# Henri's Notions

Music of Scotland, Ireland & Early America



From soft finger-picked ballads to hard-driving jigs and reels, Henri's Notions creates a musical mix of traditional Celtic and American music as well as their own compositions that have a rhythm and voice reflective of their Southern heritage, which lends a pleasing familiarity to the music. The Notions draw from a broad palette of melodious sounds: the ardent sounds of fiddle, lilting flute, keen tin whistles, ringing mandolin, and bouzouki, all played over the resonant tones and drive of the rhythm section, consisting of acoustic guitar, percussion, and bass. Lead voices dance through the intricate embellishments that bring to life the old ballads and songs and all members lend voices frequently creating close, rich, well-balanced harmonies. The group makes a point to provide backgrounds on the songs and instruments used during their performance and this has allowed Henri's Notions to connect with, educate, and inspire audiences for over thirty years!

Henri's Notions has toured extensively in much of North America from West Palm Beach, Florida and Dallas, Texas to Fergus, Ontario and New York City and has performed abroad in Israel and Canada. Henri's Notions performs year-round in concerts, festivals, special events, and school programs. Having been a touring member of the Alabama State Council on the Arts and Southern Arts Federation, grants are often available to eligible presenters.

"The Notions really made the festival a great success with their musical presence felt in every corner and on every stage!!"

Menachem Vinegrad / Director and Founder, Jacob's Ladder Music Festival, Israel

One of the best American Celtic Bands I have heard in a long, long time!"
Brian McNeill / Internationally Acclaimed Scottish Singer, Songwriter and Performer

"...The Notions are four star quality musicianship....few bands will feel comfortable taking the stage after them."

Jimmy Buttimer / Music Director, The Savannah Irish Festival

"...great instrumental abilities and wonderful vocals by Jil Chambless..."

Steve Winnick / Music Critic, Dirty Linen Magazine





## Henri's Notions

### **Some Past Performance Venues**

AL: Acoustic Café, Hayden

AL Folk School, Camp McDowell

Alexander City arts, Inc., Alexander City

Athens State University Bama Theater, Tuscaloosa City Fest, Tuscaloosa

City Lights & Stars, Huntsville City Stages, Birmingham

Dothan Landmarks Foundation, Dothan Dugger Mountain Music Hall, Piedmont

Erie-Myer Civic Center, Gulf Shores

First Night, Mobile

Fort Payne Opera House, Fort Payne

Green Bar, Tuscaloosa

Helen Keller Festival, Tuscumbia Hoover Library Theatre, Hoover Jubilee City Fest, Montgomery

Kentuck Festival of the Arts, Northport

Local Color Café, Springville

McCraney Cottle Arts Council, Tallassee Moonlight on the Mountain, Birmingham

Panoply Festival, Huntsville Ritz Theatre, Talladega University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

AZ: Tucson Celtic Fest & Scottish Highland Games

CT: Tigin Pub, Stamford

DC: Fado Irish Pub, Washington

FL: Greater Gulf Coast Arts Fest, Pensacola

Jazz Fest, Pensacola

Palladium Theater, St. Petersburg

Patrick Rooney's Pub, West Palm Beach

Tallahassee St. Patrick's Day Festival, Tallahassee

Village of Baytowne Wharf, Destin

Colquitt County Arts Council, Moultrie GA:

> Julian Smith Casino, Augusta Savannah Irish Festival

Stone Mountain Highland Games

KS: Walnut Valley Festival, Winfield

LA: Louisiana Highland Games, Jackson MS: CelticFestMS, Jackson

Columbus Arts Council. Columbus

Jubilee Festival, Jackson

NC: Belle Shere Festival, Asheville

College of the Albemarle, Elizabeth City

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, Linville

J. E. Broyhill Civic Center, Lenoir

Loch Norman Highland Games, Huntersville

NJ: First Night, South Orange

NY: Baggot Inn, Greenwich Village, NYC

International Music Festival, NYC

OH. Cincinnati Celtic Festival

SC: Sumter Scottish Faire, Sumter

TN: Durty Nelly's, Chattanooga

> Monroe Area Council for the Arts, Madisonville Patrick Sullivan's Saloon, Old Town, Knoxville

Renaissance Center, Dickson

TX: Houston Highland Games

North Texas Irish Festival, Dallas

VA: Allegheny Highlands Arts Council, Clifton Forge

> Belly of the Beast/Wit's End. Salem Hanover Highland Games, Richmond

South Main Café, Blacksburg

White Horse Tavern, Virginia Beach

#### **CANADA**

Fergus Scottish Festival and Highland Games, Ontario

#### ISRAEL

Jacob's Ladder Music Festival, Nof Ginosar

#### RADIO APPEARANCES:

"Says You", National Public Radio WUWF Radio Live, Pensacola FL

WUAL, Alabama Public Radio, Tuscaloosa AL

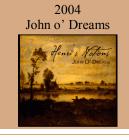
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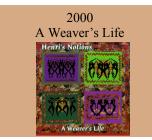
### TELEVISION APPEARANCES:

"Ear for the Irish", Alabama Public Television The Morning Show, WBRC-TV, Birmingham AL "Dugger Mountain Music Hall", AL Public TV

## **Discography**







1996 The Homecoming

1992 Don't Waste Your Wishes

> 1990 Henri's Notions