

Grace Kelly

FILM
FESTIVAL
2012



1 Actress High Society
The Country Girl
7 Films Rear Window
Dial M for Murder
3 Days The Swan
1 Town High Noon
To Catch A Thief

Newport - Co. Mayo - Ireland
14 - 16 September 2012

Festival Programme & Event Guide

Welcome to Newport, the Heart of the Great Western Greenway



Grace Kelly holds a very special place in the hearts and minds of the people of Newport, County Mayo. The paternal grandfather of the late Hollywood star and Princess, John Peter Kelly, hailed from Drimurla near Newport. He emigrated to Philadelphia in 1887, where he founded one of the city's leading construction companies and made his family's fortune.

Princess Grace's path through life eventually brought her back as royalty to the Newport area in 1961 accompanied by her husband, Prince Rainier Grimaldi III of Monaco. During a number of visits to Newport in the 1960s and 1970s, Princess Grace became familiar with the birthplace of her forebears and even purchased the family homestead. Many people fondly remember meeting Princess Grace during these visits.

Following her untimely death in September 1982, local residents sent a wreath of wild flowers picked around her ancestral home in Drimurla to Monaco for her funeral. This year on the 30th anniversary of her passing, Newport is

proud to honour Grace Kelly, film star and H.S.H Princess Grace of Monaco with a film festival dedicated to her memory.

If you need additional information or assistance of any kind, simply...

- Visit us online at www.gracekellyfilmfestival.ie
- Call Rosaleen on 086 648 5015
- Email us at info@gracekellyfilmfestival.ie
- Call into the Tourist Office on Georges Street, Newport

Enjoy the festival

The Organising Committee:

Regina, Rosaleen, Fiona, Erika & John

Grace Kelly - Biography



from acting at 26 to embark upon her duties in Monaco. She and Prince Rainier had three children: Caroline, Albert, and Stéphanie.

She died following a stroke on September 14, 1982, when she lost control of her automobile and crashed. Her daughter, Princess Stéphanie, was in the car with her, and survived the accident.

Grace Patricia Kelly (12 Nov 1929 – 14 Sept 1982) was an Irish-American actress who, in April 1956, married Rainier III, Prince of Monaco, to become Princess consort of Monaco, styled as Her Serene Highness The Princess of Monaco, and commonly referred to as Princess Grace.

After embarking on an acting career in 1950, at the age of 20, Grace Kelly appeared in New York City theatrical productions as well as in more than forty episodes of live drama productions broadcast during the early 1950s Golden Age of Television. In October 1953, with the release of *Mogambo*, she became a movie star, a status confirmed in 1954 with a Golden Globe Award and Academy Award nomination as well as leading roles in five films, including *The Country Girl*, in which she gave a deglamorised, Academy Award-winning performance. She retired

Grace Kelly played many roles throughout her short, illustrious Hollywood career. As Princess of Monaco, she continued to take on important roles as humanitarian and patron of the arts. It was a desire of hers to establish an organisation in the United States to support the performing arts. Following her death in 1982, Prince Rainier III of Monaco mobilised a group of individuals to establish the Princess Grace Foundation-USA as a tribute to her legacy which in 1984 awarded financial grants in the form of scholarships, apprenticeships, and fellowships. These were awarded to artists associated with schools or companies in the dance and theatre disciplines.

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FRI 14 Gala Opening with Pre Film Drinks Reception* at 7.00pm. Tickets €18
Screening of *High Society* at 8pm 104 mins

SAT 15 The Country Girl 1pm 104 min
Rear Window 4pm 112 min
Hollywood Glamour Night 1950's Style
Cocktail Reception at 6:30pm followed by
Dial M For Murder 7:30pm 105 min

SUN 16 The Swan 1pm 104 min
High Noon 4pm 85 min
To Catch A Thief 7pm 106 min

Tickets Available Online & The Newport Tourist Office
Screenings at 1pm and 4pm: €6 Adult €5 Child / Con.
Screenings at 7pm: €8 Adults €6 Child / Concession

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All films will be screened in The Cinemobile parked at the Holy Family National School



Tickets available at the Tourist Office & online: www.gracekellyfilmfestival.ie

**FRI
14**

Festival Gala Opening Night:

Our first ever Grace Kelly Film Festival gets off to a flying start with a gala opening drinks reception at 7pm followed by a special 35mm screening of High Society at 8pm. Of course this festival is more than films - we have a wide variety of events lined up over the three days including screenings for children, a glamour night & cocktail reception, afternoon tea, food promotions & competitions. There really is something for everyone! Whatever films you choose to see and events to participate in, we hope you have a wonderful weekend.



