



Thursday
October 20
1pm -2pm

The Cube Theatre,
Áras na MacLéinn

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Aengus Hackett Quartet

Despite only being together a year, the Aengus Hackett Quartet are seamlessly blending jazz, folk and African music together in what can only be described as captivating and truly original.

From his parents' rock & roll and country records to the traditional music in the family pub, Aengus Hackett soaked up every note he heard. But, when he discovered jazz, he was hooked. He studied with Irish guitar stalwart Mike Nielsen. In 2009, he won a grant from the Arts Councils of Ireland and Northern Ireland to attend the renowned Skidmore Jazz Institute in New York. Here he studied with Grammy winner Bobby Shew. He is now a student of the prestigious Conservatory of Amsterdam. The quartet play mostly compositions written by Aengus.

Fellow Galwegian Matthew Berrill grew up with a rich musical education, learning classical and traditional music from his parents and teachers. In 2010, he completed

an MA in Music Performance at the Royal Conservatory of the Hague, Netherlands.

Drummer Matt Jacobson performs regularly with jazz musicians including Ronan Guilfoyle, Michael Buckley, and Louis Stewart. He has studied music in Dublin, Switzerland, USA and India.

For 10 years, Derek Whyte has performed extensively in Ireland and the UK with Mike Nielsen, Conor Guilfoyle, and Phil Ware. Derek is an invaluable part of the jazz faculty at Dublin's Newpark Music Centre

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