

Music In The Air

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- 03/01 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford
- 03/02 **Ed Kowalczyk, Tonic's Emerson Hart & Sixpence None** 860-542-5531 \$55-75
8:00p **The Richer's Leigh Nash: Open Wings Broken Strings Tour –
CPTV BROADCAST PERFORMANCE**
LIVE's Ed Kowalczyk, Tonic's Emerson Hart & Sixpence None The Richer's Leigh Nash come together under the Open Wings Broken Strings header to feature acoustic performances of their hit songs such as "Lightning Crashes", "I Alone" (Live); "If You Could Only See", "Open Up Your Eyes" (Tonic) and "Kiss Me", "There She Goes" (Sixpence None The Richer) in an intimate storyteller setting. Each artist performs an individual set and joins the stage together for a grand finale in the end.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/02 **Phil Ochs Song Night w/Sonny Ochs** (203) 431-6501 \$20-25
7:00p Greg Greenway, John Flynn, Pat Wictor, Magpie & David Roth
Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St.
Ridgefield www.acousticcelebration.org/
- 03/02 **Dave Mason** 860-489-7180 \$73-83
7:30p **David Thomas "Dave" Mason** is an English musician, singer, songwriter, and guitarist from Worcester, who first found fame with the rock band Traffic. In his long career, Mason has played and recorded with many of the era's most notable musicians, including Jimi Hendrix, Michael Jackson, The Rolling Stones, Eric Clapton, George Harrison, Fleetwood Mac and Cass Elliot. Mason's best known song is "Feelin' Alright", recorded by Traffic in 1968 and covered by dozens of artists, including Joe Cocker, who had a major hit with the song in 1969. For Traffic, he also wrote "Hole in My Shoe", a kind of psychedelic satire that became a classic in its own right. "We Just Disagree", Mason's 1977 solo hit written by Jim Krueger, has become a staple of Oldies and Adult Contemporary radio playlists.
Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street www.Warnertheater.org
Torrington

