



Building Bridges *and* Transforming Lives *through the* Power of Music

Dublin & Limerick, Ireland | March 14-20, 2023

St. Patrick's Day Parade & Limerick International Band Championship & Parade

Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day in true Irish style by taking your marching band to Dublin to participate in the prestigious Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 17, 2023 as well as the Limerick International Band Championship and Parade held on March 19, 2023, in Limerick.

The Setting



Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade

Bands play a very important part in the St. Patrick's Day Celebrations in Dublin and throughout the St. Patrick's Festival itself. Bands from Ireland and around the world have thrilled audiences with their musical mastery and flair down through the years and we want you to be part of the future celebrations. The parade is attended by the President of Ireland and Lord Mayor of Dublin. The marching route is approximately 1.7 miles long and takes about 90 minutes to complete the parade route. The parade consists of marching bands, theatrical presentations and ceremonial elements. The parade is attended by over half a million people and viewed by millions of people all over the world.

Limerick International Band Championship and Parade

The Limerick International Band Championship and Parade is held on the Sunday closest to St. Patrick's Day allowing your band to enjoy the festivities and participate in both the Dublin St. Patrick's Day Parade and the Limerick International Band Championship and Parade. All participating international bands are highlighted in media releases and given a special welcome by the mayor and citizens of Limerick. The parade route is approximately .93 miles long down the main thoroughfare of O'Connell Street. We have designed an itinerary that includes time in Limerick where you can explore much of Ireland's scenic West Coast.



The Organizers: Perform International

"Building Bridges and Transforming Lives through the Power of Music"

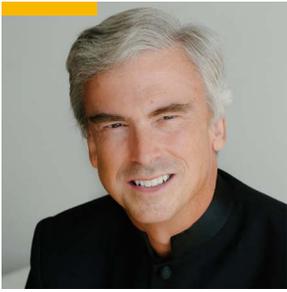
Music and travel are a powerful combination. That is why Perform International has curated a team with a passion and expertise in both. We desire to bring the transformative power of international travel and performance to your program and your ensemble.

We see every trip and festival as an opportunity to celebrate the unique character of each musician while building a sense of unity and belonging through the universal language of music.

Your passion is our priority. Whether you've begun planning or are still dreaming, **our expertise will make your ideal performance and travel experience a reality.** From our first call until you return home, we will be your proactive partner, allowing you to focus on what matters most—your people and your program.

We look forward to working alongside you to create a memorable, meaningful, and cost effective tour for your choir, band, or orchestra.

Perform International's Artistic Team



Jerry F. Junkin

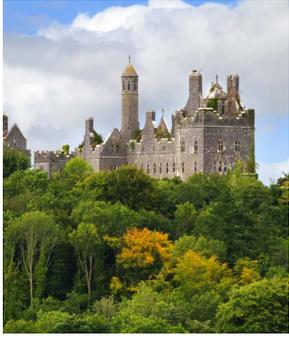
*Artistic Director
of Bands, Perform
International*

Jerry F. Junkin serves as the Artistic Director and Conductor of the Dallas Wind Symphony, as well as Director of Bands and the Frank C. Erwin, Jr. Centennial Professor of Music at the University of Texas at Austin, where he also holds the title of University Distinguished Teaching Professor. In 2003 he was appointed Music Director and Conductor of the Hong Kong Wind Philharmonia. The New York Times named the recent release on the Reference Recordings label with Jerry Junkin and The University of Texas Wind Ensemble, *Bells for Stokowski*, one of the best classical CDs of 2004.

Professor Junkin became conductor of The University of Texas Wind Ensemble in the fall of 1988, following an appointment as Director of Bands at the University of South Florida. In addition to his responsibilities as Professor of Music and Conductor and Music Director of the UT Wind Ensemble, he serves as Head of the Conducting Division and teaches courses in conducting and wind band literature. He is a recipient of the Texas Excellence in Teaching awards, presented annually by the Ex-Student's Association.

Jerry Junkin became the Artistic Director and Conductor of the Dallas Wind Symphony in the fall of 1993. Performances under the direction of Mr. Junkin have won the praise of such notable musicians as John Corigliano, David Del Tredici, Gunther Schuller, Karel Husa, William Kraft, Jacob Druckman and Michael Colgrass, among many others. In February of 2005 he led The University of Texas Wind Ensemble in the world premiere performance of Corigliano's *Circus Maximus: Symphony No. 3*, in both Austin and New York's Carnegie Hall. Maintaining an active schedule as a guest conductor, clinician and lecturer, Mr. Junkin has appeared in those capacities in forty-eight states and on five continents. In 2005 he was presented the Grainger Medallion by the International Percy Grainger Society.





March 14-20, 2023

St. Patrick's Day Parade & Limerick International Band Championship & Parade

Festival Tour Itinerary

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 - Departure USA

Depart the U.S. for Dublin, Ireland.

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 - Arrival Dublin

Arrive in Dublin and be greeted by the Perform International staff. Time permitting enjoy a panoramic city tour of Dublin. Dinner and overnight Dublin.

Thursday, March 16, 2023 - Limerick / Dublin

Sightseeing in Dublin including a visit to the Book of Kells exhibition at Trinity College, considered a "must see" for any visitor to Dublin. The afternoon will be unscheduled for you to enjoy at your leisure. Dinner and overnight in Dublin.

Friday, March 17, 2023 - St. Patrick's Day Parade - Dublin

St. Patrick's Day Parade at noon. You will be marching in the parade with bands from the U.S., Canada, Asia and Europe, cheered by over 500,000 parade watchers of all nationalities. Dinner and overnight in Dublin.

Saturday, March 18, 2023 - Bunratty Castle & Limerick

Transfer today from Dublin to Limerick with a stop en-route to visit Bunratty Castle. Dinner and overnight in Limerick.

Sunday, March 19, 2023 - Limerick International Band Championship & Parade

Today march in the Limerick International Band Championship and Parade. Ireland's oldest established band parade, it will be marking its 49th year in 2023. Late afternoon transfer to Dublin. Dinner and overnight Dublin.

Monday, March 20, 2023 - Depart Dublin

Departure from Dublin. Pre- and post-concert tours are available.

Pre/Post Festival Tour Programs

Optional pre- and post-tours for groups of 20 and more passengers are available including additional individual performance opportunities. All of PI's pre/post tours are fully customized to each ensemble's specific needs.

If your group would like to spend more time exploring Ireland they might enjoy extensions for their customized tours before or after the parades.