

# Press Release

John Dawson and Danny Kehoe present...



## A NIGHT OF CRAICING COMEDY IN SUPPORT OF CRUMLIN KIDS HOSPITAL

**WHERE:** THE SUGAR CLUB, 8 LOWER LEESON STREET, DUBLIN 2 [www.thesugarclub.com](http://www.thesugarclub.com)  
**WHEN:** SUNDAY, JUNE 26TH DOORS OPEN: 7:30PM SHOW: 8:00PM  
**WHO IS ON:** MC DANNY KEHOE, MONDO MONTO & GHOST TRAIN WILLY ('REPUBLIC OF TELLY', RTE)  
**COST:** €10 CASH ONLY (NO CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS)  
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**CHECK OUT:** [www.facebook.com/justkiddingforkids](http://www.facebook.com/justkiddingforkids)

### THE EVENT:

Original sketch and improv comedy, all for a good cause. The low price of €10 (cash only) includes a chance to win the grand door prize. There will be raffle prize draws throughout the night.

### THE CREATIVE TEAM:

#### **JOHN DAWSON, EVENT PRODUCER...**

...was on his way to LA but, like Bugs Bunny who made a wrong turn at Albuquerque, John ended up here in Dublin for the last dozen years. Back in his home town Toronto, he studied at Toronto's famous Second City Theatre (the forerunner and casting pool for Saturday Night Live) and went on to write and act with numerous comedy troupes. He teaches improv and acting in his own workshops and has taught at Dublin's Gaiety School of Acting and Trinity College's Samuel Beckett Centre, the Actors Centre in London, and Toronto's Equity Showcase Theatre. John's a produced screenwriter, director, and playwright who has had productions at The Project, Andrews Lane Theatre, and the 2005 Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

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#### **DANNY KEHOE, EVENT CO-PRODUCER/MC/PERFORMER IN GHOST TRAIN WILLY...**

...is a full-time actor/comedian/improviser/voice-over artist & professional messer. He studied improvisation and acting with John Dawson at his DawsonDramaWorks studio, acting at Dublin's Bull Alley Theatre Company, Liberties College and, just last summer, he continued his improv training at Chicago's Second City and iO Theatres. He performs improv weekly with the Dublin Comedy Improv, International Bar, and with The Craic Pack at Bankers Pub. He is also a regular MC/Host at stand-up at clubs around the country, and writes and performs original sketch comedy with his troupe Ghost Train Willy. Danny loves to wear short trousers but is allergic to legs. Danny can River Dance with his arms.

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**THE TALENT ON THE NIGHT:  
GHOST TRAIN WILLY...**

...was formed in 2008 by five highly experienced improvisers / actors / comedians / writers, Danny Kehoe, Sharon Mannion, Lisa Garvey, Eoghan McLaughlin and Graeme Singleton. Their aim was to create fresh innovative comedy that would be presented in sketch format, on film, and also live at comedy clubs throughout the country. It seems to have worked. Their ascent to becoming one of the most sought after acts on the Irish Comedy Circuit was fast, and they continue to gig regularly at comedy clubs and theatres throughout the country.

To date GTW have written and performed one hour specials at the Mill Theatre, Dundrum, The New Theatre in Temple Bar, Twisted Pepper on Middle Abbey St, as well as having sold out runs at the Paddy Laughs, Flat Lakes, and Bulmers International Comedy Festivals. Their debut YouTube offering "Whelan & Dealin" achieved over 155,000 (and rising) hits in just over a year, they regularly appear on 'The Republic of Telly' (RTE2), DCTV and contribute frequently to radio stations throughout the city.

In short, Ghost Train Willy are one of the most exciting comedy acts to emerge in recent times. Their unique blend of fast paced original ideas and engaging larger than life characters make them a must see.

[www.ghosttrainwilly.com](http://www.ghosttrainwilly.com)



**MONDO MONTO**

...is a new improv/sketch comedy troupe born out of the DawsonDramaWorks actor training studio in Dublin.

It's comprised of talented and experienced actors, stand-up comedians, and improvisors. The cast includes: Yvonne Lynch, Sean Urell, Stephen Michael O'Brien, Gary Lynch, John Elroy Kelleher-Cantero, Frederic Valencia, Adam Cullen,

Andy McGarry, Zanya Dahl, and John Brennan. John Dawson serves as head-writer/director and Richard Keane as co-writer/dramaturge.

Many of the players have performed their own stand-up comedy around the country and in the UK as well as improv at the Battle of the Axe Comedy night event in Dublin's Ha'Penny Tavern, Temple Bar.

Original edgy and satirical sketch material is devised through a process of character-based improvisations that are further workshopped and finally written in much the same manner used by the famous Second City Theatre companies in Chicago and Toronto and the long-running TV sensation Saturday Night Live.

**Please spread the word about this exciting event in one of Dublin's best venues, the [Sugar Club](#), so that we can help**

**The Children's Medical & Research Foundation,  
Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin**

**to continue to do their important work...  
...especially during these difficult economic times.  
Many thanks and we hope to see you there!**