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masterfully guides the audience through the varied stories of their performance while filling out the band's harmony sound. Jim and Theresa began this musical venture back in 1975. Jim had been performing in San Diego since 1970, but it was the lure of the San Francisco music scene that really started them on their way as they followed their gypsy hearts with then fellow band mates, Paul Espinoza and Margie Butler (of Golden Bough). They returned to San Diego a couple years later to pursue their vision as a duo, developing their skills through several incarnations and broadening band formations, finally settling on the right combination with Patrick and Rachel about 12 years ago. Over the past 30some years the Strange Woods have played their way through Irish pubs, coffeehouses, festivals, schools, and community concert halls all over the western states. The Strange Woods have several recordings on CD available for sale including their newest releases, "A Light On The Path", and Jim's own collection entitled, "Love Like An Ocean". This band plays the music they love, delivering it straight from the heart. After all these years, they're still having a great time performing together, and continue to produce a memorable, musical experience for audiences of all ages. For more information on The Strange Woods visit: strangewoods Contact: strangewoods@gmailor info@strangewoods.com

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