

# Traditional Irish House Concert

## Aurora Burd & friends

Friday May 21<sup>st</sup> 8pm  
Des Moines, WA



Aurora Burd discovered her love of traditional Irish music upon moving to Seattle. She enjoys listening to (and playing along with) recordings of Clare-based fiddlers such as Paddy Canny, P.J. Hayes, James Kelly, and Martin Hayes. Several years ago she was drawn to the slow airs, since these beautiful melodies are older than most reels and jigs. In 2008 and 2009 she competed at the All-Ireland Fleadh (the Fleadh Cheoil na hEireann) in Tullamore, Ireland, where in 2009 she placed second in the Fiddle Slow Air competition.



Leo Mac Namara hails from Scariff, a town on the shores of Lough Derg in the eastern part of County Clare. It's steeped in Irish traditional music and is considered by many as the heart and home of the music. His style is rooted in East Clare but incorporates elements of Roscommon and Sligo, with a strong focus on the rhythm of the music. He started playing tin whistle when he was six years old, listened to the Bothy Band when he was eight, and moved on to the flute at age ten. He grew up knowing and playing with such great musicians as P.J. Hayes, Paddy Canny, Martin Hayes, Martin Woods, Martin Rochford, Peadar O'Loughlin, and Christy Barry. He is the flute player with the All-Star Clare Ceili Band and teaches flute & whistle.



Colm MacCárthaigh is a Dublin native who recently moved to Seattle. He is a multi-instrumentalist that has accompanied many musicians and singers on tour and in the studio. He honors the rich heritage of Irish music while adding his own personal touches. Colm is one of those rare guitarists who is as comfortable breaking into an intricate, careful melody as a thundering choppy beat.



**House Concert: Fri May 21 8pm, \$15/adult \$5/youth for Aurora Burd & Friends:**

Its limited seating at this Des Moines WA venue ( west of SeaTac airport). So don't delay – get your seats now before its sold out! There will be a no host appetizer bar prior to the acoustic concert for noshing and a limited selection of beverages available onsite. Or bring your beverage of choice from home. Irish house concerts are an informal gathering of friends – as if you've invited the musicians into your own living room.

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