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#### October 18 Theme – High Body Count Night

A night to hear and share murder ballads, songs about shipwrecks, and other assorted disasters. See page 2

## October 11 Showcase - Rick Landers & Heartland

by Rick



Rick Landers is an author, publisher, and singer-songwriter who co-wrote a book on press releases for working musicians, published e-books on music theory, the blues, Free and Bad Company, and others, and has published and served as the Editor of *Guitar International* magazine since 2004. He has interviewed music legends such as Les Paul, Buddy Guy, Judy Collins, Jimmy Webb, Paul Reed Smith, Chris F. Martin IV, Joe LaMond (president, NAMM), Vince Gill, Pat Martino, Steve Vai, Jesse Colin Young, Steve Earle, Slash (and his wife, Perla Hudson), and many more.

Rick has played guitar since he was 13 in his native Michigan, having been influenced by all of the British Invasion, Motown/Stax artists, and more. He's also been immersed in American and British folk musicians and he dabbled in songwriting since he moved to DC in the 1970s, busking in Georgetown and marginally performing in the Adams-Morgan area. He then took a hiatus from performing and rarely wrote any more songs until around 2017, then on a lark played an open mic at ArtSpace Herndon, where he was asked to be its first featured singer-songwriter.

Landers works with Heartland, a group comprised of Ron Goad (percussion), Jim Nagle (dobro), and John Werntz (bass), with others such as Bill Bowman (bass) and Peter Grattan (harp/keyboards/percussion) filling in on special occasions.

Rick's setlist for the show, with links to recordings and lyrics for the songs is: <u>Maria</u>, <u>Working Overtime</u>, <u>She's</u> Better Than Me, Red, Angel on the Wing, Cross Country Drive, Hollywood & Vine, and Big Cadillac.

Rick's performer website is **HERE**.



# High Body Count Songs - A Folk Club Theme Night Tuesday, October 18, 2022

Well, this is somewhat unusual: a theme night at our live open mic during the concert season. The reason we're introducing it is that since we returned to the Amphora after the pandemic not enough people have been coming to the artist concerts. So we decided to cut back this season from ten concerts to five to minimize the drain on our bank account. On the off months with no concert we're having theme nights to mix things up a bit.

Anyway, this month we've decided to try an offbeat theme which can be thought of as a prelude to Halloween (13 days later) – songs where one or more people die (or pass on, croak, kick the bucket, go to heaven, expire, breathe their last, succumb, leave us, go to their eternal reward, meet their maker, check out, are laid to rest, push up daisies, come to an end, bite the dust). Can you think of any more euphemisms?

This is a suggestion for performers to follow on this night (but they can play whatever they want). It gives them an incentive to look into different songs, come up with those that follow the theme, and interpret them in their own style.

In July the theme was train songs, and in August it was songs about work. Not every song fit the theme those nights, but it was fun anyway to see what people came up with. This month the challenge is to:

### Play songs where people meet the grim reaper

There are many possibilities to choose from, and here are a few of the more popular ones: *Banks of the Ohio, Ballad of Hollis Brown, Cocaine Blues, Frankie and Johnny, I Shot the Sheriff, John Hardy, Lily,Rosemary and the Jack of Hearts, Long Black Veil, Matty Groves, Maxwell's Silver Hammer, Ode to Billie Joe, Streets of Laredo, Tom Dooley, The Death of Emmett Till, etc.* 







While we're encouraging performers to present songs that fit the theme and mention death, it's not required. However, everyone will appreciate the musicians who pull it off.

#### **CLUB INFO**

#### Columbus Day Weekend Jamboree

Nancy and Wayne Truax are hosting the Jamboree on Columbus Day (or Indigenous Peoples' Day) weekend, from Friday, October 7 to Monday, October 10. It will be at The Aerie, their place on Massanutten Mountain just west of Luray. It's where the Memorial Day Weekend Jamboree was held earlier this year, and it is a great place for us to gather. The Aerie's address is 8727 US 211 West, Luray, VA, 22835. All the sleeping accommodations are already spoken for. There are motels and B&Bs in the area – we're 7 miles from Luray and 5 miles from New Market, VA. Otherwise, pitch a tent, or set up your RV (RV space is limited – please call).

This gives Folk Club fans a chance for three days of socializing and sharing music. If you plan to attend, please contact Nancy Truax at <a href="mailto:nancyjtruax@gmail.com">nancyjtruax@gmail.com</a> or 703-286-9417 and let her know when you plan to be there, how many will be in your party, and how many meals you would like (\$7 per meal if you can afford it). If you need more information, let her know and she will send you a flyer. Because of the Omicron variants Nancy strongly urges that everyone be vaccinated. Whatever the weather it will be a great time.

#### **Zoom Open Mics**

Al Hobson continues hosting bi-weekly virtual open mics on Zoom. This month the dates are Mon Oct 3, Mon Oct 17, and Mon Oct 31 (Halloween). If you'd like to share some songs, or watch and listen in, send an email to Al Hobson at alhobson@verizon.net by Sunday evening and let him know if you plan to perform or not. He'll send you the Zoom link for the 7:30 PM show.

