



Four Shillings Short

Celtic, Folk and World Music

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Newsletter

March, 2023

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FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT -March, 2023 NEWSLETTER

Hello from Aodh Og & Christy of Four Shillings Short:

February in Arizona was a wonderful place to be. Thank you to our family & friends who hosted us and to the wonderful venues we played and the friends and fans who came to our concerts.



Red Rocks – Sedona, AZ



Hiking in Sedona



Concert @ Unity of the White Mountains



Cholla Cactus Forest



Cactus in the Phoenix Mountains



February in the Phoenix Mountains



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MARCH MARATHON: A Celebration of Ireland & St. Patrick's Day Concerts:

March 17th marks the day that Patricius, the Patron Saint of Ireland, died in County Armagh in the 5th Century. St. Patrick's day has evolved, over the centuries, into a time to celebrate all things Irish. This March we have concerts & radio shows in Nebraska (North Platte, Hastings & Lincoln), Iowa (Fairfield, Des Moines/Windsor Heights & Ames) Illinois (Rock Island, Cordova, Glen Ellyn, Downers Grove, Chicago, Palatine & Urbana). Please invite your friends to our shows and we hope to see you very soon.

UPCOMING CONCERTS IN MARCH 2023:

WEDNESDAY: MARCH 8TH & 15TH

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

KFMG 98.9fm – The Culture Buzz with John Busbee

Interview with Four Shillings Short

Clive/Des Moines, IA

Stream online at: <https://kfmfg.org/resources/>

FRIDAY: MARCH 10, 2023

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

A Celebration of Ireland: Music, poetry & stories from the Emerald Isle with the Four Shillings Short

THE ESPRESSO SHOP

408 N. Chestnut, North Platte, NE 69101

(308) 534-9550 <http://www.theespressoshopbycaravan.com/>

Suggested Donation: \$10

SATURDAY: MARCH 11, 2023

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

A Celebration of Ireland – Music, poetry & stories from the Emerald Isle

HASTINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

314 N. Denver Ave., Hastings, NE 68901

(402) 461-2346 <https://www.hastingslibrary.us>

Free Family Concert



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SUNDAY: MARCH 12, 2023

10:00 am Service guest musicians Four Shillings Short
Unitarian Universalist Church of Lincoln
6300 A Street, Lincoln, NE

SUNDAY: MARCH 12, 2023

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
WAY STATION CONCERTS @ Unitarian Universalist Church of Lincoln
6300 A Street, Lincoln, NE
For info contact Roger @ rlgeery@gmail.com
www.Facebook.com/waystationconcerts
\$15 cover/discount for students, kids 12 & under free

SUNDAY: MARCH 12, 2023

7:00 pm – 7:30 pm
THUNDER ON THE PLAINS RADIO SHOW
KZUM RADIO 89.3fm
3534 S. 48th St. #6, Lincoln, NE 68506
<https://www.kzum.org>

TUESDAY: MARCH 14, 2023

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
“A Celebration of Ireland Concert” with Four Shillings Short
ROCK ISLAND LIBRARY – TUNEFUL TUESDAY CONCERTS
Watts-Midtown Branch of Rock Island Public Library
2715 30th Street, Rock Island, IL 61201
(309) 732-7323 www.rockislandlibrary.org
Free Family Concert

WEDNESDAY: MARCH 15, 2023

12:00 pm Lunch & 1:00 pm Concert
Lunch & Learn presents: “A Celebration of Ireland Concert” with Four Shillings Short
CORDOVA DISTRICT LIBRARY
402 Main Ave., Cordova, IL 61242
(309) 654-2330 <https://www.cordova.library.com>
Free Family Concert



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THURSDAY: MARCH 16, 2023

8:00 pm – 10:00 pm

“A Celebration of Ireland Concert” with Four Shillings Short

CAFÉ PARADISO

101 N. Main St., Fairfield, IA 52556

(650) 274-1100 for more info

Tickets available online: <https://cafeparadiso.net/>

\$13 advance/\$15 door

FRIDAY: MARCH 17, 2023

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BENEFIT CONCERT

Doors open at 6:00 pm

6:30 pm - Clear Joy : Elaina & Anna Steenson

7:00 pm Concert with Four Shillings Short

8:00 pm Foy Irish Dancers

Windsor Heights Presbyterian Church

6301 University Ave., Windsor Heights, Iowa

(515) 277-8379 www.windsorpc.org

\$35 general admission/\$50 reserved seating

Tickets: (515) 321-9581 or moekorte@cs.com or rmeyer@aol.com

2 complimentary beers and/or glasses of wine.

Door prizes and a silent auction w/ trips to South Africa.

All proceeds go to Divine Access, a business school for Women in Africa. <http://www.diifoundation.org>

SATURDAY: MARCH 18, 2023

3:00 pm – 5:30 pm

“A Celebration of Ireland – music, poetry and stories from the Emerald Isle”

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames

1015 Hyland Ave., Ames, IA 50014 515/292-5960

Tickets: \$10/ \$20 per family

Online tickets: https://4shillingsshort.com/ames_18

SUNDAY: MARCH 19, 2023

10:00 am Service guest musicians Four Shillings Short

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames

1015 Hyland Ave., Ames, IA 50014

(515) 292-5960 <https://www.uufames.org>



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TUESDAY: MARCH 21, 2023

8:00 pm - 11:00 p.m.

