

The Folk Club

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June Showcase - Pat Chen

Pat Chen likes to keep busy. She and her husband Charlie have five children, which would keep most people busy enough, but they also home-school their kids, and provide day care for more! In addition, Pat runs and practices Zen meditation regularly, and maintains a busy music schedule. She is the organizer of an outreach program that brings music to local retirement communities, and recently played a two-hour solo gig at one. She also heads the group Somos El Mar, which in the last month has played for such diverse events as a women's art exhibit opening at the Reston Unitarian Church, the opening of the Lake Anne Farmer's Market, the Reston Barnes and Noble, and the Herndon Festival.

Originally from Queens, New York, Pat went to the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. She switched from pre-med to general liberal arts, and specialized in psychology, child care, and teaching young children. After working with emotionally disabled kids in a Chicago therapeutic day care center for six years, Pat moved to Reston, where she did some teaching, volunteered with the outreach support program at the Northwest Mental Health Center, and co-led a teenage drop-in center at Hunters Woods. As her own family grew, Pat cut back on outside activities but began providing day care in her home.

Pat's musical background began with several years of piano and violin lessons. She did choral singing in high school, but stopped performing when she went to college. It was the Folk Club that got her started again - after coming and listening for a year, she got behind the mike herself in the summer of 1995, and has been a regular ever since. A singer and fiddle player with a special passion for Celtic music, Pat takes voice lessons from Sheila Egan, a teacher with a background in Sufi singing, recently got a new German violin, and has taken up autoharp as well. For her showcase, she will be joined on guitar by **Chuck Boyer**. Don't miss it!



Inside: *Maria Sangiolo*



The Folk Club Proudly Presents ...

Maria Sangiolo

7:30 PM June 23, 1998

at the Tortilla Factory

Tickets \$8 (\$7 members)



Maria Sangiolo - "A singer with a highly revealing style of songwriting and an arresting voice" raves *Dirty Linen*. Maria is a "born singer" who has made her mark on the folk circuit with her veteran stage presence, poignant songs, timeless melodies, and unforgettable voice. *Follow Your Own Road*, Maria's latest recording, has gained critical acclaim nationwide with 6 weeks on the Americana charts, voted in WFIT's Best of '96 program and in WGCS' top ten folk CD's. "I was nothing short of blown away" exhorted Geoffrey Huys of WGCS, after seeing Maria for the first time. "Sangiolo's gentle songs stand up to the joy and hurt of life, with the strength to make her optimism credible" (*The Music Review*).

Maria's first release *Hard Words* in 1992 introduced her to the folk community, and with her first US tour brought comparisons to Carolyn Hester (*Dirty Linen*) and Joan Baez (*The Boston Globe*). Maria released her first CD, *Eyes of the Heart*, in December 1993. Its spare production by **Brooks Williams** gives full reign to the simple beauty of her voice and the timelessness of her songs. Upon its release, *Eyes of the Heart* immediately charted at number one on Boston's famed Folk Radio, WUMB. A year later it was listed in the Adult Trendsetter Radio Top Ten, and later that year resulted in Maria's nomination for a **Boston Music Award** in 1995. For the two independent releases, Maria's fans purchased over 5,000 of her recordings before she had the distribution benefit of a recording company. *Eyes of the Heart* and *Follow Your Own Road* are played on over 300 folk shows across the nation and beyond.