#### Live Open Mic YouTube Stream

For those who cannot be at the Amphora or who'd like to see the open mic later, a YouTube link is on our website Event Calendar. Select the date – the link is after the Description. We try to put it there by 7:15 PM on Tuesday night (or the next day for ticketed guest artist concerts). Go to <a href="https://folkclubofrestonherndon.org/?page\_id=918">https://folkclubofrestonherndon.org/?page\_id=918</a>).

#### **MUSICAL NOTES**



#### **Focus Music**

- Scott Cook & Pamala Mae, Sat Oct 15 7:30 PM, Island Pride Oasis, 617 S Frederick Ave, Gaithersburg, MD 20879
- Ross Martin, Emily Hall, Annette Wasilik, Gabrielle Zwi, and Rob Hinkal; Wed Oct 19 8 PM, Hank Dietle's Tavern, 11010 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD
- Calan, Sat Oct 22 7 PM, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Rd, Alexandria, VA and Sun Oct 23 7:30 PM, Tikvat Isreal, 2200 Baltimore Rd, Rockville, MD
- Go to www.focusmusic.org for more information.

#### World Folk Music Association (WFMA)

- <u>Heather Pierson Acoustic Trio</u>, Sun Oct 9 2 PM, Rosensteel Hall in Silver Spring, MD
- Go to www.wfma.net/index.htm for more information.

#### **Institute of Musical Traditions**

- An Acoustic Night with the Nighthawks, Fri Oct 21 7:30 PM, St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD 20852
- The Piper Jones Band, Mon October 24, 2022 7:30 PM, St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD 20852
- Go to www.imtfolk.org for more information.

#### Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW)

- William Pint & Felicia Dale pre-Halloween concert, Sun Oct 23 7 PM, online
- Go to fsgw.org for more information.

#### **MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO**

Bill Davis – email: bil-davis@outlook.com

Chris Anderson Chris Anderson Songs.com

Ron Goad – email: MisterGoad@aol.com

Harley String Band (with Jim Clark, Jim Johnson) www.harleystringband.com

The Aloha Boys (with Glen Hirabayashi) www.alohaboys.com

Jan Gillies www.jangilliesmusic.com

Hickory Grove (Bev & Jack Osburn) www.hickoryg.com

Stevie Wade Potter, acoustic musician

- With John Georgiou, Sun Oct 23 2-5 pm, Naked Mountain Winery, 2747 Leeds Manor Rd, Markham, VA www.steviewademusic.com

#### **Sherry Stewart**

www.facebook.com/SunnyatMidnightMusic

Steven Cutts The Prime Cutts.com and Spotify

#### **Jeff Smith**

- <u>Sunny@Midnight</u> (with Sherry Stewart), Fri Oct 7 8 PM, <u>Three Whistles</u>, <u>2719 Wilson Blvd</u>, <u>Arlington VA</u> 22201
- Sat Oct 29 7 PM, <u>Cafe Sazon, 4704 Columbia Pike, Arlington, VA 22204</u> HumanWilderness.com

Jillian Matundan Jillian Matundan.com

- Sat Oct 8 1 PM at Delaplane Cellars, Delaplane, VA

Audrey Adair Audrey JAdair.com

Shenandoah Run (with Bob Melissinos, John Werntz, Jim Thorne, Ben Hamblin) www.shenandoahrun.com



Meets Tuesday nights, at 7:15 PM ET at Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden Street, Herndon, VA

**President**: Ben Hamblin **Treasurer**: Al Hobson **Board of Directors**: Bill Davis, TM Hanna, Ron Goad, Sue

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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 8 minutes, which includes setup time.

#### SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month (usually), we feature a "Showcase" of a Folk Club member in a 24-minute performance. To do a Showcase you must: 1) be a paid-up Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in the last 12 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, and other music-related items for the newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space. Send your input to newsletter editor Ben Hamblin at FolkClubOfRestonHerndon@gmail.com.

#### RESERVE YOUR CONCERT SEATS

Donations can be made in advance for Guest Artist concert performances on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Al Hobson, 810 Elden St, Herndon, VA 20170, treasurer.folkclub@gmail.com.

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#### FOLK CLUB MEMBERSHIP

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The process is the same if your membership has expired. Make out a check to "The Folk Club" in the amount of \$15 for one year or \$55 for 5 years. Please DO NOT make the check to Al Hobson. Send the check to: Reston/Herndon Folk Club; c/o Al Hobson; 810 Elden St; Herndon, VA 20170. Please provide your name, email address, phone # and type, and residential address. By the way, we are looking into a way to accept online payments in the future.

#### KEEP IN TOUCH

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club: **Website:** FolkClubOfRestonHerndon.org

Facebook: Search for "The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon"
General Info: Contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### WANTED

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#### MUSIC GEAR

- For Sale: Taylor GS Mini (Rosewood) w/bag \$438.62; Cordoba Mini II EB-CE \$237.21. Both are in very good shape. Contact TM at pressroom@birdphluph.com

#### **LESSONS**

- Private guitar lessons available on-line, FaceTime or Zoom. Flexible learning techniques including reading, ear and applied music theory. Contact Eric Forthman: email: <a href="mailto:eric.forthman@gmail.com">eric.forthman@gmail.com</a>; phone: 571-329-9875.