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# July 11 Showcase – Steven Cutts

by Dan Grove

Steven Cutts has just released his first CD, "All Alone... But Hardly On My Own," a collection of eleven originals and one cover. His songs tell stories, and cover a wide variety from pop to swing to folk to country, with a rousing rave rap added at the end. The CD was produced and mixed at Bias studios by Jim Robeson, and features many outstanding guests, including Lynn Morris, Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer, Paul Bell, and Darren Defoore.

Originally from Connecticut, Steve went to Wesleyan University, where he rowed on the heavyweight 8-man crew team, got a degree in American studies, and sang in the university concert choir. He performed with several professional choirs, and as a professional in church choirs, for many years, doing classical and sacred music. He also played with a band in the 1980s.

Steve came to DC in 1991, where he teaches American history at the Georgetown Day School, and began writing songs in earnest about five years ago. Contemporary songwriters he admires include Nancy Griffith, John Gorka, Cheryl Wheeler, Richard Shindell, Dar Williams, Mary Chapin Carpenter, and Debi Smith, whose "My Father Was a Quiet Man" is covered on Steve's CD. He's also involved with the Songwriters Association of Washington (SAW), and just joined their board as the organization's secretary.

Steve is frequently accompanied at gigs by John Lewis, the bass player on his CD, but will probably be solo for his showcase. The Folk Club is his favorite place to play because of its listening environment, even though he can only get here a few times a year. Don't miss it!

#### July Schedule

July 4 Canceled due to holiday July 11 Steven Cutts Showcase

& Open Mike

July 18 Mack Bailey & Chris Rosser

July 25 Open Mike

Richard Flinchbaugh is resigning as Folk Club treasurer as of July 10 in preparation for his move to Maine. He's diligence in getting all of us to remember to put our \$1 in the bucket will be greatly missed. He will be back in town to visit family and to do sound for some festivals. We'll all look forward to your visits to the folk family, Richard.

# No Folk Club July 4 See you July 11

# Mack Bailey & Chris Rosser

Tickets \$10 (\$9 Members)



Mack Bailey, winner of the 1992 Washington Area Music Awards (WAMMIE) for Best Male Vocal in the Traditional Folk category, is gaining an everlarger audience for his strong, expressive voice and sensitive original songs. Originally hailing from North Carolina, Mack attended the North Carolina School of the Arts for six years, one of the few schools in the country aimed at teaching performing professionals. This classical training shows in his impressive range and pure, clean vocals. Mack's new CD, Through Your Eyes, was recorded in Nashville with Kris O'Connor producing and featuring Jim Horn, Pete Huttlinger and Chris Nole. The highlights for Mack are the title cut recorded with Chris Nole and anything Jim Horn plays. Mack has composed and performed soundtracks for 3 films. "Block Island, a Gift of the Glaciers" and "Smith Island, Land, Water, People, Time" both shown on PBS and "Joyce Luncher." A member of the Hard Travelers, Mack had the privilege of trading verses to Thank God, I'm a Country Boy with John Denver in front of 9000 people. Mack has also performed with the original Limeliters, filling in for tenor Rick Dougherty at the World Folk Music Concert at Lisner Auditorium. Some of Mack's other credits include artist-in-residence at the Kennedy Center, two performances of the "Star Spangled Banner" for the Baltimore Orioles, and for two years in a row, chosen from over 450 applicants nationally to appear in the "New Folk" series at the world-renowned Kerrville Folk Festival.

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songwriters... and that's saying something, in a town filled with terrific singer -songwriters. -- Tony Kiss, Asheville Citizen-Times.

We first saw Chris Rosser opening for John Gorka on the eastern shore, and couldn't agree more. Chris' musical experiences began with piano lessons from his mother at the age of seven. In high school, he played and sang in rock and jazz bands and developed a fascination with musical styles as diverse as jazz, classical, country, pop, gospel, folk, r&b and Middle Eastern/world music.