- 03/02 **Riverdance** 203.346.2000 \$
 7:30p RIVERDANCE, the thunderous celebration of Irish music, song and dance that has tapped its way onto the world stage thrilling millions of people around the globe, will play one final performance at the Palace Theater. "A Phenomenon of Historic Proportions!" raves the *Washington Post*. "An explosion of sight and sound that simply takes your breath away," cheers the *Chicago Tribune*. "A family evening unlike anything else!" exclaims *The London Times*. Discover why nothing in the world compares to The Original International Phenomenon! Whether it's your first time or your fifth, you won't want to miss these performances of Riverdance
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 03/03 **Nicki Parrott** (203) 753-0381 \$ 7-15
 5:30p Enjoy the music of Nicki Parrott, an internationally acclaimed bassist and an emerging singer/songwriter. In her work with artists from around the globe she has brought a signature sound to every bass part she has played.
 Mattatuck Museum,, 144 West Main Street
 Waterbury
- 03/03 **Gary Allan** 860-489-7180 \$40-100
 8:00p "I ain't really happy," sings Gary Allan on "Get Off on the Pain," the down-home masterstroke that begins and provides the name for his new MCA Nashville collection, "until the sky starts driving rain." Unhesitatingly frank, mercilessly guitar-crazed, it's the rocked-out country confession of a smart guy drawn to what the rest of the world calls wrong roads and long shots, or complains of aching bones and stubbornness, or -- as Allan sings in a spectacular stretch of drawn-out soulful vowels -- underestimates as dark horses. And as the California-born superstar releases his eighth studio album, it's about the most Gary Allan piece anyone could imagine.
 "That's, like, very autobiographical," Allan understates, talking about the song. "I feel like I'm living that right now. It's got a lot of life in there for me: It represents the relentless quality of life on the road. You'll never hear me singing about tractors or farms, just because I don't know anything about that stuff. Wrong roads and dark horses I know about. Still, I think the pain can get to be some kind of a positive for me because it connects to everything I've ever dreamed of. While it's relentless, it's confirmation of the actual existence of this big musical drama, the result of the dream."
 Now he comes to the Warner for the first time ever!
 Warner Theater, 68 Main Street
- 03/03 **Hogan Academy of Irish Dance** 203-729-9039 \$ 2
 6-8p Naugatuck Historical Society – First Thursday Series
 195 Water Street
 Naugatuck
- 03/03 **Asleep at the Wheel** 860-542-5531 \$40-50
 8:00p Over the course of the last 39 years Ray Benson and Asleep at the Wheel have boldly defied the fickle lures of the mainstream -- and thrived -- by sticking to their noble cause of keeping that distinctly American of art forms, western swing, alive and kicking. Along the way, these post-modern kings of western swing have received nine Grammy Awards, entertained thousands and won praise and admiration from everyone from Willie Nelson to Bob Dylan, George Strait to Van Morrison
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 03/03 **Orquesta Afinke** (203) 837-9700 Free
 8:00p The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, salsa band Orquesta Afinke, at 9 p.m.
 WCSU Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp
- 03/04 **Too Blue** 203-925-9064 Free
 8-11p Huntington St. Café, 90 Huntington St.
 Shelton
- 03/04 **River City Slim & The Zydeco Hogs** 860-542-5531 \$20-30
 8:00p Mardi Gras Party
 Bandleader River City Slim is a lifelong Blues fan, musician and DJ. Slim was already a Texas/Louisiana Blues and R&B fiend when he was bitten by the Zydeco bug at a performance by Terence Simien. The Zydeco Hogs reflect Slim's deep background in Gulf Coast music -- he's played behind a slew of Louisiana and Texas luminaries, including Willis Prudhomme, Corey Ledet, Jeffrey Broussard, Dexter Ardoin, D.L. Menard and others.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/04 **Sherman Chamber Ensemble** 860-355-5930 \$30 reservations
 English Pub night featuring libations, refreshments and music in the British tradition.
 Jewish Community Center 9 Rt. 39 South
 Sherman
- 03/04 **Jesse Cook** (203) 438-5795 \$35
 8:00p Special Guest Marc Huberman
 Over the course of a dozen years and numerous best-selling albums, virtuoso flamenco guitarist Jesse Cook has explored the limits of popular music, breaking new ground with each successive recording. In the past, Cook has blended African percussion, Cajun accordion, classical cello and pop vocals with his own rumba flamenco style to create a thrilling, multi-textured global hybrid. And he's traveled far afield from London to Cairo to collaborate with some of the world's best musicians. Cook has sold more than one million albums worldwide and won a Juno award in 2000 for his album Free Fall. Join us in the lobby from 7 – 8 pm for complimentary Tapas by Southwest Café and a Spanish Wine Tasting with Melange Fine Wines and Spirits
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/05 **Pete Huttlinger** 860-693-0263 \$18-20
 7:30p Nashville's [Pete Huttlinger](http://www.pete-huttlinger.com) doesn't buy guitars, he wins them! His talent and taste are very special. He can scorch his guitar with the hottest version of Gershwin's "I Got Rhythm" ever played or simmer down to a sigh-producing performance of Sting's "Fields of Gold." This National Finger-picking champion may wow you with Celtic jigs and reels, or have you sing along on "Take Me Home Country Roads." Pete is featured on the PBS Special, A Song's Best Friend: John Denver Remembered with whom he toured for years. No stranger to Carnegie Hall and Royal Albert Hall, he toured as accompanist and solo opening act for John Oates and Leann Rimes. The Berklee grad also played Eric Clapton's Crossroad Guitar Festivals. When you see him play Stevie Wonder's "Superstition" or his "Santa Rita Connection" you say "how can one man play so many parts at the same time and make such great music?"
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
 Canton

