CELTIC MUSIC AND STORY

WENDY & MONICA



Wendy Kerner, Harpist and Monica Peterson, Storyteller

From time immemorial, Celtic people have shared their way with words and their powerful music. In this program stories from Ireland and Scotland are told with a unique flair and insight. Adults and children will thrill to haunting tales of fairy lovers, laugh at the antics of leprechauns, and be awed by true stories of the perseverance of Celtic people. The stories are interspersed with the magic of the harp in heartfelt ballads, lively dance tunes, O'Carolan's great music, contemporary Irish songs, and beloved traditional tunes.

WENDY AND MONICA share a great affinity for Celtic culture. They met performing with the theatrical troupe Themselves in a tribute to Irish immigration entitled *An Immigrant's Story* which has been presented at the JFK Presidential Library and at schools throughout the tri-state area. Monica and Wendy also make up the duo THE AMAZING MATH WIZARDS using story and music to make math fun for young students.



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More information about the artists:

The artistry of harpist WENDY KERNER has been described by The New York Times as "first rate". Ms. Kerner has toured extensively throughout the United States and has played for the Prime Minister of Ireland, the Archbishop of New York and other dignitaries. Ms. Kerner is the principal harpist with The Norwalk, Bridgeport, and Ridgefield Symphonies in Connecticut and a winner of the American Harp Society's Concert Artist Program. She was presented in her New York Debut in Carnegie Recital Hall as a winner of the Artists International Competition. Ms. Kerner began studying the harp at the age of seven. She was a scholarship student at The Juilliard School where she received her Bachelor and Master of Music Degrees. Ms. Kerner teaches harp at Sacred Heart University and maintains a busy studio in Wilton, CT, teaching harp lessons to students of all ages.

Storyteller and actress, **MONICA PETERSON** has performed a one-woman show at venues such as The Children's Museum of the Arts in Manhattan, Connecticut DEEP Great Park Pursuit, the Riverfront Music Revival, the Connecticut Storytelling Festival and at museums, libraries, schools, festivals, and senior centers throughout the tristate area. In addition to appearing in commercial work and conducting storytelling workshops, Monica worked for 15 years as an educator in the Stamford Public School System teaching gifted education, kindergarten and fifth grade and earning the Stamford Public Schools' Spotlight Award for Excellence in Teaching and the Board of Education's Staff Achievement Award.



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