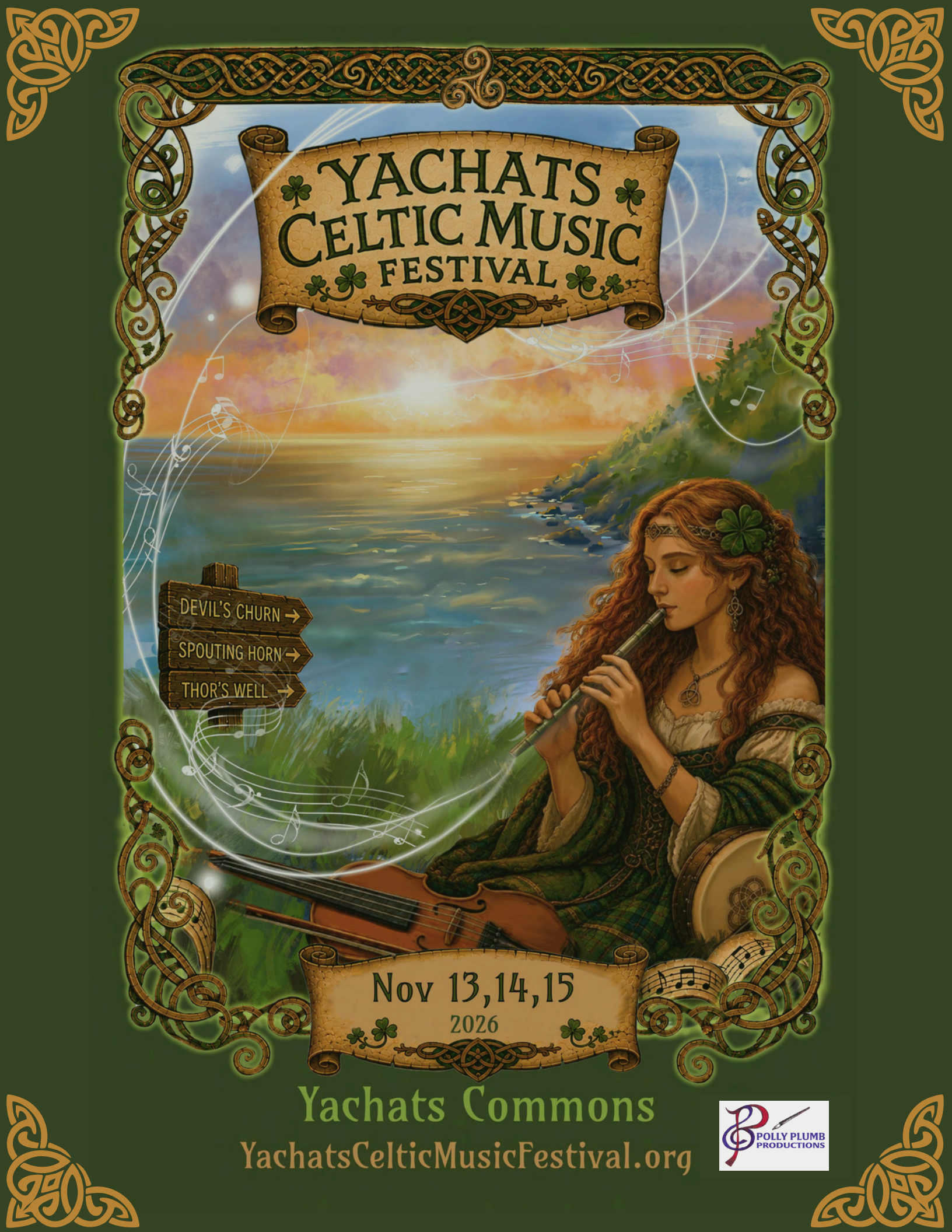
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Performers

Solas

Since forming in New York City in 1995, Solas has been a powerful element in the Irish music scene - a lightening rod of talent and inspiration that set new standards for musicianship, repertoire, and intensity.