- 03/05 ***Notorious*** 203-272-8404 \$14-16
 8:00p Eden MacAdam-Somer and Larry Unger, who comprise the duo Notorious, bring together traditional and contemporary acoustic music from around the world, creating a dynamic, swinging sound that is sure to get you on your feet. With Eden on fiddle and vocals and Larry on guitar and banjo, their music is full of rhythmic drive and melodic candor. Their show is always new and exciting, presenting everything from traditional American and Celtic fiddle tunes to jazz, blues, and the group's original compositions.
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 03/05 ***Tartan Terrors*** (203) 438-5795 \$30
 8:00p Special Guest: [Ask Your Father](#)
 North America's premiere Celtic Event, this show is described as Celtic Storm meets Adam Sandler! Features the best in Rock and Celtic music, comedy and dance, "The Terrors" are bolstered by the blistering piping of a Two Time World Champion Bagpiper, the driving tones of drums from around the world, and a guitar played unlike any you've ever heard. Dig This Magazine declares "(The Terrors) one act to keep an eye on!" Meet and Greet to be held after the show at East Ridge Cafe!
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/05 ***Livingston Taylor*** 860-542-5531 \$40-55
 8:00p Livingston Taylor picked up his first guitar at the age of thirteen. Who knew that this would signal the beginning of a career that has spanned over forty years and that has encompassed performance, songwriting and teaching.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/05 ***A Sacred Service*** 203-748-1716 Free
 8:00p Danbury Concert Chorus performs **Bloch's Sacred Service, Randall Thompson's Alleluia, Holst's Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent, Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal** by **Parker/Shaw**, and the African American Spiritual, **Ain't Got Time to Die**, arr. by **Hall Johnson**
 St. James Church, 25 West Street
 Danbury
- 03/06 ***Ralph Stanley & the Clinch Mountain Boys*** 860-489-7180 \$53
 7:30p Now 81 years old, Stanley has been performing professionally since he and his older brother, Carter formed a band in their native southwestern Virginia in 1946. Between that date and 1966, when Carter died, the Stanley Brothers and the Clinch Mountain Boys became one of the most celebrated bluegrass groups in the world, rivaling in popularity such titans as Bill Monroe and Flatt & Scruggs.
 Nancy Marine, 68 Main Street www.Warnertheatre.org
 Torrington
- 03/06 ***Waterbury Symphony Orchestra: Three x Five*** 203-574-4283. \$20-50
 3:00p Five has long been a magical number in music and we will explore some of the best and most tuneful **5's** in the world. The names of Bach and Mozart figure in but nothing is more sonorously synonymous than Beethoven and his fist clenching **5th!** Come and experience that most gripping of works that also became the Allies' encoded dot-dot-dot-dash for victory.
 Naugatuck Valley Community College, Fine Arts Center, Chase Parkway
 Waterbury

- 03/06 **WAR** 860-542-5531 \$45-65
 5 & 8p One of the most popular funk groups of the '70s, WAR were also one of the most eclectic, freely melding soul, Latin, jazz, blues, reggae, and rock influences into an effortlessly funky whole. Although WAR's lyrics were sometimes political in nature (in keeping with their racially integrated lineup), their music almost always had a sunny, laid-back vibe emblematic of their Southern California roots. WAR kept the groove loose, and they were given over to extended jamming -- in fact, many of their studio songs were edited together out of longer improvisations.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/06 **Myth and Music** (860) 355-0300 \$10
 2:00p Myth and Music presents the original poetry of Susan A. Katz and the classical piano artistry of Judith A. Thomas. Susan's narrative poems retell classical stories from Greek mythology, finding within them a contemporary message and morality. Judith's musical selections capture the drama, emotion and intensity of the poems, translating them into the language of music. It is the intention of The poet and pianist to capture the philosophy of Goethe, "Where words end, music begins".
 Hunt Hill Farm, 44 Upland Road
 New Milford
- 03/06 **Danbury Community and Preparatory String Orchestra** 203-748-1716 Free
 3:00p A combined concert of 100 musicians performing *Baccanale* from *Samson et Dalila* by Saint Saëns and *Stravinsky's Berceuse & Final*. Also selections by the DPSO and a combined number.
 WCSU, Ives Concert Hall, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 03/07 **Jazz Combo's Concert** (203) 837-8350 Free
 8:00p Featured will be the Beals I combo, Tomlinson I combo and Weisz combo performing music by Ralph Towner, Wayne Shorter, Jerome Kern and WCSU student composers.
 WCSU White Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp
- 03/08 **Brazilian Carnival** (203) 837-8734 \$10
 8:00p Featured performers will be Modern Axe dance and MC Jordano Quaglia. There will be Brazilian food and drink available and a best costume contest
 WCSU Ballroom of Westside Campus Center, 43 Lake Ave. Extension
 Danbury
- 03/08 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 03/08 **Mardi Gras Celebration** 860-868-2527. \$15 suggested
 6:00p come celebrate Fat Tuesday New Orleans Style. St. John's Episcopal Church in Washington, CT is planning a Mardi Gras celebration with all the best traditions of food and music. Dinner, served at 6PM includes chicken and andouille sausage gumbo, shrimp and okra gumbo, muffulettas, New Orleans pralines and make your own crepes, French style. In addition to the rich foods, guests can enjoy jazz music and dressing up in gold, purple and green beads, boas and hats.
 St. John's Episcopal Church Washington - 78 Green Hill Road,
 Washington

