

THIS MONTH'S CONCERT – DANNY SCHMIDT & CARRIE ELKIN

Soulful and Spirited soloists are twice the fun when teamed! – see page 2 for details

May 7 Showcase – TM Hanna and Adrik Bagdasarian

By TM

For the showcase this month I'd like to introduce the Folk Club to an up and coming young banjo player. **Adrik Bagdasarian** is 13 years old and has been playing the 5 string banjo for about a year and a half. His interest in the banjo started when his grandfather gave him a tenor banjo two years ago. He also plays piano, guitar, drums and mandolin.

Adrik's favorite bands are The Avett Brothers and The Civil Wars, but he listens to a lot of different music. He and his banjo recently took part in his schools' production of the play Barnum.



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(Editor's note: TM has tinkered at playing almost every instrument imaginable, and will play guitar for the showcase to complement Adrik's banjo. TM has a remarkable knowledge of musicology, especially about American songwriters of the last 200 years. Mention a song, and he'll know all about its writer and recording history. To top it off, he's a witty stand-up comedian for the patter between songs.)



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DANNY SCHMIDT & CARRIE ELKIN



TUESDAY, MAY 14TH, 2013

Show starts at 7:15 p.m.

\$11 (\$10 MEMBERS) Requested Donation

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It's a special treat when **DANNY SCHMIDT** and **CARRIE ELKIN**, who normally tour separately and solo, get to share the stage together. If the chemistry seems especially spark-filled, they come by it honestly as they are a rare breed: a romantic partnership in real life, not just musical life. And the two together on stage makes for a classic case of the whole being greater than the sum of its parts.

Danny Schmidt, best known for his riveting poetic lyrics, has drawn favorable comparisons to Leonard Cohen and Townes Van Zandt for their depth and complexity. And gypsy spirit Carrie Elkin is best known for her incredibly soulful and dynamic vocals, which have drawn favorable comparisons to Patty Griffin at her most powerful, and Nanci Griffith at her most intimate...

Named to the *Chicago Tribune's* 50 Most Significant Songwriters in the Last 50 Years, Austin, TX-based singer/songwriter Danny has been rapidly ascending from underground cult hero status to being broadly recognized as an artist of generational significance. He is considered a preeminent writer, an artist whose

earthy poetry manages to somehow conjure magic from the mundane.

With her Red House Records debut release, *Call It My Garden*, Carrie Elkin has emerged as one of the defining new voices in the world of Texas singer-songwriters, being celebrated by *Texas Music Magazine* as one of their artists of the year. The voice, the stories, the images, the grace and infectious enthusiasm, it's a complete package. But it's the power of her live performances that really have been creating an incredible buzz around this young artist.

Maverick Magazine said it best, after a recent festival performance: "I have never seen a performer so in love with the act of singing. That's the gospel truth. Onstage Elkin was simply a force of nature."

"Intimate, yet universal. Naked, yet richly adorned. Her voice is simply revelatory." - **FolkWax**

"Danny Schmidt is a force of nature: a blue moon, a hundred-year flood, an avalanche of a singer-songwriter. His songs are a flood of poetry, mythology, folk wisdom, and surprise." ... "Perhaps the best new songwriter we've heard in the last 15 years." - **Sing Out! Magazine**

Visit the musicians' web sites on-line at: www.dannyschmidt.com and www.carriekin.com

Seating: Contact **Dave Hurd** Tuesdays at The Folk Club or e-mail - DAHurdSr@cs.com

UPCOMING CONCERTS include:

[Round Mountain](#) 6/25/2013 ... and a full autumn season coming soon!!!

MUSICAL NOTES

Folk Club Birthday Party – May 21st

Don't forget the date for our annual birthday celebration. This year marks the 28th anniversary of the founding of the Folk Club, and our second party at our new home – The Amphora Diner Deluxe! Cake, balloons, CD raffles (don't forget our ticket fairy!), and lots of music and fun will be present as always. Mark your calendars, and put on your party hats!

There will be a special flyer posted on our website in tribute to all the great concert performers we've hosted over the past 28 years (thanks, Fang!)

Folk Club Campout! May 25th – 27th

Come join the fun of the 23rd Annual Folk Club Memorial Day Weekend Campout at the Double Trouble Estate in Stephenson, VA. Enjoy the music, camaraderie, and great food with Dave and Beth and everyone else. Meals are provided (for a small contribution), so pack up your troubles, tents, drinks, instruments, and your old kit bag and come on out. See Dave or Beth at The Club or visit the RHFC website for more info (a full page flyer is available on the website). Don't forget to make your reservations by noon on May 24th.

