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26th Yard - Fest Programme

Live on stage:

Dearbhla McTaggart • Isabel Neuenfeldt

Sal Hanvey • Paddy Anderson

Bernard S. Davis (Poetry)

+ special guests + very special guests

Look at this:

Spectacular news first:

Isa's back!

After last year's incredible performance, we tried everything to get Berlin's no.1 singer, accordionist and performer back. Despite 4+ concerts per week - every week - she gave us a "yes" once more, is travelling 2000 kilometres (that's one way) again to be with us and on stage.

She will have a new programme with her and she will be involved in another world premiere. "*Caring for the Green*" is a homage to all those who are involved in the protests against global warming and its producers. It is a co-production between Isa and local writer Joe Kelly. It will be first performed during the Yard Fest (see lyrics on back page).



Dearbhla's back!

17 years old and as cool as you like, Dungiven's rising star on the Irish Harp will be on stage again, this time with a set of her own. When she performed in Germany, her style was described as "*the music of angels*" - she will have our multinational audience "eating out of her hand" - great to have her back at Yard Fest no. 26!

Sal Hanvey is coming!

One of Ireland's most spectacular vocalists will take the stage at the 26th Fest - she is sure to set the audience rocking. The daughter of iconic photographer and radio presenter Bobby Hanvey (*"the rambling man"*) has been looked upon as one of the most talented Irish singers for many years. She performed - home and away in the US, Canada, England and in many European countries - with musical *"heavy weights"* like Simon House, Aaron Liddart, Seth Lakeman and various others.

DONOVAN said about her: *"Sal is quite a Gal. She blends Jazz with her own songs in a fresh way. Rising from her musical influences she has found her own voice. Sal is Ireland's new lady to listen to and to watch!"*

Having known Sal and her music for a good few years - our friends, the Sands Family, first drew our attention to her - we wouldn't argue with the great Donovan.

This is one of the most spectacular stage-performances in the history of the Yard - Fest in the making. Sal is bringing one of the best guitarists on these shores with her:

Paddy Anderson is beyond a shadow of doubt the most outstanding musician on the Spanish flamenco guitar in Ireland. The Belfast based band Los Dramaticos is his brain - child, he was taught (*"apprenticed"* as he describes it) flamenco guitar -playing in Granada, Andalucía. To have a man like Paddy Anderson on stage at the Yard Fest is a sensation in itself. The fusion with Sal Hanvey - just prepare yourself for the most sizzling set you ever experienced here!

**Plus: a couple of surprise - guests we can't
(and don't want to) name just yet!**

Bernard S. Davis from Birmingham will return to give us a taste of his new poems - some call it *"performance - poetry"*, we just call it powerful (and meaningful) writing and a wonderful stage-presence.

**Calling the show to order at 8 pm (as sharp as a pin)
will be Hermann Glaser-Baur.**

Before the order you will enjoy the **best dinner you have ever tasted**. It will be cooked under the eyes of our guests by the *"Catering Brigade"* from Germany.

You will also indulge into our **13 metre long buffet**, sample a German **"drop of the pure"** (hops, barley and water only, by law) or some **locally roasted coffee**, **Belfast tea**, **home-baked cakes** - you name the goodie it will be there.



***After the order when the lights go out -
the most amazing part of the event will unfold:
Ireland's best session in the gas-lit barn!***

If you miss the session you have missed the Yard Fest!

Before, during and after any order:

The BEST PEOPLE from beyond many borders - FRIENDS only,
no STRANGERS here.

YOU NEVER CELEBRATE ALONE!

Notes:

As the Open Day, the Yard-Fest is a private event,
from 6 pm by invitation only.

