



International Clowns Without Borders

Initiated in Spain in 1993, Clowns Without Borders has grown to include 9 countries. These form an international network of Clowns Without Borders who share the common goal of bringing laughter to as many children in the world as possible, regardless of their race, religion or culture.

The international network collaborates on bigger projects with a view to bringing more laughter to more children and their carers around to world.

In addition to Ireland, CWBs International network includes Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, and United States of America.

How are we funded?

Clowns without Borders Ireland are a voluntary aid organisation. Many of our artists undertake fundraisers to support the tours. In addition funding has been received from Culture Ireland for particular tours.

We would like to do more tours as we are lucky to have many professional artists willing to bring laughter to children in crisis. And, unfortunately, there are many crisis situations around the world. In order to do that we need more money. We need your help.



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No child without a smile

Who are we?

Clowns without borders Ireland offers laughter to relieve the suffering of all persons, especially children and their carers, who live in areas of crisis, including refugee camps, war zones and countries in emergency situations.

We work with homeless groups, HIV/Aids-affected people, refugees and disenfranchised people. We bring contemporary clown and circus performances and workshops into communities so that they can forget for a moment the tensions of their daily lives.

Circus performers, clowns, theatre and street performers, actors and musicians from all corners of the island of Ireland offer their skills, humour and time on a voluntary basis to perform shows, teach skills and bring laughter to communities in crisis around the world.



What do we do?

Shows: CWB Ireland always works with local NGO's such as 'Warchild' and the UNHCR. We perform circus shows in refugee camps, townships, orphanages, remote villages, community halls, streets, schools, hospitals and Buddhist Temples and on the side of mountains.

Workshops: We facilitate workshops with and provide training programs to circus and community groups, training local people in performance and circus skills so that the fun can continue long after we leave.

Artistic Exchange:

Where possible we incorporate local artists in our shows, developing collaborations in order to promote the artistic exchange and support their work. These artists carry on the message of Clowns without Borders locally.

Where do we go?

Since starting in 2004 CWB Ireland has brought laughter to South Africa, Lesotho, Uganda, Nepal, Ireland, Israel and Palestine. To date 44,000 people have witnessed 83 shows and taken part in 29 workshops.



How can you help us?

By

Sending a donation to CWB Ireland,
c/o 14 Gandon House, IFSC, Dublin 1.

By setting up a standing order to our bank:

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