



SONGS OF LANN LÉIRE

VIRTUAL CHOIR

HOW TO RECORD AND
SUBMIT THE AUDIO AND/OR
VIDEO RECORDING

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Video/ Audio recording – How to do it!

Additional instructions in italic for video recordings

Obtain the resource files

Contact lannleiresong@gmail.com by email to receive a master audio file and perhaps the music sheets so you may obtain guidance to help you decide what section you would like to participate in. Please explore the video tutorials listed on the [Dunleer Parish Media Youtube Channel](#) and also on the Dunleer Parish [website](#).

Decide on your contribution

Make the decision to record just yourself or a group singing the chorus or a verse of either 'Wee Dunleer', or 'Brigid's Cloak'. Alternatively, submit a recording of an instrumental piece for either song.

Equipment

You will need **earphones/headset** and **two devices**:

- 1) One device for recording, preferably a video recording device for example a mobile phone, tablet or laptop.
- 2) A second device where you can plug in your headset to play along to the sample tune for example a mobile phone, tablet or laptop or smart TV.

It is important that the music you play along to will not be heard on the recording.

Before you start

- 1) **Download** the audio file on to the device you will be using with your headphones.
- 2) ***Good lighting will make it a great video.***
- 3) **Tune your instrument** to a tuning app/device.
- 4) If using a mobile phone be sure to **turn on flight mode or set to silent with no vibration** to ensure no incoming messages interrupt your recording.
- 5) ***Please put your video recording device in landscape position for recording and check to make sure your head and the instrument you are playing are visible similar to the image below.***



Recording

The 'master', tunes have instructions; in general there will be three counts of 1,2,3,4 and someone will need you to count along the second set of 1,2,3,(4) fairly **loud** on your recording so we can align the videos. There may also be a metronome beat along with the pre-recorded tune to help you to keep the rhythm steady.

Don't worry if your recording starts a long time before you begin to sing or play, we can remove this easily and in fact having an extra buffer at the beginning and end is better for the production team to work with when editing the finished product.

Hint: only use one earplug/one side of a headset and leave the other ear free if you play strings or any instrument that does not come with automatic tuning so your tuning will not be off.

If you contribute to more than one section or song please record them separately.

File format for saving your audio or video file

When you have completed your recording please **name your audio / video file** in the following format i.e. tunename_instrument_yourname.

For example, BrigidsCloak_whistle_jane.mp4

or

BrigidsCloak_fiddleWhistleaccordion_jonesfamily.mp4

Video file formats may be **.mp4** or **.mov** preferably.

Audio can be **.mp3** or **.wav**.

Send us the file recording

If the file is less than 25mb it can be emailed direct to lannleiresong@gmail.com

Larger files will have to be shared through a cloud storage service e.g. Dropbox, Filemail or WeTransfer which are generally free ways to achieve this. If submitting more than one piece please send each file or link to the file on a separate email and in the body of the email list out the following:

1. Singers/players names
2. Instruments used.
- 3 Which piece this recording is for.

Under 18s: please send the videos in from your parents/guardian's email address only.

*Please note: **uploading video files can take a few minutes to a couple of hours** depending on the speed of your network. You may decide to leave the task running overnight so it can upload in the background once your phone is not switched off. You should get a message that the file upload has completed. If not check with us if we received or you might have to start again.*

Consent and Contributor Release Form

The Songs of Lann Léire Consent and Release Form is available by emailing lannleiresong@gmail.com and must be signed before the contribution may be considered for inclusion in the project.

Any questions please do get in contact!