- 03/09 **Tret Fure** (203) 431-6501 \$15-20
 7:00p Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St.
 Ridgefield
- 03/09 **Willie Nininger** (203) 267-3177 ?
 1:00p Jewish Federation, 444 Main Street North,
 Southbury
- 03/09 **Tab Benoit** 860-542-5531 \$25-40
 8:00p Tab Benoit is a Cajun man who's definitely got the blues. A guitar player since his teenage years, he hung out at the Blues Box, a ramshackle music club and cultural center in nearby Baton Rouge run by guitarist Tabby Thomas. Playing guitar alongside Thomas, Raful Neal, Henry Gray and other high-profile regulars at the club, Benoit learned the blues first-hand from a faculty of living blues legends.
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 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/09 **Chamber Music Concert** (203) 837-8350 Free
 8:00p WCSU White Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 03/10 **Banjo, Fiddle & More** (860) 824-2637 Free
 1:30p Fiddle & More. Old timey music with "The man who can play anything" Bruce Hazzard & Tom Alvord.
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road, Hollenbeck Room
 North Canaan
- 03/10 **Jace Everett** 860-542-5531 \$25-35
 8:00p The first thing many people think when the name Jace Everett gets mentioned is "Bad Things," (sensational theme of HBO's hit series, TRUE BLOOD)...but listen to his album and hear him perform live and it won't be the last! Everett's music evokes the complex, vividly emotional and often over-heated works of Roy Orbison, Jerry Lee Lewis, Ray Charles, Jim Morrison and Marvin Gaye, precisely because it soplainly springs from the same sources of inspiration, contradiction and risk.
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 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/10 **Chris Ayer** (203) 837-9700 Free
 8:00p The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, acoustic guitarist Chris Ayer, at 9 p.m.
 WCSU Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp
- 03/11 **Martin Sexton** 860-542-5531 \$35-60
 8:00p Martin Sexton – what a year! From performances at Bonnaroo to opening for Dave Matthews Band, Martin Sexton seems to have found the elusive Fountain of Youth. 2010 might be Martin's most exciting yet with a new album, a renewed fan-base, sold out shows, and a business model that other musicians are copying. Critically acclaimed Sexton is a musician's musician and prolific recording artist. His songs are intricate and spirited covering the American musical landscape distilling soul, gospel, R&B, country and blues.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 03/11 **Linda Eder** (203) 438-5795 \$65
 8:00p As an invited guest artist Linda Eder joins symphony orchestras across the country to perform some of her classic songs. With lush arrangements and a big voice it is a perfect pairing. Bringing along just her rhythm section the songs come to life in the full orchestral versions that can be heard on her albums. "I think one of the finest things man has done is to take wood and metal and fashion it into the musical instruments that can make this glorious sound. There is nothing else like it!" Eder sings a collection of original and cover songs from her studio recordings. The horn and rhythm sections swing hard on the big band arrangements of classic songs from Garland, Streisand, Sinatra and many more music icons. Musical director John Oddo, a veteran in the business including twenty years with the great Rosemary Clooney, has created roaring, jazzy, full arrangements as well as lush orchestral arrangements and tender solo piano accompaniment to Eder's signature ballads. Linda's powerful, soaring voice brings these Standards and Broadway show tunes to life. Join us in the lobby from 7 – 8 pm for a complimentary champagne tasting with **Cellar XV**.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/12 **Arrival: The Ultimate ABBA Tribute Band** (203) 438-5795 \$50
 8:00p Direct from Sweden, ARRIVAL is the only show in the world with the exclusive rights to re-create the true ABBA experience. From their costumes to their music, ARRIVAL has been transporting sold-out venues across the globe to the pinnacle time of ABBA's greatest live shows! Get ready to dance to hits like "Dancing Queen", "Mamma Mia", "Take a Chance on Me" "Fernando", "The Winner Takes It All", "Knowing Me Knowing You" and more!
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/12 **Soul Sound Revue** 860-542-5531 \$24
 8:00p **Back to Infinity Hall by Popular Demand!!**
 Soul Sound Revue by far the hottest Motown show this side of Detroit, performs the greatest hits in the True "Motown Tradition". Soul Sound Revue recreates the dynamic vocal harmonies and musical styling of classic Motown groups of the sixties, seventies, and eighties: The Four Tops, The Temptations, Stevie Wonder, The Supremes, and many more. With the popular resurgence of the seventies, eighties, and nineties, Soul Sound Revue currently performs the most popular dance hits spanning four decades
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/12 **Steam Vent Coffee House** 860-482-3491 donation \$10
 6-10p At 6 pm the scheduled singers will begin with John Barrett, and if no other takers, will conclude with an open jam session. Please visit our Steam Vent Cafe from 6-8 PM serving up light supper selections, snacks and beverages. If you would like a chance to perform, please call Debbie at 860-482-3491 or email info@firstchurchofwinsted.org. STEAM VENT Coffee Houses will run every 2nd Saturday from 6-10 pm March through June and September through November
 First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main Street
 Winsted
- 03/12 **Willie Ninninger** 203-270-1876 Free
 8:00p With Chris Haines on guitar, Ken Melton on drums, and Bill Strohm on bass
Proud Mary's ("Under the Inn")
 Newtown {

