

Galway International Arts Festival and Róisín Dubh announce the final headline artists to be added to the 2024 line-up for the Heineken® Big Top



STEWART COPELAND

Police Deranged for Orchestra

Featuring some of The Police's biggest hits

Conducted by Eímear Noone

Wednesday 17th July 2024

as part of Galway International Arts Festival 2024

Tickets on sale Friday 12th April at 10am

The Heineken® Big Top 2024 will also feature
Leftfield, Passenger, Kneecap, Block Rockin Beats,
Annie Mac, Jess Glynne, KETTAMA, Gavin
James, The Saw Doctors

<https://youtu.be/tkBkdqJH-Co>

11th April 2024

Police Deranged for Orchestra celebrates the work of legendary rock star and composer, Stewart Copeland and the music of The Police, and focuses on the epic rise of Copeland's career that has spanned over four decades. A date at the Heineken® Big Top, conducted by Galway's Eimear Noone was announced today for 17th July.

With many of The Police's biggest hits including Roxanne, Don't Stand So Close To Me, Walking on the Moon, Every Breath You Take, Every Little Thing She Does is Magic and Message in a Bottle **this unique concert features Stewart Copeland on drums, with guest vocalists and band alongside a 28-piece orchestra.**

Copeland is a unique figure in the music world, renowned as the founder of The Police, a band that became a defining force in rock music from the 1980s through to the present day. He is also a seasoned and prolific composer in opera, ballet and orchestral music.

'Everyone onstage and off had a blast. Pure magic.' Stir

This is the final and 11th headline act to be announced for the Heineken® Big Top 2024 line up, as part of Galway International Arts Festival. The Heineken® Big Top is a much-loved part of the Galway International Arts Festival experience. Nestled beside the banks of the River Corrib, in an easy to reach city centre location, it is a highlight of the festival each year. Audiences each have their own special memories of their favourite artist to play there and a myriad of Irish and International artists have graced the stage each year. Galway takes on a particular energy and excitement during the Galway International Arts Festival.

The Heineken® Big Top 2024 will open with Passenger and close the 2024 season with 2 nights of The Saw Doctors. The full headline line-up will be:

Passenger – 15th July
Stewart Copeland, Police Deranged for Orchestra, conducted by Eimear Noone - 17th July
Kneecap – 18th July
Leftfield - 19th July
Block Rockin Beats – 20th July
Annie Mac - 21st July

Jess Glynne – 24th July

KETTAMA – 25th July

Gavin James – 26th July

The Saw Doctors - 27th & 28th July

Special guests and supports to be announced in due course.

“My two decades before the mast as a hired-gun film composer had forced an education in orchestration upon me, and the idea formed to make this combination that brings us here tonight. Sting’s songs, Andy’s inventions and my impunity, all on the page for a wild ride with Eimear Noone conducting a fantastic orchestra.” Stewart Copeland

Galway born, LA based Eimear Noone is an award-winning film and videogame composer and conductor. As one of the world’s premier composers of games scores, Eimear is responsible for some of the most enduring soundscapes on World of Warcraft. Eimear also conducts orchestras worldwide and in 2020 she made history by becoming the first female conductor to perform at the 92nd Academy Award’s ceremony.

An aerial photo of the Heineken® Big Top can be downloaded [here](#).

A photo of Stewart Copeland can be downloaded [HERE](#)

More photos of artists in the Heineken® Big Top can be downloaded [HERE](#)

Tickets for Police Deranged for Orchestra at the Heineken® Big Top will go on sale Friday 12th April at 10am from giaf.ie / roisindubh.net.

Galway International Arts Festival is an annual celebration of the arts, featuring a diverse programme of events, including music, theatre, visual arts and more. It brings together local and international artists to showcase their talent, creating a vibrant cultural experience for audiences of all ages. The 2024 Galway International Arts Festival will run from 15-28th July and the full festival programme will be announced in May.

Galway International Arts Festival would like to acknowledge the support of its principal funding agencies the Arts Council and Fáilte Ireland; its Drinks Partner Heineken; and Education Partner University of Galway.

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