



THE BELFAST
EMPIRE

JUL/AUG 2019





BOOKING INFORMATION

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
THE EMPIRE BAR (no booking fees)
ALL TICKETMASTER OUTLETS
24 hr booking line 0844 277 445
www.ticketmaster.ie

Should you or any member of your party require any special assistance, our staff will be delighted to help.

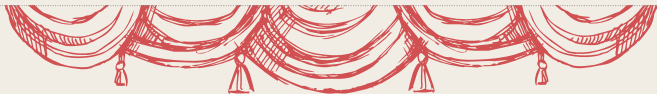
We recommend that when possible, you notify
The Belfast Empire prior to your visit.

Please note that some performances may use special effects, such as strobe lighting and smoke effects.

All patrons must be aged 18 or over.

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Dear all,

Here comes the summer!

We're thrilled to be continuing The Empire's usual stretch of live stand-up comedy throughout the summer – Belfast's longest running and best loved comedy club isn't just for term time anymore! Let's also take the time to appreciate the fact that The Empire Basement has free live entertainment every night of the week – including our new singer-songwriter session, **IN THE ROUND**. Every Wednesday sees the best of local talent, up close and acoustic. There's music from 9.30 onwards, and it's free in!

We've live local outfits in The Empire Music Hall, with the return of **GENERAL FIASCO**, ably supported by **THE MANNERLY HOODS**, and we've also got The Empire debut of Belfast's finest, newest live Funk and Soul outfit – **THE GROOVE LINE** (co-managed by none other than Chic's Ralph Rolle).

There's the return of the amazing **NOW THE 90'S** tribute, from Maurice Jay and the people who brought you the Pleasuredome. This sold out last time around and we're expecting another brilliant show! **LEGEND** return with their annual tribute to the music of Bob Marley and the Wailers, and **CC HOULIHAN'S ELVIS SPECTACULAR** is back to mark the King of Rock and Roll's anniversary in August!

As always, I remain yours,

Kitty xx





EVERY NIGHT IN THE BAR

ENTERTAINMENT

SUN	10PM - BELFAST'S BEST SUNDAY NIGHT KEN HADDOCK SUPPERCLUB
MON	10PM - LIVE IRISH TRADITIONAL & FOLK THE RARE AUL STUFF
TUE	11PM - HIP, HAPPY AND HAIRY DISCOBEARD
WED	9.30PM - SINGER/SONGWRITER NIGHT IN THE ROUND
THU	10.30PM - EMPIRE BLUES RAB MCCULLOUGH & BAND
FRI	5.30PM - SWEET BEATS JACKIE RAINEY
FRI	10.30PM 100% FRESH ROOTS <small>SEE OVERLEAF</small>
SAT	10.30PM LIVE ROCK & SOUL 6 JUL STRICTLY NO BALLROOM 13 JUL RAB MCCULLOUGH 20 JUL STRICTLY NO BALLROOM 27 JUL PAUL DEAN BAND 3 AUG ARMS OF VENUS DE MILO 10 AUG ARMS OF VENUS DE MILO 17 AUG THE PRETTY BOY TOUGH GUYS 24 AUG STRICTLY NO BALLROOM 31 AUG THE MOONSHINES

DRINK OFFERS | LATE BAR | FREE ADMISSION
FOOD SERVED MON-SAT 12-9PM

FRIDAYS | 10.30PM



100% FRESH ROOTS

ORIGINAL ARTISTS PLAYING THEIR OWN MUSIC & MORE!

5 JUL **THE UNHOLY
GOSPEL BAND**

19 JUL **HOT SAUSAGE
& MUSTARD**

26 JUL **LONESOME
GEORGE**

2 AUG **THE UNHOLY
GOSPEL BAND**

9 AUG **DAMIEN MCERLEAN**

16 AUG **THE PEACE PROCESS**

23 AUG **CROW BLACK CHICKEN**

30 AUG **DAMIEN MCERLEAN**

IN THE ROUND

BELFAST'S PREMIER SINGER SONGWRITER
NIGHT FROM THE BEST LOCAL ARTISTS



WEDNESDAYS
9.30PM | FREE ENTRY

THE BELFAST
EMPIRE
BAR



COMEDY TUESDAY




BEER BUCKET £12 | COCKTAIL JUG £13.95 | HOUSE WINE £13

8PM



THE BELFAST
EMPIRE
MUSIC HALL



MACK FLEETWOOD

SAT 6 JUL | 8.30PM | £13

Ireland's biggest tribute to the biggest band of the seventies, (that are still with us), MACK FLEETWOOD take you on an unforgettable journey into some of the songs that defined a generation and continue to influence bands to this day, with everyone from Florence to Clean Bandit professing a love for the Mac.