- 03/12 **Work O' The Weaver** 203-272-8404 \$18-20
 8:00p This rousing concert program celebrates the timeless music and timely message of The Weavers (Ronnie Gilbert, Lee Hays, Fred Hellerman, and Pete Seeger), presented by David Bernz, James Durst, Martha Sandefer and Mark Murphy.
 'If I Had A Hammer,' 'Midnight Special,' 'The Sloop John B,' 'Goodnight, Irene,' 'This Land Is Your Land,' 'Tzena Tzena,' 'Wimoweh,' 'House Of The Rising Sun,' 'Michael Row The Boat Ashore.' Songs such as these have become part of our collective consciousness. But few recall that these songs were written or first popularized by The Weavers. The seminal link between an obscure past and contemporary culture, The Weavers introduced a stream of authenticity into the current of American popular music that endures to this day.
 With faithful adherence to their original arrangements, we seek to recall the spirit of The Weavers, providing an echo of their music and some insight into their story. It is therefore a distinct privilege for us, and it is with profound pleasure that we present the timeless music and the timely message of 'Work o' The Weavers'. - David, James, Mark and Martha
 "If I'm an expert in one thing, it's in the Weavers' music. When I heard (Work o' the Weavers) I got blown away. Great! (They) have it exactly right!" - Alan Chartock, WAMC-FM, Albany, NY
 "I always felt a little cheated because I never had the chance to sit out front and listen to The Weavers. But that changed tonight." - Fred Hellerman
 "Four wonderful people who've...picked up where the Weavers left off. I put on the recording and had to listen to it twice. FANTASTIC!" - Pete Seeger
 "You really do sound like the Weavers!" - Ronnie Gilbert
 "Spontaneously heartwarming, heartfelt and very beautiful. Bravissimo!" - Issachar Miron, composer, 'Tzena, Tzena'
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 03/12 **Littlehouse** 860-489-7180 \$28
 8:00p Joe Patrina and his country/rock band LittleHouse bring their compelling original songs; musicianship and interactive multi-media film show to Torrington. Reexperiencethe spectrum of American musical styles that make up their sound. As one fan commented "Joe's songs and everything about the band make me remember my whole life". Check them out on www.littlehouselive.com, and on iTunes, but most of all see them live!
 Warner Theater, 68 Main Street
 Torrington www.Warnertheater.org
- 03/12 **The Haymakers (Rani Arbo & Mark Erelli)** 860-693-0263 \$18-20
 7:30p The alliance of Alison Krauss and Robert Plant resulted in a Grammy win. Another winning combination is that of [Rani Arbo](#) and [Mark Erelli](#) performing together as **The Haymakers**. Longtime friends, they join talents having balanced busy touring, recording and side project careers. Singer-fiddler-songwriter **Rani Arbo** is founder of **Salamander Crossing** and **Rani Arbo & daisy mayhem**. She has toured with Joan Baez and John McCutcheon. Singer-songwriter-multi-instrumentalist **Mark Erelli** has shared stages with John Hiatt, Gillian Welch and Dave Alvin and accompanies Lori McKenna and Josh Ritter. In 2010, he released his 9th CD **Little Vigils** and **Seven Curses** with Jeffrey Foucault. Expect a healthy dose of Arbo's and Erelli's original songs and duo interpretations of sultry blues and swing, honky-tonk gems, songs of social conscience and obscure roots classics! Their set list may include "Limo to Memphis," "Snowbird," "Devil's Train" and "Joy Comes Back."
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
 Canton

