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Melbourne Recital Centre & Duet Productions present

The Celtic Tenors - The Irish Songbook Tour



When you put together three brilliant tenor voices with natural Irish brogue, singing spine-tingling classical, folk, Irish, Gaelic and pop favourites in stacked three-part harmonies, then mix them up with quick witted banter, you have The Celtic Tenors. Perfect harmony! Three unique solo voices, but when called upon - one tenor sound. The Celtic Tenors are coming to Melbourne Recital Centre Wednesday 11 April to perform in Elisabeth Murdoch Hall.

With three platinum-selling albums and U.S. chart-topping hits, Melbourne audiences will be treated to a selection from *The Irish Songbook* including the classic tunes 'Finnegan's Wake', 'Danny Boy', 'You Raise Me Up', 'Song for Ireland', 'The Dutchman' and many other fan-favourites. Their skill, vocal range and on-stage personality evoke the very soul of the Emerald Isle.

Ireland's most successful charismatic globe-trotting, classical-crossover trio The Celtic Tenors are known for their charismatic performances leaving audiences wanting more. They sing songs they love, and they most certainly don't take themselves too seriously. It's all about the music, the harmonies and the fun.

The Celtic Tenors began life as the Three Irish Tenors on RTÉ Radio 1 Dublin's *Theatre Nights* in October 1995. Singing a mixture of Celtic, operatic and re-worked popular songs, the group has travelled extensively with many tours concentrated in the U.S.A., Canada, Germany and the



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Netherlands and have performed with some of the world's leading orchestras. They have recorded eight albums, appeared on TV and sung for world leaders, while pioneering a new style of 'cool' never before seen as they continue to break the traditional tenor mould.

The only tenor group with a truly global audience, the trio comprises Matthew Gilsean, (the more pop style) from County Meath, James Nelson (the more operatic), from Sligo and Daryl Simpson (the go-to-guy for the high notes) from Omagh in Northern Ireland. Matthew together with James, founded The Celtic Tenors, and in a sensational boardroom signing with EMI Classics they have never looked back. Whether playing a neighborhood cathedral or major concert halls in international cities like New York, Amsterdam or Shanghai, you are assured of a professional, sparkling, and most of all, a rollicking good-humored performance.

James Nelson says, 'It has been said that The Celtic Tenors do to Irish tenor singing what River Dance has done to Irish dance - bringing it to the 21st century. We were the first cross-over tenor act from Ireland and the only one that's still together. We put that down to the fact that we were created not by a TV program or for fame but because we love music - and harmony. We are very excited to be coming to perform in Melbourne and to see all our Australian fans.'

CONCERT DETAILS

Wednesday 11 April 2018, 7.30pm

Elisabeth Murdoch Hall (Two hours & 30-mins incl. interval)

The Celtic Tenors (Ireland)

A reserve \$69

B reserve \$59

Presented by Melbourne Recital Centre by arrangement with Duet Productions

For more information and to book tickets visit: melbournerecital.com.au | 03 9699 3333

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