From the early blues days of Peter Green, through to the arena bothering Rumours, the experimental excesses of Tusk and the not as bad as everyone will try to tell you 80's output, Fleetwood Mac's music is interpreted by some of Ireland's finest session musicians, with a set bound to please everyone from the casual newcomer to die-hard fans.



now
The **90**





NOW THE 90'S

SAT 27 JUL | 8.30PM | £11

It returns! Following the sell-out success of the first ever NOW THE 90'S show in spring, Maurice Jay and the Pleasuredome crew return for the ultimate tribute to the finest decade in music. If there's a better all live, all 90s outfit out there we don't know about it!

Britpop, Grunge, 90's dance and the Spice Girls vs All Saints – unmistakable music for the ultimate nostalgia trip. Dressing up is encouraged and there's a full 1990's throwback disco before and after the band.



SO:NI

SOUNDS OF NORTHERN IRELAND

SAT 20 JUL & FRI 9 AUG | 8.30PM | £5

LIVE
LOUD
LOCAL



THE GROOVE LINE

FRI 2 AUG | 9PM | £11.50

This will be the biggest stand-alone date so far for Belfast's newest live funk and soul outfit THE GROOVE LINE. Been to see Niles Rogers? Expect pretty much the same thing, with a whistle-stop tour throughout the fundamentals of groove.

Co-managed by the legendary Ralph Rolle (Chic, Stevie Wonder, Paul Simon) and with the formidable vocal talents of Ciara Mackey, THE GROOVE LINE have been building up their live reputation for over a year now. Join them on their journey on the soul train!

AT A GLANCE...

EVERY TUE | 8PM | £10/£8 PAY AT THE DOOR

COMEDY

EMPIRE LAUGHS BACK COMEDY CLUB

SAT 6 JUL | 8.30PM | £13

MACK FLEETWOOD

IRELAND'S PREMIER FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE

SAT 20 JUL | 8.30PM | £5

SOUNDS OF NORTHERN IRELAND

LIVE AND LOCAL

SAT 27 JUL | 8PM | £11

NOW THE 90'S

LIVE 90'S TRIBUTE BAND

FRI 2 AUG | 9PM | £11.50

THE GROOVE LINE

DISCO, FUNK & SOUL 8-PIECE

SAT 3 AUG | 8.30PM | £13

LEGEND

A TRIBUTE TO BOB MARLEY

FRI 9 AUG | 8.30PM | £5

SOUNDS OF NORTHERN IRELAND
LIVE AND LOCAL

SAT 10 AUG | 8.30PM | £12

GENERAL FIASCO
THE MANNERLY HOODS

SAT 17 AUG | 8.30PM | £12

EL CLASH COMBO
LONDON CALLING 40TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR

SAT 24 AUG | 8.30PM | £12

CC HOULIHAN'S ELVIS SPECTACULAR
WITH HIS TCB BAND & THE SWEET SENSATIONS

SUN 25 AUG | 7PM | FREE

KEN HADDOCK
BANK HOLIDAY SUPPERCLUB

SAT 31 AUG | 2PM | £15+BKG

ROCK N ROLL ROCKABILLY ALL-DAYER
THE SPUNYBOYS | THE RHYTHM ACES
SHARNA-MAE AND THE MAYHEMS | DK & THE KILLERS

AND LOTS MORE...

Check out THEBELFASTEMPIRE.COM for more shows and info!

