The Folk Club

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October Showcase - T. J. Gaghan

The October Showcase features T. J. Gaghan, a new member and fresh voice at the Folk Club. From southern Fairfax, T. J. went to Bishop Ireton and Mt. Vernon High Schools, and now lives in Manassas. He works as a programmer for the Department of Defense, creating Web pages for the Pentagon using (for you other propeller-heads out there) C, Clipper, Java, and CGI. T. J. taught himself how to program, and taught himself how to create music on his computer with a sequencer program and a MIDI keyboard, too. Music theory is the next subject he wants to tackle.

Also self-taught as a guitarist, T. J. has been playing music since the early 80's, when he started on an electric guitar doing Lynyrd Skynyrd and Rush covers. He switched to acoustic guitar and began writing songs, stopped for a while, and then began a very productive writing period this year. The words to songs are very important to him, but he doesn't normally write words first and then add music. The two arrive together, usually, and a song goes where it wants to go, without a predetermined message or story. He frequently writes at his computer.

Current influences are Collective Soul, the Cranberries, U2, Melissa Etheridge, and Live, and for his showcase T. J. may do an Elton John song mixed in with his originals. With some amusement, T. J. says that his mother actually *likes* one of his songs. Come



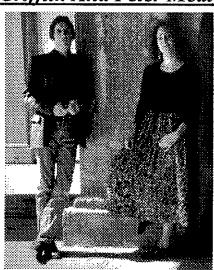
4th Annual **Herndon Folk Festival** Sunday, October 6, 12:00-5:00 On the Herndon Towne Green

Lucy Kaplansky, Cephas & Wiggins, Martin Sexton, Bill Morrissey, Eddie from Ohio

hear why at his showcase on October 8!

Todd Crowley, Bill Parsons, Don Conoscenti, Ray Kaminsky, Andrew McKnight, Lisa McCormick, Robbie Schaefer, Tom Eure, Ralph Lee Smith, Norm Taylor, Bud Burwell, and much more! See the pull-out section inside for details!

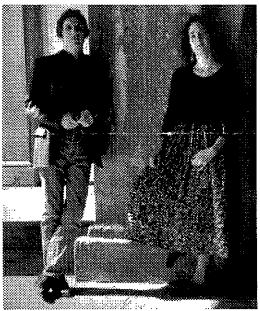
Inside: Laurie Rose Griffith And Peter Mealy



Laurie Rose Griffith & Peter Mealy

7:30 PM October 29, 1996

Tickets \$8 (\$7 members)



Laurie Rose Griffith and Peter Mealy are an exciting acoustic duo from Fredricksburg, Va. Fronted by the rich, pure voice of Laurie and the stellar guitar playing of Peter, they have captivated audiences throughout the Mid-Atlantic region.

Laurie is one of those rare singers who, according to Music Americana's Dick Cerri, "has a gift for connecting the listener to the heart of the song." He adds that "it's easy to fall in love when you hear her sing." Her mellifluous voice and astute interpretive skills are well supported by her strong, versatile guitar playing and complemented by her husband Peter's guitar and string bass.

Peter is an award-winning songwriter and instrumentalist who has been hailed by Northern Virginia Rhythm for his "superlative technical and compositional

skills." His detailed guitar arrangements draw on influences from Celtic to jazz and give the duo its unique, guitar intensive sound.

Laurie and Peter were finalists in the prestigous Kerrville New Folk Competition in 1995, and their new CD, "Tocoi Light," has been enthusiastically received by fans and folk music programmers. They maintain a busy performing schedule in clubs, coffeehouses, festivals and concerts, and have shared the stage with artists such as Saffire, Shawn Colvin, Arlo Guthrie and Tori Amos. To echo Kathy Frye of the Songwriters Association of Washington, "They will delight you with their vocal harmonies and dazzle you with their great guitar work. Don't miss these

exciting performers."

