

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE SINGING SENSATION CELTIC THUNDER PERFORM LIVE ON 48-CITY TOUR

New CD release *Celtic Thunder: Act Two* to follow up from hit PBS special, out on September 16th **August 28, 2008** – **New York, NY** – *Celtic Thunder* – the Irish all-male wonder from producer Sharon Browne, and legendary songwriter/composer Phil Coulter – is embarking on a national tour of the U.S. this fall. Already a smash hit, *Celtic Thunder* wowed audiences with their Public Television Pledge Special. Now, audiences across the U.S. will have the chance to witness the spectacular power of *Celtic Thunder* live, as they undertake a 48-city tour.

To follow up from the overwhelming success of their first CD, which debuted at No.1 on the Billboard World Music chart and currently still holds that position, Celtic Thunder is releasing *Celtic Thunder: Act Two* on September 16th. *Act Two* is the ideal CD collection to complement the PBS special, showcasing the incredible voices of the lads of Celtic Thunder on hit tracks from the show such as "Nights in White Satin', "My Boy" and "I Want To Know What Love Is," in addition to bonus Christmas tracks for the holiday season. The Celtic Thunder PBS special was broadcast during the March and June pledge periods and was an instant hit, viewed by over 5 million people and aired over 1,200 times. Audiences fell in love with Celtic Thunder's Irish charm, as the special made its mark as a consistently top fundraising program for stations throughout the country. The singers of Celtic Thunder are set to captivate audiences again when they return to television during the December pledge period.

Celtic Thunder – The Show was filmed in The Helix in Dublin last August. It features Damian McGinty, Keith Harkin, Paul Byrom, Ryan Kelly and George Donaldson performing an eclectic mix of songs ranging from the traditional to the contemporary, with some international hits and original material in between. The ensemble songs reflect the power of these soloists, who range in age from 14 to 40, and their common Celtic Heritage.

The phenomenal *Celtic Thunder* live tour kicks of October 3rd and continues through December 17th. Don't miss tickets for this spectacular show, on sale through ticketmaster.com or at venue box office. For a full list of tour dates, check out www.celticthunder.ie