



Four Shillings Short

Celtic, Folk and World Music

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FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT -May 2022 NEWSLETTER

Greetings from Christy & Aodh Og of Four Shillings Short:

April was a busy month of concerts, recording sessions and preparing to leave for Ireland. Here are some photos from the recording session and concerts in April. Thanks so much to everyone who came out for our concerts in California and to Dr. John Barsotti and his students at San Francisco State University for recording us.



Christy @ Recording Studio – San Francisco State



Aodh Og @ Recording Studio- San Francisco State



Dr Barsotti & Students setting up mics



Benefit Concert @ Oli Gallery: Guerneville, CA

Back home on the Emerald Isle: We returned to Ireland on Wednesday, April 27th and are getting our feet firmly planted on the beautiful green shores of Eire. Our upcoming West Coast Tour begins on May 13th and we have 32 lucky friends who will be joining us. Below is a brief description of our upcoming tour along with some photos for you to enjoy. We're hoping to lead 2-3 tours in 2023.



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2022 WEST COAST IRELAND TOUR ITINERARY: MAY 13 – 26, 2022



River Shannon



Eirebus Coach & your Tour Guides

(Day 1 – 3: May 13 – 15) The West Coast tour begins in Shannon, County Clare. We meet each tour member when they arrive at Shannon Airport and transport them to the famous music town of Ennis, County Clare where we'll be staying at the Temple Gate Hotel, which was once a Convent and was converted into a beautiful hotel located in the center of Ennis.



Temple Gate Hotel



Ennis, Co Clare



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After checking into the hotel, people will have time to explore the town of Ennis, visit the County Clare Museum and Ennis Friary or take a leisurely walk along the River Fergus which meanders through Ennis. In the evening, we will have our first group dinner together and a short orientation meeting, followed by some music by Four Shillings Short. On Day 2, we visit Quinn Abbey (built in the 15th Century) and the Craggaunowen Megalithic Park. We'll return to Ennis in the afternoon and have time for people to relax and then have dinner at the restaurant of their choice. In the evening, we will be entertained by the amazing Seanchai (Storyteller) Eddie Lenihan. <https://eddielenihan.weebly.com/>



Quinn Abbey



Craggaunowen Megalithic Park

On day 3, we will visit the Cliffs of Moher, Black Head, the Burren, Caherconnell Ring Fort and Poul-nabroune Dolmen. We then return to Ennis and have a free evening to enjoy dinner at one of the many fine restaurants in town and to hear live traditional music.



Cliffs of Moher



Poul-nabroune Dolmen and The Burren



Black Head



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(Day 4 – 6: May 16 - 18) On day 4, we travel south to County Kerry, stopping at Killarney National Park to tour the Muckross House and Gardens. There one can also ride a horse drawn jaunting car around the Lakes of Killarney, hike to Torc Waterfall and walk among the lakes and acres of forest. We end the day in the music town of Dingle where we'll have our 2nd group meal together and stay for 3 nights at the Dingle Skellig Hotel which overlooks Dingle Bay



Muckross House & Gardens



Dingle Town, County Kerry



Dingle Skellig Hotel

On days 5 & 6, we explore Dingle and the surrounding area. Depending on the weather, we'll organize a boat cruise of Dingle Bay and The Blasket Islands (if you choose), go hiking, check out the local shops and museums and take in the local music scene. We'll also visit archaeological sites to learn more about the local history and Irish life, and have a special concert with Muireann Nic Amhlaoibh and Gerry O'Beirne.



Coumeenole Beach & Dunmore Head



Kilmakaeder Church



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(Day 10 – 12: May 22 - 24) On day 10 we travel north into Counties Mayo and Sligo. We'll stop at Kylemore Abbey and Gardens, Killary Harbor (Ireland's only fjord) and visit a Round Tower before ending the day in Sligo where we will stay for 3 nights along the Garavogue River. We'll tour Yeats Country (named after the poet W.B. Yeats) on days 11 & 12, visiting Glencar Waterfall, Drumcliffe Cemetery (where Yeats is buried), Carrowmore Megalithic Complex and the seaside town of Mullaghmore. Our final group dinner will be on the 12th night of the tour followed by an open music session.



