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CHERISH THE LADIES TO BRING THE TRADITIONS OF IRELAND TO THE CAPITOL THEATRE

**"It is simply impossible to imagine an audience that wouldn't enjoy what they do."
- *Boston Globe***

"An astonishing array of virtuosity."- *The Washington Post*

**"Expands the annals of Irish music in America...the music is passionate, tender, and
rambunctious." - *The New York Times***

Celebrating 25 years as the most successful and sought-after Irish-American group in Celtic music history, Cherish the Ladies share their timeless Irish traditions passed down from fathers to daughters. The all-female ensemble's spectacular blend of virtuosi instrumental talents, beautiful vocals, captivating arrangements, and stunning step dancing showcases all the facets of traditional Irish culture and puts it forth in an immensely humorous and entertaining package.

CAPA presents Cherish the Ladies at 8pm on Friday, December 9, at the Capitol Theatre (77 S. High St.). Tickets are \$25 and \$30 at the Ohio Theatre Ticket Office (39 E. State St.), all Ticketmaster outlets, and www.ticketmaster.com. To purchase by phone, please call (614) 469-0939 or (800) 745-3000. Students between the ages of 13-19 may purchase \$5 High Five tickets while available.

Organized by folklorist/musician Mick Moloney and sponsored by the Ethnic Folk Arts Center and the National Endowment for the Arts, Cherish the Ladies began as a concert series featuring the brightest lights in Irish traditional music. Taking their name from the name of a traditional Irish jig, the group initially won recognition as the first and only all-women traditional Irish band. In a relatively short time, they soon established themselves as musicians and performers without peer and have won thousands of fans.

The past years have seen the group travel all over North and South America, Europe, Australia, New Zealand, and the UK performing in the finest concert halls and international festivals. They

are equally at home in front of a symphony orchestra, a performing arts center, a folk festival, and even the White House.

They have been named Best Musical Group of the Year by the BBC, Top North American Celtic Group at the Irish Music Awards, Entertainment Group of the Year by the *Irish Voice Newspaper*, chosen the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall's International Group of the Year at the Celtic Connections Festival in Scotland, and voted Top North American Celtic act by NPR Radio's "Thistle and Shamrock."

They have shared the stage with such noted entertainers as James Taylor, Joan Baez, Emmy Lou Harris, The Clancy Brothers, Tommy Makem, The Chieftains, and dozens of symphony orchestras. *Celtic Album*, their collaboration with the Boston Pops Symphony, earned them a 1999 Grammy nomination.

Cherish the Ladies have recorded 12 highly acclaimed albums, many of which were released to rave reviews and chosen as one of the top Albums of the Year by *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *The Village Voice*, and many other nationally syndicated newspapers. The group has appeared on "CBS This Morning," "Good Morning America," "Evening at Pops," C-Span, PBS, and National Public Radio in the US, and on BBC and RTE radio and television overseas. At the Summer Olympics in Atlanta, they were chosen to represent Irish music and culture at the Official Cultural Olympiad.

www.CherishTheLadies.com

CALENDAR LISTING

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Owner/operator of downtown Columbus' magnificent, historic theatres (Ohio Theatre, Palace Theatre, Southern Theatre) and manager of the Riffe Center Theatre Complex, Lincoln Theatre, and Shubert Theater (New Haven, CT), CAPA is a not-for-profit, award-winning presenter of national and international performing arts and entertainment in operation for more than 40 years. For more information, visit www.capa.com.

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