

## **SUNDAY 30 JUNE & TUESDAY 2 JULY**

Riverdance 25th Anniversary Show

**Duration**: 2 hours 3 minutes

Stage Director John McColgan Director & Producer
Chris Hunt

Music by Bill Whelan

On 9th February 1995, the first performance of Riverdance was given in Dublin's biggest indoor venue, then known as The Point. It went on to be seen by over 27 million people, and changed the face of Irish dancing forever, making it popular worldwide.

A powerful and stirring celebration for it's Grammy winning score and the thrilling energy and passion of its Irish and international dance.

Riverdance, features a Irish folk dances and Irish folk music, linked together by a narrative which shows the progression of the Irish people from settlers to nationhood, to cultural cross-fertilisation with other civilisations, to the tragedy of poverty causing mass emigration, then to a final triumphant return. There are elements of flamenco, Russian dance, New York tap and Indian dance forms among the Irish dances, and musical interludes that give a pause for breath from the dizzying speed and execution of the dancers, ranging from haunting and evocative to joyful and virtuosic.

- 1. Reel Around the Sun
- 2. The Heart's Cry
- 3. The Countess Cathleen/Women of the Sidhe
- 4. Caoineadh Cú Chulainn
- 5. Firedance
- 6. Shivna
- 7. Slip Into Spring/The Harvest
- 8. Riverdance
- 9. American Wake (The Nova Scotia Set)

- 10. Lift The Wings
- 11. Trading Taps
- 12. Macedonian Morning
- 13. Marta's Dance/The Russian Dervish
- 14. Andalucía
- 15. Traditional Set
- 16. Heartland
- 17. Home and the Heartland



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