



Laurence Nugent is a virtuoso All-Ireland winning champion of the flute and tin whistle from county Fermanagh in Northern Ireland.

What is an All-Ireland Champion? You have competed against hundreds of other world-class musicians and have been judged to be the finest. For an Irish musician winning one year is a major accomplishment. At this concert you will hear Laurence Nugent, a champion that has won multiple times. Laurence Nugent comes from the village of Lack in Co. Fermanagh, an area in the North of Ireland that is steeped in the traditional arts of music, singing and storytelling. He is considered one of the greatest practitioners of Irish Traditional flute and whistle playing. Laurence has performed with The Chieftains, Shane McGowan, and Van Morrison. His solo CDs, joined by Irish music legends Kevin Burke, Martin Hayes, Liz Carroll, and Arty McGlynn, have met with critical acclaim.

**"One of Irish music's recognized master musicians"-
Irish Music Magazine**

These fine performers will be at the Spurlock Museum March 8 as part of the opening reception for the exhibit *From Protest to Peace*.

**The free event is 7-8:30 PM.
Performances
Refreshments
Gallery Explorations**

Timothy O'Sullivan is a critically acclaimed Irish singer and story teller from County Kerry, Ireland, a place well known for its original story tellers. These story tellers, or seanchai as they are known in gaelic, are famed for their magnificent tales with plenty of passionate words and often hilarious endings. Tim has a masterful style of delivering these stories full of unique Irish comedy.

Tim has performed on many stages throughout North America and Ireland. He was Master of Ceremonies at the San Francisco Celtic Festival 1999 and he both organized and performed at The Spoken Arts Stage of the Guinness Fleadh Chicago in 1998 and 1999. He is a regular at the annual Chicago Celtic Fest, appearing in 1998 and 2000 - 2008. In 2003 he performed his stories as part of the Bears on Parade organized by the City of Chicago. In the summer of 2004 Tim was invited to participate in the famed Feakle Festival in County Clare.

In addition to his storytelling, O'Sullivan is performs with the Shapeshifters Theatre of the Irish American Heritage Center. His theatrical productions include: *Juno and the Paycock*, *Moll*, summer one-act plays *Beside the Seaside*, *Kerry Scribes*, the musical *Inish*, the annual James Joyce tribute, *Rattlin of the Joists*, and the annual Burns Supper which commemorates the life of Scottish poet Robbie Burns.