Over the course of twelve critically acclaimed albums and endless international touring, Solas brought their love and respect for the traditions of Irish music, and their sense of melodic and instrumental adventure to the world.

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Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter

Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter are a multi-instrumentalist duo with Celtic Harps, Swedish Nyckelharpa, Ukrainian Bandura, Bouzouki, Cittern, and more. They hail from Oregon and tour extensively, both having successful recording and performing careers built from years of street performing and background as rock musicians. They have performed with some of the biggest names in folk and acoustic music and have sold well over a million albums combined. Audiences are spellbound and enchanted with their unique show of breathtaking music, both traditional and original, with wondorous stories and humor entwined.

Guitarist and singer Jack Badcock, banjo player Ciaran Ryan, accordionist Andrew Waite, and fiddler Benedict Morris create a dazzling live show marked by restless creativity and stunning virtuosity. (Fiddle player Benedict was with us at the festival in 2022 with the band Talisk.)

Dallahan

Now, with well over a decade together, Dallahan stands as a veteran touring outfit whose sound has matured without ever losing its exploratory spark.

Their worldwide cult following reflects a band that has grown into its own identity while continually pushing its boundaries.

We are delighted they are able to be here for this year's event!

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Marco Caturegli

Marco Caturegli, pipe major with the Eugene Highlanders, will be joining us again this year as our featured Piper on the Point. This Yachats tradition blends the majesty of a seaside sunset with the magic of the bagpipes on the observation deck at the Yachats State Park on the west end of town. Join Marco at sunset on Friday and Saturday of the festival for this enchanting show.

É.T.É emerged from the fruitful meeting of three young musicians with vibrant artistic journeys. Together they propose a dynamic and contemporary vision of Québécois trad music.

É.T.É

With influences from jazz, progressive rock, and classical music, violinist Élisabeth Moquin, bouzouki player Thierry Clouette, and cellist Élisabeth Giroux create their own trad universe with original compositions and unique arrangements of Québécois and Acadian repertoire. Their rich vocal harmonies, their groove, their ease at their instruments, and their electrifying simpatico on stage creates an unforgettable show. We are very excited to be able to present these outstanding musicians to you this year.

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Caroline Keane & Tom Delany

If you are familiar with the Irish band, Four Winds, then you know of Caroline's and Tom's music. Since they began playing together in 2010, while both studying at the Irish World Academy of Music and Dance at the University of Limerick, they have created a distinctive and compelling musical partnership.

The duo's chemistry is evident on stage, where their connection creates a captivating and intimate atmosphere. Their performances are marked by a perfect balance of energy and emotion, bringing audiences on a journey through the heart of Irish music, while adding their own creative twist.

New England based pedal and traditional Scottish harpist Rachel Clemente has had a passion for music from the early age of five. She was winner of the U.S. National Scottish Harp Championship in 2016 and winner of the Princess Margaret of the Isles Clarsach Competition (USA) in 2021. Since moving to Vermont in 2019, Rachel has focused on establishing herself in the New England folk scene as a soloist, as well as performing in her duo, If You Must Know, with bagpiper Dan Houghton.

If You Must Know

Dan Houghton is a gifted Scottish, traditional musician who plays highland bagpipes, smallpipes and border pipes, flute, guitar, and cittern - though not all at the same time. He is also a singer of note, and has had a profound impact on audiences throughout Britain, Ireland, North America, and The Antipodes as a solo bag piper, a dance piper and a virtuosic, as well as versatile ensemble performer.

Cantrip

The name Cantrip is an old Scots word meaning charm, magic spell, or piece of mischief, and it aptly describes the unexpected twists and turns in their musical arrangements, likewise the compelling potency of their musicianship. Swirling border pipes, raging fiddles, thunderous guitar and three rich voices blend to create a sound energetic enough to tear the roof off.

Echoes can be heard of trad music from the 1960s and 70s, but the years have also slowly invested their music with the sounds of funk, metal, bluegrass, swing, and even klezmer. Dan Haughton, Jon Bews, Alasdair White, and Eric McDonald stir the elements in a witches' cauldron, slowly coalescing into chaotic order.

