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Rocking Celtic Band Gaelic Storm Returns to Wisconsin Union Theater

Rocking Celtic band [Gaelic Storm](#) returns to the Wisconsin Union Theater after playing to an enthusiastic sold-out crowd in 2011. The concert will be Friday, February 17, 2012, at 8pm. General admission tickets are \$32 for the general public and \$28 for Union members and UW-Madison faculty and staff. As always, tickets for UW-Madison students are only \$10 with valid ID. Call the Box Office at 608-265-ARTS (2787), fax your order at 608-265-5084, buy [online](#), or purchase in person at the Campus Arts Ticketing box office in Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St. or Vilas Hall, 821 University Ave.

[Gaelic Storm](#) is back in full-force with their newest album, “Cabbage.” The record held the #1 position on the Billboard World Music Album Chart for three consecutive weeks in 2010. ‘Cabbage’ is the follow up to their 2008 independent release, “What’s The Rumpus?” which debuted at #1 on the Billboard World Chart. Gaelic Storm found their big breakthrough as the Celtic party band in James Cameron’s [Titanic](#), and has since amassed a large, loyal and ever-growing following. After three Billboard Chart topping studio albums on Virgin/EMI early on, the band has flourished in an extreme DIY fashion; they’ve created an indie model for the new music industry that knows its identity and audience, and stays in close contact with its fans.

As many hundreds of thousands of record buyers and live music lovers know, Gaelic Storm is “a whirlwind ruckus” (*Village Voice*) that tours over two hundred days per year and plays high-energy, foot-stomping, feel-good music. Expect to get up and dance. As guitarist-singer Steve Twigger relates, “We are first and foremost a live band. We got together to play music. To enjoy ourselves and enjoy being out with the audience. As the world has gotten darker, people have come and found us as a means to escape.” “Cabbage” is further testament to the band’s contagious energy, combining influences from rock, bluegrass, Jamaican, African and Middle Eastern music that may surprise those expecting purely traditional Celtic music. The quintet’s new release once again showcases Gaelic Storm’s signature acoustic sound with a brand new batch of crafted story-songs and driving instrumentals.

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