

Thursday, October 2, 2025

The Great Irish Poets Songbook

Date and Time: Thursday, October 2 7:00 pm

Address: JR Smallwood Arts and Culture Centre - Airport Blvd

After years of performing together, pianist and composer James Hurley and tenor Dean Power decided to bring their heritage to the concert stage. Their homelands—Newfoundland and Labrador and Ireland—are two islands on opposite sides of the Atlantic ocean which share a unique and close cultural history rich with art, literature, storytelling and music.

James began by arranging Newfoundland folksongs and composing music for two poems from the Newfoundland artist Duncan Major; compositions which were received with enthusiasm. Dean then started selecting poetry from Ireland, drawing from the works of WB Yeats, James Joyce, Thomas Moore and Fanny Parnell. James crafted them into musical compositions, and this became the first installment of "The Great Irish Poets Songbook." The pieces retain the popular and earthy elements of folk music while exploring the wide range of expressive capabilities that is possible with voice with piano accompaniment, resulting in a sound that is both fresh and familiar.

Despite living in different countries and pursuing their independent careers, the duo collaborates to shape the new pieces into works of art. James's unique compositional language, strongly influenced by his background in improvisation, creates a vivid new world for these powerful and iconic texts. Dean has helped edit the pieces to crystalize a form that works perfectly for the voice. The music presents a duo that emerges as a unified voice.

Since 2022, more than 40 songs have been composed, and premiered across Europe and Canada. The Great Irish Poets Songbook continues to tour in 2025, with upcoming performances in Paris, Dublin, and now St. John's and around the island of Newfoundland.

About the Artists

Dean Power

Dean Power is from Clarecastle, Ireland and studied at both the RIAM and TU Dublin with Mary Brennan and Mairead Hurley. Following two years as a member of the opera studio at the Bavarian State Opera house, he was invited to join the house ensemble where he remained for another 9 years. Since leaving Munich he has enjoyed the flexibility of life as a freelance opera singer. His recent notable debuts include the Zurich Opera House, the Opéra de Lille, the Salzburg Festival, the Teatro Real in Madrid and the Salzburg Easter Festival, as well as guest appearances at the Bavarian State Opera, the Irish National Opera, the Armenian National Philharmonic, and with El Sistema in Venezuela. He is currently a Cara O'Sullivan Associate Artist at the Cork Opera House and in 2025, he will make his house debut at the Opera National de Paris.

James Hurley

James Hurley is a classical pianist and composer with a passion for improvisation. Originally from St. John's, NL, James has been based in Germany since 2011. There, together with his wife Olivia, he runs Più Piano – a live performance venue and piano school which hosts events featuring artists from NL and around the world. He is affiliated with Memorial University's School of Music and is dedicated to building a cultural bridge between his NL and German homes through performance and educational projects. As a musician he is involved in several solo and group projects and actively performs in Canada and the EU.

Tickets are \$30 (Full Price)/ \$22 Students (HST and service charged included) and can be purchased at the Arts & Culture Centre Box Office, by calling 256-1081 or online <https://artsandculturecentre.com/gander/Online/>

Friday, October 3, 2025

Gander Tombolo Multicultural Expo

Date and Time: Friday, October 3 7:00 pm

Address: JR Smallwood Arts and Culture Centre - Airport Blvd

Experience the world in Gander at the **Gander Tombolo Multicultural Expo!**

- **Friday:** Start with a networking session and connect with like-minded individuals.
- **Saturday:** Visit our **Multicultural Community Market & Fair** for delicious food and vibrant music from around the globe.
- **Sunday:** Join our **Multicultural Luncheon Fundraiser**, where multicultural dishes are served with a pay-what-you-can approach.

Mark your calendars - this is a celebration of culture, food, and community you won't want to miss!

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Gander Tombolo Multicultural Expo

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Sunday, October 5, 2025

Gander Tombolo Multicultural Expo

Date and Time: Sunday, October 5 1:00 pm

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Tuesday, October 7, 2025

Rock, Plastic, Salmon at the Gander Public Library

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 7 6:00 pm

Address: Gander Public Library - 6 Bell Place

The Gander Public Library is screening the film "Rock, Plastic, Salmon - Newfoundland's Coast is at Stake" on October 7th at 6:00pm

A film by Land and Sea For All exposing the aquaculture industry's neglect for the environment and local heroes standing up for a cleaner future

Thursday, October 9, 2025

Shaun Majumder, Cool Dad Tour

Date and Time: Thursday, October 9 7:30 pm

Address: JR Smallwood Arts and Culture Centre - Airport Blvd

Comedian Shaun Majumder is hitting the road to celebrate his brand-new comedy album, Cool Dad! Known for his explosive energy and razor-sharp wit, Shaun delivers an unpredictable night of laughs, blending fresh material with his greatest hits. From rural sex ed to America's wild ride, to grappling with society's ever-shifting goals and the absurdities of modern life, no topic is off-limits.

