

# Gala Irish Concert

Friday November 3rd @ 7.45.

Tickets: £11.50 (discounts: £9.50)



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**'Irish Gala Concert' with *direct from Ireland* 'Backwater' by John B Keane**



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### **Background:**

The highlight of the Celtic and Irish Cultural Society's year is their Crawley Irish Festival held on the Sunday of the August Bank Holiday. Here John and Noreen Nolan and committee attracted over 6,000 people featuring a number of Irish arts workshops, Irish dancing demonstrations, three music stages featuring traditional and modern Irish music, All Ireland Gaelic Football Semi-Final 'beamed' from Croke Park, children's entertainment and storytelling, craft stalls and shops selling traditional Irish produce etc.

Throughout the year as part of Crawley Fleadh with support from Crawley Council and the Hawth Theatre they endeavour to host other activities such as educational and performance events to showcase further our rich and varied Culture. Following on from our very successful and well received 'One Easter Morn' (2016 Commemoration) held last year we are hosting a night of Irish Drama, Music, Story and Song on Friday 3rd November at 7.45 at the Hawth Theatre.

### **November 3<sup>rd</sup>:**

They are especially pleased to be bringing over from Co. Kildare, The Hy-Breasal Theatre Company as the highlight of the night as they present 'Backwater', Classic Irish Drama by John B Keane. 'Backwater' is a rarely seen John B. Keane one-act play which was first performed in 1973. It tells the story of Jimmy Swan, an only son who arrives home to Ireland from London to visit his mother after a nine year absence. His visit coincides with the annual carnival in the village and he brings his two friends, Sammy and Eddie to stay for the ten days of the carnival. Jimmy's arrival triggers a series of events that neither he nor his mother could have foreseen.

The rest of the evening will be a showcase of Irish Dancing from the Ace Academy



and traditional music from Crawley based band Strawdogs.



This is being produced in collaboration with Gerry Molumby from Triskellion Theatre who will also perform part of his one man show 'Tar Isteach'.



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## Note to Editors:

For details on the **Gala Irish Concert** – interviews – further pictures etc contact Gerry Molumby on 07772471894 ~ [fmolumby@aol.com](mailto:fmolumby@aol.com)

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**Picture:** Cast of Backwater by John B Keane