CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2020 Addison Street • Berkeley, California • (510) 644-2020 • www.freightandsalvage.org SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY** FRIDAY SATURDAY Jewish Music Festival TICKET DISCOUNTS: YOUTH-HALF PRICE Leftover Don Michael Winter II (AGES 25 & UNDER) Winograd SENIOR-\$2.00 OFF Classes Burnham **Dreams** (AGES 65 & OVER) begin gems from the Great & the Bolos MEMBERS-\$2.00 OFF American Songbook March 5 western swing Berkson ALL SHOWS ARE GENERAL ADMISSION Sign up DOORS AT 7 PM, MUSIC AT 8 PM klezmer-cantorial music now! \$20.50 adv/ \$22.50 door (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED) \$20.50 adv/ \$22.50 door \$23.50 adv/ \$26.50 door March 1 March 2 Jewish Music Festival Freight Ben Goldberg's Rhonda Peter John Melanie Open Mic Vincent Reischman Orphic Machine Finger O'Reilly Bay Area's premier open stage event West Coast premiere of & the Jaybirds innovative & the Rage outstanding chamber-jazz suite acoustic guitar Celtic-jazz bluegrass mandolin master & his "the aueen chantéuse of bluegrass" top-notch band \$23.50/\$26.50 March 4 \$4.50/\$6.50 \$28.50/\$30.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 March 6 March 8 March 10 Munnelly **Jazzschool** Frank Girlyman Black Solas leading edge three-part harmony folk-pop mind blowing **Institute Fairfield Brothers** Brothers Irish folk music virtuoso Irish merrymaking fiddle/banjo phenom and his ancient Ireland's foremost family of song **Orchestra** . traditional roots contemporary spirit Adrianne opens gramophone sound at its best an evening of cutting-edge jazz \$20.50/22.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 March 11 \$16.50/\$18.50 March 12 March 14 \$26.50/\$28.50 March 15 \$26.50/\$28.50 March 16 \$22.50/\$24.50 March 17 Maggie & Suzzy **Bruce Molsky** Golden West Students Rock John Cheryl Roche. Woodwind **Foundation** & Ale Möller Gorka Wheeler Lucy Wainwright Quintet Benefit traditional music brilliant wit energetic explorers . . . from Appalachia to Sweden acoustic folk & beautifully Kevin Beadles Band. Roche resident woodwind The Jolly Gibsons, Andrea Hurley and Her Very Attractive Band, quintet of the U.S. Air crafted songs Rose Cousins opens catchy, quirky originals Force Band of the Kenny White opens comedian Jacob Rubin March 19 \$FRFF \$26.50/\$28.50 \$24.50/\$26.50 March 18 \$24.50/\$26.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$24.50/\$26.50 March 22 March 24 HE DANCE FLOOR IS ONEN Susan Werner. West Coast San Francisco Chamber Orchestra presents Classical @ the Freight Tom The Junius **David Wilcox Songwriters** Waybacks **Paxton** Courtnev San Francisco double bill Competition genre-hopping featuring innovative singer-songwriter Lifetime Grammy Big Band **Brass Quintet** purveyors of Award winning professionally judged original songs contest "acoustic mayhem" folk singer w/ Denise Perrier musical compadres 7:30 showtime the swingin'est band's 50th anniversary \$6.50/\$8.50 \$26.50/\$28.50 March 30 \$24.50/\$26.50 \$26.50/\$28.50 \$8.50/\$10.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 David **Vocal Jazz** Freight Anais Aksak Hayes Judy Collins modern day renaissance artist **Berkeley** Open Mic Mitchell Open Mic Carll Duo a powerful blend of whimsy and gravitas w/ Ellen Hoffman winsome Vermont singer-songwriter guitar & fiddle virtuosos

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PERFORMER PROFILES: March 2012

Leftover Dreams Thursday March 1

As recently heard on NPR's *All Songs Considered*, the mellifluous outfit Leftover Dreams plucks heartstrings and sets spirits soaring with its evocative renditions of carefully chosen gems from the "great American songbook." Tony Marcus is a dazzling violin and guitar soloist and a superb vocalist who has been bringing down the house for years in ineffably dapper performances with Cats & Jammers and the Cheap Suit Serenaders. His singing partner, the lovely Patrice Haan, adds her rich, sultry voice and warm charisma.

With Jeff Sanford accompanying them on sax and clarinet, Tony and Patrice apply their artful talents to standards (and not-so-standards), from jumping swing numbers to unabashedly romantic love songs. As on their most recent CD, We'll Take Romance, the group throws in the occasional quirky original tune, just to spice things up.



Don Burnham & the Bolos Friday March 2

If great tunes, world-class musicianship, and a seriously irresistible swing are your menu items of choice, make sure not to miss this show as singer and guitarist Don Burnham and his new group, the Bolos, set the house jumping for one heck of a musical evening.

