

# DANNY O'FLAHERTY Celtic Balladeer

## Celtic Christmas (2004-2006)

A year after the legendary O'Flaherty's Irish Channel Pub opened in the hart of the French Quarter, the 1990 Christmas season rolled around. To commemorate the event, Danny O'Flaherty enlisted Robin James-Jones of Wales to help put together A Celtic Christmas to celebrate the true Christmas customs of their Celtic Nations— Ireland, Wales, Scotland, Cornwall, Brittany, Galicia, and the Isle of Man. This program became a beloved annual event. This version played the Galveston Grand Opera House, across Louisiana and Texas, and produced a second public television special.

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| 1. Bonfire                         | 8. Come, Buy My Fresh Ivy          |
| 2. Logs to Burn                    | 9. Roses for Christmas             |
| 3. The Wind at the First Christmas | 10. Wassail, Wassail               |
| 4. Peacefully My Baby Sleeps       | 11. The Wren, The Wren             |
| 5. The Christ Child Lullaby        | 12. Little Red Bird                |
| 6. The Road that Mary Trod         | 13. My Little Sabot                |
| 7. Go Your Way, Greenleaves        | 14. An Nollaig Sa mbaile le Cheile |

## O'Flaherty's Rescue (2005)

A compilation by some of the finest Irish musicians in America, who have offered their music in support of Danny O'Flaherty after Hurricane Katrina, and his work in supporting, preserving, and advancing the culture of the Celtic nations.

The CD includes tracks by (besides Danny himself) Tommy Makem, Eric Bogle, Tannahill Weavers, Cherish the Ladies, Black 47, Danny Doyle, Robbie O'Connell, Aoife Clancy, Danny Quinn, Gabriel Donohue, Karen Mal, Fiona Kennedy, Brian Conroy, Laurie McClain, Sean Quinn, Donna Long, and Mary Courtney.

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| 1. Hard Times Come Again No More<br>by Cherish the Ladies | 10. Summertime Is Coming (Oro)<br>by Aoife Clancy |
| 2. The Man from Connemara<br>by Robbie O'Connell          | 11. Siochain san Domhain<br>by Danny O'Flaherty   |
| 3. The Long Woman's Grave<br>by Tommy Makem               | 12. Geese in the Bog set<br>by Tannahill Weavers  |
| 4. Hallowed Ground<br>by Eric Bogle                       | 13. Gaelic mouth music<br>by Fiona Kenn           |
| 5. Blarney Roses<br>by Danny Doyle                        | 14. Creel of Perches set<br>by Brian Conway       |
| 6. Newtown/Hamilton Fair set<br>by Sean Quinn             | 15. Blow the Candle Out<br>by Karen Mal           |
| 7. The Lakes of Pontchartrain<br>by Mary Courtney         | 16. My Heaven<br>by Laurie McClain                |
| 8. Shannon Road<br>by Gabriel Donohue                     | 17. Parting Glass<br>by Danny Quinn               |
| 9. Woman of the House set<br>by Donna Long                | 18. Those Saints<br>by Black 47                   |

**The History of Ireland in Word and Song (2003)** sung by Danny O'Flaherty and narrated by Maurice Franks. This collection of Irish songs with narration is an entertaining introduction to Irish History. Discover in this brilliant mix of word and song just what Irish roots are all about.

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| 1. Only Our Rivers Run Free                | 6. The Wearing of the Green   |
| 2. Ireland from St. Patrick to Cromwell    | 7. Ireland & the Great Hunger |
| 3. The Harp That Once Through Tara's Halls | 8. The Fields of Athenry      |

## Danny O'Flaherty - Heroes (2002)

There is an innate sadness in the knowledge that freedom comes at a cost. No more is the fact evident than in the histories of Ireland and the United States. Most certainly it can come through in music. This recording is enjoyable - as all Danny's recordings are. However, it is also calculated to make the listener stop and think and maybe even give thanks. Wrapped in the varied tunes are tons of feelings - all of which go to heroes, and freedom and justice.