He graduated from the University of Miami School of Music in 1992 where he majored in jazz piano and studio recording. During his last year at Miami, his focus began to shift from jazz piano to acoustic guitar and songwriting as he first began to hear the music of contemporary folk musicians like Shawn Colvin, David Wilcox and Patty Larkin. Now 27, Rosser is currently touring in support of his latest release on ISG Records, Archaeology. Chris has received numerous recognitions, including New Folk finalist at the Kerrville Folk Festival, Troubadour finalist at Telluride Bluegrass Festival, his song "The Living In Me" selected for EcoMusic's 1996 environmental awareness recording, First place in song writing at the Merle Watson Memorial Festival, and first place award in Mid-Atlantic Songwriting Contest.



#### Classifieds

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#### In Concert

Local performances by members of The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon

#### Andrew McKnight

7/06 7:30-8:30 Herndon Town Green

7/07 8:30 49 West, Annapolis, MD 410-626-9796 Reservations rec.

7/15 Country roads Folk Fest., Kearneysville, WV. 304-267-7963

7/16 6-8pm Dang Varmints, The Franklin Park Performing & Visual Arts Center, Purcellville, VA

#### Ray Kaminsky

7/06 7.30pm Starbucks, Mclean, VA with Jack Fretwell on harmonica 703 241-9480

7/07 8:00pm Seasons Coffee Gallery, Front Royal, VA (540)631-9502

7/19 3:00pm WAGE Radio 1200 AM, Leesburg, VA

7/21 7:30pm Borders Books, Sterling, VA 703 430-9227

7/22 12-9pm Herndon Blues Fest
Frying Pan Park (703) 437-9101. 7/29
St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, Arlington,
VA (703)739-9268

#### James Houch & Friends

7/8 & 9 Brianna Chapman will skate to a new song called "Break Away." at Skate Nation in Dale City, VA,on Dale Blvd

8/11-13 Avalon Folk Festival

#### **Steven Cutts**

7/1 8-10pm St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, Mt. Vernon Ave.. Alexandria

7/14 8-11pm Foster Brothers Coffee Connecticut Ave., Cleveland Park D.C.

**ACOUSTIC JAM** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month from 1 - 4 P.M. at Frying Pan Park Country Store in Herndon. Call Yvonne Johnson at 703-437-9101 for details.

#### **Herndon Blues Fest**

July 22, Noon-9pm

All acoustic blues at Frying Pan Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon, VA. 703-437-9101. Artists include Ray Kaminsky, Neil Harpe, Sheryl Warner & Greg Kimball, Mary Flower, Paul Rishell & Little Annie Raines, John Jackson, Little Bit of Blues and Paul Geremia.

#### The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon

Tuesday nights, 7:30 P.M. The Tortilla Factory 648 Elden Street Herndon, VA 703-471-1156

President:

Ray Kaminsky

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Richard Flinchbaugh

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### **2000 Guest Artists**

**And Special Events** 

Most tickets for Guest Artists are \$10 Non-member, \$9 Members It pays to be a Folk Club member!

07/18/00 Mack Bailey & Chris Rosser (split bill)

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08/22/00 Folk Club's 13th Anniversary at the

Tortilla Factory Restaurant

08/29/00

Dana Robinson (\$8/\$7)
Darryl Purpose (\$8/\$7)

09/19/00

Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer

10/10/00 . 11/14/00

Catfish Hodge

12/19/00

Holiday Party

#### Folk Club Format

On most Tuesday evenings, the Folk Club is an open mike format with a sign-up board. <u>Each performer has 12 minutes</u>, <u>including setup time</u>. This allows three songs if you set up FAST and the songs are of moderate length.

#### 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 you have to:

- be a Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in 6 months.
- fill out a lottery slip any time in the month before the drawing
- win the drawing on the night of the current month's showcase
- prepare to be featured in the next newsletter!

#### Newsletter Publication

Folk Club members are encouraged to submit performance calendars, classified advertisements, articles, reviews, artwork and other items to Carol Deakin at cd7158@erols.com. All items must relate to music and be emailed in WordPerfect. Information must be received one week before the first day of the month in which you want it published. Items will be printed on the basis of music related interest, timeliness and space available with club information being the first priority.

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