Led by Don, an inductee in the Western Swing Hall of Fame, the outfit also features Steel Guitar Hall-of-Famer Bobby Black, Karen Horner on bass and vocals, and Mark Holzinger on lead guitar, with the irrepressible Paul Shelasky providing fiddling and wisecracks. The show spotlights original tunes from Don's new Western swing album, *I Dreamed Count Basie Was a Cowboy*, as well as some old favorites from his mighty band Lost Weekend and some other surprises from his vast song bag.



Popularized in the country dance halls of Texas and Oklahoma in the 1930s and '40s, Western swing music is an infectious combination of old-time country fiddle and cowboy music blended with the rhythmic intensity and improvisational feel of big band swing jazz. Don has spent the past decades doing his part to keep the Western swing flame alive in bands like Lost Weekend and, now, the Bolos.

Come check them out!

Jewish Music Festival

Michael Winograd & Judith Berkson Saturday March 3

An exciting ensemble of players on the cutting edge of the Eastern European Jewish music scene makes its West Coast debut on our stage as part of the Jewish Music Festival.

One of the leading voices of klezmer music's younger generation of performers and composers, clarinetist Michael Winograd leads this stellar ensemble on a mission to redefine the sound of contemporary klezmer. Accordionist Patrick Farrell,





violinist Deborah Strauss, Joshua Horowitz on cimbalom, and bassist and vocalist Benjy Fox-Rosen join Michael for a program that blends traditional klezmer, new compositions, re-imagined folk songs, and improvisations. Intriguing young musician Judith Berkson joins the ensemble on vocals and piano.

A modern master of the klezmer clarinet style, New York-based Michael performs regularly with Michael Winograd Trio, as well as groups like Budowitz and the Klezmer Conservatory Band.

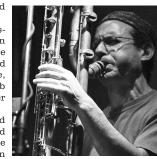
Judith, who recently collaborated with Kronos Quartet, is a New York-based soprano, pianist, composer, and cantor. Versatile and unpredictable, her performances mix originals and improvisations with liturgical music and works by Schumann.

Jewish Music Festival Ben Goldberg's *Orphic Machine* Sunday March 4

"The Orphic Machine is the poem: a severed head with face turned away that sings." — Allen Grossman

In the world premiere of "Orphic Machine," primarily commissioned by Chamber Music America, clarinetist and composer Ben Goldberg leads an amazing ensemble in a song cycle based on the poetical writings of Allen Grossman. An internationally renowned cast of musicians help Ben bring this extraordinary project to life, including Carla Kihlstedt singing and on violin, saxophonist Rob Sudduth, percussionist Ches Smith, pianist Myra Melford, trumpeter Ron Miles, percussionist Kenny Wollesen, and bassist Greg Cohen.

Ben is a Berkeley-based clarinetist and composer who has followed a circuitous musical journey, from Jewish roots music, blues and bebop to avant-garde jazz and chamber improvisation. Along the way, he has played in creative musical ensembles including his own quartet, Tin Hat, Myra Melford's Be Bread, John Zorn, and Nels Cline.



Ben created "Orphic Machine" through a commission by Chamber Music America/New Jazz Works and the Jewish Music Festival, with support from the East Bay Community Foundation. Intriguingly, the suite was inspired by Allen Grossman's treatise, **Summa Lyrica**, a rigorous exploration of poetic structure in relation to consciousness through the interaction of art, language, and culture.

Rhonda Vincent & the Rage Wednesday March 7

A leading force in contemporary bluegrass, Rhonda Vincent has won the IBMA (International Bluegrass Music Association) award for Female Vocalist of the Year no less than seven times. It's no wonder folks like the Wall Street Journal have dubbed her the "new queen of bluegrass." Bridging the gap between bluegrass and mainstream $\,$ country music with her hard-driving, high-energy performances, Rhonda is currently on tour promoting her latest CD, Taken.

Born in Kirksville, Missouri, where she still resides, Rhonda started her musical career at the age of five, playing drums in her family's band, The Sally Mountain Show. Apparently, she never looked back. In addition to her vocal talents, Rhonda plays a mean mandolin, guitar, and fiddle she also writes much of her own material, from straight-ahead bluegrass instrumentals to heart-wrenching ballads.



For tonight's show, Rhonda is joined by her top-notch touring band, The Rage, also known as fiddler Hunter Berry, bassist Mickey Harris, banjo player Aaron McDaris, guitarist Ben Helson, and newest member, dobro ace Brent Burke.

Peter Finger Thursday March 8

Join guitar virtuoso Peter Finger for an evening of lush, thought-provoking solo music.

