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The Mann Center and AEG Live Present Celtic Woman

*Celebrating 75 Years of Live Music in the Park:
Irish Music Sensation To Perform "Songs from the Heart" on July 31*

PHILADELPHIA, July 12, 2010 – Celtic Woman, a smash hit around the globe, returns to The Mann Center for the Performing Arts with an all new show for 2010 Saturday, July 31.

Celtic Woman

Celtic Woman continues to delight live audiences with what critics are calling an “uplifting” and “beyond captivating” concert experience. “Songs From the Heart,” (Manhattan Records) the group’s fifth CD and DVD, debuted at #1 on Billboard’s World Music Chart and #9 on Billboard’s Top 200. In addition, the companion live concert DVD hit #1 on both the U.S. and Canadian Billboard Top Music DVD Charts. Musical Director David Downes beautifully captures the pure essence of Celtic Woman showcasing the celestial sounds of vocalists Lisa Kelly, Chloë Agnew and Lynn Hilary along with the dynamic inventiveness of Celtic violinist Máiréad Nesbitt.

During the 2010 tour, fans have the opportunity to experience Celtic Woman's most dazzling production yet, moving seamlessly between Irish classics, contemporary covers and original compositions featuring renditions of Jimmy Webb's "The Moon's a Harsh Mistress," Billy Joel's "Goodnight My Angel," "Amazing Grace" with world champion bagpiper Anthony Byrne, Irish classics "My Lagan Love" and "Galway Bay," as well as a new favorite "Níl Sé'n Lá." The tour also includes an original composition, “Songs from the Heart,” which was written specifically for this tour and has not yet been recorded.

In just five short years, this unique all-female ensemble continues to have mainstream success without the aid of traditional sales drivers such as radio or video airplay. No other group of this particular adult contemporary genre can claim 5 million albums sold, two top 10 album debuts on the Billboard Top 200, three gold and platinum albums, four Top 5 Releases on the Billboard Top Video chart and a million concert tickets sold. They have succeeded by connecting directly to fans via their Public Television specials and their frequent touring, and those fans have responded by sharing the Celtic Woman experience with friends and loved ones.

A true celebration of Ireland with an unforgettable signature style, don't miss an "evening of spectacular entertainment." (*Kalamazoo Gazette*)

Tickets for this event are \$70, \$60, \$50, Lawn \$30.

This performance begins at 8:00 PM.

For detailed ticket information, call 215.893.1999, visit the Mann Center box office at 52nd and Parkside Avenue in Fairmount Park, or buy online: www.manncenter.org, www.ticketphiladelphia.com or www.ticketmaster.com. For ticket package information, call 215.893.1955 or visit www.manncenter.org.

Editor's Note: High res jpegs available for download at www.ontourpr.com

About AEG Live

AEG Live, the live-entertainment division of Los Angeles-based AEG, is dedicated to all aspects of live contemporary music performance. AEG Live is comprised of touring, festival, exhibition, broadcast, merchandise and special event divisions, fifteen regional offices, and thirty state-of-the-art venues. The company is currently producing tours and productions including Bette Midler "The Showgirl Must Go On" and Cher at The Colosseum at Caesars Palace and Supernatural Santana: A Trip Through the Hits at The Joint at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, The Color Purple and The Pee Wee Herman Show. The concert tour roster includes artists such as Taylor Swift, Leonard Cohen, Bon Jovi, Celine Dion, Miley Cyrus, Britney Spears, Kenny Chesney, Pink, Paul McCartney, KISS, American Idols Live, So You Think You Can Dance, Daughtry, Carrie Underwood and Justin Bieber. AEG Live is the largest producer of music festivals in North America from the critically acclaimed Coachella Music & Arts Festival to Stagecoach and New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival. For more information, go to www.aeglive.com.

ABOUT THE MANN CENTER

Accessible, attractive, festive and fun, The Mann Center for the Performing Arts presents diverse, world class entertainment in a casually elegant and relaxing setting at affordable prices. The venue underwent extensive renovations in 2007, enhancing the uniquely wonderful Mann Center experience for its 173,000 visitors annually.

The summer home of the Philadelphia Orchestra since the 1930's, The Mann Center for the Performing Arts, located in Philadelphia's beautiful Fairmount Park, continues its rich tradition as Delaware Valley's premiere outdoor cultural arts center. Concerts and programs encompass all musical genres from pop, jazz, r & b, rock and contemporary, to dance theater, opera and classical. Dine under the stars at Stephen Starr's Crescendo, our tented restaurant overlooking the spectacular Philadelphia skyline, or spread out a picnic blanket on the lush lawn of the Mann. There are several bars and concession stands for food and beverages as well as an Encore booth for concert keepsakes.

To make reservations at Crescendo, please call 267.886.1475.

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