

St Patrick's Festival 2025

Introduction to St Patrick's Festival and Parade

The Mayor of London's annual St Patrick's Festival and Parade is back on Sunday 16 March 2025.

About the event at Trafalgar Square

The event runs from 12pm to 6pm. There is no need to book a ticket and entrance is free.

The event has become a highlight of London's cultural calendar, showcasing the best of Irish arts and culture. It's also a commemoration of the life of Ireland's patron saint, Saint Patrick, and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland. St Patrick's Day is widely celebrated across the globe including here in London at Trafalgar Square and highlights the many contributions the Irish community have made to our great city.

Trafalgar Square will be buzzing with energy! The main stage will be hosted by DJ and broadcaster Tara Kumar. Programmed by London Irish Centre, you will be able to enjoy a fantastic line-up of music, dance and spoken word from Ireland and London. Acts include Kíla, Jig and a Swig, Women in Harmony, and Ragz-CV.

This year we will bring three new activities:

- Irish Creative Collective Sessions - where you can enjoy a line-up of comedy, music, spoken words and Irish Film and TV film shorts.
- Irish Dance Workshops - where you can learn some basic Irish dancing steps.

- Peace Heroines Exhibition – showcasing some of Ireland’s unsung women heroes.
- Celebrity Chef, Anna Haugh is back for this year. She will share some tasty Irish food from her new cocktail bar, The Wee Sisters.
- Interactive children’s arts and crafts workshops run by Artburst using recycled and reused material to create headdresses, bunting and a giant mural.
- Clips from soon to be released film ‘The Song Cycle’ which documented Nick Kelly and his band cycling from Dublin to Glastonbury last year to perform at the festival. This year, they will cycle from Dublin to London, joining our Parade and then performing on our main stage.

We will also have an array of stalls, food delights and of course a bar.

Check more information on this page about our programme at Trafalgar Square.

The most up-to-date information and full details about the event are included on this webpage.

You can also find this information in an easy-read document, and a transcript of this video in downloadable formats on this webpage. If you scroll to the bottom of the webpage there is a button to translate the page into another language.

If you have any questions, please email StPatricksDay@London.gov.uk

We can’t wait to welcome you at St Patrick’s Festival and Parade!