

Invitation

Cool Music from Norway and Donegal

On a Summer's Evening at An Grianan Theatre Plaza, this Friday, June 26 from 9.00pm

The wonderful 30 member **Sortland Musikkforening Brass and Wind Ensemble** will travel from their Norwegian home -200 km north of the Arctic Circle - to begin their first ever visit/band holiday to Donegal with a special **FREE** public performance at the **An Grianán Theatre Plaza** , this **Friday** evening (June 26) from **9.00pm**.

Welcoming our Nordic friends to Donegal will be the equally wonderful **Errigal Groove Orchestra**, with their conductor **Sean McCarron**, who will get the proceedings off to a suitably summery start with their solid selection of soul, jazz and funk classics.

Paul Harrigan's youthful **Coirm** ensemble will give the visitors a taste of the best of traditional music from Donegal while in return , the Sortland Brass and Wind Ensemble will perform a selection of popular Big Band jazz numbers from the likes of David Rose, Henry Filmore and Kenneth Alford, some traditional Norwegian wedding and festival marches, as well as more contemporary works from artists such as soul jazz master, Quincey Jones. The ensemble will be conducted by **Hakon Kristiansen**. The full evening's programme will run for about **90 mins**. All are Welcome. Please come along and enjoy the music.

The Sortland Musikkforening Brass and Wind ensemble will travel to **Donegal Town** on Saturday afternoon (June 27th.) for a performance in The Diamond at 3.30pm , hosted by Donegal Town Chamber of Commerce. Thereafter they will travel to **Ballyshannon** for a further public performance, at 5.30pm on The Green opposite The Abbey Arts Centre, and to meet with members The Ballyshannon Brass and Reed Band.

Sortland Musikkforening's visit to Donegal is facilitated by Donegal County Council Cultural Services, Donegal Music Education Partnership, An Grianán Theatre, The Regional Cultural Centre, Donegal Town Chamber of Commerce, Ballyshannon Brass and Reed Band and The Abbey Arts Centre, Ballyshannon.