Glencar Waterfall



Carrowmore Megalithic Complex

(Day 13: May 25) On our last full day of the tour, we travel from Sligo back to Shannon stopping along the way at Coole Park, home of Lady Gregory who, along with W.B. Yeats, founded the Abbey Theatre in Dublin and who was part of the Irish Literary Revival of the 20th Century. Coole Park has lovely walks, a museum, a teahouse and gardens. We end the day at the Shannon Springs Hotel and have an Irish Music Session after dinner in the Shannon Springs Hotel pub.

2022 CONCERT SCHEDULE: also online @ <https://www.4shillingsshort.com>

MAY 2022 – IRELAND: May 13 - 26, 2022: WEST COAST IRELAND BUS TOUR

JUNE 2022 – IRELAND



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SATURDAY: JULY 2, 2022 (tentative) @ 11am - 6pm

10th Galway Garden Festival

Claregalway Castle, Claregalway, Co Galway, Ireland

Festival Admission €10.00 pp per day

Children FREE

Supporting CBM (Christian Blind Mission) Ireland

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AUGUST 2022 – IRELAND

SEPTEMBER 2022 – IRELAND & CALIFORNIA

Sept 20th return to US from Ireland

FRIDAY: SEPTEMBER 23, 2022 @ 2 Shows @ 6:30pm & 8:00pm

Celtic, Folk & World music concerts with Four Shillings Short

SEAMUS WINES TASTING LOUNGE:

Kenwood Village Center: 8910 Sonoma Way, Kenwood, CA 95452

(912) 441-7422 <https://seamustastinglounge.com/events/>

Donation

SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 @ 3:00 – 6:00pm

SAN GREGORIO GENERAL STORE:

Stage Road & Hwy 84, San Gregorio, CA 94074

(650) 726-0565 <https://www.sangregoriostore.com/music/>

Donation - Performance will be outdoors, weather permitting.

Check website for changes.

FRIDAY: SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 @ 7:00 – 9:00pm

OCCIDENTAL CENTER FOR THE ARTS

3850 Doris Murphy Court, Occidental, CA 95465

(707) 874-9392 Tickets are \$25 GA / \$20 for OCA Members.

Tickets available online at:

<https://www.occidentalcenterforthearts.org/upcoming-events>



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OCTOBER 2022 – CALIFORNIA & COLORADO

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FRIDAY: OCTOBER 14, 2022 @ 7:30 – 9:30pm (doors open @ 6:30pm)

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

SOCIETY HALL: 400 Ross Ave., Alamosa, CO 81101

www.societyhall.org (719) 973-2636

Tickets online: \$20 advance or \$25 at the door

SUNDAY: OCTOBER 16, 2022 @ 3:00 – 5:00PM

Celtic & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

COALDALE SCHOOLHOUSE: 287 Hayden Creek Road, Coaldale, CO 81222

For info (650) 274-1100 Free Will Donation

SATURDAY: OCTOBER 22, 2022 @ 4:00 – 5:00pm

A SAMHAIN/HALLOWEEN CONCERT with Four Shillings Short: music, stories & folklore celebrating the Celtic New Year

CRESTED BUTTE LIBRARY: 507 Maroon Ave., Crested Butte, CO 81224

(970) 349-6535 <https://www.gunnisoncountylibraries.org/crested-butte-library/>

Free Family Concert

WEDNESDAY: OCTOBER 26, 2022 @ 6:00 – 8:00pm

A Samhain/Halloween concert with Four Shillings Short - music, stories & folklore celebrating the Celtic New Year

