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## **Irish Fest's Celtic Christmas Boutique offers a twist to holiday shopping**

WAUWATOSA, Wis. – November 4, 2009 – Begin your holiday shopping in Ireland at Milwaukee Irish Fest's Ninth Annual **Celtic Christmas Boutique** on **Saturday, November 21 from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.** at the Irish Fest Center, 1532 Wauwatosa Avenue.

The boutique presents a wide variety of distinctive Irish and Celtic gifts available for purchase for friends and family. Shoppers can peruse clothing, artwork, jewelry, and craft items from more than 25 Midwest vendors.

"With this year's festival season behind us, the Celtic Christmas Boutique brings the Irish spirit back to the community for an authentic shopping experience," said Barbara Tyler, Celtic Christmas Boutique co-coordinator. "We look forward to this event each year as an opportunity to put a cultural spin on traditional holiday shopping."

Guests can enjoy coffee, tea, hot corned beef, soup and fresh baked scones provided by Milwaukee Irish Fest. Attendees are invited to enter a raffle for a chance to win holiday gift items.

Admission is free. No strollers please. If you are unable to visit the Celtic Christmas Boutique, you can still celebrate the holidays with Irish Fest during **Breakfast or Lunch with Nick McFest** on **Saturday, December 12**. Kids can take part in holiday games and get their picture taken with Nick McFest. For more information, please call the Irish Fest Center at (414) 476-3378 or visit [irishfest.com](http://irishfest.com).

Milwaukee Irish Fest is the world's largest celebration of Irish music and culture, showcasing more than 100 entertainment acts annually at the four-day, 16-stage event at the Henry W. Maier Festival Park on Lake Michigan. Passionately committed to igniting a love of Irish culture in all people, Irish Fest teaches Ireland's music, dance, drama, sports, culture, children's activities, and genealogy at the festival and through year long programming. For more information, visit [irishfest.com](http://irishfest.com).

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