FOLK CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA

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

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ACOUSTIC UNDERGROUND CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS

DIANE WARD

Few artists visiting
Luna Star have the
credentials and
background of Diane
Ward. A Miami native,
she has countless
awards for both vocal
performance and song



writing. She went from drummer, to vocals, to keyboard, to guitar. Her 1995 CD "Mirror" reached the top ten nationally on several AAA radio stations. Her CD "Move" was awarded Best Rock CD (2000) by City Link. Many of her songs are played frequently and have reached the top ten in many cities. She has opened for The Indigo Girls, Cher, Jennifer Kimball. With a smooth voice and a masterful pen Diane has been embraced as South Florida's "musical gem".

Diane tours with a full band or, as we will see her, as an acoustic duo with friend and collaborator Jack Shawde. One of South Florida's most in-demand performing and recording musicians, Jack has worked on projects and toured with Bob Dylan, Dr. John, Paul Butterfield, Richie Havens, Stan Lynch (Tom Petty) Al Cooper (B.S. & Tears), Bo Diddley, Chuck Berry, and Enrique Iglesias. In concert, Diane and Jack focus on her material but they are also in high demand for collaboration with other musicians.

"One powerful voice and tack-sharp stage presence... Ward radiates during a show". Pete Martin, Your Paper, Spartneburg, SC

"...Ward's not-quite-bitter humor...can bust your insides up into little pieces..." City Link Magazine, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

"One of the most compelling live performers in Florida today, Period." Sean Walsh, Focus Magazine, Tampa, FL

"To paraphrase Nietzsche, the fact that DIANE WARD is not yet reaping fame and fortune from a

national audience suggests that God, if not dead, may be seriously tone deaf." *Jeff Murphy, New Times, Miami.*

"Surgically deep and personal songs ... a voice that caresses your soul like hot butter on pancakes." Bob Weinberg, City Link, Ft. Lauderdale

Visit: http://www.dianeward.com

Luna Star Café, Saturday, May 4, 2002 8:00 P.M.

775 NE 125th Street North Miami, FL 305-892-8522

Requested Contribution: \$7.00 (\$6.00 Members)

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FOLK FRIDAY PRESENTS

FLORIDA FOLK FESTIVAL PREVIEW

For its fiftieth year in May, the 850-acre Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park in White Springs, Florida on the Suwanee River will ring with the sound of Florida's finest music, dance and stories. This preview will provide a taste of that rich and warm experience. The Florida Folk Festival will be from May 24 – 26, 2002.

Visit: http://www.dep.state.fl.us/parks/folkfest

PAM CARSEY, As her name suggests, Pam is steeped in Irish heritage, tradition and music. Although she is not a stranger to pop, R&B, blues and jazz, her first love is the music of her people. Under a grant from the State Of Florida Folk Arts Program, she studied with famed Irish fiddler James Kelly. A native of Santa Fe, NM, Pam has called South Florida home for 15 years and has appeared many times at White Springs. We'll hear her on fiddle, guitar and mandolin.

KEITH HOPE, A writer of thoughtful and insightful songs, "The Key Biscayne Cowboy" penned many in Nashville. Now he turns out and performs his own songs at White Springs and many other state and national festivals. A fine musician, a true lover and promoter of folk music, he is known and loved for his environmental and Florida stories. Keith's latest CD is hot off the presses and we are looking forward to hearing some of his new work.

FOLK FRIDAY CONTINUED.....

VALERIE C. WISECRACKER, South Florida's own First Lady of Folk. For many, Val is Florida. Whether telling us about her Dad's shell shack in the Florida Keys or filling us in about our entrepreneurs who make up their own rules, she is upfront, tell it like it is and hilarious. On guitar or banjo, she's somewhere between Annie Oakley and Ethel Merman as she opens our eyes to our environment, our politics and our life styles.

MURPHYS' LAW FAMILY BAND, Father Bob, Mother Cathy, Daughter Caitlin and Son Seamus make up one musically talented and busy family. This will be Bob's sixteenth trip to White Springs following in the tradition of several family bands. Although thoroughly Irish, you are more likely to hear Cajun and old time music that they play at contra dances, festivals and contests throughout South Florida. Dancing will be allowed.

