

**Rupert Wates in Concert – November 14**

Award-winning songwriter/vocalist/guitarist plays acoustic, melodic art/folk: haunting songs that ring true.  
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**November 7 Showcase – Rich Battaglia**

by Rich

Rich is very excited to be doing his second Folk Club Showcase since joining in 2021. His first was in July 2022 and they're letting him do it again, so that's a good sign.

He is delighted to be joined by some outstanding folk club musicians:

Jennifer Katt – A natural musician and excellent songwriter, she is an outstanding performer who gives her whole heart every time she performs. And, she has a lovely voice. Her showcase in September was such a musical feast that people gave her a standing ovation at the end.

Joe Shade – As is said (by me!) every time Joe performs, "Let There Be Shade!" Joe has an extensive catalog of songs he has written and recorded over his 20-year performing career, and has only accelerated his creativity by continuing to crank out new bombshell numbers since he's joined Folk Club. He's playing lead guitar tonight and has permission to go wherever the music takes him. Let There Be Shade.

Jim Fowler – Jim is one of the most complete and powerful performers in the Folk Club. He has done so much in his musical career it is hard to summarize here. He's playing bass guitar tonight, but he also happens to be one of the finest fingerstyle guitar players around (watch out Leo Kottke!). He has written and recorded many albums, sings and harmonizes, and plays some mean harmonica.

Ron Goad – Ron is not only an excellent percussionist in so many styles, he is that rarity among drummers - he sings excellent harmonies and can be called upon to do great lead singing as well. He is an anchor for the Folk Club and has so many awards in music promotion and songwriting it would be overwhelming to point them out here. The hardest working man in Folk/Rock in Virginia (and Maryland!).

Cindy McConnell – Cindy was on hiatus from the Folk Club for a number of years, but is back in full swing. Cindy is an intuitive singer and is so nice to listen to. So happy to have her singing with us tonight, although we all know she'd rather be riding Tennessee Gent out in the woods.

Rich Battaglia – What can be said about Rich that hasn't already been said? He has not been convicted of any felonies and has no outstanding indictments (in the U.S.). Having found a home at the Folk Club, he wants to be extra careful not to blow it here with some new information.

Peace & Blessings!





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# Rupert Wates



**TUESDAY, NOV. 14TH, 2023**

Show starts at 7:15 p.m.

**\$15 (\$14 MEMBERS)**

Requested Donation

**AMPHORA'S DINER DELUXE-HERNDON**

1151 Elden St - Herndon, VA 20170

*Purchase tickets in advance Tuesday evenings at the Folk Club's open mic at The Amphora Diner or by email at [alhobson@verizon.net](mailto:alhobson@verizon.net)*

*Tickets may also be purchased at the door dependent on availability*

[rupertwatesmusic.com](http://rupertwatesmusic.com)

[folkclubofrestonherndon.org](http://folkclubofrestonherndon.org)

The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon is a non-profit organization

Rupert Wates was born in London and studied at Oxford University. He has been a full-time songwriter since the late 1990s, when he signed a publishing contract with Eaton Music Limited. In London he worked with some of the best performers in the city. Moving in 2001 to Paris, Wates formed his own quartet and began playing live regularly. In fall 2006 he came to the US. He is now based in New York City and Colorado. Since coming to the US, he has won more than 50 songwriting and performing awards.

His music is an eclectic mix of acoustic, melodic art/folk, with flavors of jazz, vaudeville and cabaret. He has released twelve solo CDs. They have received outstanding reviews in the international online press and tracks from them have been played on radio all over the world. In addition, Wates'

songs have been covered by other artists in the UK, Canada and the US. Two full length tribute CDs to his material have been recorded: 'Crazy Puzzle' (2015) by Nashville-based performer Roxie Rogers, and 'Wide Open Heart' (July 2017) by Los Angeles vocalist Susan Kohler. Both these CDs were initiated and funded entirely by the artists themselves, and are comprised exclusively of songs from Wates' back catalog.

Despite Wates' British background, and underpinning the universality of his music's appeal, Folk and Acoustic Music Exchange has called him "a prime figure in American music" and goes on: "This is one gifted sonofabitch... If you're not hip to this guy yet you're missing out."

**UPCOMING CONCERTS:**

[Runaway Home](#) 12/12/2023 [Cold Chocolate](#) 1/16/2024

## **CLUB INFO, ETC.**

### **Open Mics on Zoom**

Al Hobson hosts bi-weekly virtual Folk Club open mics on Zoom. The dates this month are Mon Nov 13, and Mon Nov 27. If you'd like to watch and listen in, or share some songs, then send an email to Al Hobson at [alhobson@verizon.net](mailto:alhobson@verizon.net) by Sunday evening. Let him know if you plan to perform or listen and he'll send you the Zoom link for the 7:30 PM show.

### **Open Mic Recordings**

For those who would like to see the open mic later, the link is ([https://folkclubofrestonherndon.org/?page\\_id=918](https://folkclubofrestonherndon.org/?page_id=918)). Select the link below the date, then the YouTube link. We record it on Tuesday night and put it up the next day.