- 03/13 ***Jim Roskoff Trio*** 860-283-5556 Free
 2:00p The Jim Roskoff Trio offers a mix of concretizing especially pop and jazz standards, and singalongs with provided songsheets for the more familiar tunes. The group provides a unique sound utilizing bass, guitar, and ukelele. After the concert there is an Art & Photo Show along with refreshments.
 First Congregational Church, Main Street
 Thomaston
- 03/13 ***Symphonic Band Concert*** (203) 837-8350 Free
 8:00p WCSU White Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 03/13 ***75th Anniversary Celebration*** 203-748-1716 Free
 3:00p Danbury Community Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, and Concert Chorus performing
 The Merry Wives of Windsor Overture by Nicolai, from The Planets, by Holst: Mars, Venus, and
 Jupiter, the Halleluia Chorus from Händel's Messiah, and Beethoven's 7th Symphony
 WCSU Ives Concert Hall, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 03/13 ***Requiem, and My Song in the Night*** 203-743-0473 \$20-25
 3:00p Connecticut Master Chorale
 St. Rose of Lima Church
 Newtown <http://www.cmchorale.org/>
- 03/13 ***The Music of ABBA*** 860-542-5531 \$45-65
 8:00p The World's Greatest ABBA show ever with original ABBA members. After extremely successful
 tours in the U.S 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 they are back by popular demand. This show
 has been praised and celebrated as the Best ABBA Show in the world
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/13 ***Irish Music by Tom O'Carroll*** (860) 355-1191 Free
 2:00p The New Milford Commission on the Arts presents a family musical program featuring Tom O'Carroll,
 Irish folklorist, musician, and humorist. Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day a few days early!
 New Milford Public Library, 24 Main Street
 New Milford
- 03/13 ***The Guitarist of Little Feat*** (203) 438-5795 \$40
 8:00p Paul Barrere and Fred Tackett are guitar players.
 In fact they are the guitar players with the legendary band Little Feat...
 Now they have joined forces to form an acoustic duet that will quite frankly blow you away. They'll be
 performing songs from their Little Feat catalogue and more with a decidedly different twist.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/14 ***Leon Russell*** 860-489-7180 FREE
 7:30p The United States Navy Concert Band, the premier wind ensemble of the U.S. Navy, presents a
 wide array of marches, patriotic selections, orchestral transcriptions and modern wind ensemble

repertoire. As the original ensemble of the Navy Band, the Concert Band has been performing public concerts and participating in high-profile events for over 85 years.

Warner Theater, 68 Main Street

Torrington www.Warnertheater.org

- 03/15 **Wendy Kerner Lucas** (860) 824-2637 Free
2:03p Playing a program of traditional Irish music on the Harp
Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road, Hollenbeck Room
North Canaan
- 03/15 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford
- 03/16 **Anders Osborne feat, Brady Blade on drums** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
8:00p **NEW DATE! Tickets from the originally scheduled 12/30 show will be honored**
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/16 **The Temptations** (203) 438-5795 \$65
8:00p For more than forty years, The Temptations have prospered, propelling popular music with a series of smash hits, and sold-out performances throughout the world. Critics around the world agree that their greatest hit- "My Girl," has attained immortality. Other hits including "It's Growing," "The Way You Do the things You Do", "Since I Lost My Baby," "Get Ready," "Ain't Too Proud to Beg," "Beauty Is Only Skin Deep," "Runaway Child", "Cloud Nine," "I Can't Get Next to You," "Psychedelic Shack" and "Papa Was a Rolling Stone" helped propel The Temptations into superstardom. Otis Williams, the original lineups only surviving member, says "great singing will always prevail," and we're proud to continue that great tradition at the Ridgefield Playhouse! The current lineup consists of: Otis Williams, Terry Weeks, G.C.Cameron, Ron Tyson & Joe Herndon.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 03/17 **"Teada" celebrates St. Patrick's Day** (860) 542-5075 Free?
7:30p celebrates the Irish with the sounds of Teada. Celebrating their tenth anniversary, Téada, now firmly established as one of Irish music's leading exponents on the international world music stage, continues to be driven by a fascination with the timeless, expressive force of traditional tunes inherited from previous generations of musicians. With lush Irish orchestration, Téada, meaning "strings" in the Irish language, revels in the vibrant traditional music of Ireland, deftly playing up its structural intricacies while preserving the timeless energy of the reels, jigs, hornpipes, and other lesser-known tunes in the repertoire
Norfolk Library, 9 Greenwoods Road East
Norfolk
- 03/17 **Adam Ezra Group** (860) 693-9762 \$15-25
7:00p Adam Ezra Group has graduated from being at the top of the Boston music scene to breaking nationally in a big way. Adam Ezra's passion for smart, well written lyrics combined with the band's tight musicianship and powerful live performances are catching the ears of fans across the country.
Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street
Colinsville

