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Festivals, Audiences, and the Digital Experience.

FADE investigates the implications of the digital turn for arts festivals in rural Ireland. FADE is currently undertaking fieldwork in West Cork, Tipperary and Clare as well as conducting a nationwide survey. The project is led by Dr Bernadette Quinn and Dr Brian Vaughan, alongside research officer Dr. Enya Moore. It is funded by the Irish Research Council, under the Collaborative Alliances for Societal Challenges (COALESCE) scheme

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Image depicting mapping of first case study in West Cork. Other case studies include Co. Tipperary and Co. Clare.

'Cultural festivals thus provide one emblematic example of immaterial cultural heritage, since they are experience goods which expire at the moment they are produced and not only express artistic innovations in the field but also draw on previous cultural background, perceived as accumulated cultural capital'



(Del b. r p et al, 2012, pp. 235).



Cashel Arts Festival in Tipperary, 2022.







Clockwise L-R: Map of Ireland with County Cork highlighted in the South West, Google Map of West Cork region with pins denoting the location of the festivals included in this study, Image of The Beacon in Baltimore, iconic location in West Cork.











Festival	Genre	Location	Date	Digitalization '20-'21	and an
Clonakilty International Guitar Festival	Music	Clonakilty	September	Facebook, Twitter, YouTube; Streamed live via ReStream	HILVINN NEST COLL ALTS CENTRE ALTS CENTRE
Baltimore Fiddle Fair	Music	Baltimore	May	Facebook, Twitter, YouTube	Retrievel Poly Poly Poly Poly Poly Poly Poly Pol
Ballydehob Jazz Festival	Music	Ballydehob	April/ May	YouTube	LU IC CL CERTE HELINGTE
Secret Song	Music	Ballydehob	October	Facebor, YouTube;	HASTERS OF HARTIN WINKS HARTIN WINKS HARTIN WINKS HARTING ANNORYS SWANUT FEST
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Bantry Literary Festival	Literary	Bantry	July	Zo, 1, Y 1Tube	LITERATURE FE NUCLE FEAT DR
West Cork Chamber Musi Festival	^{ic} Music	Bantry	June/Terler	Our C nce. S Live, Vimeo	HEAL COLOR HULLE NO CAN DEAL COMPANY ON FET DIRECTOR
Masters of Tradition	Music	Bantry	A gust	Our Loncerts Live, Vimeo	L CHENS CHAPMAN NEART DID HUR TRAD.
Skibbereen Arts Festival	Arts	Skibbe	S∈ tember	N/A	NEST CORRESPONDED WEST CORRESP
Kupala Festival	Arts	Bant 7	Jun	2021: Facebook, Zoom	CANTINER SHIP

[L] Table with details on festivals articipating in the study; [R] Stakeholder mapping of festivals in West Cork region.







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Images from Levis' Cornerhouse in Ballydehob in West Cork









