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Robbie O'Connell and Dan Milner Songs of the Sea

Saturday January 14 2:00 pm

896 Main St. (Rt 6A) Brewster

Admission \$15 Reservations Required

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Robbie O'Connell was raised in Carrick-on-Sur, Tipperary where his parents owned a small hotel. At the age of thirteen he first sang there with his sister Alice. He studied at University College, Dublin and performed in folk clubs during college summers. His successful first solo album, *Close to the Bone*, paved the way to numerous invitations to perform as a main stage solo and ensemble artist. His years on tour with his uncles as part of *The Clancy Brothers and Robbie O'Connell* band involved extensive travel. In 2010 he produced a new CD, *The Clancy Legacy* with his cousins Aoife Clancy and Donal Clancy. He is a song writer, teacher, and host of music themed group travel to Ireland. His work revives older songs that would otherwise be lost to the passage of time. Often the songs convey universal themes, historical content, and good humor. www.robbyoconnell.com

Dan Milner has been involved in Irish traditional song all his life as a singer, author, collector and organizer. A cultural geographer and former National Park Ranger, he teaches *Storytelling in Song: The Ballad Tradition* at New York University, and is on the staff of *The Journal of New York Folklore*. His 2009 Smithsonian Folkways CD, *Irish Pirate Ballads*, featuring many of Irish America's finest musicians and singers, received two Indie nominations. His latest recording is *Civil War Naval Songs*. His book of Irish and British folk songs, *The Bonnie Bunch of Roses*, is considered a classic. Dan has toured extensively in the U.S. and abroad. He and Robbie are favorites at the Mystic Sea Music Festival in Connecticut. www.myspace.com/geomusicology