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## FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT - NOVEMBER, 2023 NEWSLETTER

**Greetings from Aodh Og & Christy of Four Shillings Short:** 

Samhain Blessings from Christy & Aodh Og of Four Shillings Short:

Samhain, when the veil grows thin
Betwix this realm and the other
Colder nights and darker days
Reflect and go within
Light the Bonfires, Honor the Dead
Seek blessings from the Elders
Remember their Wise and Olden Ways
Winter is here again



Autumn in Maine



Christy & Aodh Og in Cape Breton



Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, Canada



Baddeck Harbor, Cape Breton Island



Celtic Colors Festival, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia



Unitarian Church in Castine, Maine



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### **SAMHAIN: The Celtic New Year**

Samhain is an Ancient Celtic Bonfire festival celebrated at the end of October - beginning of November. It marks the Celtic New Year and beginning of Winter and is seen as an "in between" time when the veil separating this world and the next come closer together. It is the origin of our "Halloween" customs including pumpkin carving, dressing in disguise, bobbing for apples and honoring the dead.

2023 has flown by and we're grateful to everyone who has offered us a place to stay, come to our concerts, sent their friends and family to come see us and to all the amazing venues we have performed in.

Thank you for making our Troubadour Journey successful and joyful.

Wishing everyone a blessed Samhain and Happy Celtic New Year, Christy & Aodh Og

**2024 IRELAND TOURS**: We still have room on both our tours. Please EMAIL us if you are interested.

TOUR DESCRIPTIONS ONLINE: https://4shillingsshort.com/tours

### **OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS:**

In October, we were blessed to perform in many beautiful places in New Hampshire and Maine and we also attended the Celtic Colors Festival in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Many thanks to our friends Matt & Maureen for organizing the trip of a lifetime to this AMAZING MUSIC FESTIVAL!!!!. We attended many wonderful concerts, enjoyed the beautiful landscape of Cape Breton and went to the "Festival Club" almost every night to hear incredible music from Cape Breton with the mix of Scottish, Irish and Acadian styles.

### **NOVEMBER & DECEMBER:**

Our CONCERT ON NOVEMBER 11TH @ THE BELKNAP MILL HAS BEEN CANCELLED. Four Shillings Short have only a few more concerts in 2023 - Maryland (Baltimore, Greenbelt). We will spend December in Louisville, Kentucky helping Christy's mother and visiting with family.

### **CONCERTS IN 2024**

In January we'll begin performing again in Kentucky (Louisville, Berea & beyond) and in February we'll be touring in Tennessee (Knoxville, Chattanooga), Georgia (Atlanta, Decatur, Savannah) and the Carolinas (Charlotte, Rock Hill, and beyond). In March we'll be in Florida (Bay Harbor Islands, Coconut Grove, North Miami, Winter Haven, Miami, Key Biscayne, Vero Beach, Highland Beach, North Palm Beach, Cutler Bay, Coral Gables, Palmetto Bay, & beyond)



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In April, we'll make our way up the Eastern Seabord and perform from Virginia to Maryland (Ocean City, Berlin) to Connecticut and depart for Ireland at the end of April.

In May & June, we will lead 2 bus tours in Ireland and then return to the US at the end of June.

**In July,** we'll perform in Ohio (Cuyahoga Falls) and Michigan(Ann Arbor, and beyond). August will be in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan (St. Ignace, Marquette, Munising, Escanaba, Menominee), Wisconsin (Marinette) & Minnesota (Duluth).

September: Minnesota (International Falls, Walker), Wisconsin (Madison) & Illinois.

October: Illinois, Iowa (Des Moines).

November: Iowa (Des Moines, Ames) & Nebraska.

**December**: we'll be back in the Rockies in Colorado.

## 2025 - WEST COAST, PACIFIC NORTHWEST, ROCKIES & SOUTHWEST:

In 2025, we'll return to the West Coast and tour in California, the Pacific Northwest, the Rockies and the Southwest.

