

Denis Murphy's comes from the playing of great accordion player Johnny O'Leary on Music for the Set - Traditional Irish Music from Sliabh Luachra. CIM's Redwing Ensemble learned this tune partly through a video performance of the band Danú (which includes Minnesota Irish Music Weekend 2020 guest artist Benny McCarthy), and paired it with the Road to Lisdoonvarna. The Road to Lisdoonvarna is a popular slide (not to be confused with the 'reel' version of the same name) recorded by many including the Chieftain's in 1973 and whistle player Micho Russell. The town of Lisdoonvarna rests in County Clare, and hosts an annual month-long match-making festival (a tradition over 150 years old) which features music and dance, and perhaps finding your soul mate!