May 17, 2002, 7:30 PM, the third Friday of May. Sponsored by the City of North Miami, Florida. Free Admission at the Museum of Contemporary Art, 770 NE 125th Street, North Miami, FL 305-893-6211

Organized by the 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 snack and more fine music

CONCERTS LISTED BY VENUE

LUNA STAR CAFÉ

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

Diane Ward, see first page.

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. Please call Laurie Oudin to make your reservations.

Rod MacDonald Thursday, May 2nd, 8:00 PM. \$10..00 Cover

Rod MacDonald is a South Florida treasure, and one of the most powerful and incisive songwriters you will ever encounter. Rod was a mainstay in the Greenwich Village Folk Scene for many years before relocating to South Florida. He has appeared with Richie Havens, Peter Yarrow, Odetta, Tom Paxton, Pete Seeger, and Dave Van Ronk just to name a few. "Best local acoustic performer 2001" -The New Times "Best acoustic act 2000" -Palm Beach Free Press "One of the most highly regarded singer-songwriters working in North America today." -Fast Folk Magazine "Politics, passion, and a sense of humor" -The Village Voice.

Michael Smith Thursday, May 9th, 8:00 PM, \$12:00 Cover

Michael Smith is a veteran songwriter whose name may be unfamiliar but whose songs are almost universally known. Michael has been singing and writing since the early 1960's and his rich and challenging songs have been recorded by more than 30 performers. The list includes Jimmy Buffet, Steve Goodman, Suzy Bogguss, Jerry Jeff Walker, Liam Clancy, Gordon Bok, The Four Freshmen, Spanky and Our Gang, Anne Hills and many others. Sing Out! Magazine calls Michael "one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters." Some of his better-known songs include: The Dutchman, Spoon River, Dead Egyptian Blues, Last Days of Pompeii, and I Brought My Father With Me. Michael Smith received international acclaim for his original music composed for The Steppenwolf Theatre Company's production of The Grapes of Wrath. The production won 1990 Tony Awards for Best Play and Best Director, and Michael performed with the play for three years in Chicago, New York, La Jolla, and London. Michael continues to write for a variety of projects, including two new CDs. His return to South Florida takes on special significance because he was a mainstay for several years at The Flick, Coconut Grove's premier folk club in the 60's.

Panama Red

Thursday, May 16th, 8:00 PM, \$10.00 Cover

Since the 1970's Panama Red has remained a legend in his own mind. He was one of the first guitarists for Billy Joe Shaver, and was a participant in Kinky Friedman's Texas Jewboys. You'll also find his name on the writing credits for "Bottom Dollar", pretty much a standard in Billy Joe Shaver shows. His work with Kinky Friedman yielded songs like "Popeye the Sailor Man", "Autograph", and those memorable love ballads "Homo Erectus", and "Mama, Baby, Mama, Let Me Jump In Your Pajamas". Panama Red's most recent CD, "Homegrown", shows a man who enjoys the

music for its own sake and is darn good at it to boot. The songs cover dirty blues, country, folk, and a touch of jazz. Red's guitar styles range from raucous to tender, sometimes in the same song.

MPE Band

Thursday, May 23rd, 8:00 PM, \$10.00 Cover

MPEband: (Maggie, Pierce, and EJ): Philadelphia-based trio Maggi, Pierce and E.J., comprised of three multi-talented individuals, is one versatile, unique and powerful band. Touring the Northeast and Midwest extensively for nearly five years, Maggi, Pierce, and E.J.'s extremely varied backgrounds have garnered them a wonderfully wide musical palette. Equally at home in a pin-drop intimate café with acoustic guitar, mandolin and dumbek, or a rowdy, rockin' club with screaming Stratocaster, slamming drums and thunderous 5string bass, it's MPE's trademark intricate 3-part harmonies that ground and unify their inspired "Eclectric Rolk" sound.

Rick Gasque Thursday, May 30th, 8:00 PM, \$7.00 Cover

Thursday, May 30th: Rick Gasque is a wonderfully singer, songwriter and humorist. Delightfully engaging, Rick's personality, wit and insightful observations combine with skilled musicianship to deliver enjoyable and unforgettable entertainment. He offers a unique, fresh perspective on life with his finely crafted and diverse original songs, interspersed with a vast repertoire of popular rock, country, blues, folk and contemporary tunes. A songwriting finalist in the 2002 South Florida Folk Festival, Rick combines his music with a magical blend of breezy playful banter and down-home warmth. Come experience an evening complete with laughter, tears, and heartwarming memories.