Since the 1970s Peter's reputation as one of the world's best acoustic guitarists has extended far beyond his native Germany. Creating a sensual, adventurous tapestry of rhythm, harmony, and melody, Peter draws inspiration from a boundless musical cosmos. Expanding upon his earliest influences from folk, blues, and ragtime, Peter's current soundscape encompasses world music, jazz, and classical music, which he magically fuses into a cohesive, exhilarating whole; listeners encounter the tonal language of Debussy, Ravel, or Stravinsky side by side with echoes of B.B. King or Jimi Hendrix.



In addition to his celebrated performances, both live and on numerous recordings, Peter is an award-winning composer of everything from pieces for symphony orchestra to soundtracks for film and television, the publisher of Akustik Gitarre magazine, and head of the Acoustic Music Records label.

John Reischman & the Jaybirds Friday March 9

Mandolin powerhouse John Reischman and his Jaybirds perform some of the finest, hardest-driving bluegrass you're likely to hear anywhere, drawing material from both traditional masters such as the Blue Sky Boys and Ralph Stanley, and contemporary artists such as Gillian Welch. In the words of Bluegrass Unlimited magazine, "You can always count on the Jaybird's unique sound, its mix of fire and laid-back elegance with a loose good-time feel."



Joining the Vancouver resident onstage in the form of the Jaybirds are some other famed folks from the West Coast bluegrass scene: Jim Nunally on guitar and vocals, Greg Spatz on

fiddle, Seattle's famed Scruggs-style banjo stylist and vocalist Nick Hornbuckle, and Canadian bass ace and singer Trisha Gagnon.

As heard on their most recent album, Vintage and Unique, the group's blend of instrumental virtuosity, inspiring material, and great vocal harmonies make for an exhilarating performance.

Patchwork Series:

Alphabet Rockers, Orange Sherbet saturday March 10, 11 am

Melita Doostan and Rudy Trubitt host this morning's edition of the Patchwork Series of kids' shows, featuring the high-energy, fresh and funky Alphabet Rockers and the rootsy,

hip sounds of Orange Sherbet. The Alphabet Rockers (Kaitlin McGaw. Tommy Shepherd, and Stefanie Liang) mix hip hop, beatboxing, soul music, and cool





are winners of the 2011 Fan Favorite Award for Kids Music Artists from the e-zine Red Tricycle. Jill Pierce and Tamsen Fynn, also known as Orange Sherbet, concoct a tasty, rootsy brew for the entire family, original and traditional tunes spiced with a touch of jazz, a pinch of funk, and a swingin' groove. Both Jill and Tamsen have backgrounds in education in addition to extensive professional experience in musical theater, classical singing, and jazz, folk, and rock music.

Melanie O'Reilly Saturday March 10

Dublin-born singer-songwriter Melanie O'Reilly leads listeners on a "Celticjazz" journey as she explores a unique soundscape that fuses the lyricism of Irish poetry with the improvisation of American jazz. Backing Melanie tonight are some very special guests, including John R. Burr (piano), Fred Randolph (bass), Rebecca Kleinman (flute), percussionist Ian Dogole, Darcy Noonan on fiddle, and Sean O Nuallain on guitar.

Melanie has performed worldwide, from Lincoln Center Outdoors, the Edinburgh International Festival, and the London-Irish Arts Festival to the National Concert Hall in Dublin and Birdland in New York City. She is also a regular presenter for Ireland's national broadcasting station, with the awardwinning show Jazz on the Bay and, more recently, Foxrock Folk Club.





A CAPPELLA

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Jacob Rubin

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WESTERN SWING

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Munnelly Brothers

Sunday March 11

Join David & Kieran Munnelly for an evening of Irish merrymaking at its best! This joyful vocal/instrumental performance features top Irish traditional musicians-and



brothers-David, a wizard on the button accordion, and flute and bodhran artist Kieran.

Born and raised in County Mayo, David played for The Chieftains, and toured with the group De Danaan before forming his own band in 2002. His latest release is Tight Squeez, LiveIreland.com's Vocal/Instrumental Album of the Year for 2010.

Kieran has been playing music since the age of seven. His elegant flute playing and astounding bodhrán work won him Musician of the Year 2010 from LiveIreland.com. He has worked with some of Ireland's finest musicians, including Matt Molloy, Martin O' Connor, Kieran Goss, and Frances Black, as well as touring extensively throughout America and Europe with The David Munnelly Band.

Jazzschool Institute Orchestra

Monday March 12

Join us for an evening of performances by two top Jazzschool Institute groups!

The eighteen piece Jazzschool Insitute Jazz Orchestra, under the direction of Keith Johnson, is dedicated



to hard-swinging classic and cutting-edge contemporary big band music.

