

VENUES

The **Redemptorist Church** was completed in 1862. It has been at the centre of the Limerick community for generations, and hosts services, a world-famous novena, and musical and choral performances throughout the year. Its beautiful interior, reflective atmosphere and excellent acoustics make it a wonderful concert venue.

University Concert Hall is one of Ireland's premier concert venues, located on the beautiful 300 acre riverside parkland campus of the University of Limerick.

Holy Trinity Abbey Church, Adare was established in the 13th Century but the restored building you see today dates back to the 1800s when the 3rd Earl of Dunraven rebuilt the chapel. Pay attention to the rich variety of stained glass windows and medieval features of this church in the heart of the pretty village of Adare.

LIMERICK CITY ATTRACTIONS

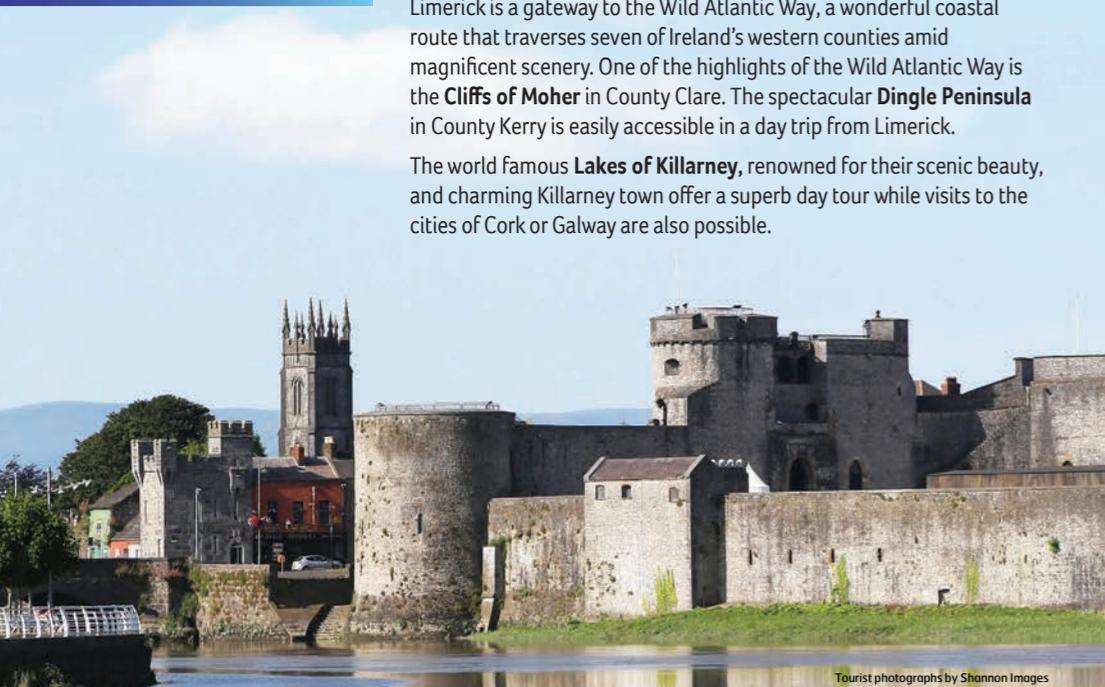
Limerick City, located on the majestic River Shannon, is a city rich in history. Explore the medieval history at **King John's Castle** or enjoy art and culture at **The Hunt Museum** or **Limerick City Art Gallery** with their selection of paintings by acclaimed Limerick and Irish artists. Don't miss the wonderful atmosphere at the Saturday **Milk Market** where locals enjoy the fine selection of Irish food and meet up with friends. Enjoy lively shopping in pedestrianised streets, coffee in a cosy café and Guinness in a quirky pub.

SIGHTSEEING FURTHER AFIELD

Half day tours within easy reach include **Bunratty Castle & Folk Park**, **Craggaunowen Bronze Age site**, the lakeside village of **Killaloe** and the pretty manor estate village of **Adare**.

Limerick is a gateway to the Wild Atlantic Way, a wonderful coastal route that traverses seven of Ireland's western counties amid magnificent scenery. One of the highlights of the Wild Atlantic Way is the **Cliffs of Moher** in County Clare. The spectacular **Dingle Peninsula** in County Kerry is easily accessible in a day trip from Limerick.

The world famous **Lakes of Killarney**, renowned for their scenic beauty, and charming Killarney town offer a superb day tour while visits to the cities of Cork or Galway are also possible.



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Festival Packages

Make the most of your visit with a tailored Festival Package, including attractive bed and breakfast accommodation in en suite rooms in a charming apartment-style village on the University of Limerick campus.

