

"THE BEGGARMEN ARE OUT TO CHANGE THE WAY PEOPLE LISTEN TO CELTIC MUSIC. AND THEY'RE DOING IT RIGHT."

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# The BEGGARMEN

In 2016 The Beggarmen are celebrating their fifteenth year as one of the Midwest's top Irish bands. Since their first performance at a small pub in Iowa the band has gone on to headline at festivals and concert halls. Sporting eight instruments between them, as well as fine voices, they bring a captivating sincerity to the music. Known for fierce playing of jigs, reels and lively songs, The Beggarmen have also made a name for themselves with their elegant, layered arrangements of the beautiful, slow airs and laments that have breathed such long life into Irish music. The Beggarmen also add original music to the tradition, much of which is featured on their three CD's.

## A partial list of performance venues:

### Performing Arts Centers

**The Gallagher Bluedorn** – Cedar Falls, IA  
(1680 seat capacity)  
Opened for Boys of the Lough

**The Englert Theatre** – Iowa City, IA (725 seat capacity)  
Headlined twice, Opened for Dervish

**Coralville Performing Arts Center** – Coralville, IA (472 seat capacity)  
Headlined twice

### Festivals

**Celtic Festival and Highland Games of the Quad Cities**  
Main stage performer twice

**Erin Feis** – Peoria, IL

**Quad Cities Irish Festival** – Moline, IL  
Main stage performer three times

**Iowa Arts Festival** – Iowa City, IA  
Main stage performer

**Landfall Festival** – Cedar Rapids, IA

**Donnybrook in the Park Festival** – Hanover, IL  
Main stage performer three times

### Live Radio

**The Java House** (Java Blend show KSUI radio)  
– Iowa City, IA (three times)

**Live From Studio One** (KUNI radio) – Cedar Falls, IA (three times)

### Other Venues

**Ballydoyle Pub** – Downers Grove, IL

**Celtic Knot** – Chicago, IL

**Galway Tribes Pub** – Frankfurt, IL

**Jameson's Pub** – Waterloo, IA

**Loras College** – Dubuque, IA (800 people)

**The Mill** – Iowa City, IA

**Mo Dailey's Pub** – Chicago, IL

**Quad Cities St. Patrick's Day Parade Bash** (Col Ballroom) – Davenport, IA  
Headlined three times (350 people)



"I Shall," 2005



"Newry Town," 2007



"A Soft Day," 2010  
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### Bookings:

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