Under the direction of Grammy-nominated pianist and composer Art Lande, the Improvised Music Ensemble explores the realm of free improvisation. This group features Madison Bohrer (sax), Ruthie Dineen (piano), Yehudit Lieberman (electric violin), Dillon Vado (drums and vibes), and Art Lande (melodica, percussion).

Frank Fairfield Wednesday March 14

Judging by his Brylcreem-parted hair, high-waisted pants, and spellbinding voice full of

existential anguish, listeners might think that Frank Fairfield stepped straight from the Appalachian mountains of a century ago. Far from it: the



California's central valley spent his early career busking in the streets of Los Angeles with his fiddle and banjo before signing with the New York folk music label Tompkins Square and garnering national attention opening for Fleet Foxes on their 2008 tour.

Frank recently released his second album, Out On The Open West, featuring originals full of integrity and age-old grit. Don't miss this chance for a dose of inexorably authentic music from this up-and-coming talent!

Girlyman, Adrianne opens Thursday March 15

Performing an irresistible blend of acoustic americana and pop-inflected rock, Girlyman—AKA Nate Borofsky, Doris Muramatsu, Ty Greenstein, and JJ-put on shows that brim with positivity and irrepressible charm. Fearlessly bending genres and genders alike, the Atlanta-based foursome takes inspiration from 1960s vocal groups like Simon & Garfunkel and The Mamas and the Papas, infusing the result with years of classical and jazz training and a quirky sense of humor to concoct refreshingly original songs about love, loss, and memory.

The group inspires an ever-expanding grassroots following with their tight, gorgeous harmonies and great repertoire, not to mention their infectious ability to have a good time. Live and on albums like their brand-new Supernova, the members of Girlyman switch off songwriting duties, lead vocals, and a range of instruments, including acoustic guitar, djembe, banjo, baritone guitar, mandolin, and quips.

Indy folk rocker Adrianne opens the show.

Solas Friday March 16

Remarkable energy, fresh perspectives, and superlative musicianship have sent Solas to the top of contemporary Irish music in just a few short years, with scores of fans on both sides of the Atlantic and three consecutive awards from the Association for Independent Music for Best Celtic Recording.

Intermingled with virtuosic treatments of traditional tunes, the group performs a fascinating selection of contemporary works, blending ancient styles with folk and country melodies. bluesy, sometimes jazz-inspired improvisations, and rhythms borrowed from all around the globe.

Solas' unstoppable musical force is comprised of Seamus Egan (flute, tenor banjo, mandolin, whistle, guitar, and bodhran), fid-

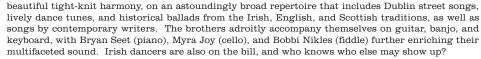
dler Winifred Horan, Mick McAuley on accordion and concertina, Eamon McElholm on guitar and keyboards, and Niamh Varian-Barry's rich vocals. Solas' most recent CD is The Turning Tide (Compass).



Black Brothers Saturday March 17

Shay and Michael Black celebrate St. Patrick's Day with their traditional Freight concert brimming with lilting harmonies, catchy rhythms, and superb musicianship. The brothers' infectious humor, wit, and unalloyed joy in performing, plus their propensity for inviting the audience to join in the chorus on sing-along favorites like "Down Our Street" and "The Great Storm is Over," make it difficult for anyone to remain a spectator for long!

Scions of Ireland's famous singing Black family (which also includes brother Martin and sisters Frances and Mary), Shay and Michael salute the wearing of the green with their strong voices, in



The Black Family recently released an album of traditional and contemporary songs, Our Time Together, and Michael recently recorded a self-titled solo CD on the Compass label.



Fiddle masters Bruce Molsky and Ale Moller entice us with an exciting evening as they take deeply rooted traditions in inspiring new directions

One of the most influential old-time fiddlers of his generation, Bronx-born Bruce Molsky is also a remarkable guitarist, banjo player, and singer who continually proves that traditional music knows no geographical or cultural boundaries. Elegant and keenly affecting, Bruce's playing melds the archaic mountain sounds of Appalachia, the power of blues, the nimble music of Eastern Europe, and the rhyth-





mic intricacies of traditional African music. He learned his art directly from essential Blue Ridge Mountain musicians Tommy Jarrell and Albert Hash, and has earned numerous awards at fiddle and banjo contests throughout America.

Bruce tours both as a solo artist and with the Grammy-nominated band Fiddlers 4 (with Darol Anger, Michael Doucet, and Rushad Eggleston), with Andy Irvine & Donal Lunny's Mozaik, and in numerous other collaborative constellations with musicians of other cultures. Bruce's most recent solo CD is Soon Be Time (Compass).

A passionate explorer, Swedish multi-instrumentalist Ale Möller blends music from widely divergent origins to create a uniquely global landscape. With his penchant for expanding the boundaries of traditional music through cross-pollinated experimentation, Ale is one of the central figures in the search for new directions and new sounds in Scandinavian folk music.