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| 1. Here Comes the Echo     | 8. Sarsfield of the Horse |
| 2. Vietnam Veteran         | 9. For the Soldiers       |
| 3. Launching of the USS LA | 10. Angel Firemen         |
| 4. Medal of Honor          | 11. My Dearest Love       |
| 5. D-Day                   | 12. Every Child's a Star  |
| 6. The Wind and the Tree   | 13. Farewell to John John |
| 7. Tears in the Wind       | 14. Amazing Grace         |

**Farewell to John John (1999)** A Salute to John F. Kennedy, Jr

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| 1. A Farewell to John John                  | 2. Cliffs of Aran    |
| 3. Siochain San Domain (Peace in the World) | 4. Tears in the Wind |

**The Monster Picnic (2001)** by Danny O'Flaherty/Khaetidawne Quirk

Two years ago we wrote The Loch Ness Monster's Storybook. We wanted children to try and understand how important it was to help one another, to respect the world we live in, and how one "Family" could make a difference! This led to our recording of The Monster Picnic. We hope that the children and their Moms and Dads enjoy singing along together. The songs are based on fairy tales, sea creatures, and other animals on our planet. We hope you enjoy this CD as much as we enjoyed writing and recording it for you.

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| 1. Magic in the Air         | 8. The Big Blue Sea       |
| 2. Nessette & Nestor's Song | 9. Buck & Emma            |
| 3. The Monster Picnic       | 10. The Silver Seahorse   |
| 4. Baby Brother's Coming    | 11. Waltzing with Blue    |
| 5. Sleepy, Sleepy           | 12. Yellow Bus to the Zoo |
| 6. The Leprechaun           | 13. Farewell Song         |
| 7. Magic Dancing Dragons    |                           |

**Danny O'Flaherty - Listen to the Wind (2001)**

So much has happened in my life since I started recording this album in 2000. it won't be the same going back to Ireland anymore without Mom. But her spirit will always be with me...thank you for the music. I dedicate this album to you.

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| 1. Old Friends              | 9. Siochain San Domhain  |
| 2. Inish Bofin              | 10. Under Ancient Trees  |
| 3. Highways to Hope         | 11. Journey Through Time |
| 4. Listen to the Wind       | 12. Talkin' to Yourself  |
| 5. Spinning Wheel           | 13. Christmas Prayer     |
| 6. Patsy Keane              | 14. Angels in Twilight   |
| 7. Valley of the Unicorns   | 15. Children of War      |
| 8. Beware the Banshee Clown |                          |

### The Celtic Folk - Live Vol. 4 (1998)

We were asked to do the music for Darby Day in Ireland. The Chieftains usually did it for them but after winning another Grammy that year ... their fee went up, so we got it. Ah!! What the heck! This song wouldn't be written if not for them.

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| 1. Darby Day in Ireland | 9. O'Hooligan's Ball        |
| 2. Traveling Man        | 10. Irish, They Drink Water |
| 3. Old Dun Cow          | 11. Steve O'Donnell's Wake  |
| 4. Loch Ness Monster    | 12. October Roses           |
| 5. Erin                 | 13. Jigs                    |
| 6. Dunne Song           | 14. Pub With No Beer        |
| 7. Angus                | 15. Bleann an Bo            |
| 8. Dear Boss            | 16. The Keeper              |

### Remember - Danny O'Flaherty (1997)

Memories keep the heart alive; death comes when we remember no more. We nurture love when we recall tender moments shared; such moments of wonder tug at our heart urging us to create new memories of love. In Remember gifted singer/song-writer Danny O'Flaherty's Gaelic soul soars on every passionate note. Remember is a collection of love songs: loves lost; loves found; loves fondly remembered.

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| 1. Gift of Love   | 7. Rainbow Flight          |
| 2. Blushing Bride | 8. Peggy Gordon            |
| 3. Annie Laurie   | 9. Lakes of Pontchartrain  |
| 4. Dear Sarah     | 10. Lady of Bendigo        |
| 5. Carrickfergus  | 11. Missy                  |
| 6. Remember       | 12. Will You Go, Lassie Go |

### Danny O'Flaherty - An Irish Christmas Carol (1995)

Twelve songs, simply, but effectively, arranged. True, the temptation to use ringing bells on a couple of the songs proved irresistible, but it is the only slight use of schmaltz on a refreshingly schmaltz-free collection of arrangements. And the songs themselves are sung tunefully and well with a totally unself-conscious passion and honesty that truly reflects Danny O'Flaherty's approach to music. I should have expected no less. There's no Santa Claus in this collection, no reindeer, no elves, no Tiny Tims, just the meaning of Christmas pared down to its original essentials. That, for millions of Christians, the birth of Jesus Christ meant also the birth of belief, hope, and meaning. Love of God and joy in the promise that Christmas meant to humanity.

