



Ciarán Nagle

TENOR



Ciarán Nagle's first real interest in singing began when he was ten, when he played the lead role in a school production of *The Gypsy Baron*. From that moment, singing and music have always been his passion. Ciarán trained in the College of Music Dublin and in the Royal Academy of Music Dublin. He became a member of the National Chamber Choir of Ireland, singing with them until 1998. Under the baton of Robert Shaw, he performed at NY's Carnegie Hall in productions of Haydn's "*Creation*" and "*Seasons*." Ciarán has worked extensively with Opera Ireland, appearing in numerous productions, including: *La Cenerentola*, *Faust*, *The Magic Flute*, *La Boheme*, *MacBeth*, *Falstaff*, and *The Tales of Hoffman*. A keen fan of musical theatre and operetta, Ciarán has performed such roles as "Gaylord Ravenal" in *Show Boat*, "Ralph" in *HMS Pinafore*, "Cascada" in *The Merry Widow*, and "Tony" in *West Side Story*.

This led to Ciarán's appointment in 1998 as the lead male singer of *Riverdance*, with whom he toured for two years across Europe and Japan. Upon returning to Dublin, he became a founding member of *the Three Irish Tenors*, which has gone on to win huge national and international success.

Known affectionately as "The Anthem Man," Ciarán has sung the Irish National Anthem for both the Hurling and Gaelic Football All Ireland Finals in Croke Park to capacity crowds in excess of eighty thousand. He also sang the National Anthem at several world cup qualifiers in Lansdowne Road to crowds of more than fifty thousand people. In 2005, Ciarán sang the "Rose of Tralee" at the final presentation of the globally renowned pageant by the same name, and he has had the privilege of singing the American National Anthem at the invitation of the Pittsburgh Steelers in the Heinz Field Stadium. At the 2002 Fourth of July Celebrations in Dublin, he performed with Neil Diamond, singing both the American and Irish National Anthems.

Ciarán is also the producer (and a performer) in *Druid – A Musical Journey* – Which has tours in the US and Europe.

His latest show, *Nollaig: An Irish Christmas* - is a unique and personal show where he performs with some of the world's most renowned musicians and Irish dancers and with his life partner Tara Novak (Violin and Voice). *Nollaig: An Irish Christmas* has just premiered in the US in December 2011 to huge critical acclaim.