"Maria Sangiolo has all the necessary ingredients - strong clear voice, veteran stage presence. Wow!!" - Livingston Taylor

IN CONCERT

(Folk Club Members' local performances - send your schedule to the editor to be included)

Joe Clayton

Every Wednesday, 5:00-7:00 PM, Fresh Fields, 4530 40th St. NW, Washington, DC

Ray Kaminsky

Sun 06/07/98 1:45pm & 3:14pm

30th Annual Farm Craft Festival, Belle Grove Plantation, Middletown, VA

Info: (540) 869-2028

Sat 06/20/98

Herndon Blues Fest, (See below for details)

Info: 689-9535

Sat 07/11/98 8-10pm

Gulliver's, 55 E. Main Street. Luray, VA

Info: (540) 743-4460

Julia Rose

fri. june 5th: 7 pm

Borders Books, 11054 Lee Highway, Fairfax VA

call 703.359.4983

sat. june 6th:

Womens Center Baltimore Benefit

call 410.237.0899 for details

fri. june 19, 730 pm

Barnes and Noble Booksellers, Seven Corners Ctr,

6260 Seven Corners Ctr, Falls Church. call: 703.536.2665

fri. june 26, 8-10 pm

Barnes and Noble Booksellers, Reston

call 703.536.2665

sat. june 27 7 pm.

Northern Virginia's Pitch Magazine presents Julia Rose, part of the Women in Rock Tour

call 703.525.9825

Whitey's,

2761 Washington Boulevard, Arlington, VA

fri. july 10 8-10 pm

St. Elmo's Coffee, 2300 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria

sun. july 12 4-6 pm

Barnes and Noble Booksellers, Georgetown, DC

Pete Brown and the Mad Cows (Pete Brown, Brad Cooper & TM Hanna)

Sat June 27th 8:30-12:30pm

Marks Pub, Falls Church

Sat July 4th 10:00pm-

TGIF, Tysons Corner

Second Annual Herndon Blues Fest

June 20th

5:00 - 10:00pm

Frying Pan Park

2709 West Ox Road, Herndon

Performers include:

Mary Flower

Cephas & Wiggins

Ann Rabson

Catfish Hodge

Ray Kaminsky

FREE ADMISSION

Second Annual Avalon Folk Music Festival

Aug 21 - Aug 23

Performers

include:

Bill Danoff

Hickory Grove

David Buskin

Sue Trainor &

Christina Muir

Bill Davis

and others

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Folk Club Guest Artists,

Showcases, and Special Events

prices are for nonmembers/members - it pays to join!
all times are 7:30 PM

June 6	Pat Chen Showcase	Free
June 23	Maria Sangiolo	\$8/7
July 21	Michael Smith	\$10/9
Aug. 18	11th Anniversary Party	Free
Aug. 25	The Kennedys	\$10/9
Sep. 15	Bill Staines	\$10/9

Folk Club Format

On most nights, the Folk Club is an open mike format with a sign-up board. Each performer gets 12 minutes, including setup time (about 3 songs, usually). A \$1 donation is requested.

Showcase Performances

On the second Tuesday of each month, we feature a Folk Club member in a two set (25-minute) "Showcase" performance. To be in a showcase all you have to do is:

- be a Folk Club member (who hasn't done a showcase in 6 months)
- fill out a lottery slip any time in the month before the drawing
- win the drawing (held on the night of the previous month's showcase); and
- practice, practice, practice!

Newsletter Submissions

Club members' performances will be listed in the club calendar, and members' music-related notices (instruction, equipment for sale, etc.) will be listed free of charge.

Articles, reviews, artwork, and other items related to music are welcome, although publication can't be guaranteed.

After several years as the newsletter editor, Dan Grove is moving on to the position of newsletter advisor and will continue to interview the showcase winner and help the new editor.

You may contact T.M.Hanna at <tm.hanna@pressroom.com> or (703) 430-3497 with submissions or for more information.

Anyone wishing to volunteer for a term as Newsletter Editor please contact Dan or TM.

The Folk Club

Tuesday nights, 7:30 PM
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MEMBERSHIP · ADDRESS CHANGES · RENEWAL

Check your mail label - your membership expiration date (in Year-Month-Day format, YYYYMMDD) is there. To renew, or to join for the first time, please send your check for \$12, payable to The Folk Club, to membership chair Dave Hurd at the return address below.

He's the one to send any address changes to as well.

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