**Linda Marie Smith’s “Mearra ~ Selkie From The Sea” -** **Long Description:**

The ancient Celtic tale of the Selkie is the setting for “Mearra ~ Selkie from the Sea”. A musical multimedia extravaganza, audiences of all ages will be drawn into this unforgettable family friendly presentation based on the story of a mythical seal with the mysterious ability to transform into a human being.

“Mearra ~ Selkie from the Sea” showcases Linda Marie Smith’s enchanting musical performance alongside evocative animated illustrations created by twin Irish animators Catherine and Sarah Satrun, to present a poignant and bittersweet story of love, loss, and transformation. The story begins with Mearra, a young Selkie maiden, who falls in love with a lonely fisherman (Ian) who is equally entranced by her supernatural beauty. Mearra bids farewell to her life in the sea, marries Ian, and starts a family. However, seven years later, the sea inevitably calls for Mearra's return.

Linda Marie Smith has a genre-crossing vocal style that encompasses a folk/rock sensibility. Her music is romantic, soulful, earthy, and mystical with lyrics and melodies that weave colorful stories of curious places and intriguing people. Linda has been compared to Natalie Merchant, Sarah McLachlan and Celtic music composer Loreena McKennitt.