



When an enquiry is sent to **nexusvenue** with ideas of destinations, budgets, numbers, conference requirements and activity time available we will find suitable venues and, if required, will contact Ovation. A meeting can be arranged for all parties to discuss requirements and a detailed proposal will be prepared by Ovation. Ovation covers 18 destinations throughout Europe, Middle East, South America, South Africa and Asia.

A proposal will include

- Description of destination country
 - Description of destination city
 - Details of Hotel Options
- Details of proposed activities and off site dining options for each day
 - Detailed costing breakdown
 - Full Terms and Condition
 - Your personal contact details
 - Testimonials

Here is a condensed proposal of activities and dining options in Dublin to give a taste of their work.

Day 1

ARRIVAL

Your Ovation Co-ordinator will greet you as you exit the customs area and your Tour Director will lead you to your transport and on to your hotel.

- Transfer will be effected by luxury motorcoache's or private cars (should you prefer)
- Optional airside meet and greet
- Uniformed, fully qualified tour director
- Ovation co coordinator at airport/hotel

"A FLAVOUR OF DUBLIN"

On this panoramic trip, from the airport to the hotel, let us take you back 1000 years to the origins of this intriguing city which has played host to Vikings, Normans and Anglo-Saxons without allowing its native Celtic spirit to be even vaguely diluted!

Let us grace the "Usual Suspects" with our presence, such as Trinity College, Dublin Castle, St Patrick's Cathedral, The National Gallery of Ireland and Christchurch Cathedral. *(Sites witnessed during this transfer, is all dependant on final hotel selection).*

The opportunity to visit these sites in greater detail is available at a later stage of the program.

EVENING

WELCOME TO DUBLIN

This evening why not kick back and relax as you prepare for your Irish Experience. Tonight you spend your first evening in Dublin in the comfort of your charming hotel and enjoy the very best of Irish food, drink and of course the renowned "craic agus ceol".

** Irish theming and décor can be arranged. Suitable Irish entertainment acts will be included here.



Day 2

OPTIONAL HALF DAY EXPERIENCES

OPTION 1

“TEA AND ANTIQUES AT NUMBER 10”



Number 10 is a beautifully restored Georgian House owned by Mr. John Lynch and is located on the Quays in the Centre of Dublin. Throughout the house there is a wonderful collection of magnificent antiques, fine art and Modern Irish Art. Number 10 welcomes you to a very special experience of *“Tea at Number Ten”*...

John Lynch gives a brief introduction to the history of the house and then introduces Roxanne Moorehead – a renowned Irish antiques lecturer. Roxanne gives a general overview of Irish antiques and then speaks of the collection within the house.

Roxanne then explains that there are 6 numbered antique items in various rooms – guests are then given a sheet of paper and pen with a brief description of the items with three valuations listed for each. Roxanne then invites the Guests to tick what they believe to be the appropriate price of each item. The sheets are then collected and the group are brought to the Gallery Picture Room where guests are seated at a table to enjoy their *“Tea at Number 10”* with John Lynch. Meanwhile their sheets are scored and the winner announced and presented with the prize.

NEW for 2009

OPTION 2

THE FABULOUS FOOD TRAIL

'Packed with enough information - and enough food - to satisfy even the fussiest foodie' *The Dubliner*

This morning/afternoon enjoy the best food and cultural off-the-beaten-track experience to be had in Dublin offering the opportunity to discover hidden tastes and be a local for the morning!



Soak in the history and culture; enjoy delicious foods in historic neighbourhoods within a stone's throw of the city centre. Meet the people whose family have traded in one spot for generations, and meet the people who have introduced new products to us reflecting the modern Irish table. No need for lunch after this walk, tastings are frequent and generous!



This walk takes a gentle 2 ½ hours, and is led by an experienced and knowledgeable guide with a food background. Along the way good places for lunch or dinner, for a cup of coffee or a pint, or indeed anything else you might like to know are pointed out.

Visit food halls, fruit and flower stalls, cheesemongers, fishmongers, butchers and bakers and lots more besides.

OPTION 3

“SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW YOUR DRINK”

Often described as Ireland’s national pastime, drinking to the average Irish person is not a life or death issue – it’s much more important than that! (to paraphrase Bill Shankley!) Today we bring you to the Old Jameson Distillery and The Guinness Storehouse, two historical and cultural landmarks in Dublin city, and come to grips with two of Ireland’s most famous and popular exports!



