

News from Fiddler's Dream

Coffeehouse and Acoustic Music Showcase

January and February 2014

Thursday nights are Open Stage Night from 7:30 to 10 pm. **\$3.** Come to play or to listen! Doors open at 6:30pm, be there to put your name in the hat if you want to play!

Friday, January 17 ~ 8pm – Jim Jones is a native Texan, a student of the West and a life-long devotee of all things cowboy. His songwriting, guitar-picking and unique vocal style keeps him in demand on the Western music circuit throughout the Southwest. At **9:20pm – Carol Markstrom** is a singer/songwriter/performer of Western and folk songs. She draws inspiration from many sources, and loves to tell stories and sing about meaningful people, places, and events, including American Indian history and culture, and of cowboys and Western life. **\$8.**

Saturday evening, January 18 ~ 8pm – Doug Haywood - When Doug left Phoenix at the age of 18, his plan was to have a big solo career and/or a co-operative band situation. Instead, he had a career as a studio musician, a songwriter, and a touring 'side man.' The first "side man" job was with Bobbie Gentry whose "Ode To Billy Joe" made her a household name in the late 60s...At **8:50pm – Mike McFadden** grew up in the Valley during the 1960s and was the face and voice behind such Phoenix/Scottsdale bands as "The Mile Ends", "Superfine Dandelion" and "Chief Root Wizard and the Silvery Moon". In the 1980s Mike, along with the late great Mike Condello, started the legendary Los Angeles group "Eltonduck" - Mike will be performing a set of songs either about being in love, or not being in love; and more. **9:45pm – Emmett Williams** - Passionate. Honest. Raw. Emotional. Incisive. Powerful. All have been used to describe the music and performance of this singer-songwriter and award-winning artist. While his influences run the musical spectrum of punk, funk, rock, and country, he found his calling as a folksinger. **\$8.**

Friday, January 24 ~ 8pm – Zachary Scot Johnson is a well-traveled singer/ songwriter, having shared the stage with artists like Shawn Colvin, Keb' Mo', Jane Siberry, The Be Good Tanyas, Steve Forbert, and more... At **8:50pm – Tom 2.0** is Tom Stitzer, guitar; primarily covering tunes from the 50's to modern day pop and rock, Tom does sprinkle in a helping of his own original tunes and enjoys interacting with the audience. At **9:45pm – Skyler Lutes** is 24 year old singer, songwriter, and producer from Ocean Beach, California. One reviewer noted his laid back surfer style vibe... **\$6 admission**, doors open at 7:15pm.

Saturday, January 25 ~ 8pm – The Graham Crackers~Scott plays the acoustic guitar & sings baritone bass; Denise sings first soprano and is teaching herself to play the acoustic guitar. They love to sing together the music of John Denver, Peter, Paul & Mary and more. At **8:50pm – David Vanoverbeke** is a singer and songwriter of original alt/folk songs, with guitar; **9:45pm – Ben Anderson** is a talented singer and songwriter. **\$6 admission.**

Friday, January 31 ~ 8pm – Tuck & Daisy are a harmonic marvel of the modern age...star-crossed lovers destined to impart beautiful sounds upon the world. They blend the lines, not into a shade of grey, but into a spectral rainbow stream of sound that defies time and class. They are sure to tickle your soul and send you off with a bounce in your step. At **9:20pm – High Strung** combines hammered dulcimer, mountain dulcimer, guitar, banjo and voice to bring alive old time songs from the Appalachian Mountains as well as a selection of contemporary folk tunes from the revival movement of folk music from the 60's & 70's. Doors open 7:15pm. **\$8.**

Saturday, February 1 ~ Those Were The Days (TM) ~ The Spirit & Songs Of The 60's" Starring William Florian, former lead singer of the famous 60's group... The New Christy Minstrels....An upbeat musical journey of America's greatest folk and pop of the 60's, including hit songs he performed with The New Christy Minstrels. Also included in the show is the music of Peter Paul & Mary, Pete Seeger, The Mamas & The Papas and others, presented with uplifting originals and amusing stories in a wonderful intimate show. Special tribute to John Denver! Doors open 7:15pm, music begins at 8pm. **\$8 admission, or bring a friend for a special admission price of \$12 for two...**

Wednesday, February 5 ~ 2nd Time Around ~ Family Bluegrass & Gospel Band! On tour from Texas, Mom, Dad and the two boys (10 & 12 years old) say, "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! We do it Bluegrass style!...We are Gary, Katy, Cole, and Lane Gore and we make up 2nd Time Around. Although we are not new to bluegrass we are a new bluegrass and bluegrass gospel band that we feel is God driven! We believe the Good Lord above has put a song in our hearts and has given us a message to share with you! We have started a new journey in our lives and hope you will follow along with us." Doors open at 6:45pm, music starts at 7:30pm, and admission tonight is **\$6.**

Friday, February 7 ~ 8pm – Carl Allen got caught up in the folk music of the early 1960's and has never left that genre. Starting in 1959 he joined with Bill Murlin and Al Hanson at Washington State University to create The Wanderers, a Kingston Trio knockoff group. He's a wonderful interpreter of Woody Guthrie music as well. At **9:20pm – Melanie Devaney** is not afraid to speak with her heart: When she was just four, doctors discovered a small hole and she underwent surgery to repair it. This poignant event at such a young age made her aware of the importance of living life to the fullest and making powerful observations about it. These perceptions materialized in a collection of songs that imply not only life's brevity, but also its twisted ironies. Doors open at 7:15pm. **\$8.**