Every Friday is Open-mic;

Every Saturday is the house band "The Pathfinders" and special quests.

BUKSTEL HOUSE CONCERTS

May 11 and 12, Amy Carol Webb and Gary & Ellen Bukstell will have a concert and release their new C.D. Call 305-663-1039 for further information.

HEART'S DESIRE CONCERT in Fort Lauderdale

Wednesday May 8, Michael Smith, covered dish dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and the music starts at 7:30 p.m., there is a \$10 donation for the artist, contact Susan at 954-433-2372 or OzWoman321@aol.com. Check the website: www.heartsdesireconcerts.com

Also on May 18 Leonardo will be performing at Heart's Desire Concert.

WALLFLOWER GALLERY

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

ARTISTS

AMY CAROL WEBB

Amy Carol Webb will record a live CD at the Singer Concert Series in Tamarac. Reservations are required, Call Bob or Sarlayn at 954-486-4040. The concert begins at 7:30 pm, artist donation is \$13.00 in advance and



\$15.00 at the door. For further information email Bob at: **Bob@singerfolkmusic.com**



VALERIE C. WISECRACKER

Our Board own Member, Valarie C. Wisecraker will be performing on Saturday, May 18 at the Unitarian Sawgrass Church in the "Sunset Series Sundown". Please join her. For information more contact: 954-424-7940

On Saturday June 1 from 7:30 to 9:30 pm there will be a recording party for Valerie C. Wisecracker and the Walking Catfish at the WallFlower Gallery, 10 NE 3rd Street, Downtown Miami, for information contact: 305-579-0069.

DAVID LaFLEUR

South Florida's very own David La Fleur will be playing at the following venues:

5/11, Sat., Wild Oats Miami Beach, 12-3PM, Alton Rd & 10 St., MB, (305)-532-1707

5/17, Fri., Starbucks Suniland, 8-11PM, US 1, Suniland Shopping Center, (786) 242-1370



5/18, Sat., Wild Oats, Pinecrest, US 1, Pinecrest, near Suniland Shopping Center, (305) 971-0900

5/24, Fri., Starbucks Univ. of Miami, 9-11:30 PM, US 1 across from Univ. of Miami in Coal Gables, (305) 661-9596

5/26, Sun., The Barnacle!!!, 7-9PM, Barnacle Historic Park in Coconut Grove, (305) 448-9445

5/31, Fri., Starbucks Suniland, 8-11PM, US 1, Suniland Shopping Center, (786) 242-1370

CALENDAR OF ONGOING EVENTS

Send information/corrections for the Calendar of Events to Linda Singer at 305-667-4386 or email her at lcsingerpa@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 Mbiraplayer. Backstage, 12201 NW 7th Avenue, North Miami, Phone Art. 305-688-5106.

Thursdays (3rd in the 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 Avneue, Homestead. Nicholas the Storyteller. Open Mike after Nicholas (10:00pm.) The Luna Star Café.

Fridays (2nd in the 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 the 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 the 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 the 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 in the 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

SPOTLIGHT ON ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Ralph McTell

Ralph McTell is one of the best known folk musicians in England: Ralph moved from the folk club circuit to gain widespread popularity in the seventies, with a composition called Streets of London. Ralph's popularity today: continues attracts large audiences, with presentations at many illustrious venues



such as the Royal Albert Hall in London.

Ralph's musical genre is that of singer-songwriter. His musical versatility however has brought fourth recordings that range from interpretations of classic ragtime and blues guitar pieces, to a composition presented as a concept work for guitar, voice and orchestra: his album *The Boy with a Note -1992-* is based on the life of Dylan Thomas. Ralph McTell's very Englishness is a magical part of the ingredients that mark his best works.

Ralph McTell's most famous song, *Streets of London*, first appeared in 1969 on his *Spiral Staircase* album, but did not reach mainstream popularity until Warner released the song as a single in 1974. Ralph McTell had already established an impressive reputation on the folk club circuit in Great Britain during the 60s and 70s. Ralph can be compared to such great guitar heroes as Bert Jansch and John Renbourn. Ralph McTell demonstrates his talent as a great acoustic guitarist with rapid-fire, ragtime playing on his tribute to *Arthur Blake*. Blues fans will enjoy his playing in

songs such as *Sweet Petulie*. Ralph's craftsmanship as a songwriter threads through his many recordings: listen to *The Ferryman* for inspiration that very few talented musicians can provide.

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

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