Today you visit The Old Jameson Distillery. It is an old distillery, which has been turned into a museum explaining the history of Irish whiskey and the process of whiskey making. The tour ends in the bar for a fun whiskey tasting session where everybody will get a chance to sample Irish whiskey. Volunteers are given the opportunity to taste the difference between Scotch, Bourbon and Irish Whiskey and receive a diploma which qualifies them as qualified Irish Whiskey tasters.

Next on the agenda is Guinness Tasting!! After the Old Jameson Distillery we bring you to the Guinness Storehouse, a historical and cultural landmark in Dublin city. Visit the Guinness Storehouse where you will learn how the famous brew is made, discover the secrets of Guinness as well as sample it! The Guinness Storehouse is the visitor centre of the Guinness Brewery, which opened to the public in December 2000. A warehouse of the original brewery (founded in 1759) it has been transformed into a hi-tech visitor centre

covering 6 floors. Containing 3 bars, the visit culminates with a pint of the 'black stuff' in the Gravity Bar on the 6th floor of the centre, (Dublin's highest pub) where you can also enjoy 360-degree views over the city.

OPTION 4

"THE USUAL SUSPECTS"

Full Immersion in the cultural delights of the city – interior visits included

Let us take you back 1000 years to the origins of this intriguing city which has played host to Vikings, Normans and Anglo-Saxons without allowing its native Celtic spirit to be even vaguely diluted! Enjoy a choice of the following escorted visits (2 visits recommended in a half day period)

Trinity College Dublin

Founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth 1, this city centre campus of some 10,000 students is traditional and stately in Oxbridge fashion. Famous alumni abound – Swift, Wilde, Burke, Goldsmith, Ernest Walton the Nobel Prize winning physicist and Samuel Beckett, author of "Waiting for Godot". The Long Room at Trinity is a temple to academia and learning and conserves the world's most treasured manuscript "The Book of Kells". Dating from the 8th century, this lavishly decorated copy of the 4 gospels is a living example of the profound richness of ancient Celtic art.



Dublin Castle

Dublin castle is located in the heart of historic Dublin. Located just minutes from Trinity College, it was the former seat of power of the British Monarchy, and the site of the revolutionary handing over of arms, when Ireland became a Free State in 1921. The Castle comprises of the original 13th Century Norman Castle, a 19th Century Gothic revival Chapel The Great courtyard, modern conference facilities and of course the magnificent State Apartments.



St Patricks Cathedral

Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin, formally known as The National Cathedral and Collegiate Church of Saint Patrick, Dublin or in the Irish language as Árd Eaglais Naomh Pádraig, founded in 1191 by the Normans, is the larger of Dublin's two Church of Ireland cathedrals, and the largest church in Ireland. The Cathedral which is on a site directly linked with St Patrick, is a magnificent example of "gothic on a small scale". Don't miss the spectacular stained glass windows and the Swift connection. Unusually it is not today the seat of a bishop, as Dublin's Church of Ireland Archbishop has his seat in Christ Church Cathedral, with Saint Patrick's being (since 1870) the National Cathedral for the whole island, drawing chapter members from each of the twelve dioceses of the Church of Ireland. Saint



Patrick's is headed by a Dean, an office which has existed since 1219, the most famous holder being Jonathan Swift. And make sure you ask your Tour Director to explain the expression "chancing one's arm"

GROUP LUNCH

FIRE

Fire is a chic new Dublin eatery set in an historical building adjacent to the Mansion House on Dawson Street. This new Dublin restaurant exudes sophistication having undergone a complete refurbishment. Fire boasts a mouth-watering menu that combines American and European contemporary cuisine

This brand new Dublin restaurant includes Ireland's first wood burning oven. The interior has a stunning glass mosaic, suede wall coverings and three antique brass spires. Fire is a state of the art cosmopolitan restaurant while retaining it's stunning historical characteristics. An elegant canopied style veranda is open at the front of Fire offering a European cafe-style feel.



Food is prepared in an open kitchen and the wood burning oven gives the choice cuisine a truly unique flavour. All ingredients are sourced from the best of Irish manufacturers and are complimented nicely by freshly chosen foods from Italy, Spain and France. Alongside an exquisite and affordable menu, Fire offers an impressive 31 quality house wines.

