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Where to Hear Music in 2018

On the calendar: Blues in Canada, rock in Ireland and Afropunk in South Africa.



Guns N' Roses at Slane Castle in 2017. Credit Steve Dempsey/Down the Barrel Photography

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Where will the sounds of music take travelers in 2018? The destination may depend on your favorite song, but whether that means jazz, Afropunk, rock or another rhythm entirely, there's definitely a place to go.

The dancing is sure to be as much fun at [Vivid Music](#), part of the 10th annual [Vivid Sydney](#) (May 25 to June 16), a festival dedicated to light, music and ideas. The vibrant contemporary music showcases artists known for breaking the mold — Björk, Anohni, Morrissey and Lauryn Hill have performed in previous years. The musicians hold concerts in intimate spaces around the city as well as the grandest of ones including, of course, the Sydney Opera House.