NYLAND COHOUSING – Common House

3525 Nyland Way, Lafayette, CO 80026

<https://www.nylandcohousing.org> Donation

SATURDAY: OCTOBER 29, 2022 @ 2:00 – 3:00PM

A SAMHAIN/HALLOWEEN CONCERT with: music, stories & folklore celebrating the Celtic New Year

BEMIS PUBLIC LIBRARY: 6014 S. Datura St., Littleton, CO 80120

(303) 795-3961 <https://www.littletongov.org>

Free Family Concert



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SUNDAY: OCTOBER 30 & MONDAY: OCTOBER 31, 2022 @ 7:30 – 9:30PM

“A SAMHAIN/HALLOWEEN CONCERT – music, stories & folklore to celebrate the Celtic Bonfire Festival of Samhain”

BAS BLEU THEATRE: 401 Pine Street, Fort Collins, CO 80524

(970) 498-8949 www.basbleu.org/tickets/

Tickets: \$26 Regular/\$20 Seniors (65+)/\$13, Students

\$6 Low-income (Must show proof, i.e. Medicaid or Quest card)

NOVEMBER 2022 – NEW MEXICO

SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 5, 2021 @ Time to be announced

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

Benefit concert for Jemez Fine Art Gallery @ Location TBA

Jemez Springs, NM

THURSDAY: NOVEMBER 10, 2022 @ Times TBA

Around the World in 30 Instruments concert with Four Shillings Short

BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Bloomfield Multi-Cultural Center: 333 South First Street, Bloomfield, NM 87413

(505) 632-8315 <https://www.bloomfieldnm.gov/library>

Free Family Concert

FRIDAY: NOVEMBER 11, 2022 @ 6:00 – 8:00PM (tentative booking)

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

ENCORE COFFEE SHOP: 315 N. Auburn Ave., Farmington, NM 87401

(505) 258-4076 <https://www.encorecoffeeshop.com>

Donation

SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 19, 2022 @ 7:30 – 9:30PM

CELTIC WINTER CONCERT with Four Shillings Short

TEATRO PARAGUAS: 3205 Calle Marie, Suite B, Santa Fe, NM 87507

(505) 424-1601 <https://www.teatroparaguasnm.org/>

\$20 general admission/ \$15 seniors & students

SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 20, 2022 @ 3:00 – 5:00pm

IRISH DIASPORA CONCERT – Music, Poetry and Stories from the Irish Tradition

TEATRO PARAGUAS: 3205 Calle Marie, Suite B, Santa Fe, NM 87507

(505) 424-1601 <https://www.teatroparaguasnm.org/>

20 general admission/ \$15 seniors & students



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DECEMBER 2022 – NEW MEXICO & ARIZONA

THURSDAY: DECEMBER 1, 2022 @ Time: TBA

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

BENEFIT for St. Andrews Hospitality House

@ RIO GRANDE THEATRE: 211 N Main Street, Las Cruces, NM 88001

(575) 541-2290 for info: <http://www.riograndetheatre.org/>

<https://www.standrewshospitalityhouse.org/>

Tickets: To be determined

SATURDAY: DECEMBER 3, 2022 @ 7:00 – 9:00pm

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Silver City

3845 N. Swan St, Silver City, NM 86061

For info: (575) 574-2170 <https://www.uufsc.com>

Suggested donation: \$10

Benefit concert for the Social Justice Committee

FULL LENGTH FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT CONCERTS ON YOUTUBE:

ONLINE CONCERTS: We are happy to release two new "ONLINE CONCERTS"

<https://4shillingsshort.com/virtualconcert>

Please check out more Four Shillings Short videos on our YouTube Channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCp5cBfcQmMVFypC0CjTqpww/videos>

In addition, there are loads of YouTubes posted by other people which you can find by searching for "Four Shillings Short YouTube Videos".

Here are just a few of the full length concerts available on YouTube:

Four Shillings Short- S3E2 Music from the New Deal Café, Greenbelt, Maryland:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C1_cK6qTXFc

Four Shillings Short performs for Music Wednesday, Chattanooga, Tennessee:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W-oQYmSgl6o>

Four Shillings Short – Around the World in 30 Instruments:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DVvQ0OAH5Do>

FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT: CD SPECIAL:HELP !!!!



