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Traditional Irish ensemble celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Wilson Center

Brookfield, WI (February 19, 2010) One of the leading traditional Irish ensembles of today, **Danú**, makes a two-night appearance at the **Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts** at **8:00 pm on Friday March 12 and Saturday March 13**. Hailing from historic County Waterford, Danú's standing-room only concerts throughout Ireland feature high-energy performances and a mix of ancient Irish music and new repertoire. Ticket prices are **\$48–\$25; groups of 10 or more \$35–\$25**. For more information or tickets call **(262) 781-9520** or visit wilson-center.com.

For over a decade, Danú's virtuosi players on flute, tin whistle, fiddle, button accordion, bouzouki, and vocals (Irish and English), have performed around the globe and recorded seven critically acclaimed albums. Their live DVD, *One Night Stand*, was filmed at Vicar St. Dublin. Winners of numerous awards from the BBC and *Irish Music Magazine*, Danú has toured throughout Europe, the Middle East, and North America with stops at The Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles, Symphony Space in New York City, and major concert engagements in the United Kingdom, India, Israel, and across Europe. Danú takes its audiences on a musical journey to their native Ireland offering a moving and memorable concert experience. Danú's popular recordings are available on the Shanachie label and live performances are often broadcast on NPR, the CBC, and the BBC.

Members of Danú include: **Muireann Nic Amhlaóibh**, lead vocals, flute and whistles; **Benny McCarthy**, button accordion; **Oisín McAuley**, fiddle and backing vocals; **Eamon Doorley**, Irish bouzouki; **Donal Clancy**, guitar; and **Martin O'Neill**, bodhrán (Irish drum).

Danú's performance takes place in the 619-seat Kuttemperoor Auditorium; part of the Wilson Center Performing Arts Series presented by Haack Ventures and Investors Bank. Tickets are \$48–\$25; group rates start at \$25.

Photographs of Danú are available for print and web.

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Attention Calendar Editors

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The Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts is a non-profit, multi-disciplinary cultural arts center that offers performances by regional and touring groups, arts education, and an art gallery with changing exhibits. The Center nurtures lifelong learning through innovative programs and classes for all interests, ages, and abilities in state-of-the-art studios and classrooms. Some of Southeast Wisconsin's finest arts organizations offer professional instruction at the Wilson Center, including Danceworks, Inc., First Stage Theater Academy, and the Wisconsin Conservatory of Music. Wisconsin fine artists are showcased at the Hidden River Art Festival in September and in the Ploch Art Gallery with five exhibitions each year. **The Wilson Center for the Arts is just minutes west of Milwaukee, nestled in Brookfield's Mitchell Park south of 198th & Capitol Drive. For information about the Wilson Center call (262)781-9470.**

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