## **MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO**

**Bill Davis** – email: [bil-davis@outlook.com](mailto:bil-davis@outlook.com)

**Chris Anderson** [ChrisAndersonSongs.com](http://ChrisAndersonSongs.com)

**Ron Goad** – email: [MisterGoad@aol.com](mailto:MisterGoad@aol.com)

**The Aloha Boys** (including Glen Hirabayashi)  
[www.alohaboys.com](http://www.alohaboys.com)

**Jan Gillies**  
[www.jangilliesmusic.com](http://www.jangilliesmusic.com)

**Hickory Grove** (Bev & Jack Osburn)  
[www.hickoryg.com](http://www.hickoryg.com)

**Stevie Wade Potter** – acoustic musician  
- Sun Nov 5 at 2 PM at Naked Mountain Winery, Markham, VA  
[www.steviewademusic.com](http://www.steviewademusic.com)

**Sherry Stewart**  
[www.facebook.com/SunnyatMidnightMusic](http://www.facebook.com/SunnyatMidnightMusic)

**Steven Cutts** [ThePrimeCutts.com](http://ThePrimeCutts.com) and Spotify, Apple Music, and Soundcloud

**Audrey Adair** [AudreyJAdair.com](http://AudreyJAdair.com)

**Shenandoah Run** (including Bob Melissinos, Ben Hamblin, Jim Johnson)  
- Sun Nov 12, 3 PM - Chesapeake Arts Center, Brooklyn Park, MD.  
[www.shenandoahrun.com](http://www.shenandoahrun.com)

**The Two Peas** (Ann Granger and Larry Rice) - Harmony in Acoustic Music – [twopeasharmony@gmail.com](mailto:twopeasharmony@gmail.com)

**George Dacre**  
[AcousticAyre.com](http://AcousticAyre.com)

**The Fabulous Retronauts** (including John Druiett, Al Hobson, Walt Lazear)  
[Fabulous Retronauts](http://FabulousRetronauts)

## **MUSICAL NOTES**



### **Al's Arts Barn**

- Sat Nov 11 at 7 PM in Herndon, VA – Mike P. Ryan, a gifted live performer and natural raconteur, is known for engaging and entertaining audiences. A former Army paratrooper and veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan, he has won numerous songwriting and performing awards. Mike will be joined by Northern Virginia singer-songwriter Nicole Belanus.

- Reserve seats or get more info at [artsbarnmusic.org](http://artsbarnmusic.org).

### **World Folk Music Association (WFMA)**

- Sat Nov 4, 7 PM - David Buskin, with Heather Aubrey Lloyd, opening, at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church in Alexandria, VA (and streamed live on YouTube). A collaboration with Focus Music.

- Go to [www.wfma.net/index.htm](http://www.wfma.net/index.htm) for more information.

### **Focus Music**

- Joan & Joni – Sat Nov 18 at 7 PM, One World Coffeehouse, Columbia, MD. Allison Shapira and Kipyn Martin (January 2017 FCRH Concert Artists) present Joan & Joni - A Tribute to the Music of Joan Baez and Joni Mitchell. See [www.uucolumbia.net](http://www.uucolumbia.net) for concert info.

- Go to [www.focusmusic.org](http://www.focusmusic.org) for more information.

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

- Sat Nov 4 at 2 PM at The National Museum of the American Indian – Concert for Native American Heritage Month – composer Raven Chacon in concert and conversation

- Go to [fsgw.org](http://fsgw.org) for more information.

### **Institute of Musical Traditions**

- Mon Nov 6 at 7:30 PM – Ayreheart & ilyAIMY. St. Mark Presbyterian Church, Rockville, MD.

- Sat Nov 11, 7:30 PM – Patsy Cline Tribute. St. Mark Presbyterian Church, Rockville, MD.

- Mon Nov 13, 7:30 PM – David Roth. St. Mark Presbyterian Church, Rockville, MD.

- Go to [www.imtfolk.org](http://www.imtfolk.org) for more information.

### **Barns at Wolf Trap**

- Wed Nov 8 & Thu Nov 9, 8 PM – Kathy Mattea. The Barns, Vienna, VA.

- Go to [wolftrap.org](http://wolftrap.org) for more information.





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

**President:** Ben Hamblin                      **Treasurer:** Al Hobson

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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](mailto: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](mailto:treasurer.folkclub@gmail.com).

### The Folk Club of Reston & Herndon

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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: The Folk Club of Reston & Herndon; 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](http://FolkClubOfRestonHerndon.org)

**Facebook:** Search for "The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon"  
(<https://www.facebook.com/rhfolkclub>)

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

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### **MUSIC GEAR**

- For Sale: Breedlove Oregon Concert CE, Solid Spruce Top, Solid Myrtlewood Back and Sides, with deluxe gig bag, made in Oregon, \$1,757.38. For more info, etc. contact TM at [pressroom@birdphluph.com](mailto:pressroom@birdphluph.com).

- For sale: A signed Keith Young lap dulcimer made in November of 1980, #557. It is in excellent condition but has not been played in many years. Cloth case included. Selling for \$444 OBO. Please contact Shana Spiegel at [shana.spiegel@gmail.com](mailto:shana.spiegel@gmail.com) or 703-899-5144.