EVENING OFFSITE SUGGESTIONS

OPTION 1

AN IRISH HOOLEY WITH THE MERRYPLOUGHBOYS



The Merry Ploughboy Pub Dublin, is the home of the Merry Ploughboys and is now Ireland's premier show of Irish music and dance. The fact that Dublin's top ballad group, the Merry Ploughboys are the owners of the Merry Ploughboy Pub, brings a unique dimension to the venue. It is the only one of its kind in Ireland, a place where professional performers own and run the venue. Besides their long experience and highest standards of hospitality and cuisine, the owners ensure the integrity and independence of the Irish music performed. Indeed, the Merry Ploughboys always take immense pleasure from their own nightly performances and make sure everyone else in the room does too.

The Merryploughboy Band perform a selection of some of the most infamous Irish songs and Ballads along with their very own composed material. There is a huge amount of craic and fun experienced throughout the night while the group perform and the interaction with the audience is superb ensuring that the audience remain highly entertained throughout the course of the evening.

The "Riverdance style" Irish dancing at the interval completes the overall Irish cultural experience that is the Merry Ploughboy Pub. The Irish dancers are phenomenal and excel at what they do. They perform a variety of dances including soft shoe and hard shoe, group performances and solos. And just for good measure it all takes place under the largest thatched roof in Ireland.

The Merry Ploughboy Pub is located in Rockbrook, Rathfarnham at the foot of the Dublin Mountains. The venue is about twenty minutes drive from Dublin city centre. It is a highly entertaining evening and great venue to bring a group for an enjoyable Irish night.

EVENING ** *Upscale Irish Evening*

OPTION 2

EXCLUSIVE PREMIUM WHISKEY DINNER AT THE JAMESON DISTILLERY`

MASTER OF CEREMONIES IN THE STILL HOUSE

They may have invented golf, but the Scots certainly didn't invent whiskey! Centuries before the first "wee dram" wet the lips of a Scottish Highlander, the Irish were already expert at the art of triple distillation. In fact the word "whiskey" - always spelled with an "e" in Ireland - is nothing more than an anglicised version of the Gaelic words "uisce beatha" or water of life. And chief among the great distillers was, of course, the Jameson family.

Tonight your group are in for a real treat in the Old Jameson Distillery. A premium whiskey evening is by far the most exclusive and innovative evenings available at the distillery.

Hosted by the 'Master of Ceremonies' – a whiskey expert, the evening commences with a guided tour of the Distillery and continues in the 'Sine Metu' banqueting room with a mouth-watering menu to tantalise the tastebuds. Each course is accompanied by a Premium Irish Whiskey, and the meal culminates with a glass of Midleton Very Rare – Ireland's most exclusive whiskey.

To round off the evening, the 'Jameson Players' and 'Claddagh Irish Dancers' take centre stage for an evening of contemporary and traditional Irish music and dance.



OPTION 3

GREAT RESTAURANTS OF DUBLIN – DINE AROUND

*** Mid Range Budget*

BALZAC

The dining room at 35 Dawson Street is probably the most handsome dining room in Ireland. From The New York Times to Rick Stein to Richard Corrigan, Paul Flynn has been consistently lauded and appreciated as a chef's chef. Balzac, superbly located in city centre Dublin, brings these two together to create an atmospheric brasserie, redolent of Parisian dining at its most glamorous, while still providing the deliciously comforting and dependable flavours of traditional French cooking.

Balzac is a new restaurant, with a new look and a new name, combining a landmark dining room with a team brought together by a prodigiously talented chef whose ethos is based on serving excellent food consistently in informal, relaxed surroundings. Balzac is a restaurant which is finally pairing the top class food and wine with the great service that this impressive room deserves.

With a chic panelled cocktail bar out front, decorated in muted greys and silvery tones and the atmospheric, seductive restaurant with a timeless, almost classical feel to it, the space been pared back to emphasise its handsome architectural lines. Balzac's sexy dining room with its luxurious deep green leather and velvet banquettes and its vast signature mirrors reflects the warm, generous nature of Paul Flynn's food, cooked to perfection by a hand-picked team of talented chefs.



TOWN BAR & GRILL

Located in the old cellars of Mitchell's wine merchant on Kildare Street, the 90 seater modern trattoria style restaurant specialises in modern Italian cooking, presented in a style more commonly found in New York.

