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Greetings from Aodh Og & Christy of Four Shillings Short:



Luna Star Café, North Miami, FL



Photos by Keith Rouse



WLRN – Radio Show in Miami



Ibis in the Parking Lot



Biscayne Bay, Coconut Grove, FL



Anhinga Bird in Winter Haven, FL



Barnacle Historic State Park Concert



Frangipani Flowers



Light House near Jupiter, FL

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## APRIL SINGS THE PROMISE OF SPRING (Christy Martin March 28, 2024)

The dawn chorus heralds the Spring, with mating dance and song.  
The laughing waters of rivers and streams flow steadily once more  
Rippling frogs fill the night air with mysterious and longing calls  
April, your fragrant winds of jasmine and frangipani  
Cast a magic potion of love upon the Earth

**APRIL CONCERTS & IRELAND:** Four Shillings Short will be touring in Maryland (Berlin & Greenbelt) & Western New York (Niagara Falls) in April. We then head to Ireland on April 24th to begin preparing for our 2024 Irish Bus Tours. Our 2024 Irish Bus tours are full and we're really looking forward to taking our many friends and their family members on a wonderful adventure on the Emerald Isle.

**JULY AND BEYOND:** We are in Ireland from late April through late June and then begin touring again in the US in July through the end of the year. Here's a brief itinerary JULY (NY, OH, MI), AUGUST (MI, WI, MN), SEPT (MN, WI) OCT (WI, IL, IA) NOV (IA, NE), DEC (CO, AZ). If you would like us to come and perform in your town, please get in touch via email. [fourshillingsshort@gmail.com](mailto:fourshillingsshort@gmail.com)

**THANK YOU FLORIDA FRIENDS:** Our tour this March in Florida was very successful with great turnouts at the many libraries, State Parks and venues we played. We are truly grateful to everyone: our sponsors, friends and fans who came out to our concerts. We especially send out a VERY BIG THANK YOU to all our amazing host families who gave us a place to stay in Sunrise, Coconut Grove, North Miami, Winter Haven and Jupiter. Your generous sharing of home and hearth makes it possible for us to be the traveling troubadours that we are. .

**2024 IRELAND TOURS:** Our 2024 Ireland Tours are full. If you want to be put on a "Waiting List" please email us. We'll be leading 2 or 3 tours in 2025. If you're interested in joining us in 2025, please send us an email to [fourshillingsshort@gmail.com](mailto:fourshillingsshort@gmail.com)

**FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT 2024 CONCERT SCHEDULE:** <https://4shillingsshort.com/shows>  
**APRIL – MARYLAND, NEW YORK & IRELAND**

### WEDNESDAY: APRIL 3, 2024

11:00am – 12:00pm – Around the World in 30 Instruments

6:00pm – 7:00pm: 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

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**SATURDAY: APRIL 6, 2024**

7:00 - 10:00pm

Celtic, Folk & World music with Four Shillings Short

NEW DEAL CAFÉ

113 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770

301/474-5642 [www.newdealcafe.com](http://www.newdealcafe.com)

Donation - Reservations highly recommended

**FRIDAY: APRIL 12, 2024**

1:30pm – 2:30pm

AROUND THE WORLD IN 30 INSTRUMENTS with Four Shillings Short

STELLA NIAGARA EDUCATION PARK

4421 Lower River Road, Stella Niagara, NY 14144

(716) 754-4314 <https://www.stellaosf.org>

Private School Performance

**SATURDAY: APRIL 13, 2024**

2:00 – 4:00PM

CELTIC, FOLK & WORLD MUSIC CONCERT with Four Shillings Short

First Unitarian Universalist Church of Niagara

639 Main Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14301

For info contact Nan at [nansimon@roadrunner.com](mailto:nansimon@roadrunner.com)

<http://www.firstuunf.org/>

Free will donation & free refreshments served at intermission

**APRIL 24: Depart for Ireland & prepare for Tours**

**MAY & JUNE 2024: IRELAND**

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

**MAY 31 – JUNE 13: WEST COAST OF IRELAND TOUR**

**June 26 – Depart for US/Boston**

**JULY – NEW YORK, OHIO, MICHIGAN**

**FRIDAY: JULY 5, 2024**

7:00pm open mic & 8:00pm Four Shillings Short concert

77 WEST MAIN

77 West Main Street, Macedon, NY 14502

(606) 305-6741 for info

\$10 Suggested Donation

<http://lamay.com/77westmain.htm>

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## **THURSDAY: JULY 11, 2024**

