

BIOGRAPHY

Na Skylark is a Kentucky based band, performing Irish music on Ireland's national instruments, the Irish harp and flute, tin whistle, and Uilleann pipes. And staying true to their Kentucky roots, the mountain dulcimer is also a mainstay in arrangements.

Lorinda Jones and Cathy Wilde are the foundation of *Na Skylark* and are "relaxed and charming as they share the heritage of Irish music." Their audiences enjoy the passion and knowledge about their instruments, as well as the history of the songs and composers of both instrumental airs, dance tunes and traditional songs.

Lorinda and Cathy have been performing music together for many years in a variety of settings from informal Irish jam sessions to weddings, community theater and house concert series, traditional music festivals and special events for children and adults in schools and church.

Lorinda, performing on Celtic Harp and Mountain Dulcimer, has earned degrees in both music education and music therapy. As a member of the Kentucky Center's Arts in Healing program, she brings her music to places of healing and as a board certified music therapist, provides services for older adults with Alzheimer's and dementia, as well as programs for adults and children with developmental disabilities. While teaching and performing at festivals and camps, Lorinda travels across the United States sharing her love for traditional American and Celtic music. She is the artistic director of the Heartland Dulcimer Club and Heartland Harps Ensemble.

Cathy began her music journey on the classical flute. During her first visit to Ireland, she bought a tin whistle. So began a lifelong obsession with the music of Ireland, Scotland, Brittany, and Galicia. Later, Cathy took up the wooden simple-system flute, now known as "Irish flute," and in learning that discovered her true instrument of passion, the Irish Uilleann ("elbow" or "union" in Irish) bagpipes. Cathy is well-known in the Louisville area as the "jam master" at Irish sessions, as well as a member of Louisville's distinguished "greengrass" band, Cloigheann.

Lorinda and Cathy are occasionally joined by fiddler, Larry Green. Larry's experience playing and teaching Irish fiddle at home and abroad, as well as accompanying Irish step and ceili dancers, contributes to a trio with a perfect blend of authentic Irish music, played much the way you'd expect to find it in the most out-of-the-way shebeen.

"Their program of harp and pipe music was beautiful and uplifting, a truly delightful evening and a lovely holiday memory."

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EVENT HISTORY

Children's Summer Concert Series Grand Theater Frankfort, Kentucky June 16, 2015

Spring Concert Series UK Medical Center Lexington, Kentucky May 6, 2015

Glasgow Musicale Concert Series Glasgow Country Club Glasgow, Kentucky April 11, 2015

Evensong Concert Series Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Brandenburg, Kentucky March 15, 2015

Residential Concert Programming Atria Assisted Living, St. Matthews Louisville, Kentucky March 12, 2015

Yule Ya'll The Bard's Town Louisville, Kentucky December 5-6, 2015

Celtic Christmas The Carnegie Concert Series Covington, Kentucky December 4, 2015

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TECH RIDER

Lorinda

Vocal Mic X

XLR line for Pre-amp X 3/4 inch plug line for harp and dulcimer X X

XLR line for phantom powered lapel mic for dulcimer X

Cathy

Vocal Mic X

Instrumental mic X

Larry

Vocal mic X

Instrumental mic X



REVIEWS

Na Shylarks' Celtic music program provided a beautiful afternoon of music with a variety of songs and the perfect combination of instruments immensely enjoyed by our audience. Her program brought in our largest attendance in our monthly concert series.

Gary Pope Holy Trinity Church Brandenburg, KY Third Sunday Evensong Concerts

Just returned home from a concert by the Chattering Magpies at the Carnegie Center in Covington. What a delightful concert. Lorinda Jones and Cathy Wilde were relaxed and charming as they shared the heritage of Irish music. What a wonderful way to spend a dreary night. Thank you! Looking forward to the next time.

Mary Heiss Morrow Retired Music Educator Covington, Ky.

The *Na Skylark* performing group provided a splendid musical program for the Glasgow Musicale on April 11th, 2015 at the Glasgow Country Club, for the Glasgow Musicale "Spring Brunch". The performers provided an overview of Music therapy as a profession, and even demonstrated a technique commonly used to encourage participation. The performers played Celtic harp, Irish bagpipes and flutes, as well as violin and dulcimer. The music choices were very relaxing, as well as upbeat. The performers also provided a history behind some of the songs they played. The *Na Skylark* have a unique sound and provide educational information about their music as well as the growing field of music therapy.

Tambra Cambron Glasgow Musicale President 2014-2015