HIGH SOCIETY

8pm

Directed by Charles Walters 1956
Cast: Grace Kelly, Bing Crosby & Frank Sinatra

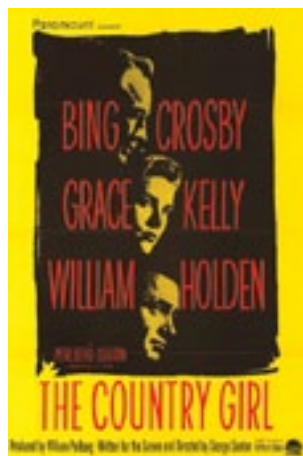
104 MINS
Rated: U / PG

C.K. Dexter-Haven (Bing Crosby) lives in a mansion near his ex-wife Tracy Lord (Grace Kelly). She is on the verge of marrying a rather stuffy social climber. Dex tries to win Tracy's heart again. Mike Connor (Frank Sinatra), an undercover tabloid reporter, also falls for Tracy while covering the nuptials. Tracy must choose between the three men as she discovers that "safe" can mean "deadly dull" when it comes to husbands and life.

The song "Well, Did You Evah?" was added at the last minute when it was realized that there wasn't a song for Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra to sing together.

Cinemobile Doors open 30 minutes before each screening. The organisers kindly ask that you turn off your mobile phone during the screenings.
*** Gala Opening & Hollywood Glamour Night Drinks Receptions are over 18's only events.**

**SAT
15**



The Country Girl 1pm

Directed by George Seaton 1954 104 MINS
Cast: Grace Kelly, Bing Crosby & William Holden Rated: PG

A director hires an alcoholic has-been actor and strikes up a stormy relationship with the actor's wife, whom he believes is the cause of all the man's problems.

Awards: Grace Kelly won Best Actress Oscar for her role as Georgie Elgin, and Bing Crosby won a Best Actor Oscar for his role as Frank Elgin.



Rear Window 4pm

Directed by Alfred Hitchcock 1954 112 MINS
Cast: Grace Kelly & James Stewart Rated: PG

Professional photographer L.B. "Jeff" Jeffries breaks his leg while getting an action shot at an auto race. Confined to his New York apartment, he spends his time looking out of the rear window observing the neighbours. He begins to suspect that a man across the courtyard may have murdered his wife. Jeff enlists the help of his high society fashion-consultant girlfriend Lisa Freemont and his visiting nurse Stella to investigate.

**SAT
15**



Dial M for Murder 7:30pm

Directed by Alfred Hitchcock 1954 105 MINS
Cast: Grace Kelly, Ray Milland & Robert Cummings Rated: PG

In London, wealthy Margot Mary Wendice is married to professional tennis player Tony Wendice. He knows about her affair with writer Mark Halliday, and plans to murder her so that he can inherit her fortune. But there is no perfect crime, and things do not go as planned.

Awards: Grace Kelly won the New York Film Critics and National Board of Review Best Actress Awards for her performance in this film.

This special screening of 'Dial M for Murder' is part of our 1950's Hollywood Glamour Night at 6:30pm. Tickets priced of €15 includes a reception and the screening and are available at Newport Tourist Office & online at: www.gracekellyfilmfestival.ie

"The freedom of the press works in such a way that there is not much freedom from it."

Grace Kelly

SUN
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The Swan

1pm

Directed by Charles Vidor

1956

108 MINS

Cast: Grace Kelly, Alec Guinness & Louis Jourdan

Rated: PG

Princess Beatrice's days of enjoying the regal life are numbered unless her only daughter, Princess Alexandra, makes a good impression on a distant cousin when he pays a surprise visit to their palace. Prince Albert has searched all over Europe for a bride and he's bored by the whole courtship routine. He is more interested in the estate's dairy than Alexandra's rose garden; she seems more interested in her brother's tutor than in Prince Albert – will they ever find happiness together?