Pat Donahue is Solo Performance – May 26th

Folk Club member Donna Xander in conjunction with SAW (Songwriter's Association of Washington) has arranged for renowned fingerstyle guitarist (and star of NPR's *Prairie Home Companion*) **Pat Donahue** to perform in an intimate setting at the Surge Community Church in McLean, VA at 7pm on May 26th. Our website will include a link for the concert flyer with more information.

To reserve tickets (\$20 apiece) you can contact Donna via email at donna.xander@gmail.com

Celebrate Fairfax! June 8th – 10th

This year marks the 30th year of an annual festival that is a favorite with everyone. Held at the Fairfax County Government Center, it provides world-class entertainment on seven stages. Concerts on the main stage this year will feature **Everclear**, the **B-52s**, and the **Spin Doctors**. Six additional stages will feature a variety of music throughout the weekend. Advance tickets (through June 6th) are \$9 for adults (\$12 at the gate), and \$4 for children age 3-10 (\$5 at the gate, children under 3 are free). For more details, visit the website at: celebratefairfax.org

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

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

Doris Justis

dorisjustis.com - Folk, original, and contemporary music

T.M Hanna, tmhanna.net

Bill Davis (w/Somos El Mar)

schoolshows.com/somoselmar

Chris Anderson <http://chris-anderson.info/>

Ron Goad – MisterGoad@aol.com

- Mondays 7:30pm, F.A.M.E. Variety Showcases at Brewer's Alley, Frederick, MD. FrederickAcoustic.org

- 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 8-10:30pm, SAW Variety Showcases at Epicure Café, Fairfax, VA Epicurecafe.org

- 2nd Thursday each month 7:00pm, SAW-BMI concerts at The Athenaeum, Old Town Alexandria.

NVFAA.org

- 3rd Saturdays 7-10pm, SAW Concerts at Surge Community Church, 1988 Kirby Rd., McLean, VA. Tickets \$10. Saw.org

Harley String Band (Jim Clark, Jim Johnson and Steve Coffee)

www.harleystringband.com

Chatham Street (Christal and Peter Prout)

chathamstreetmusic.com

The Bull Run String Band (Roger Johnson)

facebook.com/TheBullRunStringBand

Richard White diviningsage.com

Crys Matthews crysmatthews.com

MONTHLY MILESTONES

Born This Month:

5/1/1939 – Judi Collins

5/2/1924 – Theodore Bikel

5/3/1919 – Pete Seeger

5/5/1901 – "Blind" Willie McTell

5/9/1914 – Clarence Eugene "Hank" Snow

5/10/1909 – "Mother" Maybelle Carter

5/10/1946 – Donovan Leitch

5/15/1935 – Bruce "Utah" Phillips

5/17/1942 – Henry St. Clair Fredericks (a.k.a. Taj Mahal)

5/24/1941 – Bob Dylan

5/25/1938 – Hoyt Axton

5/31/1938 – Peter Yarrow

Quote for the Month

*"Musick has Charms to sooth a savage Breast,
To soften Rocks, or bend a knotted Oak."*

- William Congreve



of Reston & Herndon

Meets Tuesday nights, 7:15pm at Amphora Diner Deluxe
1151 Elden 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 newsletter editor 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.

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RESERVE YOUR CONCERT SEATS IN ADVANCE

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

FOLK CLUB MEMBERSHIP

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 recommended donation for guest artist concerts (up to 2 donations per show). Join up on Folk Club Tuesdays, or call a board member for info.

KEEP IN TOUCH

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club:

Website: www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com

FaceBook: Search for "Folk Club of Reston Herndon"

Yahoo Newsgroup:

<http://launch.groups.yahoo.com/group/FolkClubofRestonHerndon/>

General Info: Contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402



Classifieds

FOR SALE: Large Dura loudspeaker/stage monitor \$100. Electric 6 string Guitar dual pickup with pods and input jack \$20. 540-349-2938

FOR SALE: Archtop Guitar Kalamazoo by Gibson 1930 model FK-360 low action \$1000. Crate G40XL Guitar Amp \$40. 540-349-2938

WANTED: Your old guitar strings! The Second Strings Project has distributed over 10,000 sets to the world's most depressed regions. Send complete sets only to Kevin Deame, 28 Ladd, Ellington, CT 06029