

FOLK CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA

----- FOLK NOTES -----

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April, 2002

OUR ACOUSTIC UNDERGROUND CONCERT

Saturday, April 6, 2002 8:00p.m.
At the Luna Star Café 775 NE 125th Street, North Miami. 305-892-8522
Contribution : \$6.00 for members and \$7.00 non-members.

RACHEL BISSEX

www.rachelbissex.com

When members of The Folk Club heard that RACHEL BISSEX might be available the cry went up "We Want Rachel!" so here she is!



And what a year Rachel has had ! With an appearance at the Kennedy Center, winning song contests across the nation, a new album and the forthcoming honor of opening the legendary Kerrville Folk Festival on May 23, 2002, no wonder she will be here by popular acclaim.

Rachel's poise on stage and ease with her audience have made her a favorite at coffeehouses and at folk concerts from Miami to Vermont. Rachel's stage patter is full of wit and humor, and the content of her songs is at times political, sometimes personal and usually powerful. She has opened for Ray Charles, Jon Armatrading, Shawn Colvin and has appeared with Catie Curtis, Rick Kolow, Dar Williams and Karen Savoca.

Raiford Stark will be the opening act for Rachel. Do not forget to come.

"Bissex (is) a gifted song writer...her language has a poetic quality suffused with the kind of vivid imagery that brings life to the coming of age ballad..."

Mike Joyce, WASHINGTON POST

HOUSE CONCERTS

MINDY SIMMONS

April 26, 2002 at 7:30 pm
MINDY SIMMONS at Rae Newman's House Concert Series. For information and reservations please contact 305-595-5483



Mindy Simmons presents a combination of musical styles in folk, blues and jazz. Her repertoire bridges music from traditional folk to her very contemporary original songs. Mindy's performance skills go far beyond the description of "folk Performer" because she is that but so much more. With Mindy you get a great performer who is on top of her game. She is especially adept at engaging an audience either with her witty banter between songs or her songs themselves which show a finely crafted detail mixed with some pathos and healthy doses of humor. Mindy has a special quality of being able to make her audience feel right at home as if she has known them for years and is enjoying each individual on a personal level. She makes ya feel good and has ya beggin' for more when she leaves.

MICHAEL JOHNSON

April 25 at the Main Street Café in Homestead at 8:00p.m. For information contact: 305-245-7575.

April 26 at Judy and Alan Kaufman's House Concert Series at 7:00p.m. in Pinecrest, South Miami. For information, please contact Judy Kaufman at Jkau2997@aol.com.

April 27 at the Singer House Concert Series in Tamarac, Florida for reservations go to www.singerfolkmusic.com.

Michael Johnson has performed and lived more music and recorded more hits than you would imagine. His voice immediately identifies him as the man who sings "Bluer Than Blue," "Give Me Wings," "That's That," and other landmark songs. His music shows a

diversity, depth and heart that only come from years of dedication to a labor of love.

When asked what he would have you know about himself, Michael says: He started playing at age thirteen and just never quit. Singing, playing, writing and recording are the only things he's ever done and he loves it. Michael studied in Barcelona and he plays on all his records with a unique and distinctive style. His playing is an important part of his show. Michael likes to talk to people and he loves to make them laugh. What one remembers of Michael is the texture of his voice, the meaning of the lyric and the music of the guitar.

BIG BLUE SKY

www.bigblueskymusic.com

Robby Productions and the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale, will present the Big Blue Sky on April 13, at 8:00pm. The Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Lauderdale is located at 3970 NW 21 Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Tel: 954-240-6313. For more information contact Robby Greenberg at 954-240-6313.

Big Blue Sky is formed by Sue Cargo and Jill Apolinario. Sue Cargo was a winner of the Miami Herald Sound Search '93, South Florida Folk Festival Songwriter Competition '94. Jill Apolinario plays bass and adds "dead-on harmonies".

GRANT LIVINGSTON

www.grantlivingston.com

Grant Livingston will be appearing at the following venues at the specified dates and times:



Friday, April 5 at "The Delray Affair" Downtown Delray Beach, on Atlantic Avenue on the 4th Avenue Stage at 3:00 p.m.. The music will continue throughout the day, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. For more information please contact: 561-287-0424 or email chamber@delraybeach.com or visit www.delrayaffair.com.