7:00 – 9:00pm

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.lww.org/ohio/akron-area>

## **MONDAY: JULY 15, 2024**

5:30 - 7:00PM

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

## **TUESDAY: JULY 16, 2024**

7:00 – 9:00PM

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

## **SATURDAY: JULY 27, 2024**

10am – 1pm

LIVE ON STAGE presents: Four Shillings Short – Celtic, Folk & World Music

Port Austin Farmer's Market

Corner of State & Line Streets, Port Austin, MI 48467

For info contact Lisa Marie (989) 738-7600

<https://www.portaustinarea.com/liveonstage/>

Free Will Donation

## **AUGUST – GREAT LAKES: MICHIGAN, MINNESOTA**

### **THURSDAY: AUGUST 1, 2024**

6:00 - 7:00PM

Around the World in 30 Instruments with Four Shillings Short

INTERLOCHEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

9411 Tenth St., Interlochen, MI 49643

(231) 276-6767

<https://www.interlochenpubliclibrary.org>

Free Family Concert



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## **TUESDAY: AUGUST 6, 2024**

3:00 – 4:30PM

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](mailto:scrotsertoy@stignacelibrary.org)

<https://www.stignacelibrary.org>

## **WEDNESDAY: AUGUST 7, 2024**

6:30 – 7:30pm

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

## **SATURDAY: AUGUST 10, 2024**

11:00am – 1:00pm

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 – 8:00pm

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 – 7:00pm

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](http://www.spiespubliclibrary.org)

Free Family Concert

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## **RIDAY: AUGUST 23, 2024**

7:00– 9:00pm

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](mailto:doonbali@live.com)

\$15 cover/BYOB & snacks

<https://www.wildrice.life>

<https://www.aninditaneogy.com/>

## **SUNDAY: AUGUST 25, 2024**

1:30 – 4pm Outdoor Concert

THE RED HOUSE OF ESCANABA presents

Celtic, Folk & World Music Concert with Four Shillings Short

1023 8th Ave. South, Escanaba, MI 49829

(906) 398-9705

\$10 Suggested Donation/ Please bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on

## **TUESDAY: AUGUST 27, 2024**

6:00 – 7:00PM

Around the World in 30 Instruments with Four Shillings Short

WASHBURN PUBLIC LIBRARY

307 Washington Ave., Washburn, WI 54891

(715) 373-6172

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

Free Family Concert

## **THURSDAY: AUGUST 29, 2024**

TIME: TBA

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 Concert

## **SATURDAY AUGUST 31, 2024**

7:00 – 9:30PM

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

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## SEPTEMBER – MINNESOTA & WISCONSIN

### FRIDAY: SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

INTERNATIONAL FALLS HIGH SCHOOL  
International Falls, MN

### SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 7, 2024

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

### TUESDAY: SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

Time: TBA  
AROUND THE WORLD IN 30 INSTRUMENTS with Four Shillings Short  
GRAND RAPIDS AREA LIBRARY  
140 NE 2nd St., Grand Rapids, MN 55744  
(218) 326-7640 <https://cityofgrandrapidsmn.com/library>  
Free Family Concert

### SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

ETHNIC FEST  
Walker, MN

## OCTOBER – WISCONSIN, ILLINOIS, IOWA

### THURSDAY: OCTOBER 10, 2024 or SATURDAY: OCTOBER 12 (tentative)

CAFÉ CARPE  
Fort Atkinson, WI

### FRIDAY: OCTOBER 11, 2024

7:30 – 10PM (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.

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**MONDAY: OCTOBER 21, 2024**

LUNCH & LEARN – 12 NOON – 2:30PM

CORDOVA DISTRICT LIBRARY

402 Main Ave, Cordova, IL 61242

309/654-2330 <https://www.cordovalibrary.com>

Free Lunch & Concert

**THURSDAY: OCTOBER 24, 2024 (tentative)**

8:00pm - SAMHAIN/HALLOWEEN CONCERT w/Four Shillings Short

OCTOPUS COLLEGE HILL

2205 College St,

Cedar Falls, IA 50613

<https://www.octopuscollegehill.com/>

**FRIDAY: OCTOBER 25, 2024 (tentative)**

7:00 - 9:00pm

RAVEN WOLF PRODUCTIONS

2283 240th St, Williamsburg, IA 52361

(319) 360-9180

<https://ravenwolf productions/>

**NOVEMBER – IOWA, NEBRASKA, COLORADO**

FRIDAY: NOVEMBER 1, 2024

Tentative: Des Moines, IA

**SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 2, 2024**

Tentative: Des Moines, IA

**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**