Elegant and understated, the Town Bar and Grill is a civilised and moneyed place to eat. Calm cream and white tones, white table linen, with artwork chosen for its brown and cream tones, the atmosphere is relaxed and unfussy. Popular amongst businessmen and women for sealing deals and celebrating successes, it takes on quite a different feel at the weekend with people coming in groups of beautifully dressed friends to enjoy themselves. There is no fanfare about the food. It is executed efficiently and the menu appeals to an Irish audience with plenty of hearty winter fare heavy in comfort.

Starters are likely to include a really excellent antipasti plate and dishes rarely seen elsewhere, such as slow cooked rabbit with gnocchi, while house versions of classics like grilled calf's liver with braised onions, nutmeg creamed spinach, confit pork belly & mash, appear among main courses which will also offer several interesting fish dishes and, in season, game such as crown of pheasant.

An Irish and Italian cheeseboard is offered and mor-eish desserts may include classics like Town tiramisu; combinations are sometimes unusual, and flavours are delicious.

Interested, well-informed staff, add greatly to the enjoyment of a meal here, and the cooking is generally confident and accurate, set off handsomely by simple presentation on plain white plates.

It is a great place to share an extremely enjoyable meal in relaxed and contemporary settings.



FALLON & BYRNE

Fallon & Byrne is a New York style Food emporium combined with a Parisian Style restaurant and wine cellar, located in the heart of Dublin City in a former Victorian telephone exchange.

This massive food hall is situated in a stunning warehouse building and the ground floor includes a small deli and coffee shop in addition to fabulous artisan foods. In the sight of the colourful fruit and vegetables make your way downstairs to the wine cellar. Sit on the leather couches and admire the eclectic wine collection of Fallon & Byrne, while having a glass or two to sample!

After you have whetted your appetite, move upstairs to the Parisian style restaurant lavishly decorated on the first floor. Large mirrors, red-leather banquettes and pewter fittings create a convivial ambience perfect for wine-soaked lunches and dinners. Here you will taste the freshest and best food in Dublin, just a short walkway from the bustling nightlife of Ireland's Capital!



BANG CAFÉ



Bang Cafe is a stylish restaurant. A designer's dream, not too bright, lots of mirrors, stone and wood. Located just off St. Stephen's green, this restaurant is ideally located. The Ground floor is bright and airy and there's also dining on the first floor in a semi-private function room which can cater for up to thirty people. The Basement floor has an impressive bar with an extensive cocktail menu.

A wonderful, unhurried meal, good food and fantastic service is guaranteed. Bang draws from the restaurateurs Danish background in terms of the stylish, understated decor, and eclectic menu, which includes frozen Scandinavian berries, liberally doused in hot white chocolate sauce, which is simply an occasion of sin! The top floor lounge area also serves diners who enjoy the intimate, low-key option of soft sofas and low-level tables.

The lunch and dinner menus at Bang are something of a treat, with an extensive wine and cocktail list.

*** All restaurants subject to availability*

Day 3

FULL DAY GROUP OPTIONS

OPTION 1

A DAY IN THE MEDIEVAL CAPITAL OF IRELAND - KILKENNY CITY



County Kilkenny is located south of Dublin, about 2 hours drive from the capital. It is a charming county, which offers lush undulating pastureland bisected by winding river valleys. This region has the mildest, sunniest and also the driest weather in Ireland. Kilkenny City is the best example of a medieval town in Ireland and is attractively situated on the River Nore, which forms the moat of its magnificently restored castle. The name Kilkenny comes from the Irish for “Canice’s church”, which nowadays refers to the splendid 13th century St Canice’s Cathedral, with its ancient stone tower and imposing Gothic interior. Visit Kilkenny Castle, which was the home of the Butler family for centuries. This 13th century castle has been restored to 18th style and grandeur and is well worth a visit.

Following this a visit to St Canices Cathedral is a must. Famous for its beautiful wooden hand-carved ceiling, the cathedral houses the effigies of the Butler Family along with other famous families from the Kingdom of Ossory.

Enjoy an early lunch at 14th century Kyteler’s Inn, named after the infamous Dame Alice Kyteler who was burned at the stake for the alleged poisoning of four of her husbands. Or lunch at Langtons award winning pub – Ireland’s pub of the year on at least four occasions in the last 10 years, before embarking on Kilkenny’s well established craft’s trail!

