



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

Dublin, Ireland | June 22-27, 2026

## “The Wilderness of You”

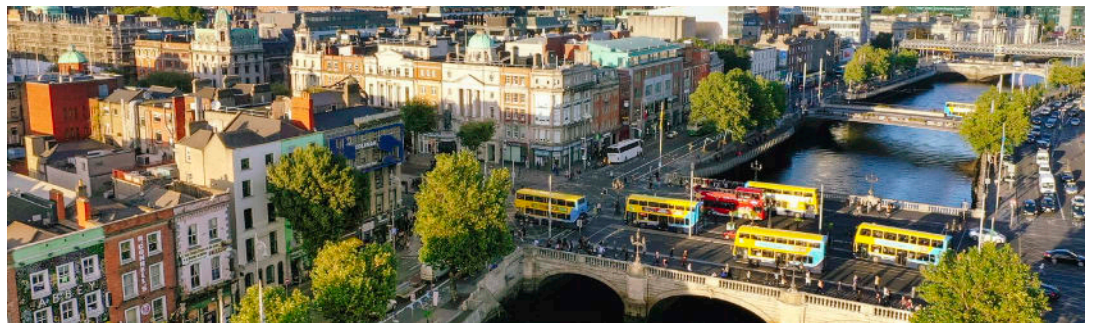


Artistic Director &  
Composer-in-Residence

**Dr. Andrea Ramsey**  
Composer & Conductor



# The Setting



## The Artistic Experience

Under the inspired leadership of Dr. Andrea Ramsey, mixed choruses from across the United States will embark on a transformative musical journey, culminating in a gala concert at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin. The performance will feature the world premiere of *The Wilderness of You*, a multi-movement choral work composed by Dr. Ramsey, written accessibly for university, advanced high school, and community ensembles. Celebrating the human experience, *The Wilderness of You* invites us to reconnect with ourselves and marvel at the wonders of our existence. Through five movements, Dr. Ramsey adapts the poetry of Jarod K. Anderson - *Field Guide to a Haunted Forest*, *Love Notes from the Hollow Tree*, and *Leaf Litter* - to explore the shared mysteries of our bodies and the awe they inspire. The work delves into the intricate beauty of human life and encourages a deeper understanding of the world within and around us.

## The Setting

Dublin is a city where history and culture converge, its vibrant streets alive with the echoes of the past and the pulse of the present. The city's storied landmarks - museums, galleries, and centuries-old pubs - invite exploration at every turn. At the heart of this captivating city stands St. Patrick's Cathedral, a majestic symbol of Dublin's rich heritage. As Ireland's largest cathedral, it has witnessed centuries of change, offering a sense of timeless grandeur that fills the air with reverence. The soaring spires and intricate stained-glass windows tell stories of faith, resilience, and artistic expression, making it the perfect setting for a momentous occasion. In the shadow of its towering arches, the city's spirit of music, literature, and history truly comes alive.



## 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.



# Faculty



**Andrea Ramsey**  
*Composer & Conductor*

**Dr. Andrea Ramsey** enjoys an international presence as a composer, conductor, scholar, and music educator. Her teaching experiences range from work with adolescent and children's voices to high school and collegiate voices. She enjoys regular opportunities to conduct all-state and divisional level honor choirs, festival events at Carnegie Hall, and serves as a principal conductor for the Pacific International Young Women's Choral Festival in Eugene, Oregon. Before leaping into full time composing and guest conducting, Andrea held positions in music education and conducting at The Ohio State University and the University of Colorado, respectively.

An ASCAPPlus award-winning composer, Andrea believes strongly in the creation of new works. Her compositions are available with traditional publishers and also through MusicSpoke, a digital sheet music marketplace. She enjoys residency collaborations with ensembles and festival choirs, some of which have included: the Allegro Choirs of Kansas City, Ithaca College, and the Crescent City Choral Festival in New Orleans.

As a scholar, she has presented for state, divisional, and national conventions of the American Choral Directors Association, the 6th Annual Symposium on Sociology in Music Education, as well as The Phenomenon Singing Symposium in St. Johns, Newfoundland, Canada. She has co-authored articles published in the Choral Journal, as well as the Journal of Research in Music Education. A native of Arkansas, she has experienced in her own life the power of music to provide a sense of community, better understanding of our humanity, and rich opportunities for self-discovery.







**June 22-27, 2026**

# “The Wilderness of You”

## Tour Itinerary

### **Day 1 - Monday, June 22, 2026 - USA to Dublin**

The journey to Ireland begins by boarding an international flight to Dublin.

### **Day 2 - Tuesday, June 23, 2026 - Arrival Dublin**

Arrive in Dublin. Meet tour manager and driver. Panoramic tour of Dublin’s highlights. Dinner and overnight in Dublin.

### **Day 3 - Wednesday, June 24, 2026 - Rehearsals & Trinity College/Book of Kells**

Morning rehearsals with Dr. Ramsey. Afternoon sightseeing including Trinity College/Book of Kells. Dinner. Evening rehearsals. Overnight in Dublin.

### **Day 4 - Thursday, June 25, 2026 - Rehearsals & Malahide Castle**

Visit Malahide Castle in the morning. Afternoon rehearsals. Dinner. Evening dress rehearsal at the Cathedral. Overnight in Dublin.

### **Day 5 - Friday, June 26, 2026 - Free Day & Gala Concert**

Free day in Dublin. Sound check at the Cathedral. Gala concert. Dinner and overnight in Dublin.

### **Day 6 - Saturday, June 27, 2026 - Depart Dublin / Start Post Festival Tour Programs**

Morning transfer to the airport for your return flight to the USA or start your post festival tour program.

## Pre/Post Festival Tour Programs

Optional pre- and post-tours for groups of 20 and more passengers are available including additional individual performance opportunities for balanced ensembles. All of PI’s pre/post tours are fully customized to each choir’s specific needs. Following are some examples:

### **Tour B**

Pre/Post Tour (2-nights) including Limerick, the Cliffs of Moher, and the Medieval city of Kilkenny.

### **Tour C**

Pre/Post Tour (3-nights) including Killarney and the Ring of Kerry, and Blarney Castle.