Kevin James' Performance Calendar:

Quigley's Oct 3, 24, 31 (202) 966-0500 Murphy's of Alexandria Oct 4-7, 25-28 (703) 548-1717 Nickelby's Oct 10-12 (703) 444-2208 Flanagan's Oct 15-19 (301) 986-1007 Borders Books White Flint Oct 20 (301) 816-1067 Old Brogue Oct 30 (703) 759-3309 Murphy's of DC Nov 3-9 (202) 462-7171

Wanted: 6-string (steel string) guitar, inexpensive but playable, for traveling.

Dan - (703) 742-7993

Voice lessons are available from Barbara Ryan - (703) 451-4492

Sound system and engineer, reasonable rates Richard Flinchbaugh - (703) 255-0112

Club Acoustic Productions

House Concert Series

Sunday evenings
6:30 PM Socializing, 7:00 PM Showtime
Refreshments Available
\$10 Admission, by Advance Reservation Only
(703) 689-0444
Limited Seating! Reserve Early!!

Oct 27 Will Hoppey

Nov 17 Jim Henry

Dec 1 Justina & Joyce



4th Annual

Herndon Folk Festival

Sunday, October 6, 1996 12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM On the Herndon Towne Green

The Folk Club is proud to be one of the sponsors and organizers of the 4th Annual Herndon Folk Festival, a TREE and very special event. There will be food and drink, a farmers' market, craft vendors, and tons of kid's stuff, plus some glorious musical events. Two stages of music will run throughout the day, and there will be an Instrument Petting Zoo for hands-on exposure to dozens of instruments.

At the Petting Zoo, Ralph Lee Smith, Todd Crowley, Andrew McKnight, Norm Taylor, and Bud Burwell will demonstrate and share dulcimers, guitars, autoharps, and other instruments.

The stage schedules, complete as of press time, appear below, along with photos and some information about the main stage performers. Robbie Schaefer and Tom Eure are two of the performers that will fill the tba time slots on the Showcase Stage, at times to be announced.

Thousands of people enjoyed this festival last year - come join the fun! For more information, call the Herndon Parks and Recreation Department on (703) 435-6868.

	Main Stage	Showcase Stage		
12:00	Lucy Kaplansky	Todd Crowley		
12:30	картанзку	tba		
1:00	Cephas &	Bill Parsons		
1:30	Wiggins	Don Conoscenti		
2:00	Martin	tba		
2:30	Sexton	Ray Kaminsky		
3:00	Bill Morrissey	Andrew McKnight		
3:30		Lisa McCormick		
4:00	Eddie from	tba		
4:30	Ohio	tba		



"[Kaplansky] brings a winning charm, healthy folk soprano, and sound interpretive instincts to the task...easy to predict stardom for her."

- New York Times

"Her singing has been a source of amazement, comfort, and inspiration to me."

- Shawn Colvin



John Cephas on guitar and Phil Wiggins on harmonica play the blues with a style that has won multiple W.C. Handy awards and a National Endowment for the Arts Heritage Fellowship.

"Leading exponents of the Piedmont Blues tradition."

- New York Times

"...remarkable guitar and harmonica duets...that literally pulled people out of their seats."

-Washington Post

Cepnas & Wiggins

"Every act was worthy, but Martin Sexton was the only one of brilliance. He simply has to be seen to be believed!"

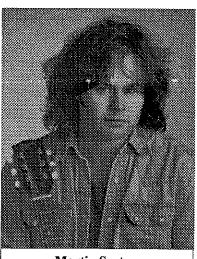
- Boston Herald

"Astounding!"

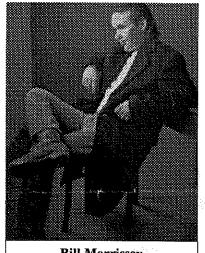
-Los Angeles Weekly

"...a truly great singer...it is only a matter of time before you hear the news."

- John Gorka



Martin Sexton



Bill Morrissey

Bill Morrissey's music and his collaborations with Suzanne Vega, Shawn Colvin, and Greg Brown have won him four-star ratings from Rolling Stone, a Grammy nomination, and praise from the New York Times and Entertainment Weekly.