Biddy on the Bench

Biddy on the Bench play Irish traditional music, carving out a niche in Portland, and Oregon's folk scene with a lively mix of ballads, pub classics, rebel songs, harmonized shanties, and driving dance tunes.

They have gone through various personal changes over the years. Today, Biddy carries on as a dynamic trio - Kevin Grgurich, Casey Dyer, and Trevor Cormack - raising song and spirited dance tunes in pubs, festivals, and céilís throughout the Pacific Northwest. The Biddy sound remains as rousing as ever - ready for raised glasses, full voices, and crowded pubs.

Biddy will be playing for our Sunday afternoon céilí this year, as well as for several other sets during the festival.

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Kevin Carr

We are very pleased to have Kevin Carr join us again as our returning grand master of all things Celtic.

For over thirty years, dynamic fiddler-piper-storyteller Kevin Carr has honed his craft in smoky Irish pubs, remote cabins in Quebec, and in dance halls across America. He's played banjo in Latvia, learned to play the bagpipes of a dozen countries, and dug deep to find just the right stories to share. His one-man musical theater of the imagination blends folklore, true-life adventure, and the rare, soulful, fiery sounds of fiddle and pipes into a mesmerizing experience.

He shares his travels and experience throughout the seven Celtic nations, and various regions of Celtic culture, with traditional instruments and wonderful stories.

Workshops & Other Events

Céilí Dance Workshops with Elisa Chandler

Elisa Chandler, long time instructor and member of Oregon's Céilí of the Valley Society in the Willamette Valley, will be teaching two dance classes.

She has been teaching classes for Céilí of the Valley Society in Salem for 15 years and calls Ceilis for CVS, festivals, and private parties. She has been a member of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society for over 30 years.

Class 1: Intro to Céilí Dancing... The Social Dancing of Ireland

Learn basic steps & formations and then we'll put them together in some dances... this will get you ready for Sunday's Céilí.

Class 2: Crazy Scottish Cèilidh Dances

Come join in some fun party dances. Spontaneous laughter has been known to happen when dancing these!

General Info for Both Classes

1.) No partner necessary...wear clothes you can move in and comfortable shoes, preferably no bare toes or high heels.

2.)Fee is $10 per person, per class.. Cash at the door, or prepaid at Bridie's Irish Faire.

Rob Gandara of Carbony Celtic Winds Two Free Whistle Workshops

Rob Gandara is a veteran of hundreds of shows, festivals, and music events. You will find him smiling and chatting with some of the world's most notable pipers and woodwind players as well as interested novices who simply want to know what it's all about.

Full event schedule on page 11

Yachats Commons
Celtic Kitchen

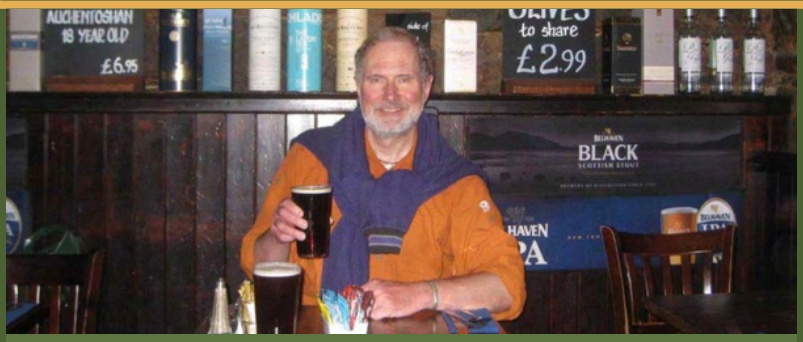
Brought to you by The Drift Inn Cafe
Fri & Sat: 11 am - 9 pm
Sun: 9 am - 2 pm

SEISIUN
Celtic Trad Sessions

Bring your instruments, your voice, join fellow musicians, and play new and old favorites in the Drift Inn Music Room, next to the restaurant.

Friday 12 pm - 5 pm
Saturday 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday 10 am - 3 pm

The Yachats Celtic Music Festival
2026 Whisky Tasting Event!



