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FIREHOUSE ARTS CENTER PRESENTS WE BANJO 3: LIVE FROM IRELAND, A VIRTUAL CONCERT

PLEASANTON, Calif. — Firehouse Arts Center is presenting a festive, live virtual concert just in time to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day, featuring the dynamic acoustic Celtic group, We Banjo 3 (WB3).

The concert will stream live on **Sat, March 13 at 2p.m.** (PST). Tickets may be purchased through **Firehousearts.org**. General admission tickets are \$25, with the option to bundle your ticket purchase with select WB3 merchandise. Each ticket purchase includes on-demand streaming access for 7 days following the concert.

WB3’s performance will be streamed live, in real-time, from the stunning Pearse Lyons Distillery in Dublin, Ireland. With the success of their Winter holiday show in December 2020, the boys are back with a new concert in celebration of their national heritage. This concert will mark the first time all four WB3 band members will be performing together on stage since the pandemic shut down concerts around the world exactly one year ago.

Debuting in the U.S. in 2012, We Banjo 3 has since emerged as fast-rising touring darlings in the country that two of the members now call home. The Galway, Ireland, and Nashville-based quartet—comprised of two sets of brothers, Enda & Fergal Scahill and Martin & David Howley—continually push musical boundaries while consistently delivering an exceptional audience experience. WB3 seamlessly converge the shared and varied traditions of Americana, Bluegrass, and Celtic music with pop-sensible songcraft to create a truly unique and gratifying signature sound. Brilliantly commanded instruments—banjo, fiddle, mandolin, guitar, and percussion—effortlessly elevate lead singer David Howley’s propulsive voice. Live on stage,

their songs carry the listener along until, at the perfect moment, the band crescendos into catchy choruses with pitch perfect harmonies. WB3 deliver their music with such palpable rapport, stunning precision, and infectious energy, it's impossible to pigeonhole what kind of listener might suddenly consider themselves a WB3 fan. With recent stunning performances at such broad ranging festivals as Merlefest, BottleRock, Summercamp, ROMP, Wintergrass and others, enthusiasts of almost every genre of music are taking notice.

The Firehouse Arts Center is owned and operated by the City of Pleasanton, and dedicated to inspiring passion through the arts. The center is comprised of the 227-seat Firehouse Theater, the 2000 square foot Harrington Gallery, classrooms and rehearsal space, the grand atrium lobby, and the famous interior glass bridge. With world-class performing and visual arts, exciting interactive programs for all ages, and a state-of-the-art venue which opened in 2010, we combine the sophistication of the culturally rich Bay Area arts landscape with the hospitality and intimacy of our own hometown. The Firehouse Arts Center is located at 4444 Railroad Avenue in downtown Pleasanton.

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