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**SIR JAMES AND LADY JEANNE GALWAY TICKETS NOW ON SALE**

**January 20, 2015** | CHARLOTTE, NC – The Charlotte Symphony welcomes world-renowned flutist Sir James Galway and his wife, Lady Jeanne Galway, for a one-night-only performance at Belk Theater on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. Single tickets are now available to the public. Tickets start at \$39.

Belfast-born Sir James is regarded as the supreme interpreter of the classical flute repertoire and a consummate entertainer whose appeal crosses musical boundaries. This March, he will join the Charlotte Symphony to perform Mozart's Flute Concerto No. 2. As a special treat, flutist Lady Jeanne Galway, will join Sir James on stage for Cimarosa's Concerto for Two Flutes.

Sir James has participated in many cross-genre engagements, including a personal invitation from Roger Waters to play at *The Wall – Live in Berlin*. He was also featured in the Academy Award-winning ensemble recordings of Howard Shore's *Lord of the Rings* film trilogy soundtrack.

He has played for such dignitaries as Queen Elizabeth II, Pope John Paul II, several U.S. presidents, Irish Prime Minister Enda Kenny, Prince Charles, The Empress of Japan, The Queen of Norway, and Princess Diana. He has shared the stage with a wide array of entertainers, including Stevie Wonder, Henry Mancini, John Denver, Elton John, Ray Charles, Joni Mitchell, and Andrea Bocelli.

Through his extensive touring, more than 30 million albums sold, and frequent international television appearances, Sir James has established himself as a tireless promoter of the arts. He opened his 2013-2014 season as the recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Concert Hall in Dublin for his contributions to Classical music in Ireland and around the world.

Often called "the man with the golden flute," Sir James's many honors include the Grammy President's Merit Award, Classic Brits Lifetime Achievement Award, Hollywood Bowl Hall of Fame, National Concert Hall Dublin Lifetime Achievement Award, and the honor of numerous gold and platinum albums.

In 2009, Sir James was made the first Artist Laureate of the Ulster Orchestra. He has been honored twice by Queen Elizabeth II, with the Order of the British Empire in 1979 and again in 2001, with a knighthood for his service to music.

For interview opportunities or to attend a rehearsal or performance, please contact Virginia Brown.

**About the Charlotte Symphony**

Founded in 1932 and led by internationally renowned Music Director Christopher Warren-Green, the Charlotte Symphony is a non-profit organization that serves the whole community through music that educates, entertains, and enriches the human spirit. We are world-class musicians, music teachers, and music lovers. We put violins in the hands of Charlotte's children and actively nurture the next generation with our music education programs. We bring artistic excellence to Charlotte's parks and hospitals, schools and places of worship, stadiums and concert halls. The Charlotte Symphony is a cornerstone of the cultural community, connecting people and adding value to their lives through music.

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