## UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

SPECIAL GUEST ARTIST CONCERT

## Brock McGuire Band

Paul Brock, button accordion and melodeon Manus McGuire, fiddle Garry O'Meara, banjo Denis Carey, piano



Andra Bohnet, flutes Tom Morley, fiddle Leila Hobbs, guest guitarist Sam Gaston, percussion

Ships Are Sailing/Pigeon on a Gate/The Mason's Apron traditional Cliffs of Moher/Norwegian Wood traditional/Lennon-McCartney The Ghost/The Banshee's Wail Over the Mangle Pit/ Liz Carroll/traditional Banshee Reel

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Program to be announced from the stage

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RECITAL HALL LAIDLAW PERFORMING ARTS CENTER Thursday, October 4, 2012 7:30 p.m.

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"Traditional Irish Band of the Decade" - Irish American News

BROCK McGUIRE BAND is fronted by button accordionist and melodeonist Paul Brock and fiddler Manus McGuire, two of Ireland's most celebrated traditional musicians, residing in County Clare, who have been at the forefront of Irish music for many years through their joint work as founding members of *Moving Cloud*. Manus is also a founding member of *Buttons & Bows*, and both bands, ranking among Ireland's finest, have helped to introduce international audiences to the virtuosity of their playing. Also performing with the BROCK McGUIRE BAND are Dublin based Garry O'Meara, a brilliant banjo, mandolin player & vocalist; and Denis Carey, an acclaimed pianist, composer and arranger from Newport, County Tipperary.

Passion and precision, authenticity and diversity: these are the hallmarks of the BROCK McGUIRE BAND in concert. They are steeped in tradition and perform it with abiding respect and creativity. The band's repertoire runs wide and deep; their tight, tenacious blend of instruments emphasizing mostly Irish music but also sprinkling in impressive arrangements of American Old Timey, Bluegrass, French-Canadian, and other Celtic traditions. BROCK MCGUIRE BAND's new CD collaboration "GREEN GRASS BLUE GRASS," with 14–time Grammy Award Winner Ricky Skaggs, has been hailed as "A Masterpiece" by American Music critic Bill Margeson.

www.brockmcguireband.com



Mithril's guitarist, **Ben Harper**, has been undergoing a grueling regimen of treatments for cancer, which has been extremely difficult for him and his family. As we await his recovery and his return to rocking with us, we are hosting a BENefit concert for him on **Friday**, **October 12 from 6-9 pm at the Larkins Music Center** during the LoDa Artwalk.

If you can't come to the concert but would like to donate, here's how to help!!!

Online donations: www.mithril.us/for-ben using PayPal/credit cards

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**Checks payable to**: "For the Benefit of Benjamin Harper" can be deposited at any Regions Bank branch or mailed to: For the Benefit of Benjamin Harper, c/o Mobile Symphony Orchestra, P.O. Box 3127, Mobile, AL 36602 Gifts are not tax deductible.