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| 1. The Hour that God was Born      | 7. The Road that Mary Trod     |
| 2. Christmas Without Family        | 8. Curoo, Curoo                |
| 3. Peacefully My Baby Sleeps       | 9. A Children's Winter         |
| 4. An Irish Christmas Carol        | 10. Little Red Bird            |
| 5. The Wind at the First Christmas | 11. Go Your Ways, Green Leaves |
| 6. Come, Buy My Fresh Ivy          | 12. The Christ Child Lullaby   |

### Danny O'Flaherty - From the Heart (1994)

All my life, I have wanted to record a group of songs that were meaningful ... about things that I believe in. With "From the Heart", I have finally been able to achieve this. Some of the songs I have written, others were written by friends, and still others were written by people who share my deep feelings and personal concerns. Some of the songs are about love - love of another person, love of country; some are about respect, respect for the environment, respect for all people. We must learn to love and respect. This recording is a testimonial to what I believe and because of these beliefs, all that I am today. I hope you will enjoy listening as much as I have enjoyed singing them for you.

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| 1. Eirinn         | 8. Angel for a Moment       |
| 2. Margaret       | 9. Amazon                   |
| 3. Generations    | 10. Singing the Spirit Home |
| 4. Coming Home    | 11. Medjugorje              |
| 5. My Yellow Rose | 12. I Didn't get a Chance   |
| 6. Song of Canada | 13. My Rose                 |
| 7. Aran Girl      | 14. Cyclone from the West   |

### The Celtic Folk - Ride the Waves (1994)

The Celtic Folk first appeared on the western shore of the Atlantic a decade ago. Since then, of course, Ireland's premier balladeers have become a fixture on the American Circuit. Small wonder. These remarkable musicians, reared in a Gaelic-speaking area along side Galway Bay. This album is a collection of The Celtic Folk's ballads and airs. Some are from the folk memory of Celtic Long Ago (Grace O'Malley, Fionn Mac Cumbal). They have a way of bringing life to Old Story and Ancient Legend. Listen to the lyrics. The distinctly Gaelic turn of phrase will help you understand why, the world over, The Celtic Folk are perhaps the most warmly welcomed of any of Eire's ambassadors.

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| 1. Asgard II               | 7. Emerald of the West            |
| 2. (Poem) Fionn Mac Cumbal | 8. Dowling's Victory              |
| 3. Mo Bail Beag            | 9. The 8th of September and After |
| 4. Grace O'Malley          | 10. Sean Agus Maire               |
| 5. Cliffs of Aran          | 11. Road to Jaffa, Kibbutz Reel   |
| 6. Sean Seagull            | 12. Achill Island                 |

### Danny O'Flaherty & Friends-An Evening at O'Flaherty's (1991)

The Ballad Room has that wonderful distinctive Irish atmosphere which can only be found in the motherland. This selection of folk music will take you in to the ballad room atmosphere at O'Flaherty's. They will make you reflect on the past, the joy of living, and the hope of the future.

#### Disc One

- Nenagh Fair
- New Basin Canal
- Lady Liberty
- Brid Og Ni Maffle
- Galway Rover
- Make Me Cry
- Trip to the Zoo
- Reels Solo
- Shaney Boy
- Garden Song
- Brennon on the Moor
- Morning Glory
- Harp Solo
- Roddy McCorley
- Irish Rover
- Blushing Bride

#### Disc Two

- Henry Joy
- Connemara Cradle Song
- Roses of Prince Charlie
- Bonnie Connie
- Accordion Solo
- Ladies of the Harem
- Waltzing with Bears
- Windmills
- Turning Towards Morning
- Home Boys, Home
- Lion of Ireland
- Life of a Tailor
- Minstrel Boy
- Here's to Time

### The Celtic Folk - Live on Bourbon Street (1987)

Indeed, a collection of pub songs is long overdue by a major Irish folk band. From some reason, the top Irish groups have for too long ceased mining in the mother lode of Irish pub balladry. And, as The Celtic Folk/Live on Bourbon Street demonstrates, a rich vein it is.

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| 1. Voyage of the Asgard II       | 8. Toast to Ryan's Pub            |
| 2. The Green Fields of France    | 9. The Wild Colonial Boy          |
| 3. Covers is a Kid's Best Friend | 10. The Wild Rover                |
| 4. Whisky Before Breakfast       | 11. A Rose for a Lady             |
| 5. Wil Ye Go, Lassie Go          | 12. Cutting the Hay               |
| 6. The Drunken Sailor            | 13. Saturday Night in Dublin Town |