'Flaherty, well known Irish balladeer, and continue to help fund the local Irish dance organizations and the bagpipe band of the Celtic Society of Baton Rouge. Most recently, we have established a scholarship fund for LSU students participating on an LSU exchange with Ireland.

We feel that a Baton Rouge Irish Film Festival is the next natural step in our community outreach. Having observed the success of the the French and Jewish film festivals, we believe that it is the right time to respond to our city's growing interest in international cultures.

On Saturday, June 13th from 12:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. the Baton Rouge Irish Club will present three films at the Shaw Center. Catered food, Irish music, dance and bagpipes will punctuate the film series. An eminent Irish filmmaker will provide an overview of Irish filmmaking, past and present.

We hope that you will join us as a sponsor to help underwrite the expenses and show support for this project. Donations made to The Baton Rouge Irish Film Festival are tax deductible. Sponsors will be invited to a special reception party prior to the festival and will receive recognition for their participation and a great evening as only the Irish can show! We look forward to a successful Film Festival and thank you for your support.



Festival Organizing Committee: Phil Brady, Philip Mann, Laura McDavitt, Allen Kinney, Joe Sullivan, Dan Priddy, Randolph Thomas, Rex Fortinberry, Liz Walker, John Hardy.

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Sponsors Levels and Benefit Groups

All Sponsors will be acknowledged in the Film Festival program, sponsor boards on on-screen displays.

\$1,000-Golden Harp Level**

Performance Sponsor. (Evening dedication opportunity)
Two tickets to all films*
Four tickets to Patron Reception*
Refreshment vouchers

\$500 Emerald Shamrock Level**

Two tickets to all films*
Two tickets to Patron Reception*
Refreshment Vouchers

\$250-Dubliner Level

Eight Individual tickets
Two tickets to Patron Reception

\$150-Bard Level

Six individual tickets
Two tickets to the Patron reception

I want to participate in the Baton Rouge Irish Film Festival as a Sponsor at the \$_____level.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Cell _____ E-mail Address _____

Enclosed is \$_____ Please bill me: _____

Mail: The Baton Rouge Irish Film Festival
P.O. Box 64972
Baton Rouge, LA 70896

Patron tickets and party invitations will be sent to you by mail. Individual movie tickets are available only from the Manship Theater after May 1st. There are no individual tickets to the Patron Reception.

*Additional complimentary tickets available on request.

**Golden Harp and Emerald Shamrock Levels will have additional recognition in the printed festival program.



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