Sunday, April 7, Grant will appear at the Friends of the Everglades Meeting and Picnic at the Marjorie Stoneman Douglas Nature Center at Crandon park,

Key Biscayne from 1-4 p.m. For more information please contact F.O.E. at info@everglades.org

Thursday, April 11, Grant will perform at the Main Street Café in Homestead from 8-10 pm. Contact: 305-245-7575.

Saturday, April 20, Grant will be in the morning at an outdoor concert at MacArthur Beach State Park Singer Island in Palm Beach from noon to 2:00pm. (contact 561-624-6950) and in the evening he will be at the CG Café located at 517 Lake Avenue, Lake Worth from 8-11 p.m. for further information contact 561-585-5911.

Friday, April 26 Grant will appear at the "Barnacle Under Moonlight" Concert Series from 7-9 p.m.. This concert will be spectacular under the full moon on beautiful Biscayne Bay at the Barnacle State Historic Site, 3485 Main Highway, Coconut Grove. For more information contact 305-448-9445. Hope to see you there!

CONCERTS LISTED BY VENUE

LUNA STAR CAFÉ

777 N.W, 125 Court, North Miami, FL. 305-892-8522

Rachel Bissex will appear with Groove Lily on April 6, 2002 at 8:00 p.m.

MAIN STREET CAFÉ CONCERT SERIES

128 N. Krome Avenue, Homestead (305)245-7575
<http://www.mainstreetcafe.net>

Directions: From the Florida Turnpike, exit Campbell Drive, (exit #2) also known as SW 312 Street. Turn Left onto N. Krome Avenue./FLSR 997

April 04, 2002 at 7:00p.m. the Main Street Café will present Rachel Bissex & Groove Lily.

April 11 the Main Street Café will present our very Board Member and Floridian Grant Livingston.

April 18 the Main Street Café will present: Spider John Kerner & Dave Snakes Ray

April 25, Michael Johnson will appear at the Main Street Café.

Make sure to call Laurie Oudin to make your reservations.

FREE PUBLIC CONCERT- FOLK FRIDAY

Every Third Friday of the Month the City of North Miami in conjunction with the Folk Club of South Florida bring live folk music entertainment to the community.

At the Museum of Contemporary Art, 770 NE 125th St, North Miami, FL 305-893-6211

MARIE NOFSINGER

Petite, winsome, lovely with a voice to match; no wonder audiences fall in love with Marie Nofsinger, one of South Florida's most popular folk singer/songwriters. Marie is a favorite at major festivals and venues in Florida, Texas, Nashville and her native New England. A resident of Delray Beach for eighteen years, Marie has been instrumental in building the base for folk music in South Florida as a performer and an organizer.

Marie is an extension of a creative universe. Her songs are parables of drifters, waitresses, cowboys and the dreams and disappointments of America. What she writes and sings she has felt and lived. What she shares with her audience is conversation set to music. She started writing music in her New England home and brings traces of those roots and of her world travels to her songs for adults and for children.

DOUBLE BILL: ROBERT BALDWIN

With a style born of his Louisiana roots and the coffeehouses of sixties, acoustic guitarist and songwriter Robert Baldwin moves and captivates his audience with raspy vocals and insightful lyrics. With songs like "The Day That Peace Broke Out", "All Across America" and "What About The Children" his music probes our consciousness with messages of peace, freedom, justice and love.

Folk Club Of South Florida:
<http://members.aol.com/souflafolk>. Stop by the Luna Star Café, 775 NE 125th St. after the concert for a bite and more fine music

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**DON WHITE**

April 13, 2002 the Jewish Community Center will present Don White. For contact information and reservations call 305-271-9000 extension 268.

If you laugh and cry within the same ten minutes, you either need a vacation or you are sitting in the audience at a Don White show. This working class family man from Lynn, Massachusetts has emerged as the thoughtful songwriter of the decade whose relevance to our lives is evidenced by the powerful reaction he evokes at every concert. Radio audiences, too, are not safe from the Don White experience. Valerie Adams of WNCS Radio, Vermont said, "I've never seen anything like it. Every time I play I Know What Love Is the phones light up like a Christmas tree. Stereo Review Magazine called it "...A candidate for song of the year."

