

TRANSCRIPT – GALWAY: THE INTERVIEW

What is the city like?

Galway is a beautiful city. It is a university city so it is full of students and and has a large young population. Galway is full of small narrow streets and has a lot of pretty architecture, such as the famous Spanish Arch which is the ruins of the old city walls. The name references the historic trading relationship between Galway and Spain.

What is Galway famous for?

Galway is famous for many things. It is a popular city for tourism as it is famous for its excellent parties and festivals, especially in the summer. Some of Galway's most famous celebrations are: the Galway Arts Festival, the Galway Races and the Galway Oyster Festival. Galway is full of students and artists, because of this it's famous for its its relaxed, liberal lifestyle. It is very easy to find Irish music and dancing in Galway. For all these reasons, Galway has been named the European Capital of Culture in 2020.

Do you miss it?

Yes, I miss Galway a lot. I mainly miss my family and friends but also the city because Galway city has a unique atmosphere that I've never seen anywhere else. Galwegians are relaxed, social and funny. In many ways Galwegians are similar to Galicians so I feel at home here in Galicia.

• What is the weather like?

Unfortunately, this is the only thing that is not good in Galway. The weather is similar to the weather in Galicia - but worse. It rains a lot, even in the summer and it never gets very hot. But, as Irish people say, "There is no such thing as unsuitable weather, just unsuitable clothes."

• Would you recommend visiting Galway?

Of course! Galway is the best city in Ireland. I have told you about how wonderful Galway is but really, you need to experience it in person. Just don't forget to bring a raincoat!