



The award winning play by
Conor McPherson

THE WEIR



The Star & Garter Hotel Function Room

25th - 28th May 2016



The Weir

Welcome to The Linlithgow Players' production of The Weir by Conor McPherson. We are delighted to be performing the play in this intimate venue and hope that you enjoy the experience.

The Players are always keen to embrace new creative ideas. A year ago our hardy audiences were braving some chilly April weather when we ventured beyond our usual Spring production venue (the Academy) to an outdoor with promenade performance of "What...you Will?". When it came to considering play choices for 2016, we wanted to do something a bit different again. And so the search for a venue and a play that worked well together brought us here to perform this modern theatre classic.

The Weir is a play in which nothing much happens. It is a simple story with no real plot – a bunch of people in a remote bar telling ghost stories. But it is a play full of character and rich in feeling. It is about people, their hearts and souls. A play in which all the characters are haunted in different ways. A play about loneliness and the desire to feel part of something and connected to others. It is both chilling and warming.

We have had huge fun rehearsing for this production. As well as exploring the characters and who they are we have also thought about where we are. Using the references and even the wind directions (!) referred to in the play, we created our own map. We have shared this with you later in the programme so that you know where you are too!

The cast and crew have enjoyed the challenges of creating theatre in this space and we would especially like to thank The Star and Garter for allowing us to rehearse here every week.

So get yourself a drink, settle in and let us take you to Brendan's small bar, on the west coast of Ireland on a dark and windy Winter's evening.....

Liz Drewett



Thanks to 'Far From The Madding Crowd' for ticket sales,

Linlithgow Rugby Club for the loan of bar furniture,

The Barony Players for help with props and

the Star & Garter Hotel for all their help and support in staging this production.

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Cast

Jack.....Les Fulton
Brendan.....Mark Eggeling
Jim.....Alasdair Maciver
Finbar.....Ian Stewart
Valerie.....Thérèse Gallacher

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Director.....Liz Drewett  
Sound & Lighting.....John Barker, Conor McPhillips  
Rehearsal assistants.....Sue Vizard, Karen Bell  
Props and staging.....Sue Vizard, Sue Spencer  
Publicity.....Sue Spencer  
Front of House.....Members of the Players

*Please note that the performance running time is  
approximately 1 hour 40 minutes. There will be no interval*

## Save the Date

Event In The Tent..Linlithgow Rugby Club  
9th June 2016

Plays & Wine..Linlithgow Primary  
14th & 15th October 2016

Palace Re-enactments..  
Sundays in August 2016

Pantomime..Linlithgow Academy  
12th - 14th January 2016

If you are interested in joining  
the Linlithgow Players either  
on stage or behind the scenes  
please contact

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We'd be delighted to meet you