- 03/17 **Willie Nininger with Ann Grilli** (203) 753-0381 \$ 7-15
 5:30p The Mattatuck Museum is excited and pleased to reintroduce TGI Third Thursday. Willie will perform folk and popular Irish music including sentimental favorites and rabble-rousing songs. Willie is an entertaining and versatile Singer-Songwriter-Guitarist, well known for his extensive repertoire, spontaneous sense of humor and flat-picking guitar technique. His performances range from country, folk, rock 'n roll and standards to theme shows including Irish, tropical, cowboy and international, as well as his own songs. Whether playing solo or with his band, Willie has a unique capability of adapting to, and interacting with, his audience.
 Mattatuck Museum,, 144 West Main Street
 Waterbury
- 03/17 **Orchestra Concert** (203) 837-8350 Free
 8:00p . The program will include the Overture and Arias from "The Messiah" by George F. Handel, featuring six voice students joining the orchestra. Also on the program will be Beethoven's Symphony No. 2.
 WCSU White Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 03/17 **Rodney Crowell; Chinaberry Sidewalks Tour** 860-542-5531 \$25-35
 8:00p On Jan 18th, 2011 Knopf will be publishing the new Rodney Crowell memoir, *Chinaberry Sidewalks*. In celebration of the release, Rodney will be doing a series of intimate, one-man shows - playing guitar, singing, and re-living the stories in the book.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/17 **Coffeehouse** (203) 837-9700 Free
 8:00p The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act at 9 p.m.
 WCSU Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp
- 03/18 **Pousette-Dart Band** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 8:00p What can you say about Jon Pousette-Dart? Growing up in a household of artists, including his father, grandfather, and sister, he separated himself by picking up a guitar at the age of 10, and mapping out a life in music before he ever attended a little league game. He and best friend proceeded to spend their teens learning every song they heard on the radio, and soon joined Soupy Sales two sons, Hunt and Tony, to become part of the teen sensation "Tony and the Tigers".
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/18 **Preservation Hall Jazz Band** (203) 438-5795 \$45-50
 8:00p “Laissez les bons temps rouler!” Celebrating their Golden Anniversary, The Preservation Hall Jazz Band is back by popular demand and will again fill the Ridgefield Playhouse with that glorious sound of traditional New Orleans Jazz! So raise your umbrellas and get out your Mardi Gras Beads and be prepared to march down the aisles with “The Saints Go Marching In!” Whether performing at Carnegie Hall or Lincoln Center, for British Royalty or the King of Thailand, this music embodies a joyful, timeless spirit. An Evening of Wine and Jazz: Enjoy a free wine tasting compliments of [Mélange](#) Fine Wines and Spirits in the lobby one hour prior to showtime!
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield

- 03/18 **“Friday Feast and Dancing Feet”** 860-567-8302 \$ 5 per person
 12-2 Join us on the third Friday of each month for a great afternoon of music, food and fun. Enjoy a great meal provided by local restaurants, and music for your listening and dancing pleasure!
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road
 Litchfield <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org/>
- 03/18 **Insight** 203-729-4236 Free
 8:00p Rock’n Roll, R&B <http://insightchristianmusic.webs.com/>
 Naugatuck United Methodist Church, 208 Meadow Street
 Naugatuck
- 03/18 **Nutmeg Ballet: Impact** 860-489-7180 \$20-25
 8:00p An eclectic contemporary and classical program featuring trainees from the Nutmeg Conservatory. Program Includes: Kirk Peterson’s staging of *Antony Tudor’s Continuo*, Eleanor Dantuono’s staging of *Act II Giselle*, highlights of **MOMIX** staged by Tim Melady and a new ballet created by Victoria Mazzarelli
 Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street
 Torrington www.Warnertheater.org
- 03/18- **Grease** 203.346.2000 \$47-62
 03/19 The one that you want is back! Grease is rockin’ across the country in this new production direct from Broadway. Take a trip to a simpler time of poodle skirts, drive-ins, and T-birds. “Bad boy” Danny and “the girl next door” Sandy fall in love all over again to the tune of your favorite songs: “Summer Nights,” “Greased Lightnin’” and “We Go Together.” So throw your mittens around your kittens and Hand Jive the night away with the show that’ll make you want to stand up and shout, “A-wop-bop-a-loo-bop A-wop-bam-boom!” 8p on Fri, 2 & 8p Sat.
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 03/19 **Karla Bonoff** 860-542-5531 \$35-45
 8:00p Karla Bonoff has been described as one of the finest singer/songwriters of her generation. And in her case, that description is not hyperbole. With a career spanning four decades, Bonoff has enjoyed critical acclaim, commercial success, enduring popularity and the unwavering respect of her peers. In addition to achieving chart success with her own recordings, Karla has seen her songs become hits for such stellar artists as Bonnie Raitt, Wynonna Judd and Linda Ronstadt. Many of Bonoff’s ballads are now pop classics.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/19 **Red Hot Chili Pipers** 860-489-7180 \$25
 8:00p Bagpipes with attitude. Drums with a Scottish accent. A blazing rock band and a show so hot it carries its own health warning. The Red Hot Chilli Pipers have been rocking the world from New York to Beijing with musicianship of the highest order and a passion for pipes that will leave you breathless. The Red Hot Chilli Pipers are a global phenomenon with their unique sound, a fusion of traditional pipe tunes and contemporary anthems. Enjoy their modern spin on traditional piping and award-winning drumming.
 Warner Theater, 68 Main Street
 Torrington www.Warnertheater.org

