

The Folk Club

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May 11 Showcase – Deirdre Murphy

Deirdre Murphy and her husband Lou Ruffino have some new excitement around their house. They live out in the woods in Potomac with groundhogs, foxes, raccoons, and herds of deer (LOTS of deer...). But it's Lou's new granddaughter, born on February 3, who has done the most to rekindle a sense of wonder and an appreciation of nature there. His grandson, now three and a half, has developed a love for the guitar, which they've been encouraging. All the activity at home, and her job editing medical literature in Bethesda, keep Deirdre busy, but she always makes time for music.

If you haven't heard Deirdre's voice before, you're in for a treat. Her lovely soprano has graced everything from operatic arias and the theater to jazz and folk classics. She grew up the youngest of four singing siblings in a very musical family, and could play the Hungarian Rhapsody on the piano at age six. She had seven years of classical voice lessons, and took college courses in music theory and counterpoint. Peter, Paul, and Mary and Judy Collins are her biggest influences in the folk world, and she loves the voices of Anne Hills and Priscilla Herdman, who have performed at the Folk Club.

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Jack Williams

Coming May 18th
to the
Tortilla Factory

Deirdre has been leaning more toward jazz lately, and listens to pianists and horn players as well as vocalists. For her showcase, she'll be concentrating on old jazz and swing standards, mostly love songs from the 20's and 30's, by Irving Berlin and others. **Mike Ball**, whose fluid fingerstyle technique matches the material perfectly, will accompany Deirdre on guitar. Don't miss her showcase!

The Folk Club Proudly Presents -

Jack Williams

7:30 PM - Tuesday, May 18, 1999

Tickets \$10 (\$9 Members)



Jack Williams is a national class guitarist, singer and song/writer. Among acoustic guitarists he is near-legendary. Having avoided the compromises of the commercial music industry during his 40 year professional career, he has preferred working on the road, playing coffeehouses, concerts and festivals week in and week out, from the sheer love and respect for the music. Jack has been writing since 1970, and has a new CD of original music, *Across the Winterline*, on the new Wind River label which is a subsidiary of Folk Era. Jack also has *Dreams of the Song Dog* on Nashville's Winter Harvest Records, and *Highway from Back Home*, his 1993 independent CD. In 1980, Tom Jones recorded one of Jack's songs as a single and an album cut. Jack worked with Harry Nilsson on an album effort in 1973, and co-produced Mickey Newbury's newest CD, *Lulled by the Moonlight*.

As a singer/songwriter, Jack has performed with artists such as Dave Mason, Dar Williams, Tom Paxton, David Wilcox, John Gorka, Johnathan Edwards and Leon Russell. As a hired-gun guitarist, Jack has worked shows with John Lee Hooker, Big Joe Turner, Jerry Butler, and Hank Ballard, and opened performances for the Allman Brothers, Delbert McClinton and Arthur Conley, and backed up

performances by the Shirelles, Brooklyn Bridge, the Coasters, the Drifters and the Platters.

Jack draws his songwriting and inspiration from artists such as Jesse Winchester, Bob Dylan, Hank Williams, Willis Alan Ramsey and Ray Charles. A quote from Glenn Drinkwater of the 12 Corners Coffeehouse raves, "I am still somewhat in amazement about what I saw ... the way peoples' heads kept snapping around to look at each other in astonishment."

1999 Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival – Reston Town Center

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Saturday May 15		Main Stage	Dominion Stage
11:30-12:30		Randy Barrett Trio	Hot Soup
1:00-2:00		Ann Rabson	Randy Barrett Trio
2:30-3:30		Hot Soup	Ann Rabson
4:00-6:00	Tommy Lepson and the Lazy Boys		MoonFire with guest Ellen James
Sunday May 16		Main Stage	Dominion Stage
11:30-12:30	Steve Wolf & Swing Speak		Da Vinci's Notebook
1:00-2:00	Da Vinci's Notebook		Al Petteway & Amy White
2:30-3:30	Linwood Taylor & James Mabry		Steve Wolf & Swing Speak
4:00-5:00	Al Petteway & Amy White		The Kennedys
5:00-6:00	The Kennedys		Linwood Taylor & James Mabry

IN CONCERT

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

Ray Kaminsky

Thu 5/6/99 Starbuck's/Chantilly 703/968-0026
Sat 5/8/99 8-10pm St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, 2300 Mt. Vernon Ave 703/739-9268
Thu 5/13/99 Down Under/Occoquan 703/490-0904
Fri 5/21/99 Borders Books/Fairfax 703/359-4983
Fri 6/4/99 Borders Books/Arlington 703/418-0166
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Thu 6/10/99 Barnes & Noble/Reston 703/437-8147
Fri 6/18/99 Barnes & Noble/Bethesda 301/986-1761

Pete Brown & TM Hanna

Fri 05/07/99 6:00pm-10:00pm Bennigans, Tysons Corner Rt7 and 123(in the Cable and Wireless Bldg)
Sat 05/08/99 9:00pm-12:30pm McKeever's Pub, McLean, VA
Sun 05/16/99 (tentative) Irelands Four Courts, Falls Church
Sat 05/22/99 9:00pm-1:00am Marks Pub, Pimmit Drive, Falls Church
Fri 06/11/99 6:00pm-dark Scrooples, Sterling, VA Rt 28
Thu 06/17/99 9:00pm-12:30am Luna Park Grill, Arlington, VA 5866 Washington Blvd. Info: (703)237-5862
Fri 06/18/99 6:00pm-dark Scrooples, Sterling, VA Rt 28
Wed 06/23/99 9:00pm-12:30pm McKeever's Pub, McLean, VA

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Sat May 22, 1999 1:00-1:30 Reston Festival
Fri June 18, 1999 7:30-9:30 Barnes & Noble in Reston Town Center
Sat June 26, 1999 6:00-8:00 at Stringfellows of Occoquan 494-3755

ShowCase Review April 13, 1999

When BananaRama and the Fun Boy Three failed to show at the Tortilla Factory last month, the Lunatics did indeed take over the asylum. The Porch Monkeys had to finish their set behind an invisible force field of spirit skull-bones for protection from flying bananas and bean burritos. The technical difficulties associated with wires and mic's left the clustered pluckers delirious and the full house furious. Apparently, their previous performances at Patio Daddy-O's in Mud Puddle Gulch always ended the same way or hilariously worse. But this time, however, the sub-harmonic resonance (18Hz) of bugged-out, bulging eye-balls was able to subdue the audience hypnotically and overcome the sonic limitations (20-20KHz) of the electrical speaker system. Thankfully, the Folk Club crowd returned to normal the following week and MonkeyHeads everywhere sulked back into their 25-year wait for the next Porch Monkey showcase and revue.

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Showcases, and Special Events

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

May 11	Dierdre Murphy Showcase	N/C
May 18	Jack Williams	\$10/9
Jun. 22	Curly Ennis	\$10/9
Jul. 27	Bill Parsons George Turman	\$10/9
Aug. 24	Ethel Caffie-Austin	\$10/9
Sep. 28	Lou & Peter Berryman	\$10/9
Oct. 12	Bryan Bowers	\$10/9

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.

You may contact T.M.Hanna at <birdphluph@pressroom.com > with submissions or for more information.

Anyone wishing to help with the newsletter or volunteer for a term as newsletter Editor please contact TM.

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, 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!

The Folk Club

Tuesday nights, 7:30 PM
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