

Danny O'Flaherty

Irish Singer, Songwriter and Historian



Galway native, Danny O'Flaherty, has spent much of his life dedicated to preserving and promoting Celtic history and culture. Growing up in the Aran Islands and Connemara on the West Coast of Ireland, Danny experienced life as one of the last generations to be raised in the pure Gaelic culture. His first language is Gaelic and he developed a deep love of Irish song, dance, and storytelling which his ancestors passed on to

him during long winter nights spent around the turf fires.

In his many roles, Danny has enchanted young and old alike. For over 50 years he has traveled the world connecting the ancient past to the present, giving a voice to those who came before him. He has worked tirelessly to advance the Gaelic culture throughout the world. His huge repertoire of haunting ballads, sea songs, pleas for tolerance and peace, lively jigs and reels, Gaelic old style singing, children's performances and his knowledge of the history of Ireland and the other Celtic nations, make Danny O'Flaherty a true ambassador of Ireland.

Danny O'Flaherty's talent has taken him halfway around the world to perform with many legendary folk artists and for various presidents and dignitaries including President Ronald Regan, President Chime Herzog of Israel, and Pope John Paul II. His song "Yes I Can" is the theme song for the "Yes I Can Award" given by the Council for Exceptional Children. He has also composed a special song for the Louisiana Special Olympics, "Every Child a Star."

