



LINE UP FOR 2019

The Feis, the Irish music festival, from the founder of the world famous Fleadh, is coming to Liverpool this summer. Taking place on **Liverpool's World Heritage Waterfront** on **Saturday 6th July** featuring some of the biggest names in Irish music, both contemporary and traditional, The Feis Liverpool will be the biggest celebration of Irish culture in the UK.

Announced today is the initial line-up which include last year's favorites ***The Dublin Legends (The Dubliners), The Fureys, Hudson Taylor, The Chieftains, Damien Dempsey, Mary Coughlan*** and ***NEW*** to this year ***The Undertones, Hermitage Green, Touts*** and ***The Frank & Walters***. *The Finale featuring Shane MacGowan will close the 2019 festival*, plus many more acts to be announced in due course.

The Feis celebrates Liverpool and its' moniker as "Dublin's backyard" with its unique Irish heritage with over 75% of Liverpool's population being of Irish descent. For the Feis' return Vince Power says, "I'm delighted to announce the Liverpool Feis on the Pier on *Saturday 6th July*. We have a limited amount of early bird tickets available which, after last year, we expect to sell out very quickly. We once again have a great lineup, which will be announced very soon. As with last year, The Feis will be host to 3 stages featuring both contemporary and traditional Irish acts. I look forward to seeing you all again."

Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for culture, tourism and events, Councillor Wendy Simon, said: "We are delighted to welcome The Feis back to the city. Last year's event was an incredible day of live music which highlighted the longstanding close relationship between Liverpool and Ireland. It is a great time for the city musically with a number of exciting announcements to be made over the coming months which will further cement our worldwide reputation as a UNESCO City of Music."

Limited edition early advance tickets are on sale from **Friday 7th December at 10am** with prices starting at £60 for general admission; £100 VIP/Guest and £125 VIP with allocated seating, and free entry for under 12's. Under 16's must be accompanied by an adult.



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Notes to Editors:

Vince Power: Founded The Mean Fiddler music venue in Harlesden and The Mean Fiddler Organisation in 1982. Vince was the founder and former Chairman of Mean Fiddler Music Group Plc, which became the largest live music venue company in the UK, owning amongst others the Astoria, The Mean Fiddler, the Forum, the Jazz Café, Clapham Grand, Subterania and the Powerhaus. The Mean Fiddler Music Group expanded to acquire festivals including Reading, Leeds, Homelands, The Fleadh, The Fleadh Mor and Tribal Gathering with bands ranging from Ray Charles, James Brown, Kylie, Eminem, The Red Hot Chili Peppers to Adele. Under Vince's direction, the Mean Fiddler Music Group developed from one venue into an established brand overseeing eight music festivals, 14 live music venues, and numerous clubs, restaurants and bars. In addition, he was operational manager of the Glastonbury Festival from 2002-2005. In 2004, a company owned by Clear Channel Entertainment (Music) UK Limited and Gaiety Investments acquired the Mean Fiddler Music Group plc for £37.9 million. In 2006, Vince was awarded a CBE for services to the music industry and in 2008, he launched the Hop Farm Music Festival. 2011 saw the Feis in Finsbury Park with Bob Dylan. In 2005 Vince acquired one of Europe's most successful festivals, Benicassim in Spain, and ran the festival for 10 years. In 2018 Vince established the Liverpool Feis.

VINCE POWER IS AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW

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