Saturday, February 8 Afternoon Workshop ~ Carl Allen – *The Life and Times of Woody Guthrie* ~ To include narrative, Woody quotes, and timeless Woody songs. **Tickets \$10 at the door, and you are welcome to reserve** by emailing cubic1937@gmail.com - **Doors open 12:30pm, workshop starts at 1pm.**

Saturday, February 8 ~ 8pm – Keith Kenny is a one man rock band; the New Jersey native is able to emulate the sound of a full rock band with his percussive fingerstyle approach to the acoustic guitar, an array of effects pedals and a mini-drum kit on stage. Kenny has even customized a vintage red suitcase to use as a kick drum which has appeared with him on stage for nearly a decade of live performances. At **9:20pm – Jamie O'Brien** has established a reputation as a fine singer and inventive accompanist. As a solo singer and guitarist, he presents his own individual approach to songs old and new: tradition with a contemporary touch. He is usually accompanied by fiddle, concertina, mandolin and percussion, and step dancers, occasionally! Doors open at 7:15pm. **\$8.**

Friday, February 14 ~ Happy Valentine's Day! 8pm – Drew Davis has been performing live since she was 11-years-old, having started writing music when she was 6! Now, at just 23, Drew has developed her talents to become an incredible singer and songwriter. The combination of her heartfelt original compositions and soulful power vocals has the ability to make any room instantly silent. At **9:20pm – Daniel Smalley** is a singer and songwriter from Shreveport, LA, travelling to share his mix of country and rhythm and blues, the occasional rock 'n roll, with a bit of soul and R&B (especially delightful on this Valentine's Night!). Doors open at 7:15pm. **\$8.**

Saturday, February 15 ~ Season for Nonviolence Concert Night is an annual musical event and benefit that we do for selected organizations that serve our community in the spirit of the SNV; it is an educational, media and grassroots awareness campaign spanning the January 30th and April 4th memorial anniversaries of Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Watch for more information on musical performers & benefitting organizations; we are considering groups and pondering performers as we speak! The evening will begin at 8pm...

Friday, February 21 ~ 8pm – You Knew Me When's music parades between a fusion of progressive indie-rock and folk compositions all infused with a myriad of pulsing and stirring beats. At **9:20pm – Dustin Prinz** is a singer/songwriter from Oklahoma City. Dustin's unique musical style is comprised of percussive guitar techniques, intricate flat picking, passionate vocal melodies, and inspiring lyrics. Doors open at 7:15pm. **\$8.**

Saturday, February 22 ~ 8pm – Bryan Bielanski ~ The power in Bryan's vocals and lyrics convey a sense of urgency and sincerity in the songs and often have reduced audience members to tears and speechless awe with the sheer emotional delivery of the lyrics. At **9:20pm – Suzanne Gates** is a balladeer and blues singer who invokes the sounds of the '60s and '70s with lyrical and bluesy songs by Bonnie Raitt, Linda Ronstadt, Bobby Gentry, Crystal Gayle, and Janis Ian. She is accompanied by her husband Ed on guitar and background vocals. **\$8.**

Tuesday, February 25 is Legends of the Celtic Harp Day! Afternoon Workshops and Evening Concert ~ Lisa Lynne and Aryeh Frankfurter will be conducting two workshops, followed by a concert featuring some interesting instruments in addition to Celtic harp! **Contact azfolkharp@gmail.com, or call Clara Arnold at 928-713-9370 to reserve your seat in the workshops and the concert!** The workshops are: 3 - 4:15pm: Norwegian & Swedish Tunes for Celtic Harp, presented by Aryeh Frankfurter; and 4:30 - 5:45pm: Lisa Lynne - Getting Your Music Out Into The World! Lisa's workshop is not just for harpers, so invite your other musician friends to this excellent workshop on the music business and building your music career! **The workshops are \$30 each, or \$50 for both.** The concert will begin at 7:30pm. Enchanting music, rare instruments and wondrous stories from two incredibly talented musicians! **Lisa Lynne** is an internationally acclaimed Billboard Top 10 Windham Hill recording artist. **Aryeh Frankfurter** is a renowned Celtic Harper and multi-instrumentalist who went from progressive rock violin to Swedish folk and Celtic music. From early training on the violin, he has traveled the globe playing festivals, fairs concert venues and for the Prince of Wales. He has been delighting audiences with his new love, the Swedish Nyckelharpa, and his evocative approach to time honored Celtic and Nordic repertoire. **\$20 concert admission.**

Friday, February 28 ~ 8pm – Dennis House grew up in bluegrass country and sang with a gospel trio at an early age; self taught on guitar, he plays folk, rock and R&B.. At **8:50pm – TBA**; and at **9:45pm – TBA**. Watch for updates!! Life is loaded with surprises!! Whoever it is will be fabulous!!! **\$6 admission, doors open at 7:15pm.**

Saturday, March 1 ~ Tom Chapin Concert Night! Tom will be doing a number of children's shows right here in the Valley, and we are pleased to be able to present a bit more rare concert for adults-no naughty bits, just Tom's songs and stories about life and love and family; a bit more subtle and not QUITE as interactive as his children's shows, although~!! Be prepared to sign along with Family Tree!! No excuses! Tickets are \$22 advance, \$25 at the door. If you are interested in purchasing in blocks of six or more, each ticket is \$20. Bring your friends, share the love, and save money, all in the same evening...it doesn't get much better than that...Doors open at 7pm, Tom will start his show at 8pm, and remember we will be in the large room this evening.

Visit our Facebook page and our events listings for updated show information and other fun stuff! Call us at 602-997-9795 if you are interested in becoming a Fidd volunteer or to inquire about booking a set!