Throughout the city and county of Kilkenny, you will find a host of craft and design studios and workshops. Renowned internationally for the quality of the craft produced in Kilkenny, the Kilkenny Craft Trail is the perfect way to explore the best of Kilkenny craft. The Trail features 9 retail studios and workshops in Kilkenny, and includes jewellers, potters, leather & wood workers, glass blowing as well as candle makers



OPTION 2

LEARNING TO COOK THE IRISH WAY



Ballyknocken House is a charming Victorian farmhouse. Owned by Catherine, the third generation Byrne to reside there, the house is located in the County Wicklow (the Garden of Ireland), and is situated just outside the little village of Glenealy. Here the Farmhouse surrounded by some of the most beautiful scenery you will spend the morning cooking up a Farmer's Feast.

Join Catherine in the renovated Milking Parlour on the grounds of Ballyknocken House & Farm. Ballyknocken is a haven for those seeking to learn the skills of preparing fresh local foods in a wonderful countryside setting.

Today your group get the chance to cook up a farmers feast with Catherine, using the best of the local produce. After a demanding yet fun time in the kitchen, the group have the opportunity to taste the fruits of their labour at an informal group gathering in the Hay Barn.

Additional Activities such as Soda Scone Making, Sheep Herding, Irish Dancing and tin whistle playing (among many more options) can take place in the afternoon, dependant on group requirements.

*** Min and Max numbers apply for above activities*



OPTION 3

AN EXHILIRATING DAY AT THE RACES



Leopardstown Racecourse can indeed proudly claim to be one of Europe's premier racetracks. The Leopardstown Pavilion is a stunning addition to the corporate facilities at the racecourse. Strategically located overlooking the finishing straight, the 20,000 sq. ft. glass fronted building has its own balcony area, and provides excellent viewing on racedays. The Leopardstown Pavilion caters for groups ranging from 200+ to 1,000, and is unrivalled in the greater Dublin area in terms of facilities and sophistication. Natural Lighting, air conditioning, and floor to ceiling acoustic screening are just some of the assets that this spectacular venue has to offer.

Leopardstown Racecourse offers 24 Private Suites, Hospitality Rooms, the Leopardstown Pavilion, Fillies Café Bar, the Silken Glider Restaurant, the Paddock Food Hall, Club 92, Madigans and numerous bars and snack areas.

In Ireland a Day at the Races is considered a huge treat. The excitement of the crowd, the passion of the jockeys, and the general atmosphere in the stadium is something well worth experiencing during your time on the Emerald Isle.

*** As an additional enhancement, an option would be to have a "Mad Hatters Tea Party" prior to the race day. In this instance we would invite some of Ireland's leading hat designers, along with tipsters and jockeys for a pre dinner drinks reception in the hotel, before the group proceed to their offsite evening venue.*

OPTION 4

BOATS, CASTLE'S AND TOMBS.....ALL IN A DAY!!

Malahide Castle, dating from the 12th century, is one of Ireland's oldest and most historic castles with an excellent collection of period furniture and oil portraits. The castle belonged to the Talbot family from 1185 to 1976 when it was sold to Dublin County Council. The castle itself is a combination of styles and periods; The medieval Great Hall is the only one in Ireland that is preserved in its original form while the National Portrait Gallery features many fine portraits of the Talbot family.



Today the day begins with an exhilarating transfer to the castle by a rigid inflatable boat (RIB) from the city centre. On arrival at Malahide and on entering the castle the group enjoy a specialized tour of the castle followed by an early lunch at the much loved Cruzzo's restaurant of Malahide.



Following lunch the group transfer to Newgrange.

Newgrange is a spectacular prehistoric tomb, 1,000 years older than the pyramids. It was constructed using over 250,000 tonnes of stones, mainly sourced from the Wicklow Mountains some 60 miles away. The feature point of this breathtaking structure is the construction within the passage grave which may have been the world's earliest observatory. On the shortest day of the year the rays of the rising sun hit a roof box above the lintel at the entrance to the grave. The rays then shine down the passage for 20 minutes, and illuminating the inner chamber.

Newgrange should be booked at least 10 months in advance. If not available Knowth is a suitable alternative.



FAREWELL EVENING

A TOUCH OF CLASS AT NUMBER 10

Number 10 is Dublin's most exclusive private venue. Overlooking the River Liffey in the heart of the city, Number 10 is superbly located on the Quays beside the Morrison Hotel and opposite the Clarence Hotel.

This magnificently furnished Georgian house is privately owned and available only to one client at a time. This ensures complete privacy, superb service and the highest level of attention to detail.

