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LEGENDARY IRISH SINGER MARY BLACK SET FOR FINAL TOUR OF THE UNITED STATES

Fall Concert Schedule Announced for U.S. Leg of "The Last Call Tour"

Ireland's foremost female singer Mary Black has set the U.S. leg of her "Last Call" tour for this fall, beginning October 23 at the Weinberg Centre in Frederick, Maryland. Considered Ireland's premiere female vocalist for more than 25 years, Black will be performing songs that span her lifelong and 11 album career during the three weeks of shows.



Black, who plans to retire from touring, began her final tour earlier in the year with concerts throughout the United Kingdom, Europe and Japan. Earlier this year, in a message to all of her fans posted on her website, she announced her plan for one more tour:

"Music has been so good to me, I've loved touring the world for the last 30 years... I have made so many friends and have countless fond memories from different corners of the globe. So to my fans everywhere I'd like to thank you and let you know that I hope to get back again to all my favourite places in 2014, for one final tour - 'The Last Call.'"

Le gach dea-ghui (with every good wish/prayer)" - Mary Black

Mary Black has released 11 album studio albums all of which have achieved platinum sales status and have included countless hits. She has shared stages, TV shows and recording studios with some of the most revered performers of our time. She has also played a frontline role in bringing Irish music, past and present, to an increasingly appreciative and ever-growing global audience.

Black last toured the U.S. two years ago in support of her most recent studio album, **STORIES FROM THE STEEPLES** on Blix Street Records, an album that received stellar reviews worldwide. Here's a sampling:

"*Stories from the Steeples* is a welcome return for one of contemporary folk music's finest voices and most original stylists; it is also a stand-out album in Black's solo catalog." - *allmusic.com*

"Mary's beautiful voice coupled with her unique ability to interpret the story of each song makes *Stories from the Steeples* an absolute treasure. Fans have been waiting six long years for a new album, and they will be over the moon about this one. This is a MUST HAVE album." - *Fanrealm.com*

"The interplay of joy and sadness, of love and violence, of pathos and humor heightens the tension and the tenderness. The intermingling of personal and political passion is essentially Irish." - *The International Review of Music*

Earlier this year, she has appeared with Judy Collins on her "Judy Collins Live in Ireland" special for PBS Television, recorded last fall at Dromoland Castle. The special is now available on both CD and DVD. Mary also appeared on the nationally-syndicated Woodsongs Old-Time Radio Hour, recorded in Dublin. That show is archived (www.woodsongs.com).

In an industry noted for its fickleness and its almost insatiable need for fresh novelties, Mary Black's enduring successes have proven that her depth of talent and her love of singing transcend the generations as well as national and musical boundaries.

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Mary Black's "Last Call" U.S. tour dates are as follows:

October 23-Weinberg Center, Frederick, MD;
24-Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA;
25-Birchmere Music Hall, Alexandria, VA;
26-City Winery, New York City;
28-Fitzgerald Theatre, St. Paul, MN;
30-Music Box Supper Club, Cleveland, OH;
31-City Winery, Chicago, IL:

November 1-Freight & Salvage, Berkeley, CA;
3-Harris Center for the Arts, Folsom, CA;
4-Benroya Hall, Seattle, WA;
6-Katharine Hepburn Center, Old Saybrook, CT;
7-Church of Sacred Heart, Southampton, NY;
8-Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA

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