



### **Tagline**

Take a spirited trip across the Emerald Isle when authentic Irish music, dance and storytelling join forces with the lush sounds of the orchestra to revive the majesty and charm of Celtic culture. “Danny Boy,” “Galway Bay” and “The Last Rose of Summer” never sounded so moving and magnificent.

### **Description**

*Celtic Journey* is a symphonic presentation of traditional Irish music, story, song, and dance. Taking a journey through time, the program features time-honored Irish marches, reels, jigs, and ballads with arrangements especially created to showcase the sound of the orchestra. A company of Irish musicians, dancers, and storyteller join with the orchestra to offer audiences a lively and stirring performance of beloved music and dance from Celtic culture.

### ***Celtic Journey* Cast**

The artists of *Celtic Journey* include virtuosos of the fiddle, uilleann pipes, accordion and guitar, plus one singer, two dancers, and storyteller. At its option, the orchestra may use the *Celtic Journey* conductor or its own conductor. In addition, each orchestra may invite its local Irish dance troupe to participate in the program, connecting the orchestra to its community in a new and refreshing way.

### **Review**

*Omaha World Herald*, Sunday, March 6, 2016: [Symphony takes lively go at Irish culture](#)

### **Quotes from the Review**

“*Celtic Journey*, debuted by the Omaha Symphony to frequent ovations Saturday night, will take its place as one of the most ebullient programs in the orchestra’s Holland Performing Arts Center decade.”

“The show... samples the enticing depth and breadth of Irish culture – its dances, ballads, and storytelling – with a host of inviting guides accompanying Gilmore’s frantically joyous fiddling in the Celtic style.”

“Another *Celtic Journey*... would be well-received any time of year.”

### **Testimony from Concertgoers**

“This journey was awesome! Susanna Perry Gilmore is a jewel! Her talent is mind blowing. The show was more than I expected. Tom, the storyteller, was perfect for the show. The other artists, dancers and singers made the evening compete.”

“It was an amazing show tonight! I'm going again tomorrow!”

“Absolutely wonderful concert!”

“I loved it. The dancers were fabulous. Of course the symphony was great as usual.”

“It was a wonderful concert. Got my Irish stirred.”