

# Ellen O'Reilly

## Electric Bassist, Vocalist & Comedian

### Curriculum Vitae

*Name:* Ellen O'Reilly

*Instrument:* Electric Bass, Vocals, Rhythm Guitar, Keys

*Other:* Stand Up Comedian, Writer, Music Journalist, Tutor, Podcaster, Actor

### Experience

#### **Live:**

20+ years of live playing experience

Extensive European, Irish and UK touring experience  
Hundreds of festivals and venues across Ireland, the UK, Europe and Asia.

Including; Oxegen, Electric Picnic, Isle of Wight and Belsonic among others.

Performed as a Stand Up Comedian since 2019 in Ireland and the UK at venues such as: Roisin Dubh's, Backyard Comedy Club, The Comedy Store, TNT Comedy and Up The Creek.

#### **Session:**

Kate Nash (<https://www.katenash.com/>)

John Spillane (<https://www.johnspillane.ie/>)

John Murry (<https://www.johnmurry.com/>)

Sarah Harding (<http://www.sarahharding.com/>)

Erika (<http://www.officiallyerika.co.uk/>)

Dona Oxford (<http://www.donaoxford.com/>)

The Red Paintings (<http://www.theredpaintings.com/>)

Jenna Toro (<http://www.jennatoro.com/>)

Preacher's Son (<http://www.preachersson.com/>)

Shannon & The Shortcuts (<http://shannonofficial.com/>)

The Brilliant Things (<http://www.thebrilliantthings.com/>)

Valentino is Dead (<http://www.valentinoisdead.com/>)

I have experience playing in the West End on shows such as SIX the musical, We will Rock You and Operation Mincemeat

#### **Studio:**

Recorded with North on their forthcoming debut album

Recorded with Valentino is Dead on album “mis-adventures in Punk rock” for Ireland Records (released 2012)  
Various recording sessions at Jealous Town Studios (Ireland)  
Various recording sessions at Fat Dog Studios (Ireland)  
Various recording sessions at Ventry Recording Studio (Ireland)

### Television:

Numerous Irish TV sessions and appearances for RTE on various shows including; The Late Late Show, Podge and Rodge, Class Act and The Saturday Night Show. I have also performed on UK TV shows such as; Lorraine and ITV’s Weekend with Aled Jones, The Late Late Show

### Achievements:

Won the 2011 Ernieball/Musicman bass Scholarship on to the ICMP Higher Diploma and was the first female to achieve this since its launch ten years previously.  
Won the “Best Bassist” award in 2012 from the Institute of Contemporary Music Performance.  
Is now a demo artist for Ernieball Strings, Musicman Basses, Sandberg Basses, Mooer effects pedals and Markbass Amps.  
Gives masterclasses in singing while playing bass at the UK Guitar and London Bass Guitar Show  
Has written many cover interviews for Bass Guitar Magazine (UK/IRL) and Bass Player (USA).  
Is the podcast host for the Talking Bass Podcast and is a tutor at Learn Bass Daily.  
Won the blackout at Up The Creek Comedy Club, Comedy Virgins and the Rising Star Comedy Award.

### Qualifications:

2012-2015 Institute of Contemporary Music Performance – Bmus (Hons) Degree 2:1  
2011-2012 Institute of Contemporary Music and Performance - Higher Diploma  
2005 Dublin Institute of Technology – BSc in Food Science  
2002 Our Lady’s College, Greenhill’s – Leaving Cert (GCSE equivalent) (including a B1 in Higher Level Music)

**Teaching Experience:** I have been a bass tutor at BIMM Brighton from 2015 – to 2019  
I have been a bass and vocal tutor at ICMP London from 2018 – to 2021  
I had my own beginner Harmony and Theory column in Bass Guitar Magazine (now Bass player UK/USA)

**Additional skills:**

Winner of 2011 Ernieball/Musicman ICMP Bass Scholarship  
Regular writer, gear reviewer and interviewer for Bass Guitar Magazine (2012-present)  
(<http://www.bassguitarmagazine.com/>)  
Endorsed by Sandberg Basses (<http://www.sandberg-guitars.de/>)  
Endorsed by Ernieball Strings  
(<http://www.ernieball.co.uk/>)  
Endorsed by MarkBass amps  
(<http://www.markbass.it/>)  
Clean full Irish Driving Licence & Passport  
Holds full DBS

**Interests:** Painting, reading and outdoor activities such as sea swimming and hiking.

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