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FOLK MUSIC ENSEMBLE

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When the talented musicians of Brigham Young University's Folk Music Ensemble play their instruments, the air comes alive with sounds of good, old-fashioned fun. With energetic performances featuring American and international folk music, Folk Music Ensemble plays their way into the hearts of audiences around the world. The group will bring its lively entertainment to (place) on (date) at (time).

Folk Music Ensemble is composed of seven talented instrumentalists, who occasionally double as vocalists, who perform with a variety of traditional folk instruments such as the fiddle, mandolin, banjo, dulcimer, guitar, bass, harmonica, accordion, and bassoon; unique percussion instruments, including bongos, bones, spoons, and a bodhran (a Celtic drum), keep the rhythm as the ensemble performs. The group was originally formed in 1982 to accompany BYU's International Folk Dance Ensemble with live music on international tours. Now, in addition to supporting the dance ensemble, Folk Music Ensemble also performs for a variety of local audiences.

Folk Music Ensemble delivers a program brimming with excitement and variety. It performs musical styles ranging from Appalachian folk, Celtic, French-Canadian and American New England, to bluegrass, Cajun, jazz, blues and country. In addition to performing, the group enjoys educating its audiences about the history of the music it plays and the historic importance of the unique instruments.

BYU Folk Music Ensemble is directed by Mark Geslison of the School of Music at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. BYU is one of the nation's largest private universities with more than 30,000 students from the U.S. and about 110 foreign countries.

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