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**JOE HURLEY'S 11TH ANNUAL ALL-STAR IRISH ROCK REVUE
"THE GREAT IRISH SONGBOOK"**

w/ Joe Hurley & The Gents & A CAST of 1000s

Saturday March 13th, Highline Ballroom

431 W 16th St (between 9th & 10th)

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Doors Open 6:00 pm

Show 6:30pm-11:00 pm

Tix \$20

VIP Reserved seating \$30

THIS IS AN ALL-AGES EVENT!

New York, NY: Joe Hurley's 11th Annual All-Star Irish Rock Revue will be held this year, for one-night-only, at NYC's stunning **HIGHLINE BALLROOM**, on Saturday, March 13th!

"Joe Hurley's Irish-Rock-A-Palooza receives rave reviews every year as the biggest St Pat's Party in town-Hurley himself is revered for his soulful Shane MacGowan-esque baritone" *NEW YORK MAGAZINE*

Here's what to expect: **A PADDY ROCK & ROLL CIRCUS!** Every year during the St Patrick's season, NYC singer/songwriter Joe Hurley salutes his Irish heritage with a blazing extravaganza of performers and songs that celebrate Ireland's musical gifts to the world - **The All-Star Irish Rock Revue.**

Gathering friends from **NYC punk-rock legends** to **Broadway stars**, from best-selling novelists to **star comedians** -- from **Rock & Roll Hall-Of-Famers** to **downtown luminaries** -- from **visiting Irish entertainers** to **up and coming local singers**, the performers all dive into Hurley's vision of **'The Great Irish Songbook'**, backed by The Revue's sublime **All-Star band**, led by **MD Jon Spurney** (Passing Strange MD), **Mark Bosch-Guitar** (Ian Hunter), **Tony Shanahan-Bass** (Patti Smith), **Steve Goulding-Drums** (Mekons, Elvis Costello), **Kenny Margolis-accordion** (Cracker), **Megan Weeder-violin** and downtown's own **Tish & Snooky-backing vocals.**

Now entering it's second decade as a beloved NYC institution, **Hurley's All-Star Irish Rock Revue** is **"the biggest and best St. Pat's Musical event in New York"** *Irish Echo*

The guest singers rip through the classics of **Thin Lizzy, U2, Van Morrison, The Undertones, Sinead O'Connor, SLF, The Pogues, Declan MacManus, Boomtown Rats, John Lydon, Morrissey, The Dubliners, The Divine Comedy, The Chieftains, traditional gems** and much more. From The punk of the Undertones **"Teenage Kicks"** to the soul of Van Morrison's **"Domino"**; from the pure rock bliss of Thin Lizzy's **"The Boys are Back In Town"** and U2's **"I Will Follow"** to the poetry of the Pogues' **"Sally MacLennan"** -- the songs of the Irish are sung by an incredibly electric and extraordinary group of performers.

Hosted by **Joe Hurley** and **Ed Rogers**, the IRR kicks off at 7:00 pm sharp. **DJ GAZ** of **EAST VILLAGE RADIO** spins Irish artists between sets. And, **UK comic legend Stephen Frost** is flying in to perform and help out with hosting duties.

Early confirmed performers include Country star **Laura Cantrell**, Indie-Rock icon **Steve Wynn**, **Steve Conte** (NY Dolls, Crazy Truth), **Ivan Julian** (Voidoids/Matthew Sweet/Clash), **Ellen Foley** ("Stop Right there" of 'Paradise by The Dashboard Light'), **Willie Nile**, **Garland Jeffreys**, UK comic **Stephen Frost**, Tony-Winner **Michael Cerveris**, SNL's **Christine Ohlman**, soul-legend **Tami**

Lynn (Exile on Main St/ Dr John) Downtown chanteuses **Marni Rice, Mary Lee Kortez, Lisa Burns, Tricia Scotti & Lianne Smith, Ed Rogers, Sheryl Marshall** (Dusty Gals/Buster Poindexter), Broadway and film star **Antonique Smith, Dave Kincaid** (The Brandos), **Tony Shanahan** (Patti Smith), **James Mastro** (Ian Hunter/Patti Smith), producer **Don Fleming** (Sonic Youth, Teenage Fanclub), **Alice & Alex** (ex Modrocket), **2009 National Book Award Winner Colum McCann, 2010 Oscar Nominee Sam Bisbee, Seth Adam, Faith Hahn, John S Hall(King Missile), Adam Roth (Denis Leary, JIM CARROLL) Reni Lane, James Noone** and many more TBA shortly. There will also be some very special guests announced week of show! Previous 'surprise performers' have included **Ronnie Spector, Fountains of Wayne and STEW.**

THIS IS AN ALL-AGES SHOW! Bring the kids!

Tributes will be paid to three magnificent Irish and Irish-American artists that we've recently lost: **FRANK McCOURT, LIAM CLANCY and JIM CARROLL.**

PLEASE NOTE: **This year's IRR will end at 11:00 pm**, so come early, have dinner, and enjoy the show! There will be an official after-party for all ticket-holders TBA at venue.

T-SHIRT COLLECTIONS FOR THE PEOPLE OF HAITI

We encourage everyone to bring a gently-used or new T-Shirt to donate to the people of Haiti Where-To-Turn.org has set a goal of 50,000 t-shirts to bring to Haiti, and they are well on their way! They will have a booth for clothing drop-offs. Donate a t-shirt and receive a raffle ticket. Cool prizes await!

"Anything can happen, and usually does, at The IRISH ROCK REVUE" NEW YORK POST

Joe Hurley, per tradition, kicks off the proceedings at **6:30pm**. Called **'One of NY's most entertaining frontmen -- his distinctive vocals can be as raucous as all get-out and as sorrowful as a baritone can be....Hurley is the best singer of vowels in rock'** by the *Village Voice*, Hurley has released many critically acclaimed CDs and is featured on the SONY release **"Whiskey in the Jar: Essential Irish Drinking Songs"** with his ballad **"Amsterdam Mistress"**, alongside classics from the Pogues, the Dubliners and the Clancys. His band of Gents includes **James Mastro** (Ian Hunter), Tony Shanahan, Kenny Margolis, **Denny Mcdermott** (Rosanne Cash, David Johansen) **Megan Weeder** and Jon Spurney.

Hurley and Irish Novelist **Colum McCann** recently released a CD-EP **"The House That Horse Built"** inspired by McCann's **2009 National Book Award Winning Novel "Let the Great World Spin."** The CD features **Paddy Moloney of THE CHIEFTAINS** -- Hurley and McCann are currently working on a full length CD of songs for the novel.

Hurley, a London-bred, Irish-Blooded New Yorker, has sung with a host of great folks including **THE CHIEFTAINS, Judy Collins, Sam Shepard, Nellie McKay, Laura Cantrell, Shane MacGowan, Marianne Faithfull, The Waco Bros, Andrea Marcovizzi and Maude Maggart.** The leader of two NYC groups, **Rogue's March**, and **Joe Hurley & The Gents**, Hurley has been produced on recordings by **Tony Visconti, PJ Harvey, Jimmy Harry, James Mastro & Don Fleming**, among others.

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"There's no shortage of people and places to avoid around St Patrick's Day, **but Joe Hurley's All-Star Irish Rock Revue is not an event to be missed!** The Annual concert sees host band Joe Hurley and Rogue's March share a stage with members of the New York Dolls, The Dictators and The Patti Smith Band. They'll all cover songs of Irish musicians such as U2, Thin Lizzy, and Van Morrison."

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