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With Special Guest
Emer Dunne



Featuring
The Emerald Fire Irish Dancers
and
The Guinness Irish Ensemble



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Experience the music, magic, and excitement of the Emerald Isle in *Spirit of Ireland*, a spectacular celebration of Ireland's rich cultural heritage. Starring *America's Favorite Irish Son*, **Andy Cooney**, this unforgettable production features beloved Irish ballads, spirited Celtic favorites, and heartwarming stories that capture the soul of Ireland. Filled with music, song, dance, laughter, and Irish charm, *Spirit of Ireland* is an uplifting entertainment experience the whole family will enjoy.



Andy Cooney christened by the New York Times as "Irish America's Favorite Son", has been taking the Irish-American music scene by storm for over 30 years. Andy's unique tenor voice has been heard in concert halls internationally, including hallmark venues ranging from Dublin's National Concert Hall to sold-out performances in New York's iconic Carnegie Hall. Cooney's show credits also include "American Voices" placing him on stage with Grammy Award winners, legendary Larry Gatlin and the ever-popular Crystal Gayle in Performing Arts Centers and Concert Halls throughout the U.S. Andy also has toured Ireland and the US with Ireland's ambassador of music, Phil Coulter. Andy has recorded 20 albums and has had several hit singles in Ireland. Andy annually produces The Cruise of Irish Stars with Irish Tenor Ronan Tynan That draws over a thousand Irish Americans for the last 26 years.



Emer Dunne From singing at the Celtic Ball in Rome at the tender age of ten, travelling across Europe and Japan, to have recently performed in Times Square New York City, Emer Dunne is enchanting audiences with her rich storytelling ability and entertaining performances. Emer has brought favorable reviews from Hot Press, RTE Behind the Music, Irish Music Magazine and traction on regional, national and international radio. Emer was recently featured on RTE Irish Television following the release of three no 1 singles from her debut No 1 folk album 'Hourglass', produced by Bill Shanley who has produced such legends including Mary Black, Paul Brady and Gilbert O Sullivan. In 2025 Emer embarked on her first USA tour along the East Coast and last March was invited to attend the St Patrick's Day Celebrations in New York, where she had the honor of singing the Irish National Anthem at the official launch of the Parade that aired on NBC TV from Times Square.

The Guinness Irish Band is made up of the greatest Irish and Irish American Musicians on the Irish Music Scene today. This year's tour will feature Jimmy Kelly on drums whose amazing talent was appreciated with the world-renowned show Riverdance. Mitch Reilly on Sax, flute and Irish whistles is a veteran on the music scene today. Tommy Mulvihill is a legend in Irish Music for over 50 years. He is featured on numerous recordings over the years and will be featured on fiddle and guitar. Our musical director in PJ Cardinal. PJ has been Andy Cooney's musical director for the last 10 years and is a spectacular talent both with arrangements on the Keyboards.



Emerald Fire Dance is a high energy, eclectic Irish dance company formed in Dublin, Ireland now based in the USA. The dancers' style and discipline are steeped in the rich and beloved tradition of Irish Step, while exploring and infusing other genres of dance from all over the world. Bringing exciting performances, dazzling costumes and original Award Winning choreography, by its founder and producer, Joanna Barry. Emerald Fire has lit up stages in Ireland, Austria, Japan, The United States and Canada, as well as sailing the Caribbean with Andy Cooney's "Cruise of Irish Stars" and as special guests in Andy's touring production shows. They also had the awesome privilege of being featured on "Good Morning America" and continue to bring a high level of world class entertainment, production and professionalism to every performance, in this small but perfectly formed package.

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