After stints playing jazz trumpet and Greek bouzouki, Ale dedicated himself to exploring the roots of Swedish music in the 1980s. A member of groundbreaking Scandinavian groups like Filarfolket, Nordan, and Frifot, he also collaborates with musicians from around the globe, including Shetlandic fiddle legend Aly Bain and Senegalese kora master Solo Cissokho. In 1998 Ale formed the Stockholm Folk Music Big Band—a "world orchestra" made up of 14 musicians with roots in different parts of the globe—and he currently heads the Ale Möller Band, a multicultural sextet that won a Swedish Grammy Award for their 2003 debut album. Bodial.



Maggie & Suzzie Roche, Lucy Wainwright Roche Monday March 19

Maggie & Suzzy Roche are veteran performers whose shows brim with exquisitely close harmonies and quirky, good-natured humor. The sisters parley their nearly four decades of writing and peforming into a thought-provoking, moving, and highly original musical journey blending influences from choir music, traditional Irish, contemporary folk, rock, country, and pop. Together with a third sibling, Terre,







they formed The Roches in the mid-1970s and won widespread critical acclaim and an enthusiastic grassroots following with their "Roche music." More recently, Maggie & Suzzy perform as a twosome, spotlighting numbers from their duo albums like 2004's Why the Long Face (Red House Records), plus plenty of Roches' classics.

Carrying on the family tradition, singer-songwriter Lucy Wainwright Roche brings us a set of thoughtful, catchy, quirky originals. The daughter of Loudon Wainwright III and Suzzy Roche (and the half-sister of Rufus and Martha Wainwright), Lucy holds listeners spellbound with her charming stage presence, crystalline vocals, and refreshingly straightforward songs.

In addition to touring the country opening for such acts as the Indigo Girls, Dar Williams, and her brother Rufus, Lucy also sang backup for Grammy-nominated artist Neko Case, including an appearance on The Late Show with David Letterman. Her most recent CD is Lucy.

Golden West Woodwind Quintet Tuesday March 20

The resident woodwind quintet of the United States Air Force Band of the Golden West, the Golden West Woodwind Quartet engages audiences of all ages with their dynamic chamber music performances. With a repertoire ranging from the early 1800s to the present day, these five accomplished musicians perform standards of classical quintet literature and contemporary works, as well as marches and patriotic selections.

Under the direction of Technical Sergeant Anna Andrew, the quintet features Senior Airman Melissa Rocha on flute, Technical Sergeant Coreen Levin on oboe,

Technical Sergeant Anna Andrew on clarinet, Master Sergeant Lezlee Masson on bassoon, and Staff Sergeant Edwin Ochsner on French horn.

Recent GWWQ performances include concerts at Portland State University, the Sonora Bach Festival, and California State University at Sacramento. The group is featured on a number of recordings, including Wood 'n Brass and Bayside Bravura.

Students Rock Foundation Benefit Wednesday March 21

This evening's performance is free of charge.

Join the Students Rock Foundation for their second annual benefit concert featuring music from americana songsmith Kevin Beadles and his band, funk and twangy blues from the Jolly Gibsons, Andrea Hurley and her Very Attractive Band, and Berkeley-based comedian Jacob Rubin as master of ceremonies. With proceeds going toward Bay Area performing arts scholarships, this is a great show for

Kevin and his band (guitarist John Foster, multiinstrumentalist Steve Gibson, and drummer Jeremy Steinkoler) unite rock with the back-porch drawl of gospel, blues, and alt-country. Singer-songwriter Steve Seskin says that "Kevin's lyrics are inspired. He writes hooky songs about real life and delivers them with a passionate, soulful voice.'

Deep grooves and tight arrangements are the order of the evening when the Jolly Gibsons bring their blend of New Orleans funk, twangy blues, second-line romps, and jazzrock jams. Keyboardist Jennifer Jolly and multi-instrumentalist Steve Gibson lead, with Dave Fischer on bass and Mark Bernfield on drums

Andrea is an upbeat performer who draws her material from blues, rock, pop, folk, and punk. With original songs about life and love. Andrea and her band connect with the audience in a way that leaves them satisfied and smiling.

Master of ceremonies Jacob broke into the comedy scene in late 2010, and has performed his "100 percent true stories that might be totally made up" at San Francisco's Purple Onion and Punchline, along with the Comedy

Store in Hollywood.

Students Rock Foundation (SRF) is a non-profit organization that provides performing arts enrichment scholarships to Bay Area students of all ages. The organization's goal is to support students across a wide spectrum of the arts: in the past year, SRF has provided scholarships to children and adults attending programs at the Freight & Salvage, the Jazzschool, BandWorks School of Rock, and the Marsh Youth Theatre. Proceeds from tonight's show will go directly into the SRF





scholarship fund.