"...in that noble lineage that reaches back to Hank Williams and Woodie Guthrie...the troubadour as truth teller, conveying wisdom with absolute economy and focused fire."

- Rolling Stone

Eddie from Ohio's Eddie Hartness (percussion, vocals), Mike Clem (guitar, bass, harp, vocals), Robbie Schaefer (guitar, vocals), and Julie Murphy (vocals, piano) are, actually, from this area. You can hear their strong vocals, tight harmonies, solid instrumentals and songwriting skills at venues all up and down the east coast this fall, and their folk and folk/rock stylings will carry you away. A rapidly ascending local group!





Folk Club of Reston-Herndon



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Fri</u>	Sat
Sept 29	Sept 30	Oct 1	Oct 2	Oct 3	Oct 4	Oct 5
Kevin James'	ne separate listing to performance calend big to fit it all in h	lar -	7:00-9:00 Acoustic Showcase @ Starbucks Coffee, Cascades (free) (703) 421-0932	Ray Kaminsky 7:00-9:00 @ Starbucks (see earlier listing)	10:00-5:00 Ray Kaminsky @ Waterford Festival, Waterford, Va (540) 882-3018	12:00-4:00 Hickory Grove @ Waterford Festival (Schooley Mill Barn), Waterford, Va (540) 882-3018 (same times Oct 6)
Oct 6 Hickory Grove @ Waterford (see Oct 5) Herndon Folk Festival (see article)	Oct 7	Oct 8 T.J Gaghan Showcase and Lottery Drawing	Oct 9 7:00-9:00 @ Starbucks (see earlier listing)	Oct 10 7:30 IONA @ Ellipse Art Center, 4350 N. Fairfax Dr., Arlington (703) 358-6960 7:00-9:00 @ Starbucks (see earlier listing)	Oct 11	Oct 12 2:00 IONA @ Calvert Marine Museum, 14130 Solomons Island Rd., Solomons MD (free) (410) 326-2042
Oct 13	Columbus Day	Oct 15	Oct 16	Oct 17	Oct 18	Oct 19
			7:00-9:00 Starbucks (see earlier listing)	7:00-9:00 Starbucks (see earlier listing)		2:00 IONA @ Celtic Heritage Festival, St. Mary' Parish Center, 5222 Sideburn Rd., Fairfax 250-6773
Oct 20	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23	Oct 24	Oct 25	Oct 26
			7:00-9:00 @ Starbucks (see earlier listing)	7:00-9:00 Starbucks (see earlier listing)	7:30 Ray Kaminsky @ Border's Books, 8311 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, Va	
Oct 27 6:30 House Concert - Will	Oct 28	Oct 29 Laurie Rose Griffith &	Oct 30		Nov 1	Nov 2 2:00-4:00 Hickory Grove @ Colvin Run
Hoppey (703) 689-0444 (see article)		Peter Mealy (\$8/7)	7:00-9:00 @ Starbucks (see earlier listing)	7:00-9:00 @ Starbucks (see earlier listing)		Mill, Great Falls, Va (703) 759-5241
Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5	Nov 6	Nov 7	Nov 8	Nov 9
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Folk Club Guest Artists

and Special Events

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

Oct. 29	Laurie Rose Griffith & Peter Mealy	\$8/7
Nov. 19	Bonnie Rideout	\$9/8
Dec. 17	Holiday Party	Free
Jan. 28	Sparky Rucker	\$9/8
Feb. 25	Lucy Kaplansky	\$9/8
Mar. 18	The Unfortunate Rakes	\$11/10

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.

Contact the editor, Dan Grove, at (703) 742-7993 with submissions or for more information.

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.

Folk Club Format

On most nights, the Folk Club is an open mike format with a sign-up board. Each performer gets 12 minutes (or 3 songs, whichever comes first). 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!

The Folk Club

Tuesday nights, 7:30 PM at The Tortilla Factory 648 Elden St., Herndon, VA 471-1156

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