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Camerata Ireland continues 'School Symphonies at Tesco' Series

As part of its on-going business relationship with Tesco and Arts & Business NI, Camerata Ireland is delighted to announce a further series of activities at numerous primary schools and Tesco stores this month.

Camerata Ireland is the chamber orchestra founded by Barry Douglas which aims to champion young Irish musicianship. Through its invaluable work at the Clondeboye Festival each year Camerata Ireland is able to identify and nurture exceptional young Irish musical talent. This work has been extremely well supported by Tesco for several years.

Barry Douglas, founder of Camerata [Ireland](#) said 'We are delighted to be able to mount musical activities in stores and schools for Tesco as a small thank you for their invaluable help to us over the years. We hope that our players can inspire young people to pursue their musical studies – who knows, one day they may end up playing with us at Clondeboye'.

The Camerata Ireland School Symphonies at Tesco series commences on June 6th and will see members of the chamber orchestra working with children from various schools around the province to create their own musical masterpiece. Each workshop is being filmed and every child involved will receive a DVD of their particular "symphony".

On June 6th St Macnissis Primary School in Newtownabbey was visited by members of Camerata Ireland where the children took full advantage of the opportunity to create their own musical masterpieces!

Marketing and PR manager of Tesco NI, Caoimhe Mannion said of the schools symphonies, “We are delighted that St Macnissis Primary School took part in this initiative and hope they had a really enjoyable day. Camerata Ireland has long been championing the cause of young Irish musicianship and we hope that the schools will enjoy the DVD of the symphonies they create today, for years to come. We are also delighted to be having a further opportunity to establish further close relationships with young people through our continued sponsorship of Camerata Ireland’s annual festival at Clandeboye.” This year’s Clandeboye festival and Tesco Masterclasses will be held in August.

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