



The Celtic Arts Center of Southern California

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7TH ANNUAL CELTIC CONCERT SEPTEMBER 12 BRINGS LEGENDARY IRISH PERFORMERS THE FUREYS AND DAVEY ARTHUR TO THE WEST COAST FOR THE FIRST TIME

Ireland's own music legends, **The Fureys and Davey Arthur**, will make their first ever appearance in California to headline the Celtic Arts Center's 7th Annual Celtic Concert on Sept 12 2010, at 7:00 PM at the John Anson Ford Amphitheatre in Hollywood. Musical kin to the folk singers of the 1960s and 1970s, the group has entertained the world for decades with their compelling storytelling and mastery of traditional Irish and folk music and are well known for their classics such as "When you were Sweet 16," "Scarlet Ribbons," "I Will Love You," "Red Rose Cafe" and many more. Their "Green Fields of France" is former British Prime Minister Tony Blair's favorite peace song of all time. This will be Southern California's first chance to see these world renowned Celtic musicians.

"The night promises to be the best Celtic Concert yet and we have seen some great nights over the years," said Thom MacNamara, long time producer of the annual event. "We are honored to host these icons of Irish music." Dublin born **Ken O'Malley**, the wonderful Irish balladeer, will open the show with an acoustic set after the traditional **Los Angeles Police Emerald Society Pipes and Drums** performance starts off the night. Rounding out the evening will be performances from champion dancers **Megan and Adam Kirk** as well as the **McCartan School of Irish Dance**.

Fellow producer, Chris Wilson, is pleased by the early response "We are way ahead of our ticket sales in previous years so fans of Celtic music are advised to purchase early." Ticket sales benefit the Celtic Arts Center in Los Angeles since the night is a fundraiser for the non-profit organization. The Center presents a wide variety of activities related to Celtic culture, including annual events such as the Ford concerts as well as workshops and classes in dance, theatre and the Gaelic language. "These concerts take a lot of effort and money to organize. We are grateful to the producers for the fund raising aspect and we are excited about the potential of a sell out," says Adrien Burke, president of the Celtic Arts Center.

Tickets are \$29, \$34 and \$39 but buyers can save \$5 off the price of each adult ticket if purchased before September 5. Full-time students with ID and children 12 and under pay only \$12 and discounts are also available for groups of 8 or more. Tickets are available at **www.FordTheatres.org** or **323 461-3673** (323 GO 1-FORD).

The Ford Amphitheatre is located at 2580 Cahuenga Blvd. East, Hollywood, CA 90068, just off the 101 Hollywood Freeway across from the Hollywood Bowl and south of Universal Studios. The grounds open two hours before showtime for picnicking. The Ford offers a number of dining options: a variety of food and beverages is available on site and box dinners for evening events may be ordered in advance. Patrons are welcome to bring their own food and drink.

The Ford is disabled accessible. Portable wireless listening devices are available upon request. **On-site, stacked parking** costs \$5 per vehicle for evening shows and \$1 per vehicle for morning family shows. For evening shows only, **FREE non-stacked parking serviced by a FREE shuttle to the Ford, for evening amphitheatre performances only**, is available at the Universal City Metro Station lot at Lankershim Blvd. and Campo de Cahuenga. The shuttle, which cycles every 15-20 minutes, stops in the "kiss and ride" area.

This event is part of the Ford Amphitheatre 2010 Season, a multi-disciplinary arts series produced by the Los Angeles County Arts Commission in cooperation with Los Angeles County-based arts organizations. For a complete season schedule, directions to the theater and parking information, log on to www.FordTheatres.org.