Sitting on the edge of the River Liffey, Number 10 remains one of the most beautiful Georgian Houses in Dublin City. It was once the focus of Irish political and social life. It originally belonged to Lord Belvedere who commissioned the architect Richard Cassels to build the house in 1745. It was later leased in 1750 to David La Touch, founder of the Irish Banking System, who in turn used the house for many functions and receptions. The house was magnificently restored by the previous occupiers and further tastefully decorated and furnished by present owner John Lynch.

This tradition continues today as Number 10 is totally restored to its former glory and offers an unrivalled backdrop to whatever the occasion. The large art collection and the historical artifacts that occupy the house create an enchanting atmosphere as one enters the premises.

An extravagant pre dinner champagne and canapés reception can take place prior to a lavish 5 course meal. There are many varied entertainment options which prove fitting for this caliber of evening. Tonight your group has exclusive use of the house

This evening enjoy pre dinner drinks in the environs of Number 10 as the café jazz orchestra create entrhralling music in the background. Mingle with your colleagues and reminisce over your time in the Emerald Isle.

Throughout the seated farewell sumptuous dinner, prepared to be amazed as the crowd are overwhelmed by the singing waiters.

The evening draws to a close with an unforgettable performance by the renowned Keynotes

Entertainment descriptions below.....



CAFÉ ORCHESTRA

Founded in 1993 by Patrick Collins, Café Orchestra are an Irish Band with an International attitude & purveyors of fine ambience, with a reputation for being one of the best live acts in Ireland, and an eclectic and entertaining mix of musical styles.

Having released 4 critically acclaimed albums and been nominated for Best Irish Album in the IRMA awards, they have also contributed to the soundtrack for films such as Michael Collins, The Mammy and performed at the opening of the new Star Wars film The Phantom Menace.



THE SINGING WAITERS

The Opera Singing Waiters are an ensemble of professional Opera Singers featuring Celtic Tenor Niall Morris. The Singing Waiters have an ability to change a simple dinner into an extravaganza.

They thrive on creating an unusual theatrical environment, often surprising guests with a role reversal from waiter to performer, from table to stage, singing solo or together. This dynamic atmosphere can be adapted to a small, intimate gathering or a larger corporate stage production with sound and costumes. They have the versatility to fit any theme.



Sophisticated and spontaneous, hilarious and highly polished, The Opera Singing Waiters puts three singing waiters undercover - right inside your function! The tightly-scripted yet hilarious show is designed to enhance your event, but never interrupt it.

The key to the success of The Opera Waiters format is the element of surprise. The Opera Waiters spend the first part of the evening infiltrating your event disguised as real waiters, security and management. By behaving in a strange manner they create an air of uncertainty and suspense which will have your guests roaring with applause when they finally burst into song during the main course!

The Opera Singing Waiters - Ireland's only original and number one Singing Waiters show - is guaranteed to leave your guests cheering and in many cases is the one thing they'll still be talking about years later!

THE KEYNOTES

The Key Notes are an Irish based Vocal Harmony group and are five of the biggest voices to come out of Ireland in recent years. They all have considerable international performance in a diverse number of musical fields.

Traditional Irish music fuses with Jazz and Opera to give an all encompassing musical experience. The blend between them is superb as, although all operate as soloists, they have all been part of top quality choral groups, such as the National Chamber choir of Ireland, and the choral group, Anuna.

To date they have performed a number of times on Irish Television, have written, arranged, and performed for film soundtrack; advertisement jingles, the RTE concert Orchestra, and Placido Domingo. They appear as Special Guest artists on the album "An Incognito Christmas", released in 2004.

They are in constant demand on the corporate entertainment circuit, including regular performances for the President of Ireland, Mary Mc Aleese, at her official residence.

As individuals and as a group they have recorded with, or performed alongside, Phil Coulter, James Galway, Shane Mc Gowan, Rebecca Storm, Charlotte Church, Secret Garden, Celtic Women, John Mc Nally, The Chieftans, The Celtic Tenors, Emer Quinn, Ronan Tynan, Brian Kennedy, and Niall Tobin.

Their performance is light hearted and fun, with each member interacting with the audience in their own unique way. Their repertoire will both amuse and astound audiences from the haunting Irish pieces to Jazz and Opera Classics which show off the range and quality of these five stunning voices.