Do you want Four Shillings Short to come and perform at your town????? We are actively booking 2024 & 2025 so if you are interested in booking us, please get in touch fourshillingsshort@gmail.com

FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT 2023 CONCERT SCHEDULE: https://4shillingsshort.com/shows

NOVEMBER - EAST COAST & MARYLAND

SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 11, 2023 (cancelled)

BELKNAP MILL: 25 Beacon Street, East, Laconia, NH 03246

SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 25, 2023

5:00 pm Potluck / 6:30pm Concert Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short HOUSE CONCERT & POTLUCK - PRIVATE CONCERT



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**SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 26, 2023** 

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

NEW DEAL CAFÉ:113 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770

(301) 474-5642

www.newdealcafe.com

**Donation Reservations HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** 

(this venue books up quickly)

FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT: 2024 TOUR ITINERARY

JANUARY - KENTUCKY

**SUNDAY: JANUARY 21, 2024** 

CELEBRATION OF ROBERT BURNS CONCERT WITH FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT

HOUSE CONCERT @ Home of Robbin & Steve Goddin

Louisville, KY

# FEBRUARY – TENNESSEE, GEORGIA, THE CAROLINAS

THURSDAY: FEBRUARY 1, 2024

12:00 pm - 1:00pm

(live radio performance) WDVX "BLUE PLATE SPECIAL"

Knoxville, TN

https://www.wdvx.com

# **SATURDAY: FEBRUARY 3, 2024**

8:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

THE WOODSHOP LISTENING ROOM

5500 St. Elmo Ave

Chattanooga, TN 37409

(423) 991-8876

https://thewoodshoplisteningroom.com/

Online tickets at: https://thewoodshoplisteningroom.com/shows

\$15 reserved seating/\$10 general



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### **MONDAY: FEBRUARY 5, 2024**

8:00 pm - 10:00 pm (doors open at 7pm) FRANK HAMILTON SCHOOL OF MUSIC presents Four Shillings Short – Celtic, Folk & World music Red Light Café - 553-1 Amsterdam Ave., Atlanta, GA 30306 (404) 874-7828 \$10 advance/\$15 door https://redlightcafe.com/

### **MARCH 2024**

### SUNDAY: MARCH 3, 2024 (tentative)

2:00 pm - 5:00 pmWLRN - FOLK & ACOUSTIC MUSIC SHOW w/Michael Stock Miami, FL

### **WEDNESDAY: MARCH 6, 2024**

3:00 pm - 4:00 pmA CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short BAY HARBOR ISLANDS BRANCH LIBRARY 1175 95th St. Bay Harbor Islands, FL 33154 (786) 582-2620 https://www.mdpls.org/branches/ Free Family Concert

## FRIDAY: MARCH 8, 2024

7:00 pm - 9:00 pmBARNACLE UNDER MOONLIGHT CONCERT SERIES presents Celtic, Folk & World Music Concert with Four Shillings Short Barnacle Historic State Park 3485 Main Highway Coconut Grove, FL 33133 (305) 442-6866 https://www.floridastateparks.org/parks-and-trails/barnacle-historic-state-park

\$15 members/\$20 non-members



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SATURDAY: MARCH 9, 2024

8:00 pm - 10:30 pm Four Shillings Short - Celtic, Folk & World Music concert LUNA STAR CAFÉ 775 N.E. 125TH Street North Miami, FL 33161 (305) 799-7123

https://www.lunastarcafe.com Suggested Donation \$10 or what you can afford

## TUESDAY: MARCH 12, 2024

5:30 pm - 6:30 pmAround the World in 30 Instruments with Four Shillings Short WINTER HAVEN PUBLIC LIBRARY 325 Avenue A, NW Winter Haven, FL 33881 (863) 291-5880 https://www.mywinterhaven.com/library/ FREE FAMILY CONCERT

# **WEDNESDAY: MARCH 13, 2024**

MIAMI DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Location TBA

https://www.mdpls.org/branches/

Free Family Concert

## **FRIDAY: MARCH 15, 2024**

A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm HISPANIC BRANCH LIBRARY 1398 SW 1st Street, #100 Miami, FL 33135 (305) 634-8574 https://www.mdpls.org/branches/ Free Family Concert