Grace began filming The Swan shortly after meeting Prince Rainier III in Monaco in 1955. They married in 1956.



High Noon

4pm

Directed by Fred Zinnemann

1952

85 MINS

Cast: Grace Kelly & Gary Cooper

Rated: PG

On the day he gets married and hangs up his badge, lawman Will Kane is told that a man he sent to prison years before, Frank Miller, is returning on the noon train to exact his revenge. Having initially decided to leave with his new spouse, Will decides he must go back and face Miller. However, when he seeks the help of the townspeople he has protected for so long, they turn their backs on him. It seems Kane may have to face Miller alone, as well as the rest of Miller's gang, who are waiting for him at the station...

SUN
16



To Catch A Thief

7pm

Directed by Alfred Hitchcock

1955

106 MINS

Cast: Grace Kelly & Cary Grant

Rated: PG

When reformed jewel thief John Robie is suspected of returning to his former occupation, he must find the real thief in order to prove his own innocence. High on the list of prime suspects is Jessie Stevens who is in Europe to help daughter Frances (played by Grace Kelly) find a suitable husband.

For a moment, he forgets he's a thief. . . and she forgets she's a lady!

"I've worked with many fine actresses, but in my opinion the best actress I ever worked with was Grace Kelly. Ingrid, Audrey, Deborah Kerr were splendid, splendid actresses, but Grace was utterly relaxed - the most extraordinary actress ever."

Cary Grant

All Activities and Events

Date	Time	Event / Film	Venue
Friday 14th Sept	12 - 4 pm	Street Market	Medlicott St.
	2 - 6 pm	High Tea with Prosecco	Kelly's Kitchen
	2 - 6 pm	Vintage Afternoon Tea	Blue Bicycle Tea Rooms
	7 pm	Gala Evening Drinks Reception	School
	8 pm	Gala Evening Film Screening of 'High Society'	Cinemobile
Saturday 15th Sept	10 pm	Seafood Theme Night	The Bridge Inn
	1 pm	Film Screening of 'The Country Girl'	Cinemobile
	2 - 6 pm	High Tea with Prosecco	Kelly's Kitchen
	2 - 6 pm	Vintage Afternoon Tea	Blue Bicycle Tea Rooms
	4pm	Film Screening of 'Rear Window'	Cinemobile
	6:30 pm	'Splash' Water Festival	Newport Quay
	6:30 pm	'Hollywood Glamour' Reception	School
	7:30 pm	'Hollywood Glamour Night' Film-Screening of 'Dial M for Murder'	Cinemobile
Sunday 16th Sept	9 pm	Hollywood Cocktail Night (with music)	Hotel Newport
	9:30 pm	Grace Kelly Lookalike Competition	Gráinne Uaile
	1 pm	Film Screening of 'The Swan'	Cinemobile
	2 - 6 pm	High Tea with Prosecco	Kelly's Kitchen
	2 - 6 pm	Vintage Afternoon Tea	Blue Bicycle Tea Rooms
	3 - 6 pm	'Splash' Sponsored Paddle	Newport Quay
	4 - 8 pm	Taste of Newport Evening	Hotel Newport
	4 pm	Film Screening of 'High Noon'	Cinemobile
	5:30 pm	Guided Historical Walking Tour	Hotel Newport
	7 pm	Film Screening of 'To Catch a Thief'	Cinemobile
	9:30 pm	Movie Quiz	Gráinne Uaile

All information is correct at time of printing. However, any event change or cancellation will be updated on our web site: www.gracekellyfilmfestival.ie. We regret that the committee cannot take responsibility for any event changes or cancellation.



- 1 Cinemobile, Box Office and Gala Night Reception (with attended car parking)
- 2 Tourist / Information Office
- 3 Hotel Newport - Hollywood Cocktail Night & Meeting Point for Historical Tour
- 4 Kelly's Kitchen - high tea with prosecco every afternoon
- 5 Blue Bicycle Tea Rooms - vintage afternoon tea every day from 2pm
- 6 The Bridge Inn - seafood theme night
- 7 Newport House
- 8 Newport Quay - Splash Water Festival
- 9 Gráinne Uaile - Grace Kelly lookalike competition and movie quiz
- 10 Medlicott St - Street Market

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