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ALAN KELLY GANG: “A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH”

On February 28, 2014, at 8PM, the Wisconsin Union Theater is pleased to present the Alan Kelly Gang at the Sett, Union South. More information is available by calling the Box Office at 608-265-ARTS (2787). Tickets are: $22 General Public, $19 Wisconsin Union Member, UW-Madison Faculty & Staff, and Non UW-Madison Student (with ID), and $10 UW-Madison Student (with ID). Youth tickets are $14 with the purchase of an adult ticket (limit 2 per
Known for being the man who “made the piano accordion hip again,” (Folk Roots), Alan Kelly has been making waves in the traditional Irish music scene for more than 20 years. Despite the band’s name, Kelly doesn’t see himself as the frontman - all four members collaborate on writing and arranging the music. The band’s latest album, Small Towns and Famous Nights, features three songs by their flautist/singer Steph Geremia, an ex-pat who found her true home in Ireland after studying the bansuri (a bamboo flute) in India.

The group has delighted audiences around the world, performing in festivals from Switzerland to Winnipeg. The current members, who have been playing together since 2012, each brings an impressive musical history to the table - guitarist Tony Byrne performed with Bela Fleck and Sharon Shannon before joining the Alan Kelly Gang, and fiddler Alasdair White has been onstage since he was 18, playing a range of instruments including the banjo, whistle, mandolin, and bouzouki.

Heralded as “a force to be reckoned with” (R2/RocknReel) with “world class talent,” (Irish World) this Irish band will have you up and dancing your winter blues away. Why wait until St. Patrick's Day to get in touch with your inner O'Malley?

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