

Summary of the General Info Session Topics Covered, 27 April 2024

Requests:

- Please be in touch/let us know the main contact for your group on site and specify if the AAW contact person is also the Cast/Crew Rep or not.
- If your year does not end in a 4 or 9 but you will have a large group onsite, please be in contact as well.
- Please update your arrival info to the event in Limerick (NOT THE DATE you are flying to Ireland if earlier than Monday, August 5).
 - Regardless of how you registered, it's your arrival date that secures your meals.
- There will be NO opportunity to amend or reprint your name badge on site. It will be as you entered it—please check it says what you wish it to say.
- Click ALL the way through to the third section to save any changes, and to receive a new copy of your confirmation email.

Visas:

- Some may need visas to enter the country. If you're not sure, visit: <https://www.ireland.ie/en/dfa/visas-for-ireland/#Requirements>
- Keep in mind that if you plan to go to Northern Ireland, that is part of the UK and their regulations will apply.
- If you need a visa to enter the Republic of Ireland for the event, email Mary at events@uwpiaa.org.

Currency:

- The Euro (€) is the currency in Ireland.
- If traveling to Northern Ireland you will need Pound Sterling (£).
- All major credit cards are accepted and ATMs will give you local currency if needed.
- Electronic methods of payment are your best option for almost every situation.
- Euro coins are needed for bus fare and washing machines on campus.

Meals:

- Continental Breakfast is included at each of our accommodation venues.
 - On campus, you will walk to a central location for your “village” or cluster of buildings.
 - If you're on campus and have a day tour booking, grab and go breakfast will be available.
- Included meal information is part of the “Meals At-A-Glance” section on the website.
- Please book via the links provided in the “Just for My Cast/Crew” section now to have the best chance of obtaining your preferred time.

Transportation:

- You are responsible for getting to your accommodation location.
- Info is in the “Getting Here” section of the website.
- If you make a booking for accommodation at locations other than the hotels and campus accommodation we recommended, you may have trouble getting to/from campus.

Add Ons:

- Booking deadlines are approaching.
- Links are in the “Just for My Cast/Crew” section of the site.
- “Special activities” are smaller group options like whiskey tasting or afternoon tea.

- We recommend booking meals, even for smaller groups to ensure getting the restaurant of choice.
- Space is available on some tours, check the website under “Optional Activities”.
- Golf still has space available.
- Meeting rooms are also open to book.

Xperience K & T:

- Xperience K and T both have space available if you have been considering this or know someone who has.
- This is different from the Cast K & T you might be familiar with at reunions. It is going to be an amazing WEEK long programme—just like your own UWP schedule—with Walter Belcher and a fantastic team!
- Info in the “Xperience K & T” section of the site.

King John’s Castle:

- Every registrant will receive a ticket to visit King John's Castle on a day of your choice throughout the week.
- For those arriving on Monday, we highly recommend you enjoy the stroll along the river from campus to the castle. Alternatively, you can plan with your cast/crew to go on a different day.

Tuesday Evening:

- There will be a very fun “Pub Quiz” so gather your team!
 - A Pub Quiz is a part of Irish pub culture. It’s a fun interactive way to have a bit of competitive rivalry, and you might even win something!
- And, our very own busker—Eric Lentz, ‘86E—will take to the pub stage for this fun event which aims to raise awareness and funds for a local charity, Jigsaw, which offers services to make sure that every young person’s mental health is valued and supported.
- Eric’s song “Roller Coaster” (“Won’t Let You Go”) aligns with the goals and work of Jigsaw. <https://jigsaw.ie>

Thursday Evening:

- After the show, there will be an opportunity for a **Jam Session** for those who wish to hang out in The Stables Club.
 - We will have limited gear, so bring your own instruments if possible.

Thanks to those who attended in person! We know some who wished to join us were unable to attend. Please be sure to send a representative to future sessions as it’s unlikely we will record, and typed notes take more volunteer time and may go unread.

As we get closer to the event, it will help the team to be able to talk directly to a representative from each cast/crew. We will also be able to let you go to breakout rooms for the various eras if you want to talk about the era dinner programs, or any other activities you’re planning that are open across eras.

We look forward to seeing you on a future info session and this summer in Limerick!

Mary and the Annual Alumni Week Team