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Aoife O'Donovan

with Taylor Ashton

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 8 PM

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"O'Donovan's songs are rooted in folk tradition, but full of musical surprises: daring melodic leaps, unexpected chord progressions, subtle rhythmic shifts." – *The New York Times*

O'Donovan spent the winter and spring of 2021 in the studio with acclaimed producer Joe Henry (Bonnie Raitt, Rhiannon Giddens), recording *Age of Apathy* – her third full-length solo album, which was released at the end of January, 2022. Deemed "a vocalist of unerring instinct" by the *New York Times*, the artist had previously released two critically-acclaimed and boundary-blurring solo albums, including *In the Magic Hour* – which *Rolling Stone* hailed for its "Impressionistic, atmospheric songs [that] relay their narratives against gorgeous pastoral backdrops."

A savvy and generous collaborator, Aoife is one third of the group I'm With Her, with bandmates Sara Watkins and Sarah Jarosz. The trio's debut album *See You Around* was hailed as "willfully open-hearted" by NPR Music. I'm With Her earned an Americana Music Association Award in 2019 for Duo/Group of the Year, and a GRAMMY® in 2020 for Best American Roots Song.

O'Donovan spent the preceding decade as co-founder and front woman of the string band, Crooked Still and is the featured vocalist and contributing songwriter on *The Goat Rodeo Sessions* - the group with Yo-Yo Ma, Stuart Duncan, Edgar Meyer, and Chris Thile. She has appeared as a featured vocalist with over a dozen symphonies, including the National Symphony Orchestra, written for Alison Krauss, performed with jazz trumpeter Dave

Douglas, and spent a decade as a regular contributor to the radio variety shows *Live From Here* and *A Prairie Home Companion*.

Taylor Ashton spent the first half of his twenties on the road across Canada as frontman of the band Fish & Bird, before moving to New York. Alternately accompanying himself on clawhammer banjo and electric guitar, Taylor croons poignantly clever lyrical insights while effortlessly gliding between a Bill Callahan-esque baritone to a Thom Yorke-like falsetto. His full-length debut album *The Romantic* was released in early 2020, followed by a companion EP *Romanticize*. His songwriting appears on albums by Watkins Family Hour, the Brother Brothers, Benjamin Lazar Davis and others, and he has released singles with Aoife O'Donovan, The Fretless, and Aerialists, as well as a moody acoustic duo record in 2018 with songwriter & guitarist Courtney Hartman. Much is in store for 2022, including at least one new album and more fruitful collaborations.

Tickets for [Aoife O'Donovan with Taylor Ashton](#) are on sale now at [Lobero.org](#) and at the Lobero Box Office 805.963.0761. VIP tickets are \$106 (*includes premier seating and a pre-show reception*). Section A tickets are \$50, and Section B tickets are \$40. Ticket prices include a per ticket Lobero Facility Fee; other fees may also apply.

*Please note that all events are subject to State, County, and other governmental agency COVID-19 pandemic mandates and regulations covering indoor live events. Therefore, in an effort to create the safest possible environment for our guests, all attendees (including children 5 years old and younger) must show proof of vaccination OR supply a negative Covid-19 medical test result (taken within 72 hours prior to each event), before entering the Lobero (over-the-counter tests will not be accepted). Masks are no longer required indoors, but are recommended. The Lobero staff and ushers have all been fully vaccinated. **Adults must show photo ID.***

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UPCOMING LOBERO LIVE EVENTS:

MARCH 2022

Lobero LIVE presents **Sarah Jarosz with Ric Robertson on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at 7:30 PM**. With her captivating voice and richly detailed songwriting, the four-time GRAMMY® Award-winner has emerged as one of the most compelling musicians of her generation. Jarosz has several critically lauded albums and has also joined forces with Sara Watkins and Aoife O'Donovan to form the acclaimed GRAMMY® winning folk trio, I'm With Her. New Orleans-based songwriter and multi-instrumentalist, Ric Robertson, opens the show. <https://www.lobero.org/events/sarah-jarosz-2/>

APRIL 2022

Lobero LIVE presents **An Evening with Al Franken on Friday, April 1, 2022 at 8 PM**. The only U.S. Senator who was also one of the original writers for *Saturday Night Live*, Franken won five Emmy® Awards for writing and producing during his fifteen seasons with *SNL*. He's also the author of four #1 *New York Times* bestsellers and host of *The Al Franken Podcast* – one of the nation's top-ten politics and public affairs podcasts with guests like Malcolm Nance, Sarah Silverman, Paul Krugman, and Chris Rock, among many others. <https://www.lobero.org/events/an-evening-with-al-franken/>

The Lobero Theatre Ghostlight Society presents **Lindsey Buckingham Friday, April 15, 2022 at 8 PM**. Lindsey Buckingham is one of the most inventive and electrifying musicians of his generation. Over the last four decades, the artist has developed a radical sense of experimentation and an unrivaled savvy as a producer, skills he first honed as a singer, guitarist, songwriter, producer, and the musical visionary of Fleetwood Mac. His instinct for melody and his singular fingerpicking guitar style are showcased on the seven studio and three live albums he has released as a solo artist. <https://www.lobero.org/events/lindsey-buckingham/>

May 2022

Jazz at The Lobero and The Santa Barbara Symphony present **Marcus Roberts Trio on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 7:30 PM**. The Marcus Roberts Trio – a long-term musical partnership between pianist Marcus Roberts, the phenomenal drummer Jason Marsalis, and gifted bassist Rodney Jordan – is known for its virtuosic style and entirely new approach to jazz trio performance. While most jazz trios have the piano front and center, all members of the Marcus Roberts Trio share equally in shaping the direction of the music by changing its tempo, mood, texture, or form at any time. And they do this with lightning quick musical reflexes and creative imagination. <https://www.lobero.org/events/marcus-roberts-trio/>

July 2022

Lobero LIVE presents **Corinne Bailey Rae, with special guest star Jensen McRae, on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 7:30 PM**. The two-time GRAMMY® Award-winner shot to stardom with her #1 UK debut album, featuring the global hits "Put Your Records On" and "Like A Star." Bailey Rae continues to collaborate and perform with artists across musical genres, including Mary J Blige, Al Green, Herbie Hancock, Paul McCartney, Stevie Wonder, Tyler The Creator, and many more. <https://www.lobero.org/events/corinne-bailey-rae/>

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