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Sunspot Concerts at the Lyceum

Aoife Clancy

Friday, March 31. 8 PM

\$25 advance/\$27 door

Aoife Clancy (pronounced "Eefa") was a regular at the old Washington Irish Festival when she was lead singer for Cherish the Ladies, but we haven't had many chances to see her here recently. We are very pleased that she's agreed to come to the Lyceum for a show this March.

Aoife brings a refreshing new voice to folk music, one that ranges from traditional Irish songs to ballads and contemporary folk. Aoife comes from the small town of Carrick-on-Suir, in Co Tipperary, Ireland, where her musical career began at an early age. Her father Bobby Clancy of the legendary Clancy Brothers, placed a guitar in her hands at age ten, and by age fourteen Aoife was playing with her father in nearby pubs.

In 1995 Aoife was asked to join the acclaimed group "Cherish the Ladies", which is one of the most sought-after Irish-American groups in history. For five years Aoife toured extensively, doing no less than two hundred shows a year throughout the United States and Europe. She has been a featured soloist with orchestras such as the Boston Pops and Cincinnati Pops and, while performing with Cherish the Ladies, collaborated with the Boston Pops on their Grammy nominated Celtic album.

With seven recordings under her belt, Aoife has clearly established herself as one of the Divas of Irish and contemporary Folk Music. She has recorded three solo projects "It's about Time," "Soldiers and Dreams" and "Silvery Moon." Aoife always presents traditional favorites along with renditions of contemporary songs.

Mike Jackson (Canberra Times) remarked, "She has a breadth of styles that make her concerts fascinating. Her singing would melt packed ice with its warmth and richness." Al Riess (Dirty Linen magazine) wrote: "Soldiers and Dreams has a contemporary-meets-traditional-music feel and Clancy's smooth, expressive singing works both ways--ensuring a successful merger of the two approaches and an enjoyable listening pleasure".

About the Sunspot Concert Series

The Sunspot series showcases performers from the United States and around the globe, representing all styles of traditional and folk music. Sunspot's primary venue is the 130-seat Lecture Hall at The Lyceum, Alexandria's city museum. With no seat more than five rows from the stage, The Lyceum is an ideal meeting place for artists and audiences to share a unique musical experience.

**Tickets on sale at www.sunspotpro.com and at all concerts.
Shows at The Lyceum, 201 South Washington St, Alexandria, Virginia**