FOLK FESTIVAL RADIO SHOW w/Lilli Kuzma

90.9fm WDCB Public Radio @ College of DuPage

425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

(630) 942-4300 studio

Streaming live at: <https://www.wdcb.org>

FRIDAY: MARCH 24, 2023

8:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Celtic, Folk & World Music concert with Four Shillings Short

TWO WAY STREET COFFEE HOUSE

1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove, IL 60515

(630) 969-9720 info@twowaystreet.org

<https://www.twowaystreet.org>

\$10 donation Refreshments available

SATURDAY: MARCH 25, 2023

WLUW 88.7fm – Loyola University

11:00 am – 2:00 pm – Somebody Else's Troubles with Tom Jackson

Four Shillings Short will perform live on the radio

Chicago, IL

Live streaming at: <https://www.radiorethink.com/tuner/index.cfm?stationCode=wluw&stream=hi&launchedFrom=secureStreamRedirect>

SUNDAY: MARCH 26, 2023

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

COUNTRYSIDE CHURCH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

1025 N. Smith St., Palatine, IL 60067

(847) 359-8440 www.ccuu.org

\$20 advance tickets online at: https://4shillingsshort.com/uu_concert

\$20 – 40 suggested donation at the door

WEDNESDAY: MARCH 29, 2023

HOUSE CONCERT & POTLUCK - Urbana, IL

PRIVATE EVENT – By Invitation only



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ON OUR WAY EAST AGAIN:

It's been 4 years since we last made our way East and we're excited to be returning to some of our favorite places. We currently have concerts scheduled in April in Illinois (Alto Pass), Kentucky (Louisville, Richmond, Berea) & Ohio (Yellow Springs, Cuyahoga Falls & Salem).

In May, we'll be in Maryland (Timonium, Greenbelt). We still have some open dates in April & May available so please contact us if you're interested in booking a concert. fourshillingsshort@gmail.com

Later in the year we'll be touring the Eastern Seaboard States and make our way South in November.

IRELAND BUS TOURS THIS SUMMER:

Our tours in Ireland are fully booked this year and we'll be announcing our 2024 tours later in the Summer. Below are brief descriptions of the tours we are leading this year. Please email us if you want to be added to the IRELAND BUS TOUR EMAIL LIST.

WEST COAST TOUR: MAY 29 – JUNE 11, 2023: This tour begins in Shannon and takes in the beautiful countryside of County Kerry, Clare, Galway and Mayo. We visit the town of Dingle, County Kerry, known for its vibrant music scene, archaeology and breathtaking views of the Atlantic. We then head to Ennis, County Clare, for the Fleadh Nua Music Festival, taking in the Cliffs of Moher, stone forts, dolmens and an abbey. We then head to County Mayo to spend time on Achill Island, see a deserted "famine era" village and visit the Irish Museum of Country Life to learn about the life of Rural Ireland in previous centuries. This tour ends in County Galway in Clifden, the Capitol of Connemara, where there will be opportunity to hike at Connemara National Park, visit beautiful gardens at Kylemore Abbey and learn about the life of the Irish during famine times at the Connemara Heritage Center.

IRELAND'S HIDDEN TREASURES TOUR: JUNE 24 – JULY 11, 2023: Begins in Dublin the Capitol of Ireland, with its numerous archaeology, history & art museums, famous Temple Bar music district, Phoenix Park, Botanical Gardens, Theaters and nightlife. We then head to County Meath, known as Ireland's Ancient East and visit the Neolithic Passage tombs of Newgrange and Knowth (3200BC), the Hill of Tara where the High Kings of Ireland were crowned and stay in the historic town of Kells (where the Book of Kells got its name). We then journey South through County Tipperary and tour the Rock of Cashel (seat of the Chieftains of Munster) with the most impressive collection of Medieval buildings including a Round tower, High Cross, Romanesque Chapel, Gothic Cathedral, Abbey and Hall of Vicars Choral and 15th Century Tower House. We then head off to Cork City where you will get a personal walking tour of Aodh Og's home town and later we will visit Blarney Castle & Gardens. Next we head to Counties Carlow and Wicklow where we will view Wedge tombs, Stone Circles and Dolmens, and end the tour in the 7th Century monastic retreat of Glendalough high in the beautiful Wicklow Mountains.



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2023 CONCERTS CURRENTLY BOOKED:

AUGUST – NEW YORK

THUR: AUGUST 3, 2023

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Around the World in 30 Instruments Concert with Four Shillings Short

AURORA TOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY: 550 Main St., East Aurora, NY 14052

(716) 652-4000 <https://www.buffalolib.org>

Free Family Concert

MONDAY: AUGUST 7, 2023

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Celtic, Folk and World music concert with Four Shillings Short

IRONDEQUOIT PUBLIC LIBRARY: 1290 Titus Ave., Rochester, NY 14617

<https://www.libraryweb.org>

Free Family Concert

SEPTEMBER – NEW YORK & VERMONT

OCTOBER – NEW HAMPSHIRE & MAINE

SUNDAY: OCTOBER 1, 2023

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Celtic & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

RiverMead Retirement Community

150 RiverMead Rd., Peterborough, NH 03458-1744

(603) 924-1744 main number <https://www.rivermead.org>

PRIVATE CONCERT

TUESDAY: OCTOBER 17, 2023

TIME: TBD

LITHGOW PUBLIC LIBRARY: 45 Winthrop Street, Augusta, ME 04330

(207) 626-2415 www.lithgowlibrary.org

Free Family Concert