WALLFLOWER GALLERY

An art gallery/concert hall located in Downtown Miami at 10 NE 3rd Street. Tel.: 305-579-0069.

Friday, April 5: New Relics, The Voz (Folk-Rock) Ltin Rock at 8:00pm, \$8.00

Friday, April 5: Sweetbone, Deep Water Willy (Funk Acoustic blues) at 10:30pm; \$8.00

Saturday, April 6: Songwriters Series with Dean Fields; Robert Lusson and Al Lopez

CALENDAR OF ONGOING EVENTS

Send information/corrections for the Calendar of Events to Linda Singer at 305-667-4386 or email her at lsingerpa@telocity.com.

Tuesdays

Open Mike 7:00-10:00pm, The Chat Room Café, 1862 N. Young Circle, Hollywood, Fl. 954-920-9299.

1st Tuesday of the Month- Music Industry Networking Night 7:00pm to 9:00pm, One Night Stan's, 2333 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Fl. Tel.: 954-929-1566.

Thursdays

Open Mike Little Hoolie"s in Briar Bay Shopping Center across from the Falls at 13135 SW 89 Place, Miami, at 8:00 pm. Hear George Blackwell, Nicholas the Storyteller and others. 305-252-9155.

Acoustic Jam Session led by Jomo, master Mbira-player. Backstage, 12201 NW 7th Avenue, North Miami, Phone Art. 305-688-5106.

Thursdays (3rd in Month)

Songwriters Showcase- 7:30 pm. Open Mike, 9:00p.m. Featured Songwriters, Cancun Mexican Grill, 1828 Harrison St., Hollywood. 954-922-8515.

Fridays

Open Mike at Main Street Café, 128 N. Krome Avenue, Homestead. Nicholas the Storyteller. Open Mike after Nicholas (10:00pm.) The Luna Star Café.

Fridays (2nd Month)

Broward Folk Club at the Chocolate Moose, 9118 S.R. 84 (I-595 & Pine Island Road) Davie. (954-474-5040) Open Mike, 7:30 pm. ,concert starts at 9:00pm.

Saturdays

Main Street Café- sing a long with the Pathfinders
Phone Laurie at :305-245-7575

Saturdays (2nd in month)

The Folk Music Society (for amateur musicians and singers) meets in private homes to share songs and fun. Bring food or beverage to share. Call 305-279-8100 for more information.

Saturdays (2nd, 3rd and 4th in month)

Open Mike with Mojo Hand Willy and Carrie Lynn at the Luna Star Café, 775 NE 125 Street, North Miami 305-892-8522.

Saturday (3rd in month)

Contra Dance at the American Czech-Slovak Cultural Club 13325 Arch Creek Road, North Miami. From I-95, go east on 135 Street, right just after the RR tracks. No partner is needed. Instruction at 7:30 p.m., dance starts at 8:00 pm. \$5.00 donation, bring a snack to share. <http://www.fiddlers-grove.com/everglad.html>. Or contact Guy 954-524-8990 or Warren 561-395-7338.

Sundays (1st in month) 1:00 to 6:00pm)

Bluegrass Under the Trees, Ives Optmist Club- \$3:00 1511 NE 207 St. N. Miami Beach-Lenny 954-741 5997.

Sundays (3rd month)

Broward Folk Club Sing-Out in the Park, Secret Woods nature Center, 2701 State Road 84, Fort Lauderdale. Phone 954-252-9437.

Last Weekend in the Month

Broward Folk Club Open House (Free). Song Swap, jam, covered dish party. Contact Janis Rubel 561-487-0253 or grubel@interpoint.net

Daily

The Wallflower Gallery. Check its website for daily events. www.wallflowergallery.com

EVENTS**LAKE WORTH FOLK FESTIVAL**

The first annual Lake Worth Folk Festival will be on Saturday, April 13, from 4 pm until 9 p.m. at the American Polish Club. The performers will be Rod MacDonald, Tracy Sands, Ron and Bari and the Roadside Revue, Marie Mofsinger, Clyde Walker.

