

Press Release

Tickets now on sale for first Irish Tour

THE high kings

Finbarr Clancy, Brian Dunphy, Martin Furey & Darren Holden
with Music Producer David Downes

Irish tour - June 2008

Dates include:

Portlaoise, Heritage Hotel;

Galway, Black Box;

Belfast, The Waterfront;

Dublin, Gaiety Theatre;

Derry, Millenium Forum;

Limerick, University Concert Hall;

Castlebar, Theatre Royal;

Killarney, INEC

Tickets now on sale
CD & DVD now available

Carrying on the tradition of great Irish music

Four top class performers create this unique ensemble,
performing new songs and re-energising the great Irish ballads



The High Kings are delighted to announce the dates for their first Irish tour. Dates for their September / October US tour have also been announced and include: Philadelphia, Baltimore, Boston, Washington, Chicago, Dallas, San Diego, Seattle, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and more.

Finbarr Clancy, Brian Dunphy, Martin Furey & Darren Holden - renowned vocalists and musicians - have come together to create the most exciting Irish ballad group to emerge since The Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem electrified the worldwide folk revival of the 1960s - **The High Kings**.

Carrying on the tradition of great Irish music, creating exciting modern songs in the folk idiom and incorporating some of the classic ballad repertoire from the past.

The highly acclaimed musical Director David Downes, (musical director of *Celtic Woman*) brings intricate harmonies and driving rhythms to **The High Kings** songbook, giving them a freshness and sparkle that is modern and exciting, without ever sacrificing the traditional melodies and lyrics, which made them so attractive in the first instance. The songs themselves reflect a wide range of moods, the rousing "Rocky Road To Dublin," the haunting strains of "The Parting Glass," the irresistible "The Wild Rover" and the stunning "Fields of Glory". The four part harmonies will be backed by a band on the Irish tour.

www.thehighkings.com

All tickets are available through www.ticketmaster.ie for:

Thursday 5th June 2008
The Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise
Adm: €23.00
Tel: 057 867 8588
www.heritagehotel.com

Friday 6th June 2008
Black Box, Galway
Adm: €22.50
Tel: 091 569 777
www.galwaytownhall.com

Saturday 7th June 2008
The Studio @ The Waterfront, Belfast
Adm: £17.50
Tel: 028 9033 4455 / 04890 334455
www.waterfront.co.uk

Sunday 8th June 2008
Gaiety Theatre, Dublin



Adm: €22.00/ €25.00/ €27.50

Tel: 0818 7126 4455

www.gaietytheatre.ie

Thursday 12th June 2008

Millennium Forum, Derry

Adm: £12.50/ £15.00

Tel: 028 7126 4455/048 7126 4455

<http://mforum.sed2.info>

Friday 13th June 2008

University Concert Hall, Limerick

Adm: €22.50

Tel: 061 331 549

www.uch.ie

Saturday 14th June 2008

Theatre Royal, Castlebar

Adm: €22.50

Tel: 0818 300 000

www.royaltheatre.ie

Monday 16th June 2008

INEC, Killarney

Adm: €22.50

Tel: 064 715 55

www.inec.ie

For further information:

Celtic Collections, Celtic Mews, 31/32 Hatch Lane, Dublin 2 Tel: 01 708 8480

Email: Info@celticcollections.com

Press information: Gerry Lundberg / Sinead O'Doherty

Gerry Lundberg Public Relations Tel: 01 679 8476 / 086 259 1070 glundpr@iol.ie

