

# CELTICA -Pipes rock! Press text

After 10 years on tour with more than 550 performances, from Alaska to Hawaii, from Northern Germany to South Spain, after winning the Australian Celtic Music Award as "International Artist of the Year 2019", after 4 studio- and one live-double album and DVD with classical orchestra, after personal changes, there are a lot of changes in 2020.

The brand new album <u>"Celtic Spirits"</u> (release May 2020) is simply the best Celtica-album ever: Still the powerful symphonic Celtic Rock, but a bit more Celtic-Irish influences, brighter and more optimistic than "Steamphonia" (2016), also due to the new bagpiper and world class whistle-player Ernesto Góngora, winner of the All Ireland Bagpipe Solo Competition 2019.

## The Sound, the Show

The majestic-mystic sound of the Great Highland Bagpipe elevates above the powerful rock band,. influences of Irish Folk, Symphonic Metal, and even Gothic merge with the energetic Celtic music, full of lust of life. This sound and the spectacular show guarantee a concert no one will ever forget. Mystic torches on the bagpipes and burning drumsticks, thundering against huge drums, create a cultic atmosphere, flames, shooting out of the instruments, entertain every audience worldwide... That's why Celtica is one of the most booked acts at Celtic-, Scottish-, Steampunk- and Medieval Festivals as well as at town festivals. Celtica could conquer their fans by storm at more than 550 performances in Europe -from the legendary Wacken-Festival in the very North of Germany to South Spain, and at numerous US- and Canada- tours from New York to San Francisco, from Florida up to the Rocky Mountains, from Alaska to Hawaii.

The official music videos of Celtica with a blend of live show and artistic plot inspired so far close to 8 million viewers on Youtube, and still counting...

"CELTICA is one of the best 10 Live-Shows I have ever seen in my life!". Suzanne Lee Barnes, Booking European Harley Davidson Bike Week, friends with Eric Clapton, Ron Wood, Rod Steward... "Celtica is THE new band on the international Celtic music scene!" Gall Mc Clellan, US promoter

## About "Live at Montelago":

"..a top notch audio-visual sensation!" (DVD) Musikreviews.de

"This album is really brilliant!!" (CD) HeavyMetal.de

*"The quality of the performance is spectacular…I hope that other bands take similar paths and with the same quality to be able to continue listening to great releases like "Live at Montelago!"* Folk-Metal, Netherlands

Duncan Knight, Scotland – Great Highland Bagpipe, Vocals Ernesto Góngora, Mexico– Great Highland Bagpipe, Flute, Whistle Gajus Stappen, Austria – E-Guitar, Toms, Vocals Lukas Schlintl, Austria – Drums www.facebook.com/Celticarocks

Official Youtube-Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCF7BzOylfwBZir14Mt-frmw

#### Releases:

Celtic Spirits, CD 2020 Live at Montelago, DVD 2018 Steamphonia, CD 2016 Legends and Visions, CD 2014 Live at Montelago, Double CD 2017 Oceans of Fire, CD 2012 Rising, CD 2010

More than **30 official music videos**, filmed at NYC, L.A., Hawaii, Old Tucson/ AZ, Monument Valley/ AZ, Germany, Croatia, Austria, Italy, Switzerland...

#### BOOKING

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