A photograph of four performers standing outdoors against a black background. From left to right: a man in a dark blue police-style uniform with a cap and a rainbow flag pin; a man in a tan police-style uniform with a cap and sunglasses; a woman in a vibrant yellow and purple floral dress with a purple headwrap; and a man in a tan police-style uniform with a cap. The text 'LEGEND' and 'A TRIBUTE TO BOB MARLEY' is overlaid on the image.

LEGEND

A TRIBUTE TO BOB MARLEY

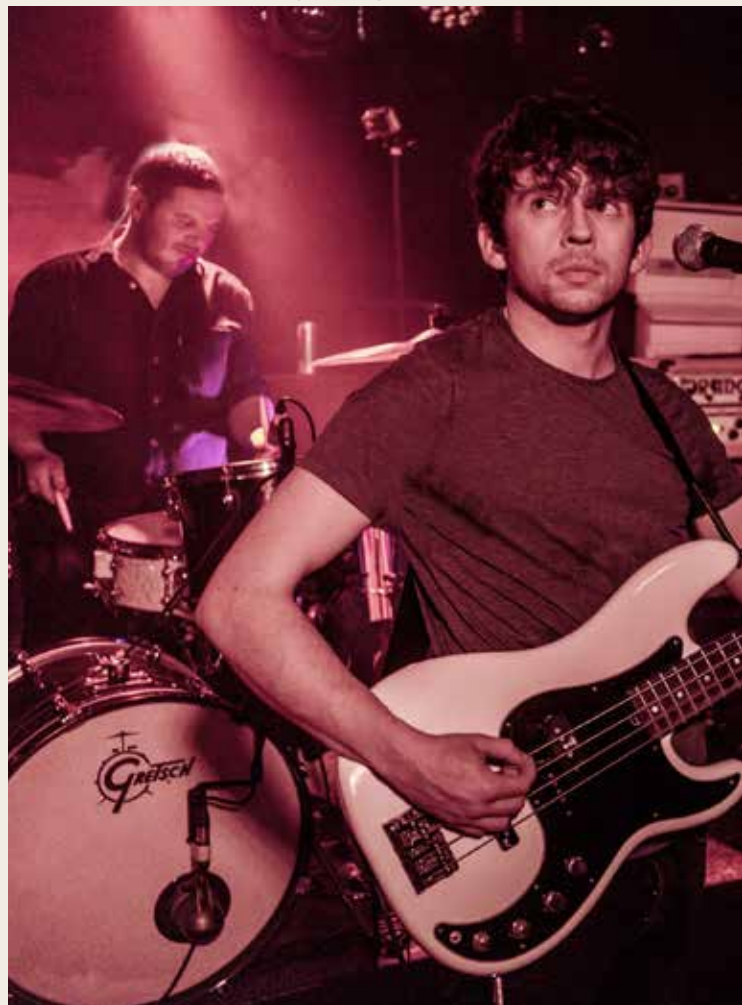
SAT 3 AUG | 8.30PM | £13

There's some big shoes to fill for any Bob Marley tribute act, and Michael Anton Phillips may well be the man to do it. With a list of collaborators as long as your arm - everyone from Apache Indian to Musical Youth, through to the Beat and Desmond Decker. There's over two hours of the some of the world's finest reggae anthems on display, with a show that practically bleeds feel good vibes.

I Shot the Sheriff, One Love, No Woman, No Cry and Exodus - these songs of Freedom have resounded through the ages, each new generation discovering the joy and hope that sat at the heart of the Wailers. See it brought to life by seven of the great man's greatest fans.



SHIZZNIGH



A photograph of a musician with a beard, wearing a dark t-shirt, playing a light-colored bass guitar on a stage. The musician is looking down at the instrument. In the background, there are stage lights, including a prominent circular light fixture with multiple small lights, and other musical equipment like amplifiers and microphones. The overall lighting is dim and warm, typical of a live music venue.

GENERAL FIASCO THE MANNERLY HOODS

SAT 10 AUG | 8.30PM | £12

One of the stand-out local outfits of the past 10 years, GENERAL FIASCO called it a day after six years of live shows and two albums. They'd supported everyone from Jet to the Enemy, toured Europe and played Reading as part of the BBC Introducing programme.