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SATURDAY: MARCH 16, 2024

A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short KEY BISCAYNE BRANCH LIBRARY

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

299 Crandon Blvd.

Key Biscayne, FL 33149

https://www.mdpls.org/branches/

Free Family Concert

**SUNDAY: MARCH 17, 2024** 

A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY MAIN LIBRARY

1600 21st Street

Vero Beach, FL 32960

(772) 400-6335

https://libraries.ircgov.com/

Free Family Concert

**TUESDAY: MARCH 19, 2024** 

MIAMI DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Location TBA

https://www.mdpls.org/branches/

Free Family Concert

THURSDAY: MARCH 21, 2024

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND CONCERT with Four Shillings Short

HIGHLAND BEACH LIBRARY

3618 Ocean Blvd.

Highland Beach, FL 33487

(561) 278-5455

https://highlandbeach.us/231/Library

Free Family Concert



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SATURDAY: MARCH 23, 2024

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
MOONLIGHT CONCERTS PRESENTS
A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short
John D. MacArthur State Park
10900 Jack Nicklaus Dr.
North Palm Beach, FL 33408
https://macarthurbeach.org/
(561) 776-7449 x 109 for info
Free Family Concert

### **TUESDAY: MARCH 26, 2024**

6:00 pm – 7:00pm
A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short SOUTH DADE REGIONAL LIBRARY
10750 SW 211 St.
Cutler Bay, FL 33189
(305) 233-8140
https://www.mdpls.org/branches/
Free Family Concert

## WEDNESDAY: MARCH 27, 2024

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short CORAL GABLES BRANCH LIBRARY
3443 Segovia St.
Coral Gables, FL 33134
(305) 375-5319
https://www.mdpls.org/branches/
Free Family Concert

## SATURDAY: MARCH 30, 2024

A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND with Four Shillings Short 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
CORAL REEF BRANCH LIBRARY - free family concert 9211 SW 152nd St.
Palmetto Bay, FL 33157 (305) 233-8324
https://www.mdpls.org/branches/



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### APRIL - MARYLAND, IRELAND

**WEDNESDAY: APRIL 3, 2024** 

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Around the World in 30 Instruments 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Celtic, Folk & World Music Concert WORCESTER COUNTY LIBRARY - BERLIN BRANCH 13 Harrison Ave. Berlin, MD 21811 (410) 641-0650 https://www.worcesterlibrary.org/berlin/

Free Family Concerts

APRIL 23 – 27: Depart for Ireland & prepare for Tours

**MAY & JUNE- IRELAND** 

MAY 4 – 17, 2024: IRELAND'S HEARTLANDS AND WATERWAYS TOUR

MAY 31 – JUNE 13: WEST COAST OF IRELAND TOUR

June 24 – 27 – Depart for US/Boston

**JULY - OHIO, MICHIGAN** 

# **THURSDAY: JULY 11, 2024 (TENTATIVE)**

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

League of Women Voters of the Akron Area Education Fund Benefit Concert with the Celtic, Folk & World music duo Four Shillings Short Jenks Building: 1884 Front St., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221 https://jenks1929.com/ (234) 312-9103

Suggested donation \$20 or whatever you can afford https://my.lwv.org/ohio/akron-area



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**MONDAY: JULY 15, 2024** 

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm AROUND THE WORLD IN 30 INSTRUMENTS with Four Shillings Short ANN ARBOR DISTRICT LIBRARY: 343 South Fifth Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 (734) 327-4265

https://www.aadl.org Free Family Concert

#### DATE - TBD

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short
SUNWARD COHOUSING (community room)
424 Little Lake Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48103
For info contact Margaret at (734) 332-7876
https://www.sunward.org
Suggested donation \$10/kids free

AUGUST - GREAT LAKES: MICHIGAN, WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA

**TUESDAY: AUGUST 6, 2024** 

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm LEARN TO PLAY THE MOUNTAIN DULCIMER WORKSHOP ST IGNACE PUBLIC LIBRARY: 110 W. Spruce St., St. Ignace, MI 49781 (906) 643-8318 Registration Required Contact Sharon Crotser-Toy to sign up scrotsertoy@stignacelibrary.org https://www.stignacelibrary.org

# **WEDNESDAY: AUGUST 7, 2024**

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
AROUND THE WORLD IN 30 INSTRUMENTS CONCERT with Four Shillings Short ST IGNACE PUBLIC LIBRARY: 110 W. Spruce St., St. Ignace, MI 49781 (906) 643-8318
https://www.stignacelibrary.org
FREE FAMILY CONCERT



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**SATURDAY: AUGUST 10, 2024** 

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Celtic, Folk & World Music Concert with Four Shillings Short

FALLING ROCK CAFÉ: 104 East Munising Ave., Munising, MI 49862

(906) 387-3008 https://fallingrockcafe.com/

Donation

## **WEDNESDAY: AUGUST 14, 2024**

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Concert on the Steps presents: Four Shillings Short – Celtic, Folk & World music

PETER WHITE LIBRARY: 217 N. Front Street, Marquette, MI 49855

(906) 228-9510

https://www.pwpl.info/events/ FREE FAMILY CONCERT

## THURSDAY: AUGUST 22, 2024

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Around the World in 30 Instruments with Four Shillings Short

SPIES PUBLIC LIBRARY: 940 1st Street, Menominee, MI 49858

(906) 863-2900

www.spiespubliclibrary.org

Free Family Concert

## FRIDAY: AUGUST 23, 2024

7:00 pm- 9:00 pm

WILD RICE HOUSE CONCERTS

With Four Shillings Short and Anindita Neogy Anaam – Kathak Dancer

2411 Riverside Ave., Marinette, WI 54143

For info contact (715) 735-5241

or doonbali@live.com

\$15 cover BYOB & snacks

https://www.aninditaneogy.com/\

# **SUNDAY: AUGUST 25, 2024**

1:30 pm - 4:00 pm Outdoor Concert

Celtic, Folk & World Music Concert with Four Shillings Short

1023 8th Ave. South, Escanaba, MI 49829

(906) 398-9705

Donation, Please bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on



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THURSDAY: AUGUST 29, 2024

TIME to be determined CELTIC, FOLK & WORLD MUSIC CONCERT WITH FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT IRONWOOD CARNAGIE LIBRARY: 235 East Aurora St., Ironwood, MI 49938 (906) 932-0203 http://www.ironwoodcarnegie.org
Free Family Concert

## **SATURDAY AUGUST 31, 2024**

7:00 pm – 9:30 pm
CELTIC, FOLK & WORLD MUSIC CONCERT WITH FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT
Opening act: Ryan Lane
WUSSOW'S CONCERT CAFÉ
324 N. Central Ave., Duluth, MN
(218) 624-5957
https://wussows.com/events/
\$10 advance/\$15 door

### **SEPTEMBER – MINNESOTA & WISCONSIN**

FRIDAY: SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

(Time tbd)
INTERNATIONAL FALLS HIGH SCHOOL
International Falls, MN

**SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 7, 2024** 

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm BACKUS COMMUNITY CENTER International Falls, MN

**SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 14, 2024** 

ETHNIC FEST Walker, MN



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### FRIDAY: SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

7:30 pm – 10:00 pm (Doors open @ 7pm)
Celtic, Folk & World Music Concert with Four Shillings Short
WILD HOG IN THE WOODS COFFEEHOUSE
@ Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center
504 S. Brearly, Madison, WI 53703
https://www.wildhoginthewoods.org
\$2 members/\$4 nonmembers + donation for performers
Refreshments available
Free parking in lot across Brearly Street.

OCTOBER - ILLINOIS, IOWA

**NOVEMBER - IOWA, NEBRASKA, COLORADO** 

**SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 3, 2024** 

Time TBA
AMES PUBLIC LIBRARY
515 Douglas Street
Ames, IA 50010
(515) 239-5630
https://www.amespubliclibrary.org
Free Concert

**DECEMBER -COLORADO**