

PSA (Acoustic Music) For immediate release: _____ (date)

Lorraine and Bennett Hammond at _____ (venue)

Multi-instrumentalists Lorraine and Bennett Hammond will appear at:

_____ (venue) on _____ (date)

"Quite simply acoustic music at it's finest," says *Dirty Linen Review*.

Lorraine, renowned master of the Appalachian dulcimer, also plays banjo, mandolin and Celtic harp and is an expressive singer and songwriter. Bennett, a superb finger-style guitarist and recent convert to the five string banjo, names "the three Bs", Bach, the blues and Buddy Holly, as major influences.

Together, The Hammonds are versatile musicians and engaging entertainers. Their warm stage presence is punctuated with wry humor, and their command of their instruments and musical genres is without flaw. *The Boston Globe* calls them "a dazzling, witty, eclectic, delightful duo."

The duo's repertoire ranges in style from classical through Celtic, blues and contemporary. They sing both traditional and original songs and can be heard on over thirty recordings as featured artists, or enhancing the work of performers including Archie Fisher, Lui Collins and Bob Franke. Christine Lavin and Heidi Mueller are among the artists who have covered Hammond originals.

The couple live in Brookline, Massachusetts and their most recent releases, all on the independent folk label *Snowy Egret Music* are *Jingalo Gypsy* featuring the duo, Bennett's *Rockafolky Banjo Tapes* and Lorraine's *Muddy River Suite*.

"*Jingalo Gypsy* is a warm, enveloping, well-thought-out recording...beautiful CD."

..... *Dirty Linen Folk Magazine*

"More than just good pickers, Lorraine and Bennett are singers with an ear for traditional and contemporary songs. They work seamlessly together, blending instruments and voices."

Golden Link Folk Society

For more information about this performance: _____

Suggested Airplay:

Jingalo Gypsy, Snowy Egret Music