

# GLOBAL HARMONIES

invites you to travel

## “Around The World In Song”

with Rachel Dempsey

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Learn, explore and enjoy harmony-rich singing from a diverse range of cultures and genres:

**African... South American... European Folk...  
American Gospel... and more!**

Hints, tips and exercises for building vocal ability and confidence. Songs will be shared in a fun, relaxed and accessible way.

The emphasis will be on collective, group harmonising although, if time and group dynamics allow, some exploration of freeing the voice through improvisation may be possible.

**Check out some samples [here](#).**

**Ability to read music not required-!!**

**Singers of all levels welcome-!!**

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**Venue:** Presbyterian Church, Church Street, Sligo ([Google Map](#))

**Date:** Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

**Times:** 11am – 1pm. **10:30am registration.** *Your early arrival will ensure we're all settled and ready to start promptly. Thanks!*

**Fee:** €15. Concessions available. Limited places. Please book with, or pay cash in advance to, local organiser Seán Callagy: (071) 9177844 / (086) 871 5359. You can also send a PayPal payment to him at [info@ecoweb.me](mailto:info@ecoweb.me) or via the PayPal button on [this GlobalHarmonies.com](http://thisGlobalHarmonies.com) page.

## ABOUT THE FACILITATOR

Rachel Dempsey remembers that, at seven years of age, she insisted on accompanying a Native American visitor, as they taught a native song to every class in her Educate Together School in Dalkey (Ireland's first such school). This early interest evolved further in secondary school when exposed to Taize singing before beginning to truly blossom while living in London in the 1990s, where she involved herself in both Latin American music and African harmony singing.

That life-long vocal journey has since seen her complete a B.A. in Latin American Studies, an M.A. in Ethnomusicology, live in Colombia for a year, and work with women's, children's, prisoner, rapper and other groups in places as far flung as Bolivia, Brazil, Africa and Australia.

Combined with her personal exploration of her own voice, that broad range of experience has fuelled Rachel's motivation to share the cultural wisdom of recognising, valuing and fostering the connection between an individual's ability to find their own voice, and the peace, well-being and spirituality of the wider community.

Global Harmonies is Rachel's vehicle for that sharing.

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## DIRECTIONS ([Google Map](#))

### Coming into Sligo from south (Collooney) on N4...

1. through roundabout, then right at first lights onto Upper John Street
2. Immediate right again at next lights onto Temple Street
3. Continue with the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on left (*€3.00 all day, pay-on-exit parking*) and the Hawk's Well Theatre
4. Immediate left after Hawk's Well Theatre onto "The Lungy".
5. At next junction one-way system requires you turn right onto Church Street. Venue will then be first premises on your left. (*Note: continuing past the venue, you can turn right at next cross-roads into The Market Yard for €3.00 all-day, ticket parking*).

### Coming into Sligo from north (Drumcliff) on N4...

Turn left at last traffic lights (1916 mural on your right) onto Upper John Street [If you come to the roundabout, simply circle it, come back to traffic lights and turn right]. Now follow directions from "2" above.