

The Fall @ Róisín Dubh

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THE FALL, the legendary Mancunian post-punk band, led by Mark E Smith, one of the most original lyricists in British music, play the Róisín Dubh on Friday July 20 at 8pm.

The current Fall line-up is Smith (vocals), David Spurr (bass), Elini Poulou (keyboards), Pete Greenway (guitar) and Kierion Mellings (drums). On the night the band will perform songs from their latest album Ersatz G.B. - their 29th release since their 1978 debut Live At The Witchtrials.

MOJO described the album thus: "As is customary with The Fall, Ersatz G.B. offers no easy explanations, but instead twists and excites the listener's brain with unexpected phantom bewilderments."

The late, great, British DJ John Peel was a major fan and believed everyone should love the band. "Ah...aren't they wonderful?" he once said. "I know there are people who don't like The Fall - they must be half-dead with beastliness. I spurn them with my toe."

The show is part of the Galway Arts Festival programme. Tickets available online at <u>www.roisindubh.net</u>, from the Ticket Desk at OMG, Shop Street (formerly Zhivago), and The Róisín Dubh.

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