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PRESS RELEASE**



**Blackheart
8pm, 13 February 2010**

“Blackheart are writing the folk songs of the future”

Enjoy an evening with Blackheart, the new stars of British contemporary folk, at Aberystwyth Arts Centre on Wednesday 13th February at 8pm.

Blackheart are Chrissy Mostyn and Rick Pilkington. They are widely regarded as the fastest rising stars of the British acoustic scene and have had their unique style of music christened 'Urban Folk' by the UK music press.

Combining the sound of traditional acoustic folk instruments with a totally modern approach to their songwriting, they have a unique style of beautifully crafted instantly memorable songs which take their audiences on an emotional roller-coaster ride from sadness and sensitivity to the most energetic rocking folk that has audiences on their feet.

Their sound features the lemon and honey voice of Chrissy Mostyn and the acoustic guitar and mandola playing of Rick Pilkington, plus their full band featuring Simon Davies (Racing Cars, Van Morrison) Andy Collins and Brian Thomas (The Storys).

The songs they write are personal and true stories about everything from hometowns and homelessness to faith and bereavement. They tell fascinating, sometimes hilarious, sometimes moving stories about their songs and how they were written and also about their unusual musical life on the road.

Recently hailed as the most exciting British songwriting duo of the decade, and now signed by Angel Air Records, Blackheart have released two albums and two singles, including 'Wednesday Afternoon' which got national UK airplay and reached No.9 in the US Tower folk chart. Other successes include a track on a major TV commercial, BBC Radio 2 Song of the Day (twice) and single 'Bleak Midwinter' which reached No.1 in the NCM Euro Chart.

Tickets for this performance are £14 (£12) and can be booked by contacting the Arts Centre Box Office on 01970 62 32 32 or online at www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre

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