Started by our beloved Ten Mile resident John Robbins, connoiseur of fine whiskey and scotch - the whisky tasting continues! Treat yourself to this rare opportunity to sample a fine selection of six different single malt Scotch and Irish whiskies. Escape for a while to the world famous Yachats Commons and enjoy the company of fellow whisky lovers on a spirited tasting adventure.

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Céilí

Everyone is invited! Céilí dance is family friendly and great for all ages - it's cultural!

You can brush up on the technique you learned at the Saturday workshops or at the Sunday warm-up from 12:00 noon to 12:30 pm, prior to attending the Céilí at 12:30 to 1:30 pm at the Yachats Commons.

Venue Map

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Performance Schedule

TIME	FRIDAY COMMONS STAGE	FRIDAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	FRIDAY OTHER EVENTS	SATURDAY COMMONS STAGE	SATURDAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	SATURDAY OTHER EVENTS	SUNDAY COMMONS STAGE
10:00 am				Breakfast tea concert with Biddy on the Bench *10:00 am - 11:00 am*		Dance Workshop w/ Elisa Chandler *10:00 am - 11:00 am*	Free Celtic Music *10:00 am - 11:00 am*
10:30 am							
11:00 am				Free Celtic Music *11:00 am - 12:00 pm*	Lisa Lynn and Aryeh Frankfurter *11:00 am - 12:00 pm*		
11:30 am						Whistle Workshop w/ Rob Gandara *11:30 am - 12:30 pm*	Break
12:00 pm	Free Celtic Music *12:00 pm - 1:30 pm*		Rachel Clemente *12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*			Kevin Carr *12:00 pm - 1:00 pm*	Ceili Instruction with Elisa Chandler *12:00 pm - 12:30 pm*
12:30 pm							Ceili *12:30 pm - 1:30 pm*
1:00 pm		Caroline Keane and Tom Delany *1:00 pm - 2:00 pm*		Caroline Keane and Tom Delany *1:00 pm - 2:00 pm*		Dance Workshop w/ Elisa Chandler *1:00 pm - 2:00 pm*	
1:30 pm							Break
2:00 pm	'If You Must Know' *2:00 pm - 3:00 pm*			Biddy on the Bench *2:00 pm - 3:00 pm*	É.T.É *2:00 pm - 3:00 pm*		É.T.É *2:00 pm - 3:00 pm*
2:30 pm			Lisa Lynn and Aryeh Frankfurter *2:30 pm - 3:30 pm*			Lisa Lynn and Aryeh Frankfurter *2:30 pm - 3:30 pm*	
3:00 pm	Dallahan *3:00 pm - 4:00 pm*	Biddy on the Bench *3:00 pm - 4:00 pm*		Cantrip *3:00 pm - 4:00 pm*			Dallahan *3:00 pm - 4:00 pm*
3:30 pm							
4:00 pm	Cantrip *4:00 pm - 5:00 pm*						
4:30 pm			Piper On the Point *Sunset at 4:45 pm*	Carr-flower with Kevin Carr, Josie Mendelsohn with Isla and Rowan Blanchflower *4:30 pm - 5:30 pm*		Piper On the Point *Sunset at 4:45 pm*	
5:00 pm		Kevin Carr *5:00 pm - 6:00 pm*			'If You Must Know' *5:00 pm - 6:00 pm*		
5:30 pm						Whistle Workshop w/ Rob Gandara *5:30 pm - 6:30 pm*	
6:00 pm	É.T.É *6:00 pm - 7:00 pm*			Dallahan *6:00 pm - 7:00 pm*			
6:30 pm							
7:00 pm	Solas *7:00 pm - 9:00 pm*			Solas *7:00 pm - 9:00 pm*			

Legend

Main Stage
441 Hwy 101 Yachats

Presbyterian Church
360 W. 7th Yachats

Free Event
441 Hwy 101 Yachats

Yachats State Park
On the beach, weather permitting

Little Log Church
328 W. 3rd St., Yachats

Lions Club
344 W. 4th St., Yachats

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