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The all star Celtic group *Ferintosh* will be performing at ....

FERINTOSH is an all-star trio of traditional musicians which includes Laura Risk on fiddle, Abby Newton on cello, and Kim Robertson on Celtic harp. They joined forces after recording the CD *Castles, Kirks, and Caves* in 2001. In 2003, they recorded their first group CD *Ferintosh*, and have a new one in the works.

The "Golden Age" of fiddle music in Scotland is often a common reference to the days of Neil Gow, Simon Fraser, and the great Scottish "traditional" composers and collectors of the 1700s. There is, however, an aspect of the repertoire from this period that is often overlooked. Near the end of the Baroque period, Scottish Art-Music and folk music traditions borrowed from each other in style and in repertoire to create a type of fusion.

The same musicians who played chamber concerts in the castles for the lords and ladies were playing at the town hall for dances. FERINTOSH'S unique musical focus is to transcend modern distinctions between "classical" and "folk" music and present vibrant renditions of the music that the kings and tradesmen alike heard throughout the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries.

All three musicians have been featured on NPR's Thistle & Shamrock. Robertson has a dozen CDs to her credit, including two on the Narada label. Risk has released several solo and ensemble recordings, with her debut CD "Celtic Dialogue" named Boston Globe's "Top Ten CDs of 1999". In addition to her 2 solo CDs, Newton has recorded and produced numerous recordings to critical acclaim both in the US and the UK.

About FERINTOSH:

"... an animated tour de force that would have set the big hooses' chandeliers rattlin'."  
The Herald (Glasgow, Scotland)

"The CD (Castles, Kirks and Caves) is a beautiful, fiery achievement, but a sonic shadow to what FERINTOSH creates live."  
Kingston Daily Freeman (New York)

"FERINTOSH plays music that can range effortlessly from achingly beautiful to simply breathtaking. And they have such a good time doing it!"  
Jay Ungar