We have 14 boxes of CD's and we aren't able to sell them at our concerts because our concerts don't exist anymore....

Please help prevent Aodh Og from having to stand on street corners, paying people to take our CD's away.

SPECIAL CD DEALS: Buy 1 CD for \$10 or Buy 3 CD's for \$20 or Buy 4 CD's for \$25 or Buy all 5 for \$30
Postage not included. Please email us to order CD's and please include your address and phone number.

We will send them in the mail along with an invoice: fourshillingsshort@gmail.com

We have the following 5 CD's available and they make great gifts for friends, family and even your enemies....

What better way to say "I love you" than a Four Shillings Short CD????



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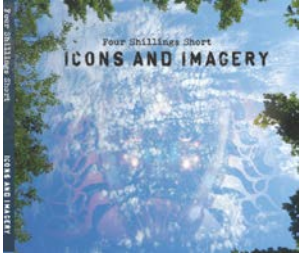
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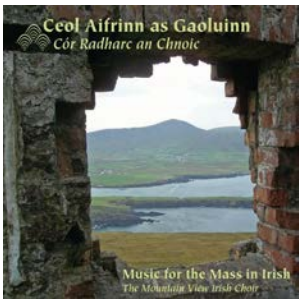
Icons and Imagery (2019):

Recorded live in the San Francisco Bay Area, our 13th CD includes many beautiful pieces: Anam Cara (with poetry by John O'Donohue), Medicine Wheel by Kate Wolf, two Indian Ragas on the Sitar, Irish songs: Galway Bay, Eileen Og, Waves of Immigration (based on City of Chicago), James Connolly, and 3 original songs.



Blow Ye North Winds Blow (2015):

Celebrating the Celtic Wheel of Time from Harvest to Spring, this album was recorded live at Immersive Studios in Boulder, Colorado. It features 2 Sitar pieces Raga Shri and Raga Bhairavi combined with an Irish chant, Gabhaim Molta Bhride, original song Blow Ye North Winds Blow, seasonal songs Welcome in another Year, Bold Orion on the Rise, Harvest Gypsies, Spring, The Ditchling Carol, Irish tunes on Hammered Dulcimer and some great sing-a-longs Drop in the Bucket and One More Banjo Laid Down.



Music for the Mass in Irish (2011):

Music for the Mass in Irish is a live Choral CD composed by four different Irish Composers for the Catholic Mass. The music is sung in Gaelic by a 20 voice choir with Pipe Organ, Harp, Fiddle, Tinwhistle and Hammered Dulcimer accompaniment. This recording consists of 7 pieces from Sean O'Riada's first Mass, Ceol an Aifrin (1968), 4 short pieces from Aifreann Phadraig Naofa by Fr. Pat Ahern (Siamsa Tire) (1984), 5 pieces from Aifreann Cholmcille by Tomas O'Canainn (1978) and 2 pieces composed by Aodh Og O'Tuama.



Pass It On – Live in Boulder Colorado (2010):

Recorded live in June 2010 at Immersive Studios in Boulder, Colorado, this CD includes a new song written by Christy about forgiveness and compassion called Pass It On. This live recording captures the beauty and depth of the sound of Four Shillings Short in concert. It includes 11 tracks with new songs and instrumentals, 2 new Sitar pieces,



Icing on the Lake (2005):

Our first compilation CD is the "Icing on the Lake" of our first 2 Albums. Included are many favorites (O Susannah, Wayfaring Stranger, Peace in Erin, Coach Road Set) along with many of the San Francisco Bay Area's finest Celtic, Folk and Jazz musicians on acoustic and electric guitar, bass, drums, cello, fiddle, bagpipes, flamenco guitar, steel drums and harp. It's a very high energy and fun album.