



The Dubliners Restored at LA's Cups 'N Strings Studios

*Multitrack analog masters restored and archived
to 96K/24-bit Pro Tools HD digital*

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Ireland's much-loved traditional band, The Dubliners, have had priceless multitrack analog masters restored to their original brilliance and archived to 96K/24-bit Pro Tools HD digital for an upcoming commemorative release on Baycourt Records. Fiachra Sheahan, son of Dubliner John Sheahan, is supervising the project, which will include both CD and DVD releases later this year. The man in charge of restoration, Simon Factor, of Dublin's Moving Media, flew to Cups 'N Strings Studios in Los Angeles with 10 multitrack masters, some of which include music which has never before been released.

The original tapes were recorded between 1975 and 1983 at various studios in London and Dublin, and include both 16-track and 24-track masters with Dolby A noise reduction and various tape machine alignments.

"We tried to work on the tapes in Dublin," explained Simon Factor. "But we couldn't find one studio that could handle the range of formats and associated technologies. For purposes of sonic consistency in the restoration and

transfer, we felt it was wise to call on Bruce Maddocks here in Los Angeles. He not only had the equipment and experience for the delicate baking of the tapes, he also had all the different head stacks and noise reduction gear to complete the project."

"The performances are really great and were very well recorded," added Factor. "The style of recording is quite live, in keeping with traditional Irish music that comes from the pub culture, which is very much a communal musical experience. As founding member of the band, Luke Kelly, has passed away, it's extremely important that these historic performances be preserved correctly so that future generations can experience the power and brilliance of The Dubliners."

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