



The Folk Club of Reston- Herndon

Preserving the traditions of Folk Music, Folk Lore, and Gentle Folk Ways

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July 11 Showcase – Dumb Muscle & the Divas

by Dan Grove



The Divas – “C” Culpepper, Ann Granger, and Mary Catherine (“MC”) Williams – are harmonizing singers with talent, attitude, and charm. They are accompanied by **Dan (“Dumb Muscle”) Grove** on guitar and bass, and for this showcase will be joined by **Ron (“Slap Happy”) Goad** on percussion.

The group formed at the Folk Club last year. MC met Dan and Ann there, and later introduced her neighbor, C. They didn’t know what to call themselves, but when **Nina Annmahian Lantis** heard Dan say “You divas will have to figure it out, I’m just dumb muscle,” she said, “That’s it!”

All three Divas have been singing their whole lives. MC sang in school and church groups all over the world, from Japan to the Ivory Coast and from Lebanon to Norway. C sang in bands as well as school and church groups, met her husband in a choir while in college, and teaches private voice lessons. MC and C also perform with Herndon’s Towne Square Singers. Ann sang to her kids and for herself, but hadn’t performed in public before her Folk Club debut last year (which is probably why she’s the only member of the group without a nickname – the audience is welcome to supply her with one!).

Dan and Ron are both well known to the club, they’ve been regulars for years. Ron got a Wammie nomination as “Most Supportive of Washington Music” last year, and Dan is an award-winning songwriter. Their job with the group is to inject some testosterone into the act, and generally make sure that things don’t get too dignified. Oh, and stay out of the way to let the Divas shine, of course!

You can expect songs ranging from *a capella* gospel shouts to boogie woogie bop, with a canticle and some reggae Teddy Bears thrown in. Dumb Muscle & the Divas cordially invite you to a refined evening of musical gentility, interspersed with radical tag-team vocal aerobatics, collaborative chaotic choruses, and bumptious fun!

Magpie

Tickets \$12 (\$11 Members)

**The Folk Club
Proudly Presents ...
7:15 PM – July 18, 2006
at the Tortilla Factory
648 Elden Street
Herndon, VA**



Terry Leonino and Greg Artzner began to play music together in Kent, Ohio in September of 1973. They chose the name **Magpie** for their band, a name which grew in personal significance for them as years went by. Terry was a student in her senior year at Kent State University in the fall of '73, and when she graduated the following spring, she and Greg packed Greg's VW bus and moved to the Washington, DC area. In the years since then, they have traveled and toured extensively, performed in concerts, at folk clubs and festivals around the world, and recorded many times. Terry's voice is a truly impressive instrument, not only because of its natural power, but also because of her versatility. She is a gifted singer of jazz and blues in the tradition of Connie Boswell and Billie Holiday, but is equally comfortable with the subtle beauty of traditional folk and contemporary songs. Add to this her uncanny ability to find the perfect harmony line, and, in a powerful blend of their two voices, you have a real treat for the ear. As if this weren't enough, Terry is also an excellent player of the harmonica, mandolin, fretted dulcimer, and rhythm guitar. Greg is an outstanding guitarist whose fingerstyle approach owes a lot to his heroes, guitar legends such as Reverend Gary Davis, Big Bill Broonzy, Nick Lucas, Phil Ochs, and Rolly Brown. His playing is the solid basis of Magpie's sound, providing whatever is called for, whether it be a hard-driving rhythm, or a ringing lyrical beauty. From a slow Scots air or a plaintive ballad to a rollicking ragtime blues or infectious swing, Greg covers it all. His high baritone voice has equal range and his captivating interpretation gives power and beauty to the full spectrum, from growling blues, to a Chilean lament, to a sweet croon. From the beginning Terry and Greg's interests in various musical styles have led them to be eclectic in their repertoire. Rather than confine themselves to a single style, Magpie has always embraced a musical rainbow, and with impressive proficiency in each different genre. From traditional, classic country, swing, and blues of the nineteen twenties and thirties, to contemporary songs written by themselves and others, Terry and Greg cover a lot of musical ground. They are the 1998 WAMMIE award winning best Traditional Folk Duo or Group.



Upcoming Performers

<http://www.musi-cal.com/search?key=venue&value=Folk+Club+of+Reston-Herndon>

Susan Greenbaum – August 15, 2006 \$10/\$9 – Incredible vocalist Susan received Finalist awards in both the John Lennon Songwriting Contest and the U.S.A. Songwriting Contest

Lee Murdock – September 19, 2006, \$10/\$9 – a talented performer of Great Lakes and maritime music spanning 15 generations of musical influences.

John Stewart – October 10, 2006 \$16/\$15 – The legendary folk singer and former Kingston Trio member will no doubt play a sold-out show. Get your tickets early!

