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## Ciarán Sheehan Returns to the Capital Region

November 20, 7:30PM

Dublin-born Broadway star (The Phantom of the Opera) [Ciarán Sheehan](#) brings his amazing talent back to the Capital Region for a night of traditional Irish songs, Broadway tunes, and a touch of the holiday spirit -- accompanied by an ensemble cast of Broadway musicians and performers at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 7:30 PM, Friday, November 20 -- a fundraiser for the [Irish American Heritage Museum](#).

All seats are reserved tickets through the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Box Office: call [\(518\) 273-0038](#), order online [here](#) or, purchase them at the Box Office at 30 Second Street, Troy, NY 12180. Tickets are \$25, \$30 and a special \$75 "Meet the Stars" ticket that includes a Box Seat and a "Private Galway Reception" before the show to meet Ciarán Sheehan and the stars of the concert.



## Skeleton at the Feast -- The Famine Poetry of Lady Wilde

November 7, 2PM



Join the Irish American Heritage Museum and [Dr. Amy Martin](#) of Mount Holyoke College as she examines the famine poetry of Lady Wilde (mother of Oscar). Dr. Martin will discuss how Lady Wilde represented the famine as an unnatural disaster.

She will then look at how Irish nationalists took up some of the images in her poems to write about famine in other parts of the world, as well as emigration.

## Sessions at the Museum

November 6, 7PM

Anyone who's traveled to Ireland knows the magic of joining in an impromptu session at a pub. Or, if you grew up in a music- and story loving family, you know the joy that comes from getting together and making your own fun. Everyone knows a song, a story or a joke - and with no false modesty, and no shyness, everybody shares their "party piece" to create a warm and happy evening.

Painting by Kevin McKrell.

The IAHM is happy to offer its own sessions. Starting Nov. 6, from 7 - 9 p.m., everyone is welcome. No professional musical or storytelling experience required (although pros are certainly welcome!). All you need is a song you're willing to sing - here's betting we'll all join in - a story to tell, a joke to share, a guitar to strum, a tin whistle to play, or a step to dance.

What better way to spend a chilly evening than in the warmth of a shared session? We hope you'll join us!

## Seanachie Evenings: The Storycrafters

**November 13, 7PM**

Barry Marshall, and Jeri Burns, PhD, have been working together as [The Storycrafters](#)



since 1991, and have been storytellers for even longer than that. In addition to being nationally renowned storytellers, they are award-winning radio show hosts, recording artists, and writers. They perform and teach their art form in schools, libraries, and other venues all over the US and the British Isles. They have been featured performers at storytelling and folk festivals nationally and internationally.

The Storycrafters have been recognized nationally and locally, from the prestigious Oppenheim Toy Portfolio Platinum Award and Parents Choice Awards, for their storytelling

recordings, to Artists of the Year in their county. Their family radio show, "Just Imagine" has been showered with awards from the NYS Broadcasters' Association. Publishers' Weekly describes them as 'top-notch family entertainment.' Admission is \$5 for members and 10 for non-members.

### [IAHM Winter Bus Trip](#)

#### **St. Patrick's, Shopping and Irish Rep**

Join the Museum for a bus trip to New York City on Thursday, December 3.

Enjoy a fun-filled day as we take part in a visit at the completely renovated St. Patrick's Cathedral, stop at Bryant Park for lunch /shopping, and then top the day off with a play at The Irish Repertory Theatre where a production of Dylan Thomas' [A Child's Christmas in Wales](#) is featured. Cost is \$130 per person (meals not included) and is a benefit for the Museum. For reservations please call [518-427-1916](tel:518-427-1916).



## CALENDAR

**Note :** For events at the [Museum](#), free street parking after 5 PM on weekdays and all day on weekends. Please do not park in the private lots behind the Museum.

**On Display at the Museum: *Fame, Fortune, and Sweet Liberty*** is an exhibition that explores the story of the Irish in America across four centuries and in all its complexity. Above all, it looks at how, in each phase of America's historical development and across different fields of human endeavor, the Irish have left an imprint on American life that is indelible. This exhibit is on loan directly from the Irish government and will be on display through November.

**November 1** - Albany County LAOH and AOH Memorial Mass for deceased members. 9AM. Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas (formerly St. Patrick's), 273 Central Ave., Albany, NY



**November 5** - Richard Connors Albany History Luncheon. "The Rise of the O'Connell Machine in Albany," presented by Jack McEneny. 12 Noon. Capital District Irish American Associate 375 Ontario St., Albany, NY 12208

**November 6** - Sessions at the Irish American Heritage Museum. 7PM. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207. Free

**November 7** - Skeleton at the Feast --The Famine Poetry of Lady Wilde. 2PM. Irish American Heritage Museum, 370 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207. Free

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