

Consulate General of Ireland, São Paulo

Newsletter

Dear Members and Friends of the Irish Community,

The month of March marks a marathon of events celebrating Ireland, its music, its culture and its “craic”. This year will see a host of St Patrick’s Day events taking place in our area, including São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Curitiba & Uberlandia. We have included a list of some of the events taking place at the end of this newsletter.

#GoGreen4PatricksDay

A number of important sights in São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Manaus, Salvador and Brasília will take part in Tourism Ireland’s Global Greening campaign. In São Paulo, Viaduto do Chá, Biblioteca Mário de Andrade, Monumento às Bandeiras and Ponte das Bandeiras will be illuminated in Green on March 17 thanks to the partnership with the Prefeitura de São Paulo and Illume. Also, in cooperation with Globo, two of their prominent TV towers located in Jardins and Berrini will also go green on St. Patrick’s Day.

On March 16 in Rio de Janeiro, Cristo de Redentor will once again be “Greened” to mark our national day. Joining the programme this year is Arcos de Lapa and the Arenas Cariocas, part of the 2016 Olympic Park, secured through partnership between the Consulate General in São Paulo and Prefeitura de Rio de Janeiro and the Rio2016 Municipal Company. We can’t wait to see these iconic monuments take part in the global campaign!

Also, as part of this expanded programme of Greenings, Embassy Brasilia has arranged the illumination of the Elevador Lacerda in Salvador, Teatro Amazonas in Manaus, the Catedral Metropolitana Nossa Senhora Aparecida and the Centro Cultural Banco do Brasil in Brasília.

Special Offers – Air France/KLM

In partnership with the Consulate, Air France/KLM’s prices will also be “Greened” to celebrate St Patrick’s Day. There will be a 72-hour sale on selected routes from Brazil to Ireland. Options include São Paulo – Dublin return from USD\$479 and Belo Horizonte – Dublin return for as little as \$429. See [their website](#) for more information (link active only during the sale period, 16-18 March).

James Concagh Exhibition

Irish artist James Concagh is the feature artist at the upcoming exhibition of over 50 pieces under the collective theme “Água, Paisagem Alterada”. The exhibit will be launched on March 12 at the Centro Brasileiro Britânico and will be open to the public until the 30th April. The exhibition brings together works from Irish and Brazilian artists.

W.B. Yeats Chair of Irish Studies Opening Events 2016 – “Roger Casement and the 1916 Centenary”

University of São Paulo - 21st and 22nd March 2016

The W.B. Yeats Chair of Irish Studies will open its events for 2016 with a [Seminar on Roger Casement](#), and his connections with the Easter Rising and Brazil. There will be a number of lectures delivered by leading scholars, as well as related cultural events and musical performances. This event is open to the public and is a great opportunity to commemorate the legacy of 1916.

1916 Commemorations

As part of the Ireland 2016 centenary commemorations, the Royal Irish Academy’s book “1916 Portraits and Lives” is now available internationally as a free downloadable ebook, containing 42 portraits of men and women connected to the Easter Rising and details about their lives in 40 biographical essays. It will be available to download until 31st March via www.dfa.ie/1916 and www.ireland.ie/portraits.

RTE has also recently launched a content platform entitled “[Reflecting the Rising](#)” with photos, articles and programmes available on the RTE International Player.

Six Nations Rugby Championship

While the Championship hasn’t gone how we hoped, we will continue to cheer on our Boys in Green for the last challenge on Saturday March 12 against Italy and on the 19th against Scotland gathering together once again at [All Black Pub](#).

Rio2016

With only a few months to go, keep up to date on Ireland’s qualification standings for the [Rio2016 Olympic Games](#) and follow [@olympicsireland](#) and [@ParalympicsIRE](#) for all news and events.

Stay Connected

The Irish Community in São Paulo may be small but they are certainly active! Keep in touch with them by checking out the [Irish in São Paulo](#) and [Irish People Living in Brazil](#) Facebook pages.

Travel Advice & Zika Virus

The Irish Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade regularly updates its [travel advice](#) to take account of recent developments, including updates on the current outbreak of the Zika Virus for those countries affective.

Follow Us!

Don’t forget, for more news and events, follow CG São Paulo on twitter [@irlsaopaulo](#) or visit our website: www.dfa.ie/sao-paulo

St Patrick's Day Celebrations

Café Irlanda

Irish-Brazilian folk bank [Café Irlanda](#) will undertake a marathon of shows to celebrate St Patrick's Week including Rio de Janeiro, São Paulo and Campinas.

Uberlandia

As home to Team Ireland during the training camps pre-Rio2016, Uberlandia has become a little bit of Ireland in Brazil. This year, a [St Patrick's Day festival](#) will take place from this weekend until March 20. The official opening will take place on the March 11 & 13 at praça Clarimundo Carneiro with Uberlândia Food Trucks offering Irish-themed food offerings. A gastronomy circuit will take place in the city with 14 bars and restaurants offering traditional Irish offerings at promotional prices. An exhibition of photographs documenting the visits of the Irish Olympic and Paralympic Teams will be officially opened on Monday 14th March by CG Sharon Lennon and will be open to the public until 20th March at Centre Shopping.

São Paulo

BARESP – Various Locations

The 3rd edition of [St Patrick's Week](#) will see bars all over São Paulo celebrating all that Ireland has to offer. Held from the 11-20 March, the festival circulates between traditional and Irish-themed bars in the city, with traditional and live music, promotions and delicious food offerings.

Camden House – Itaim Bibi

[São Paulo's first Gastro Pub](#), will host a special celebration on March 17 with live traditional Irish Music and tasty authentic good offerings including Fish and Chips, Irish Stew and Chocolate and Guinness Cake.

O'Malley's – Jardins

[O'Malley's pub](#) will host a week-long festival celebrating St Patrick with pop, rock and Irish music, as well as drinks promotions and giveaways.

Jet Lag - Jardins

[Jet Lag Pub](#) will also celebrate a week of events to mark St Patrick with Happy Hours, live music and a great atmosphere!

Rio de Janeiro

Today (11 March) will see [Antonieta, in Lapa](#) begin celebrations with a festival of Irish music, special drinks and lots of dancing!

Skate Park Square, São Francisco beach, Niterói will see [Nikitis Paddy's](#) Food Truck Festival take place on March 19 & 20.

Curitiba

Sheridan's Irish Pub

The 12th edition of the St Patrick's Day festival in Curitiba which will include an extensive and diverse music programme will this year be held from the 17-19th March at [Sheridan's Irish Pub](#).

Wishing all our friends a very Happy St. Patrick's Day!