This adult show will have you rolling with laughter and leave you feeling great. Get your tickets now for a comedy experience like no other!

Tickets are \$54 (HST and service charged included) and can be purchased at the Arts & Culture Centre Box Office

Saturday, October 11, 2025

Gander Grow Co Farmer's Market

Date and Time: Saturday, October 11 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Address: Cobb's Pond Rotary Park

Gander Grow Co invites you to check out the farmer's market at Cobb's Pond Rotary Park. Enjoy local vegetables, sweet treats, handmade goods. There's something for everyone!

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

Community Wellness Session

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 15 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: Gander Public Library - 6 Bell Place

The Town of Gander will be hosting a Community Wellness Sessions for folks 50+ at the Gander Public Library.

Friday, October 17, 2025

80's Country

Date and Time: Friday, October 17 7:30 pm

Address: JR Smallwood Arts and Culture Centre - Airport Blvd

Step back in time to the golden era of country music with Nashville 80's: A Tribute to '80s Country. A high-energy live show celebrating the unforgettable decade that brought honky-tonk to the mainstream and put cowboy boots on every dance floor. Featuring a talented cast of Newfoundland musicians and vocalists, this electrifying tribute transports audiences to the heart of Nashville from 1980 to 1989, when legends were born, and the airwaves came alive with twang, heartache, and southern swagger.

From the boot-stomping anthems of Alabama and Dwight Yoakam to the powerful ballads of Randy Travis and George Strait, Nashville 80's delivers hit after hit with dazzling authenticity. Sing along to timeless classics like "All My Ex's Live in Texas," "9 to 5," "Forever and Ever, Amen," and "Islands in the Stream" — all backed by a full live band and stunning stage visuals that capture the rhinestone shine era.

Tickets are \$48.50 (HST and service charged included) and can be purchased at the Arts & Culture Centre Box Office, by calling 256-1081 or online <https://artsandculturecentre.com/gander/Online/>

Saturday, October 18, 2025

Gander Grow Co Farmer's Market

Date and Time: Saturday, October 18 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Address: Cobb's Pond Rotary Park

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Friday, October 24, 2025

Quad-A-Palooza

Date and Time: Friday, October 24 9:00 am

Address: Albatross or Quality Hotel and Suites Gander

A wonderful weekend of great food, friends, entertainment, and off-roading fun is back again! Local Packages are available. See poster for more details.

U13 AAA Female Kick Off Tournament

Date and Time: Friday, October 24 5:00 pm

Address: Steele Community Centre - 153 Airport Blvd.

SSNL 2A Soccer Provincials

Date and Time: Friday, October 24 6:30 pm

Address: Gander Soccer Complex, Penny Avenue

Saturday, October 25, 2025

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Date and Time: Saturday, October 25 9:00 am

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Gander Grow Co Farmer's Market

Date and Time: Saturday, October 25 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Address: Cobb's Pond Rotary Park

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U13 AAA Female Kick Off Tournament

Date and Time: Saturday, October 25 10:00 am

Address: Steele Community Centre - 153 Airport Blvd.

Halloween Dance Party

Date and Time: Saturday, October 25 6:00 pm

Address: St Martin's - 34 Fraser Road

The Gander navy LEague Branch is hosting a Halloween Dance Party

Who Made Who - ACDC Concert Experience

Date and Time: Saturday, October 25 7:30 pm

Address: JR Smallwood Arts and Culture Centre - Airport Blvd

North America's premiere tribute to ACDC performing their greatest hits across the continent for over 20 years!

Tickets are \$49 (HST and service charged included) and can be purchased at the Arts & Culture Centre Box Office, by calling 256-1081 or online <https://artsandculturecentre.com/gander/Online/>

Sunday, October 26, 2025

U13 AAA Female Kick Off Tournament

Date and Time: Sunday, October 26 9:00 am

Address: Steele Community Centre - 153 Airport Blvd.

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

Haunted House

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 28 6:00 pm - 8:50 pm

Address: 59 Elizabeth Drive

Step inside the Haunted House... if you dare.

Expect screams, laughter, and plenty of heart-pounding scares as whispers echo through the halls, shadows dance in the corners, and a chilling presence lurks just out of sight.

Venture deeper - if you're brave enough - and you'll come face to face with clowns, harvest eaters, and other dark forces that should have been left undisturbed.

Will you make it through... or turn back and run?

Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased at the Steele Community Centre Administration Office (2nd Floor) from 9-4pm, Monday - Friday or by calling 709-651-5927, Please note - Times start at 6:00 and go every 10 minutes until 8:50pm.

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

Haunted House

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 29 6:00 pm - 8:50 pm

Address: 59 Elizabeth Drive

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Date and Time: Thursday, October 30 6:00 pm - 8:50 pm

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