John Gorka. Rose Cousins opens

Thursday March 22

Singer, songwriter, guitarist, and pianist, John Gorka is one of the sharpest observers on the block and one of folk music's most distinctive singers. The killer combination of John's stunningly soulful baritone and his evocative lyrics are sure to raise goosebumps as he parlays his rich, multi-faceted songs full of depth, beauty, and emo-



tion. Whether he's performing an open-hearted tune brimming with love and loss, a keenly felt vignette about daily life, biting social commentary, or just plain old down-home humor, John displays an unerring grasp of words, melody, and the details that pose profoundly personal yet universal themes.

John arose from the same Greenwich Village folk scene that produced such songwriters as Suzanne Vega and Shawn Colvin. Since then, on the road for various legs of his ongoing "40year tour" and over the course of an acclaimed succession of CDs, most recently So Dark You See (Red House), the New Jersey native sweeps an ever-growing crowd of loyal fans along on his entrancing journeys through the twists and turns of life. John also recently released a DVD, The Gypsy Life, on AIX Records.

Opening the show is eloquent singer-songwriter Rose Cousins, winner of a 2010 Canadian Folk Music Award for Contemporary Singer of

Cheryl Wheeler Kenny White opens Saturday March 24

New England singer-songwriter Cheryl Wheeler is a raconteur, philosopher, and outrageous comedienne who combines strong poetry, striking imagery, memorable melodies, and hilariously keen insights into the human condition.



With lyrics that

walk a fine line between aching poignancy and razor-sharp wit, Cheryl's long list of powerful originals includes top country hits, "Addicted" (Dan Seals) and "Aces" (Suzy Bogguss). However, her gorgeous voice and sly sense of humor ensure that Cheryl will always be her own best interpreter. As anyone who has caught one of her live shows knows, you have to see Cheryl in person to fully appreciate her genius for steering an entire audience from roof-raising mirth to heart-wrenching empathy and back again, often in the course of a single song.

In tonight's concert, Cheryl showcases new selections from her recent CD, Pointing at the Sun, as well as plenty of enduring favorites like "Unworthy," "Gandhi/Buddha," and "Potato."

Singer-songwriter Kenny White opens, with tunes from his recent CD, Comfort in the Static.

Susan Werner, David Wilcox Sunday March 25

Two of our favorite singersongwriters take the stage in this evening's memorable double bill.

Susan Werner brings a supple alto voice and masterful guitar and piano skills to the stage, spicing up her remarkable songcraft with a charismatic presence and whip-smart social commentary. Her innovative, finely polished songs are unpredictable and richly evocative—in the words of





No Depression magazine, "When it comes to crafting a song, Ms. Werner's only peers are Jimmy Webb and Paul Simon." Tonight, Susan spotlights great originals old and new, including selections from her rootsy, blues-influenced new album, Kicking the Beehive.

In David Wilcox's songeraft, lyrics, music, and performance combine to create a poetic, highly evocative effect on his listeners. Whether live or on CDs like his recent Reverie, David's music expresses his pop and modern folk sensibilities with crisp guitar fingerpicking and rich baritone vocals, while delivering an inspiring message of hope and offering a glimpse of deeper realms.

Classical @ the Freight San Francisco Brass Quintet Monday March 26

The fabulous brass players of the SFBQ return to our stage with a program featuring their customary mix of old, new, borrowed, and blue. John Pearson and James Dooley on trumpet, Doug Hull on horn, Craig McAmis on trombone, and Forrest Byram on tuba offer a varied program of exciting music that is guaranteed to chase the winter blues away.

Classical at the Freight brings the Bay Area's best classical musicians to the Freight for an hour of top-flight chamber music in an informal, friendly atmosphere. San Francisco Chamber Orchestra music director Benjamin Simon is your host; his goal is to un-stuffify and de-mys-



tify classical music for the general music lover, sharing the joys and rewards of this timeless art with new audiences young and old.

West Coast Songwriters Competition Tuesday March 27, 7:30 pm

Check out the future when the West Coast Songwriters presents its monthly Songwriter Competition, where members take the stage and perform their material. Performers sign up from 7:00 to 7:20, and at 7:30 the show's on! Guest judges award a "Best Song" and "Best Performance." The most active songwriting organization in the United States, WCS is dedicated to providing the environment, opportunities, and tools to nurture and promote songwriters.

Tom Paxton Thursday March 29

"These songs have a way of sneaking up on you. You may find yourself humming them, whistling them, and singing a verse to a friend. Like the songs of Woody Guthrie, they're becoming part of America." — Pete Seeger

Consummate folksinger, children's book author, and composer, Tom Paxton looks at life's ups and downs, sometimes poignantly, sometimes in hilarious detail. A central figure in folk music since arriving in Greenwich Village in the early 1960s, via Chicago and Oklahoma. Tom has been a primary influence on four distinct generations of folk musicians. Whether addressing issues of injustice and inhumanity, having a chuckle at the absurdities of modern culture, or celebrating



the bonds of family, friends, and community, Tom's songs-"Ramblin' Boy," "The Last Thing on My Mind," "Bottle of Wine," and "What Did You Learn in School Today," to name but a few-endure.

