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## Kilkenny Arts Festival 8 - 17 August 2008

Greetings!

Just a quick note from the Team at Kilkenny Arts Festival to say Hi and give you a sneak preview of some of the big names appearing this year. What a line up!

### Andreas Scholl

**Friday 8th August**

St Canice's Cathedral, 8.15pm

Admission: € 30/€ 20

One of the world's leading countertenors, Andreas will perform the Festival's opening concert.

*"one of the the most outstanding performers of our time"*  
The Irish Times



### Mercury Rev

**Tuesday 12th August**

The Hub at Cillín Hill, Dublin Road, Kilkenny

Doors 7.30, Admission: € 32.50

The psychedelic experimental rock band play their first Irish gig this year at the Festival, showcasing material from their forthcoming album Snowflake Midnight. Not to be missed!

[Buy Tickets Online](#)



### Spiritualized

**Sunday 17th August**

St Canice's Cathedral, 8pm

Admission: € 40

A major coup for the Festival. Tickets being snapped up to experience Spiritualized and backing gospel singers perform in the stunning setting of St. Canice's Cathedral.

[Buy Tickets Online](#)



### La Compagnie Malabar: Hélios II

**Saturday 9th August**

Travels through the streets of Kilkenny & finale at Kilkenny Castle, 9.15pm

Admission: Free



World leaders in circus and street theatre, Malabar, come to the city to tell the story of the birth of the sun. Swaying rhythmically through the streets this spectacular event will have its finale in the grounds of Kilkenny Castle



## Hayes & Cahill

**Monday 11th August**

Hotel Kilkenny, 9pm

Admission: €23/€21, Two-ticket Package: €28 for this event & GAA Symposium

Two mercurial talents of traditional Irish music.

*"Matchless and magic: a timely reminder of what genius really tastes like"* The Irish Times



## Jon Lee Anderson

**Tuesday 12th August**

St Canice's Cathedral, 6pm

Admission: €13/€11

Veteran war correspondent with The New Yorker magazine, John Lee Anderson gives this years Hubert Butler Lecture on "America at War"



## Simon Patterson

**16th - 17th August**

Kilkenny Castle Grounds, 3pm - 4.30pm

Admission: Free

A live visual art installation that will transform the Kilkenny landscape with clouds of colour.



Next week we will be announcing our full programme so keep an eye on [www.kilkennyarts.ie](http://www.kilkennyarts.ie) for more information.

We look forward to welcoming you in Kilkenny in August!

The Festival Team

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## OPW Salon Music 2008

The OPW presents a series of free Summer concerts in the fabulous surrounds of their finest historic properties. The events will take place throughout July in Kilkenny Castle's Great Hall, Castletown House's Long Gallery and The Ballroom at Farnleigh. For more details and to book your seat, visit: [www.salonmusic.ie](http://www.salonmusic.ie)

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