Day 4

MORNING

Breakfast at your hotel

DEPARTURES

- Transfer will be effected by luxury motorcoaches
- Optional airside meet and greet
- Uniformed, fully qualified tour director.
- Ovation co coordinator at airport/hotel

Terms and Conditions

QUOTATION AND PRICES

All rates are net, in Euros and include VAT. They are based on numbers stated in the programme and are estimated on 2009 prices. A 5% annual increase has been included to allow for 2010 rates.

Ovation reserves the right to adjust elements of the quotation should the programme change. These include the alteration of venues and the reduction of numbers from that listed above. Prices are based on anticipated numbers of guests. Rates may increase and/or services/venues may need to be changed if numbers should increase or decrease. Any changes in minimum or maximum numbers may result in re-costing of services.

In the event of Ovation's inability to produce any of the elements contracted, for causes beyond our control, we reserve the right to substitution of comparable quality and interest

STANDARD PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR GROUND SERVICES EXCLUDING ACCOMMODATION

Ovation requests 100% payment for services booked according to the following schedule:

On agreement of programme in writing.....	10% of estimated total
60 days prior to group arrival.....	40% of estimated total
30 days prior to group arrival.....	50% of estimated total

CANCELLATION POLICY FOR GROUND SERVICES

Ovation will always try to keep cancellation fees charged by suppliers to a minimum. Any changes or cancellation of programme must be received in writing.

From confirmation date to 91 days prior to travel..... charged	10% of total estimated ground arrangements will be charged
Cancellation within 90 - 61 days of operation..... charged	20% of total estimated ground arrangements will be charged
Cancellation within 60 – 31 days of operation..... charged	30% of total estimated ground arrangements will be charged
Cancellation within 30 – 15 days of operation..... charged	50% of total estimated ground arrangements will be charged
Cancellation within 14 – 5 days of operation..... charged	80% of total estimated ground arrangements will be charged
Cancellation less than 5 days prior to operation..... charged	100% of total estimated ground arrangements will be charged

For partial cancellation, Ovation will allow a drop in number of participants to a maximum of 5% on the figures confirmed 60 days prior to the operation and this up to 3 days prior to arrival.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

All extra billing services and items added during operation are subject to Ovation's handling fee of 15%.

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Ovation Global DMC

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We connect you to people and places so you can express your message creatively, unambiguously and seamlessly all around the world. We intimately know the places, venues and locations that match your creative and practical requirements.. We have been doing this for many years now and, in the process, we've gained an understanding of where you're coming from – ie, we know that your event has to deliver on objectives that are very specific to you. For this reason we tend not to present commoditised solutions but work with you, from first principles, to deliver an event customised to your precise needs.

All Ovation offices share a common mission "People and relationships are the DNA of Ovation. Through our openness, passion and expertise we develop your vision and make it happen!" "Making it Happen" is, in fact, the defining attitude of Ovation and is expressed in the speed, promptness and accuracy of our communications and responses, in our creative and dynamic capabilities and in our in-depth knowledge of and extensive expertise in our respective destinations. Ovation offices work with a variety of customers from agencies and PCOs requiring destination support for their corporate or association customers to corporations with in-house incentive and meeting planning departments needing on-site services. We work on a single destination basis or, indeed, on a consolidated basis over multiple destinations.

Currently employing over 100 professionals globally, Ovation generates over €10m annually in gross margin. The thought-leader in destination management, Ovation draws on the experience of an expert global team operating high touch incentive, corporate meeting and association congress programmes for over 20 years.

Testimonials

PROTECTIVE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

We will be forever grateful for all Ovation's help in creating the "experience of a lifetime" at O' Reilly Hall as well as the entire Ireland experience. From pre-planning, site-inspection, tours, transportation, creative designs, entertainment and catering, Ovation made it all happen..

Paul C Eder

JOHN HANCOCK, A MANULIFE FINANCIAL COMPANY

Padraic ... I would like to thank you and the entire Ovation team for the outstanding job you did in making our 2005 Brokerage Incentive Conference an overwhelming success ... our programme in Dublin certainly achieved our objectives and exceeded delegates' Expectations ... thank you for being a terrific partner.

Donna M LeBlanc,

Sales Operations & Senior Account Manager



Where to go from here

This is an example of options available from Ovation in Dublin. Hopefully it has given you an idea of how they work. If you have any questions or would like us to work on a project for you please contact Sylvain Bouteiller on sylvain@nexusvenue.co.uk or by telephone on 01793 739283.