

Irish Pipers of San Francisco

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Northern Branch

Pipe Major: Hal Wilkes
Pipe Sergeant: Alex Lentz
Drum Major:

Tartan: County Wexford



MSR/MSM Set: Pipers Cave, The Sweet Maid of Glendaruel, Molly Connell, Keel Row, Sound of Sleat, High Road to Linton

QMM Medley: Cassie's March, The Log Pile, The Faulty Attic, Lament No More, Car Boot Challenge, Four Winds

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The Irish Pipers Band of San Francisco was formed in 1932 and is the oldest continuously active Irish Pipe Band west of the Mississippi River. Original members of the band were Irish immigrants who desired to maintain the piping traditions of their native land. The band was a charter member of the Pacific Coast Pipe Band Association.

The band played at the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge and at the groundbreaking ceremony for the United Irish Cultural Center. The pipers played at the charter meeting for the founding of the United Nations. They have also performed on national television with Gene Kelly and on stage with the Grammy award winning Chieftains. The band has traditionally participated in the St. Patrick's Day Parade as well as the raising of the Irish flag at City Hall. They have competed in bagpipe competitions in Long Beach, Pleasanton, Campbell, Woodland, Monterey, Portland, Costa Mesa, Las Vegas and Ireland. The Irish Pipers Band has been the guest band at the Peace Officer's Memorial service in Sacramento.

The band is led by Pipe Major Hal Wilkes and drum sergeant Andrew Ryan

The band wears the County Wexford tartan. The Irish Pipers Band practices on Monday evenings at the United Irish Cultural Center in San Francisco located at 2700 45th Avenue near Sloat Blvd.