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Wednesday, March 6, 2019 • 7:30 p.m.
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From the Dean of the College of Fine Arts

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We are thrilled that you are part of our growing UNLV Performing Arts Center family.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. Uscher
Dean, UNLV College of Fine Arts
Tonight’s Program and Notes

Repertoire will be selected from the following and announced from the stage:

**Slides:** “She Hasn’t the Thing She Thought She Had” (Traditional)  
“Denis Murphy’s” (Traditional)  
“Abbey’s Green Isle” (Traditional)

Nell’s Aunt Eileen O’Riordan was the source of the first two slides in this set. The last tune comes from the great Sliabh Luachra box player Denis Doody.

**Jigs:** “The New House” (Paddy O’Brien)  
“Brown-Eyed Bridget” (Oisín McAuley)  
“The Humours of Holliston” (Oisín McAuley)

The first jig of this set is composed by the great accordion player Paddy O’Brien from Nenagh, County Tipperary. Our own Oisín McAuley composed the second and third jigs.

**Song:** “The Foggy Dew” (Canon Charles O’Neill)

This is a well known and loved song in Ireland; it was written by Canon Charles O’Neill in 1922 from County Down. It pays homage to all those who fought in the Irish Civil War as well as those Irish people who went to fight for Great Britain in World War I.

**Hornpipes:** “The Connemara Hornpipe” (Vincent Broderick)  
“The Leverette” (Mairtin O’Connor)

“The Connemara Hornpipe” was composed by Vincent Broderick and can be found in his book of tunes, *The Turoe Stone Vol. 2*. The description reads: “This tune came to Vincent while on a visit to Carraroe, County Galway. The sound of the waves crashing onto the beach had a strange musical tone.” The key of the tune in the book is D Major. We’ve transposed it to G Major. The second tune is a bouncy composition by the great Galway accordion maestro Mairtin O’Connor.

**Reels:** “The Poor Man’s Fortune” (Paddy O’Brien)  
“The Long Strand” (Traditional)  
“Reel Gan Ainm” (Traditional)

The first of these lovely reels was composed by the great accordionist Paddy O’Brien. The second reel was sourced from *The Dance Music of Ireland: O’Neills 1001*. We first heard the last tune played by the Dublin piper Mick O’Brien.

**Song:** “Ten Thousand Miles” (Traditional)

“Ten Thousand Miles” is an 18th-century folk ballad also known as “The Turtle Dove” or “Fare Thee Well.” We learned it from the great folk singer Nic Jones. The song tells the tale of a lover bidding farewell before setting off on a big journey.

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Hornpipe, Reels: “Tuamgraney Castle” (Traditional)
“The Broken Pledge” (Traditional)
“The Braes of Busby” (Traditional)

The hornpipe “Tuamgraney Castle” is from East Clare. This unusual version of “The Broken Pledge” came from master piper Liam O’Flynn. We first heard this particular version of “The Braes of Busby” performed by another great piper, Ronan Browne.

Song: “Mo Ghile Mear” (Seán Clárach Mac Domhnaill)

Another great Irish song, this lament was written in 18th century and was composed in the convention of aisling (or vision) poetry.

Song: “An Phástín Fionn” (Nioclás Tóibín)

This is a light hearted love song from the Waterford Gaeltacht, in which the writer describes the beauty of a woman for whom he holds a secret love and of the obstacles he would overcome to call her his own. Our version comes from the great Nioclás Tóibín (1928-1994), a renowned sean-nós (Old style) singer from the Déise tradition of County Waterford in Ireland.

~ There will be an intermission. ~

Program is subject to change without notice. All pieces arranged by Danú.

About Danú

Hailing from historic Counties Waterford, Cork, Donegal and Dublin, Danú is one of the leading traditional Irish ensembles of today. Their standing room only concerts throughout Ireland are true events, featuring high-energy performances and a glorious mix of ancient Irish music and new repertoire.

For over two decades, Danú’s virtuosi players on flute, tin whistle, fiddle, button accordion, bouzouki, and vocals (Irish and English) have performed around the globe and recorded seven critically acclaimed albums. Their live DVD, One Night Stand, was filmed at Vicar St. Dublin. Winners of numerous awards from the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) and Irish Music magazine, Danú has toured throughout Europe, the Middle East, and North America with stops at The Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles, Symphony Space in New York City, and major concert engagements in the United Kingdom, India, Israel, and across Europe. Danú takes its audiences on a musical journey to their native Ireland, offering a moving and memorable concert experience. Danú’s popular recordings are available on the Shanachie label, and live performances are often broadcast on National Public Radio, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, and the BBC.

Danú has recorded 9 CDs and a DVD, which are all available in stores or online: Danú Debut (CD), 1997; Think Before You Think (CD), 2000; All Things Considered (CD), 2002; The Road Less Traveled (CD), 2003; Up in the Air (CD), 2004; When All Is Said and Done (CD), 2005; One Night Stand (DVD), 2005; Seanchas (CD), 2010; Buan (CD), 2015; and Ten Thousand Miles (CD), 2018.
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