## Waterford Seafaring Festival of Music and Song, May 2010

FRIDAY 28th May

SEAFARER'S RETURN

Afternoon

Information Desk in Tower Hotel as Performers arrive in City. Fun Fare Operating on Quay.

**6.00 pm** Official Reception in City Hall, & Festival Opening Ceremony

Nightime

**9.00 pm** Evening Sessions in Pubs and Hotels as per programme

**10.00 pm** Later evening sessions as per programme 11.00 pm Festival Club for Performers, Sponsors,

Patrons and festival partners

**SATURDAY 29th May** 

SEAFARER'S ASHORE

Morning

Information desk at Tourist Office, Morning Shopping spree, Walking Tours of City, Maritime Art Exhibition at Greyfriars Gallery, Market in Broad Street, Chantey Cabin shopping, Shop window dress competition, Quayside Fun Fair.

Afternoon

**1.45 pm** City of Waterford Brass performance at Hanover Street

**2.30 pm** Cruise (Parade of the City) for Performers, Seafarers and Musicians through the City lead by the Thomas Francis Meagher Fife and Drum Band. Avoid the 'Press Gang', by Waterford's Youth Art Group on-route

**3.00 pm** Sessions at various locations throughout

City as per programme

**4.00 pm** All performers return to Quayside near

Plaza and Reginald's Tower. Arrival of

Boats and Parade of Sail!

Intercounty Boat Race From Rice Bridge

to Marina Hotel. Air Sea Rescue Demonstration. Fire Tug Boat

Demonstration.

**5.30 pm** Wreath Laying Ceremony at Seafarers

Monument

Night Time

**8.00 pm** Gala Concert in Christ Church Cathedral

with International Shanty Choirs and the Waterford Male Voice Choir presenting an evening of International Maritime Music and Song (ticketed concert, advance booking highly recommended from Information desk and Christ Church)

**9.30 pm** Evening Sessions in Pubs and Hotels as per programme

**10.30 pm** Late evening sessions as per programme

11.30 pm Festival Club for Performers Sponsors, Patrons and festival Partners

**SUNDAY 30th May** 

SEAFARERS TO SEA ONCE MORE

Morning

8.00 am Ships, Boats and Sailors leave on the ebbing

tide; Anglican Service @ 10 am in Christ Church Cathedral: Catholic Mass @ 10.15 am in the Friary Church nearby.

12.00 pm (Noon) Coffee Concert at Christ Church Cathedral as per programme

Afternoon

Maritime Art Exhibition at Greyfriars Gallery, Shopwindow dress awards, Chantey Cabin shopping, Fun Fare.

**2.30 pm** Afternoon of music and song at Millennium Plaza and Greyfriars with International Shanty Groups in addition to local groups such as Edmund Rice Choral Society, Barrack Street Concert Band Recital, Also sessions in Pubs and Hotels as

per programme.

During the afternoon a number of international shanty groups will visit neighbouring coastal communities in Dungarvan, Helvick, New Ross and Hook where there will be a number of impromptu performances.

Night Time

**6.00 pm** Closing Concert and Ceremony at Millennium Plaza with all international groups performing and official close by the Mayor of Waterford, Cllr John Halligan

**8.00 pm** Festival Club for Performers, Sponsors, Patrons and Festival partners



29th April 2010