In addition to releasing a CD of new songs, Comedians & Angels (Appleseed), Tom recently saw his classic children's song, "The Marvelous Toy," published by Peter Yarrow Books as a beautifully illustrated book. Tom was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Recording Academy at the 2009 Grammy Awards.



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Junius Courtney Big Band w/ Denise Perrier Friday March 30



The dance floor will be open for business when the Junius Courtney Big Band kicks off its 50th anniversary season at the Freight! With the supremely stylish Denise Perrier providing vocals, the 19-piece aggregation invites dancers of all stripes to help launch the celebration in stomping' style. Those who prefer to swing in the comfort of their chairs are welcome, too, as the band raises the roof with unique arrangements redolent of Ellington, Basie, Thad Jones, and the Latin Tinge, plus plenty of their great signature originals.

This stellar big band, founded by New Orleans trumpeter, Junius Courtney, never fails to bring down the house with its powerhouse repertoire of merciless swing, blues, and gutsy improvisation. As jazz journalist Andy Gilbert states: "With a treasure trove of vivid, well-crafted arrangements and a veteran cast of players who know how to tell a rousing story in eight bars. the Junius Courtney Big Band is an invaluable Bay Area institution.'

Junius Courtney moved to Berkeley from New Orleans in 1945, trumpet in hand, and his music hasn't stopped swinging since. He started out fronting combos at society dances, then expanded to a big band in 1962. Courtney passed away in 2003, but his big-hearted, openhanded spirit lives on in the dynamic outfit led by his son, drummer Nat Courtney and under the musical direction of George "Jazzbeaux" Spencer, delivering its listeners into delirious realms of swing.

the Waybacks Saturday March 31

Come on over and join the party as the Waybacks bring down the house! Self-described purveyors of acoustic mayhem, the Waybacksguitarist



James Nash, drummer Chuck Hamilton, bass player Joe Kyle Jr., and fiddler and mandolinist Warren Hood—are a quartet of virtuosos with a wide array of americana idioms at their fingertips. Always ready to place their own irreverent stamp on multiple genres, from newgrass to alt-country, the band has recently added touches of Memphis soul, honky-tonk, and Parisian swing to their repertoire. In air-tight arrangements that swing with fervor and intensity, they transcend genre altogether, conjuring up the wild, unpredictable musical landscapes that have put them at the forefront of New American acoustic music.

If you've never seen these folks play before (or even if you have), prepare to find yourself charmed, exhilarated, and drop-jawed, all at the same time, as the group plays original tunes and vintage gems, including selections from their most recent studio CD, Loaded (Compass).

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March 3-Michael Winograd & Judith Berkson contemporary klezmer & cantorial music

March 10 - Melanie O'Reilly innovative Celtic-jazz fusion

March 11 - Munnelly Brothers virtuoso irish merrymaking at its best

March 16 – Solas leading contemporary Irish music ensemble

March 17 – Black Brothers Ireland's foremost family of song

March 18—Bruce Molsky & Ale Möller musical explorers from Appalachia to Sweden

April 5—Aksak DuoTurkish folk to 21st century original compositions

April 8 – Parisa Vaaleh

contemporary Persian fusion songstress April 15 — Genticorum

impassioned traditional Quebecois trio

April 18 - Dennis Kamakahi

warm singer, gifted Hawaiian slack key guitarist

April 26 – Carlos Reyes Paraguayan-born harpist and violinist

April 27 & 28—SF Scottish Fiddlers w/ Alasdair Fraser

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April 8 & beyond (see front cover for April 1 to 7)

SUNDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY MONDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY **Judy Collins** Freight **UC Jazz** Toy Peggy Soul House @ 2 pm Soldierz Open Mic Ensembles Seeger Power **Jacks** Parisa Vaaleh Urban Healing Tour's a program of top flight funky soul music a cappella quintet's 20th Anniversary Reunion Concert folksinger, an adventure multi-media hip hop show benefitting Each One Reach One songwriter, activist with an unstoppable dance groove student ensembles @ 8 pm every time Persian songstress \$4.50/\$6.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$26.50/\$28.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$24.50/\$26.50 April 12 \$24.50/\$26.50 West Coast Citizens' Reach Out Ali Akbar Khan's Birthday Tribute Michelle Genticorum **Dennis** Dar Benefit with Songwriters humorous & Shocked Kamakahi Williams Joan Baez with Alam Khan, Swapan Chaudhuri, Competition impassioned 2012 Roadworks Tour: Roccupy! warm singer and gifted Hawaiian slack elegant, insightful traditional plus Saadoun original songs contest folk-pop singer-songwriter Quebecois trio Aruna Narayan, Anupama Bhagwat key guitarist 7:30 showtime Al-Bayati Trio \$20.50/\$22.50 \$6.50/\$8.50 April 16 \$24 50/\$26 50 \$24.50/\$26.50 \$28.50/\$30.50 \$70.50/\$75.50 April 20 \$24.50/\$26.50 April 21 Friends Foundation New Voices: **Carlos** San Francisco Scottish Peter Int'l. Benefit the T Sisters Fiddlers w/ Alasdair Fraser Reves Mulvev Band of Hart, Barefoot Paraguay-born 26th Annual Spring Concert Tashina Clarridge tender acoustic Thunder, AZ-DZ, Jumpin' Fish, with harpist and violinist Friday & Saturday, April 27 & 28 Willem Van Thillo \$22.50/\$24.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$12.50/\$14.50 April 25 \$20.50/\$20.50 Kris Teresa Gerry A.J. Kathy Rahim Alhaj **Tenney** Trull Delmhorst Croce & Carol w/ Issa Malluf Classical @ the Freight Worker Day minimalist gutsy blues/rock eclectic singerexquisite, unabashedly Iraqi *oud* virtuoso/ celebration with mandolin stalwart San Francisco vocal dynamo lovely harmonies sonawriter composer with sonastress **Brass Quintet** percussionist \$24.50/ \$26.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$20.50/\$22.50 \$24 50/\$26 50 \$16.50/\$18.50

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- 16 Folk Collection—\$20.50

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Winter II Classes: March 5 - April 14

Unless otherwise noted the fee for six 75-minute classes is \$130. \$10 early-bird discount applies to class registrations received before midnight Monday March 27.

Classes

MONDAYS

Fiddling Repertoire w/ Erik Hoffman (7:00 pm) Intro to Swing Guitar w/ Sylvia Herold (7:00 pm) Beginning Fiddle w/ Erik Hoffman (8:30 pm) Folk Song Repertoire w/ Shay Black (8:30 pm) Guitar Artistry for Folksingers w/ Sylvia Herold (8:30 pm)

TUESDAYS

Bluegrass Rhythm Guitar w/ Avram Siegel (5:30 pm) Clawhammer Banjo for the Rank Beginner w/ **Evie Ladin** (6:30 pm)

Bluegrass Harmony Singing w/ Avram Siegel (7:00 pm) Beginning Swing Rhythm Guitar II w/ Tony Marcus (7:00 pm) Songwriting w/ Jim Bruno (7:00 pm)

Clawhammer Banjo Repertoire w/ Evie Ladin (7:45 p.m)

Bluegrass Band Lab

w/ Avram Siegel (8:30 pm; \$250)
Class runs 8 weeks, each session 90 minutes, and includes a live sound workshop and a performance on the Freight stage

Intermediate & Advanced Swing Rhythm Guitar w/ Tony Marcus (8:30 pm)

JAMS

(drop-in prices per session)

Beyond Bluegrass Slow Jam w/ Ran Bush Sunday March 4 & 18, 2:00-5:00 pm (\$14)

Bluegrass Slow Jam w/ Ran Bush Sunday, March 11 & 25, 2:00-5:00 pm (\$14)

Classes WEDNESDAYS

Guitar I w/ Gabriel Olin (5:30 pm)

Beginning 'Ukulele w/ Hiram Bell (7:00 pm)

Bluegrass Ensemble w/ Bill Evans (7:00 pm)

Guitar II w/ Gabriel Olin (7:00 pm)

Intermediate 'Ukulele w/ Hiram Bell (8:30 pm)

Mountain Dulcimer w/ DJ Hamouris (8:30 pm)

Vocal Flight w/ Michael Smolens (8:30 pm)

THURSDAYS

Acoustic Rock Guitar w/ Gabriel Olin (5:30 pm) Beginning 'Ukulele w/ Hiram Bell (5:30 pm) Advanced Ukulele w/ Hiram Bell (7:00 pm) Guitar III w/ Gabriel Olin (7:00 pm) Jammin' the Blues w/ Pete Madsen (7:00 pm) Fingerstyle Blues w/ Pete Madsen (8:30 pm)

WORKSHOPS

Instant Chorus w/ Betty Blakeslee Saturday March 3, 3:00-5:00 pm (\$20)

Old Time Harmony Singing w/ Evie Ladin Sunday March 25, noon-1:30 pm (\$20)

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Old Time Harmony Singing w/ Evie Ladin Sunday April 29, 1:00-2:30 pm (\$20)



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