They're back, and playing their first Empire gig in ages, alongside cheeky young bucks THE MANNERLY HOODS. Instantly winning new fans over with 2018's debut Woodstock, their energy and verve have seen their career skyrocket!



NEW SEASON COMMENCES FRIDAY 9 AUG

FRI 9 LIVERPOOL v NORWICH 8PM

SAT 10 WEST HAM v MAN CITY 12:30PM
TOTTENHAM v ASTON VILLA 5:30PM

SUN 11 NEWCASTLE v ARSENAL 2PM
MAN UNITED v CHELSEA 4:30PM

MATCH OFFERS AVAILABLE

THE BELFAST EMPIRE BAR
FOR LIVE SPORT



EL CLASH COMBO

SAT 17 AUG | 8.30PM | £12

It was 40 years ago that The Clash embarked on the triple album *London Calling* – some called it an act of hubris, the sort of excessive ego project that punk was supposed to destroy. Then it dropped – with its iconic artwork and devastating content, it was to become their career pinnacle.

As relevant now as it was then, *London Calling*'s 40th anniversary will be celebrated by the amazing EL CLASH COMBO. On the go since 2005, the Dublin based outfit will be playing *London Calling* in its entirety, alongside a 'greatest hits' set of The Clash's best-known tunes.



CC HOULIHAN'S ELVIS SPECTACULAR WITH HIS TCB BAND & THE SWEET SENSATIONS

SAT 24 AUG | 8.30PM | £12

Believe it or not, the world of Elvis impersonators is a high pressure and competitive one, with as many categories as aspects of the King. Elvii (it's a real word, folks) from across the globe compete to be crowned the King of the King.

Local lad CC HOULIHAN has managed to net the Elvis 4 Nations and Best Gospel Elvis, amongst others, so you know he's one of the best. With the help of the full TCB band and the backing talents of The Sweet Sensations, it's an Elvis experience unprecedented this side of Vegas, an essential night whatever your favourite era of the King's reign.



KEN HADDOCK'S

SUNDAY SUPPER CLUB

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY
MUSIC HALL SPECIAL
SUPPORT FROM GEMMA BRADLEY

SUN 25 AUG | 7PM | FREE ADM



ROCKABILLY ALL-DAYER

SAT 31 AUG | 2PM | £15+BKG

Do you have what it takes to party all day with the hottest Rockabilly outfits going? Do you want to doo-wop the day away, catch some upright double-bass action and check out some of the best hairdos this side of the 50s? Of course, you do!

With a raft of amazing acts kicking off at 2 in the afternoon, and running until late at night, it's one big value for money retro extravaganza, featuring artists like THE SPUNY BOYS, THE RED-HOT ACES, SHARNA MAE AND THE MAYHEMS and DK AND THE KILLERS. Get the Dapper Dan out!

DRINK OFFERS

OF THE MONTH



BOURBON

JIM BEAM RYE

SINGLE & MIXER

£4.95

DOUBLE & MIXER

£6.95

SUN - THU



BOURBON

JIM BEAM HONEY

SINGLE & MIXER

£4.95

DOUBLE & MIXER

£6.95

SUN - THU



BEER

ADNAMS
GHOST SHIP

£3.95



BEER

FOXES ROCK
RED ALE

£3.95



GIN

Copeland
Raspberry & Mint
with Fentimans Mixer

£7.50



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Malfy
Blood Orange
with Fentimans Mixer

£7.50



COCKTAIL

Purple Rain
Triple Sec, Blue Curacao, Grenadine,
Lemon Juice & Sugar Syrup

£5.95



COCKTAIL

Amaretto Sour
Amaretto, Lemon Juice
& Sugar Syrup

£5.95



COMING UP...



CAM

SUN
1 SEP
7PM | £25



The Style Councillors

SAT
14 SEP
8.30PM | £15



EDWYN COLLINS

SUN
15 SEP
7.30PM | £24



SAINT SISTER

THU
19 SEP
8PM | £16



Cloudbusting

The Music of Kate Bush

SAT
21 SEP
7.30PM | £22.50



Aslan

SAT
28 SEP
8PM | £20

AND MUCH, MUCH MORE ...

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