



The Celtic Music Association and Celtic Cultural Center present, with promotional support from **WORT 89.9 FM**

ST. PATS EVE FESTIVAL

Sunday, March 13, 2005

2:00 p.m. to about 8:00 p.m.

Park Ponderosa Ballroom, McFarland

Come celebrate spring and Irish culture with music, dance, fun, and friends. In front of the stage you can dance, mingle, and browse, or just sit down and enjoy the shows. Activities include a supervised creative corner for children and an Irish Gaeltacht area.

SCHEDULE

- 2:00 Family Dance
- 2:45 The Snug
- 3:30 Rising Gael
- 4:15 Cashel-Dennehy School of Irish Dance with Public House Ceili Band
- 5:00 Americay
- 5:45 Trinity Irish Dancers with West Wind
- 7:15 Ceili with The Flying Cow Ceili Band

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for kids under 12. Park Ponderosa is at 5100 Erling Ave., McFarland, Wisconsin. From Madison, take 51 south to the Siggelkow exit. Turn right. Travel one block to a four-way stop, then follow the road around Brandt Park, turning left when you see the Green Lantern. Park Ponderosa serves beverages and fresh, hot food. For further information e-mail ccc@celticmadison.org.

ABOUT THE PERFORMERS

All performers generously donate their services to benefit the not-for-profit groups Celtic Cultural Center and Celtic Music Association, who cooperatively organize this annual festival. For more information about the performers, visit their Web sites, to which we provide links from our site at <http://celticmadison.org/>. Master of Ceremonies will be Heidi Hakseth.

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ALTAN

with special guests

Liz Carroll & John Doyle

Sunday, April 10, 2005 7:30 pm

Barrymore Theatre, Atwood Ave.

Mark your calendar for Sunday April 10th. Like no other concert, this pairing of two of the most personable and talented groups performing today will take you to the heart and soul of Irish traditional music, reminding us all of how vibrant and evocative it remains.

No Irish traditional band in the last dozen years has had a wider impact on audiences and music lovers throughout the world than **Altan**. Ranging from the most sensitive and touching old Irish songs to hard hitting reels, strathspeys, and jigs, whether from the studio with their exquisitely produced award-winning recordings or the stage during their electric and heartwarming live performances, **Altan** moves audiences everywhere they go. Throughout, there has been an unwavering commitment of the band to bringing the beauty of traditional music, particularly that of the Donegal fiddlers and singers, to contemporary audiences in a way that brings out all its finest qualities without disturbing the essential, home-grown attributes that have sustained it through the centuries. In fact, **Altan** have always believed that Irish traditional music is a living tradition in every sense and its growing influence and popularity have proved them right.

Altan's commitment to good natured fun is rivaled only by their commitment to excellence in all things musical and this is reflected in those who have come to share in the music and wit whether on the stage, in the audience, or the many sessions and parties they have enlivened through the years. **Liz Carroll & John Doyle** are the perfect complement in talent and temperament. Stunning fiddle and guitar playing, Liz's relaxed wit and many musical anecdotes, John's touching vocals; it all adds up to one of the most exciting

Both the Cashel-Dennehy Irish dancers and the Trinity Academy Irish dancers will demonstrate Irish step dancing in full-dress performances. If you are not familiar with it, Irish step dancing has become known world-wide via the Riverdance and Lord of the Dance shows.

Finally, everyone will be called to the dance floor for Irish set dances and ceili dances with music by the Flying Cow Ceili Band. The band is made up of participants in the Univ. of Wisconsin Continuing Education Irish music classes from the past few years playing alongside experienced traditional Irish music players from the Madison area. We invite all past and current class participants to be a part of the band. To receive a set list and instructions about setting up for the evening, contact Chelcy Bowles at 265-5629 or <cbowles@dcs.wisc.edu>.

For more information regarding the celtic music classes offered by the UW Madison Division of Continuing Studies, contact Chelcy Bowles or visit the web page at <<http://www.dcs.wisc.edu/lsa/music/classes.htm>>.

evenings of Irish music as these old friends and long-time collaborators come together for a very special performance.

Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$22 day of show and are available at the Barrymore box office, by phone at (608) 241-8633, online at www.barrymorelive.com, or at the following ticket outlets:

Orange Tree Imports (Monroe St.)

Spruce Tree Music (E. Johnson St.)

B-Side Discs (State St.)

Exclusive Company (State St. or High Point Center)

Star Liquor (Williamson St.)

Magic Mill (University Ave.)

Green Earth (Atwood and Middleton locations)

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As always, visit <<http://www.celticmadison.org>> for information on local sessions and other celtic music events such as the **St. Patrick's Day Parade** scheduled for Sunday, March 13th!



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