MUSICAL NOTES



FloydFest 5 – July 27-30

The Souvenir Packages and RV passes are sold out, but there are still tickets available for this 3-day world music festival held in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Floyd, Virginia. This year's festival features great artists such as **Tim O'Brien, Rory Block, David Bromberg, Los Lobos**, and many others. Check online for complete information at <http://www.floydfest.com> or telephone at (540) 745-3378

SAW West Market Concert Series

A new concert series is being founded by SAW (the Songwriters Assn. of Washington), in conjunction with Reston's West Market Association, to provide performance opportunities for SAW artists. The new monthly series will be held on the first Sunday of the month, starting in July and running through November. The upcoming shows will showcase several performers who are familiar faces at The Folk Club, including:

July 2 – Michelle Murray and David LaFleur
August 6 – Dulcie Taylor and Bumpkin Pie
September 10 – the SAW Funny Song Festival
October 1 – Jean Bayou and Gina DeSimone
November 5 – Siobhan Quinn and Michael Bowers

Performances will be at the West Market clubhouse, and will be BYOB and food, if desired. Contact Folk Club members Greg Vickers (vickershome@comcast.net) or Ron Goad (mistergoad@aol.com) for more information.

House Concert – Mike Esposito at the Nagles

Folk Club member Jim Nagle and family will be hosting a house concert on Wednesday, July 12 featuring the talented roots musician Mike Esposito. Mike is a master of the resonator and lap steel guitars, as well as acoustic and electric 6-string guitars (and electric bass and ukulele, to boot!) His repertoire spans a broad range of Americana musical styles including blues, bluegrass, country, rhythm & blues, rock n' roll, Appalachian folk, New Orleans jazz and even a little bebop for good measure.

You can contact Jim Nagle for more information, either via email at: naglej@mail.nih.gov, or by phone in the evening at (703) 620-4692.

Visit Mike's website for some sound samples and a closer look at the artist at: <http://www.mikeesposito1.com>

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

That's right – they don't just play at The Folk Club!

Ray Kaminsky

<http://www.musi-cal.com/search?key=performers&value=Ray+Kaminsky>

Somos El Mar, www.schoolshows.com/somoselmar

Ron Goad

Last Sat. monthly, SAW Showcase Night at Red Rocks Cafe and Tequila Bar, 13850-F Braddock Road, Centreville, Va. 20121, (703) 266 7060

First Thur. Monthly, SAW presents Ron Goad's Upstairs at The Firehouse, 3988 University Dr., Fairfax, VA, 22030, (703) 383-1030

Miles In Trail (Demetrios Liadis and Bo Carneal)

7/12 Manassas Harris Loy Pavillion summer concert series 11:30am-1:30pm Free
www.milesintrail.com

Steve Key Music Showcases www.stevekey.com

Sundays: 7:30-10pm, Westside Cafe, Frederick, MD

MONTHLY MILESTONES

Born This Month:

7/3/1893 – "Mississippi" John Hurt
7/4/1826 – Stephen Foster
7/10/1907 – Fulton Allen (a.k.a. "Blind Boy" Fuller)
7/10/1947 – Arlo Guthrie
7/14/1912 – Woody Guthrie
7/18/1954 – Ricky Skaggs
7/21/1947 – Steven Demetri Georgiou (aka Cat Stevens)
7/23/1971 – Alison Krauss
7/30/1936 – George "Buddy" Guy

And In Passing:

7/6/1971 – Louis Armstrong
7/6/1998 – Leonard Slye (a.k.a. Roy Rogers)
7/16/1981 – Harry Chapin
7/17/1959 – Billie Holiday
7/19/2002 – Alan Lomax
7/27/1974 – Otis "Lightnin' Slim" Hicks

Quote for The Month

"I think one of the reasons I'm popular again is because I'm wearing a tie. You have to be different."

~ Tony Bennett

THE FOLK CLUB OF RESTON-HERNDON

Meets Tuesday nights, 7:30pm at The Tortilla Factory
648 Eldon Street, Herndon, VA

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FOLK CLUB FORMAT

Most Tuesday nights the Folk Club is an open-mike format with a signup board. Each performer has 12 minutes, which includes setup time. On the 2nd Tuesday of the month, we feature a "Showcase" of a Folk Club member in a 25-minute performance.

SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES

To be in the Showcase you must: 1) be a Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in the last 6 months; 2) fill out a lottery slip and place it in the "drawing bucket"; 3) Win the drawing on the night of the current month's showcase; and 4) be prepared to be featured in the next newsletter!

NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

Folk Club members are encouraged to submit performance calendars, classified ads, articles, reviews, artwork and other music-related items to Bob Hampton at bhampton@ossva.com. Information should be received 1 week prior to the end of the month for the next month's newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space.

GET YOUR TICKETS IN ADVANCE

Advance ticket purchases for Guest Artist concert performances can be made on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Dave Hurd, 110 Devil's Backbone Overlook, Stephenson, VA 22656, (540) 722-0146

TUNE-IN TO THE FOLK CLUB

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The cost is nominal, just \$15 per year. Along with the opportunity to participate in Showcase drawings, you get a \$1 discount on the ticket price of guest artist concerts (up to 2 tickets per show). Buy 2 tickets to every show and you've

saved a bundle! Join up on Folk Club Tuesdays, or call a board member for info.

NEWSGROUP

The Folk Club newsgroup is a great way of keeping in touch with what's happening around town and beyond. Just go to: <http://launch.groups.yahoo.com/group/FolkClubofRestonHerndon/>

WEBSITE

The Folk Club has its own website at:

www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com

Hop online and keep up with the latest happenings!

INFO LINE

For general folk club information contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402



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