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CELTIC WOMAN: CHRISTMAS SYMPHONY TOUR 2023

Friday, Dec. 15, 2023 @ 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2023 @ 8 p.m.

Celtic Woman

Mairéad Carlin, vocals

Muirgen O'Mahony, vocals

Emma Warren, vocals

Tara McNeill, violin, vocals and harp

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WITH ONE 20 MINUTE INTERMISSION.**

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ABOUT THE ARTISTS

In the years since its 2005 debut, global musical sensation **Celtic Woman** has emerged as both a formidable **multimedia presence** and a **genuine cultural phenomenon**. The group's albums and DVD releases have been consistent multi-platinum best-sellers, and its concert tours continue to touch the hearts of a devoted audience that spans the globe.

Both an accomplished recording ensemble and a world-class performing collective, Celtic Woman celebrates Ireland's rich musical and cultural heritage, while continuing its remarkable 16-year legacy of introducing some of Ireland's most talented singers and musicians onto the world stage.

Celtic Woman's fresh fusion of traditional Irish music and contemporary songcraft celebrates Ireland's history while reflecting the vibrant spirit of modern Ireland. The group's repertoire encompasses Irish classics, contemporary songs, classical favorites and stirring originals. The lineup of performers has evolved in the years since the group's inception, but the signature sound of Celtic Woman has remained consistent, showcasing the members' individual and collaborative talents.

Celtic Woman is comprised of four young Irish women whose performing skills bring centuries of musical and cultural tradition to life. In concert, their angelic voices and instrumental virtuosity are accompanied by a robust ensemble that includes Irish dancers, bagpipers and a full band playing an array of traditional Celtic instruments, including bodhran, tin whistle, bouzouki, and Uilleann pipes.

Celtic Woman has sold over ten million CDs and DVDs, making it the only all-female act to achieve multiplatinum success in the classical crossover and world music genres during the past decade. Named *Billboard's* #1 "World Music Artist of the Year" six times, 12 of the studio CDs have debuted at #1 on *Billboard's* "World Album" chart. Celtic Woman has also scored two "Top 10 debuts" on *Billboard's* influential album chart and five "Top Five DVDs" on *Billboard's* "Top Video" chart, as well as achieving platinum-level sales in nine countries. Their 2016 album release, *Destiny*, was nominated for a GRAMMY® award in the category of "Best World Music Album," marking the group's first-ever GRAMMY® nomination.

The group made its American television debut in early 2005 with a self-titled PBS concert special, which captured a sold-out performance at the Helix in Dublin. Immediately thereafter, Celtic Woman's eponymous debut CD reached #1 on *Billboard's* World Music Chart and occupied the top slot for an unprecedented 81 weeks. It remained there until the release of Celtic Woman's second album, 2006's *A Christmas Celebration*, which cemented Celtic Woman's spot at the top for a total of 112 consecutive weeks.

Celtic Woman continues to transcend national and cultural boundaries to celebrate the timeless emotion of Ireland's centuries-old heritage. A one-of-a-kind live act, Celtic Woman combines the country's finest musical talents with epic stage production to present a uniquely inspiring live experience. Postcards from Ireland perfectly captures this chapter of their extraordinary musical journey.