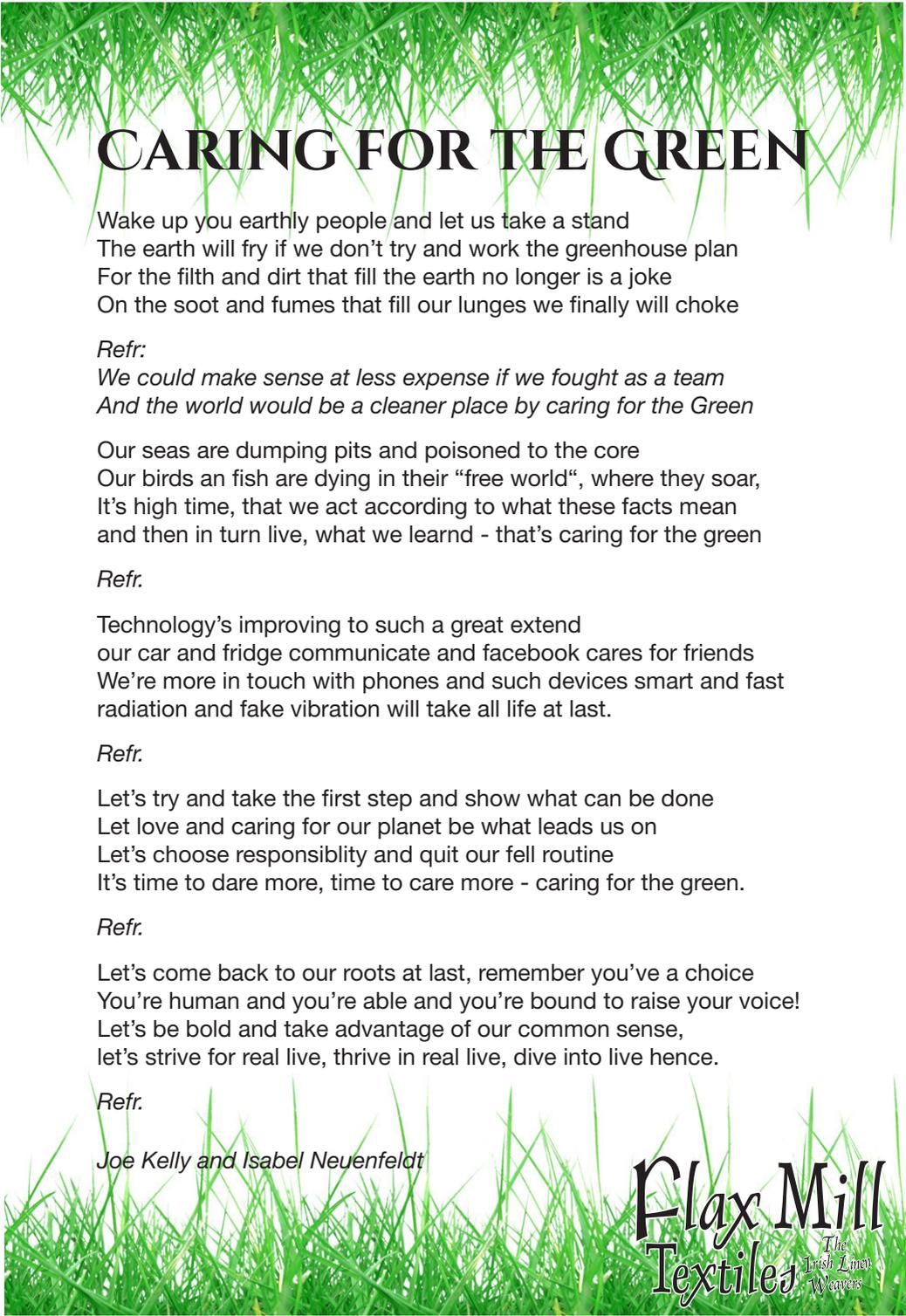
The owner reserves the right to refuse admission at any time.

To book your place, **ring us: (0044)28777 42655**

Or send us a mail: **flaxmill@gmx.net**

This programme as well as the full Open-Day one
and our flyer for the Fashion Show are available in hard-copy version.

We gladly send you ones if you wish.



CARING FOR THE GREEN

Wake up you earthly people and let us take a stand
The earth will fry if we don't try and work the greenhouse plan
For the filth and dirt that fill the earth no longer is a joke
On the soot and fumes that fill our lungs we finally will choke

Refr:

*We could make sense at less expense if we fought as a team
And the world would be a cleaner place by caring for the Green*

Our seas are dumping pits and poisoned to the core
Our birds and fish are dying in their "free world", where they soar,
It's high time, that we act according to what these facts mean
and then in turn live, what we learned - that's caring for the green

Refr:

Technology's improving to such a great extent
our car and fridge communicate and facebook cares for friends
We're more in touch with phones and such devices smart and fast
radiation and fake vibration will take all life at last.

Refr:

Let's try and take the first step and show what can be done
Let love and caring for our planet be what leads us on
Let's choose responsibility and quit our fell routine
It's time to dare more, time to care more - caring for the green.

Refr:

Let's come back to our roots at last, remember you've a choice
You're human and you're able and you're bound to raise your voice!
Let's be bold and take advantage of our common sense,
let's strive for real live, thrive in real live, dive into live hence.

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Joe Kelly and Isabel Neuenfeldt

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