Sample 4 night festival package :

- ▶ 4 nights accommodation
- ▶ Participation/attendance at the concerts
- ▶ Welcome BBQ
- ▶ Festival Club receptions
- ▶ Participation in the Choral Trail and Outdoor Chorus
- ▶ Festival Programme

Extend your stay, with additional nights accommodation available on request. Meals and coaching can be arranged at an additional cost, and local buses and taxis are available for travel to Limerick City.

Half day and full day trips can be organised before and after the Festival dates, or during your free time.

For example visit

- Cities of Kilkenny, Cork or Galway
- Cliffs of Moher
- Dingle Peninsula
- Lakes of Killarney
- Connemara
- Lough Gur

Contact the Festival Team to arrange a tailored Festival Package for your choral group.

Travelling to Limerick

Ryanair and Aer Lingus offer flights to Shannon and Dublin Airports from all over Europe and the US from May to October.

For travel from Britain, coach and ferry are also a good option via Rosslare-Fishguard and Holyhead/Liverpool to Dun Laoghaire and Dublin port.

Shannon Airport is only 18kms from Limerick City. Road connections from Dublin and Dublin Airport are excellent with journey times of 2 hours. Excellent coach services operate between Dublin Airport and Limerick and the University Campus.

Festival Team

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INTERNATIONAL CHORAL FESTIVAL

4th – 7th June 2020

Limerick, Ireland



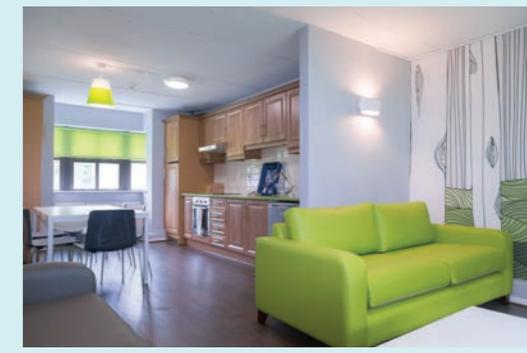
Limerick Sings invites you to the 8th International Choral Festival 4th – 7th June 2020

Limerick Sings extends a warm welcome to choirs of all traditions and nationalities, inviting them to come together for a weekend of festive, non-competitive singing in spectacular venues including the Redemptorist Church and University Concert Hall.

Limerick City, Ireland's oldest chartered city dating from the 12th Century, has a long and very fine tradition of choral singing, opera and musical theatre. Limerick Sings is designed to offer choirs of all traditions an opportunity to come together for a summer event without the demands of a competition. It also offers choirs the opportunity to sing their own repertoire in some of Ireland's finest music venues, to join together to perform with choristers from other countries and to experience and explore the Wild Atlantic Way. Accommodation is offered in high quality apartments on the University of Limerick Campus and participating choirs can partake in a great social programme.

- ▶ Performing opportunities in Limerick & the Shannon Region
- ▶ Outdoor Chorus at a prominent tourist attraction
- ▶ Choral Trail around Limerick City
- ▶ Choral Workshops

Accommodation, festival participation, tour and meal packages can be customised to your requirements and budget needs.



Limerick Sings Programme

Choirs are welcome to arrive any day of the week beginning 1st June and may choose to visit more of Ireland before or after festival. Limerick is a great base for touring some of the main attractions of the Wild Atlantic Way and Ireland's South West. We are happy to assist with planning your itinerary and budget for any length of stay.

Preliminary Festival Programme*:

Thursday 4th June

- ▶ Arrive at UL campus accommodation
- ▶ Welcome Reception and Opening Gala in University Concert Hall

Friday 5th June

- ▶ Join our Outdoor Chorus
- ▶ Evening Gala in Redemptorist Church, Limerick

Saturday 6th June

- ▶ Experience the lively atmosphere of Limerick City and join in our Choral Trail.
- ▶ Participate in our Choral Workshop
- ▶ Afternoon Proms, Adare
- ▶ Take a walking tour of Limerick City with optional visits to the Hunt Museum and King John's Castle (arranged on request)
- ▶ Take a half day or full day tour to local areas of interest (arranged on request)
- ▶ Evening at your leisure. The Festival Team will arrange dinner for your group on request. Why not enjoy the renowned Medieval Banquet at Bunratty Castle?

Sunday 7th June

- ▶ Experience the lively atmosphere of Limerick City and join in our Choral Trail.
- ▶ Free time to explore the Region
- ▶ Lunch options available on request
- ▶ Closing Gala, UCH
- ▶ Post Concert Festival Reception

Monday 8th June

- ▶ Optional tours (available on request)
- ▶ Choirs depart

Slán abhaile ! (Safe Home)

*PROGRAMME AND SOME VENUES
SUBJECT TO CHANGE