Inclement weather will not be a problem because the venue has ample facilities and space to move in doors. Admission will be \$15.00. Children under 10 free. No pets will be allowed. Food and drink will be available for purchase. Advance tickets are \$10.00 for more information, please e-mail Richard Willits at bltpresentations@hotmail.com

SUNRISE COMMUNITY BALLOON RACE

A folk festival will be the highlight of the 19th Annual Sunrise Community Balloon Race which will be held at the Kendall-Tamiami Executive Airport, 12800 SW 137 Avenue-Miami, Florida on the afternoon of Saturday April 20.

In addition, the Alper Jewish Community Center Theatre Players will present a concert version of the well known musical: " Guys and Dolls".

Forty spectacular hot air balloons, sponsored by local and national corporations, will take flight at 6:30 a.m. and again at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 6:30 a.m. on Sunday. The race will benefit children and adults with developmental disabilities assisted by the Sunrise Community, Inc. in South Florida.

Founded in 1969, Sunrise Community, Inc. is a private, not-for-profit, charitable organization dedicated to providing people with disabilities every opportunity to live valued lives in the community. Come join them, have fun and participate in a community event.

The Folk Music schedule is as follows:

2:00 pm David LaFleur

3:00 pm Jerry Clement and Art Bivins

4:00 pm Legacy
 5:00 pm Balloon Launch Preparation
 6:00 pm "Guys and Dolls" in Concert by The JCC Theatre Players.

Admission is free to all events. Bring the entire family. For more information contact 305-275-3317.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH

Leo Kottke



Leo Kottke has played an enormous role in applying and combining traditional folk

styles in the creation of a new modern, acoustic tradition. Leo Kottke was born in Athens, Georgia on September 11, 1945. With formal music training limited to trombone and violin lessons, Kottke turned his attention to the guitar. *Twelve String Blues*, his first album cut in 1969 in a Minneapolis Coffee House and led to the signing with Takoma Records, the label owned by guitarist John Fahey. Kottke's music is a fusion drawn on pop, folk, bluegrass, country, ragtime, western swing, rock & roll and classical music.

Leo Kottke is famous for his promoting twelve string guitar in contemporary folk music. Leo is predominately an instrumental artist, however he has written lyrics for some of his songs. Leo is on of the few folk artists who has been able to develop a mainstream popular music following. Kottke is an excellent fingerpicker and slide player in the usually over looked 12 string guitar. The greatest example of Kottke's technical prowess on the guitar is in "Airproofing" from his 1976 self named Chrysalis label debut.

WEBSITE LINKS

Folk Club of South Florida:
<http://members.aol.com/souflafolk>
 Broward Folk Club:
www.browardfolkclub.com
 Singer's House Concert Series:
www.singerfolkmusic.com
 North American Folk Music and Dance Alliance:
www.folk.org
 Barker House Concert Series:
www.floridamusic.org
 Local Folk Music Resources:

www.cusfolks.com
 The Michael Stock Folk & Acoustic Show:
MSTOCK@WLRN.ORG
 South Florida Folk Festival:
www.southfloridafolkfest.com

NEWS

The Broward Folk Club's Monthly Open Mikes has returned to The Chocolate Moose. On April 12 the Broward Folk Club will present in concert Cyd Ward. An open mike will also be hosted by Rusty Rock. For more information please contact: Bruce Feldman at bfeld25@aol.com.

There is a new house concert series in Miami Dade County hosted by John and Maria Barker. For more information on their house concert series please visit their web site at: www.floridamusic.org.

FOLK CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE FILL OUT MEMBERSHIP INFO AND MAIL YOUR TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CHECK
 Made out to: FOLK CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA
 IN CARE OF:

LINDA SINGER -- 5249 SW 71 Place -- Miami, FL
 33155-5607
 Phone (305) 667-4386

At the request of some of our members we now offer several levels of donation options. Please choose the membership that is best suited for you and your family.

INDIVIDUAL \$15.00 -- FAMILY \$20.00 -- SUPPORTING \$35.00

SUSTAINING \$75.00 -- SPONSOR \$125.00
 Membership entitles you to a special rate on concerts, a monthly newsletter and admission to our annual party featuring complimentary food and music.

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