- 03/19 **7th Annual Irish Pub Night** 860-567-8302 \$25
 7:15 "To Honor the Memory of P.V. O'Donnell". A great night of olive Irish Music and humor. Admission fee includes light pub grub and soft drinks. Cash bar available. (21 and older welcome). Doors open at 6:00p; show begins at 7:15.
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road
 Litchfield <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org/>
- 03/19 **The Met Live in HD** (203) 438-5795 \$25
 6:00p Natalie Dessay triumphed as the fragile heroine of Donizetti's masterpiece on Opening Night of the 2007-08 season in Mary Zimmerman's hit production. Now she returns to the role of the innocent young woman driven to madness, opposite Joseph Calleja, who sings her lover Edgardo. Expected running time is 4 hours. **Donizetti's Lucia di Lammermoor**
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/19 **Beethoven: Forces of Nature** (860) 482-6801 \$12-25
 7:00p You are invited to a solo piano performance of the music of the great Beethoven: Force of Nature. Pianist Timothy Alexandre Wallace will perform Piano Sonatas which ushered in the Romantic period from the strictly Classical period. There will be a potluck supper at 7:00pm and the performance at 7:45, so bring a favorite dish and a bottle of wine if you wish.
 Studio 59, 59 Barber Street
 Torrington
- 03/19 **Mary McCaslin** 203-272-8404 \$14-16
 8:00p Mary McCaslin represents an unbroken link between traditional folksingers and today's "new folk" singer-songwriters. Her music ranges from ballads of the old west to her own songs of the new west and modern times. Regarded as a pioneer of open guitar tunings, and known for her distinctive vocal style, Mary's influences can be heard in many younger folk performers.
 She is also known for her haunting renditions of pop standards and rock classics, such as "Ghost Riders In The Sky", "The Wayward Wind", the Beatles' "Things We Said Today", and the Supremes' "My World Is Empty". Her versions of the Beatles' "Blackbird" and the Who's "Pinball Wizard" are made more unique by her "clawhammer" banjo accompaniment.
 Mary's musical influences are as varied as her repertoire: The western ballads of Marty Robbins, the guitar playing of Joan Baez and Joni Mitchell, the singing and banjo playing of Hedy West, and the vocal inflections of the Beatles and the BeeGees.
 Her songs have been recorded by Tom Russell ("Prairie In The Sky"), Bill Staines ("Prairie In The Sky"), Chris Williamson ("Circle Of Friends"), David Bromberg ("Young Westley"), Kate Wolf ("The Ballad Of Weaverville"), Stan Rogers ("Down The Road") and others. The Grand Canyon Railroad has used her song "Last Cannonball" for its promotional television ad.
 "McCaslin's real-life western songs and earthy romanticism were profoundly influential among songwriters in the '70s. Too often overlooked is the great impact her guitar playing also had on the acoustic scene." - New England Folk Almanac
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 03/19 **Irish Concert with Willie Nininger** 203-510-9905 Free?
 7:00p Ann Grilli on vocals and guitar. Ken Melton on drums, and Chris Haines on guitar.
 Heritage Village, Sarah Cooke Hall
 Southbury

- 03/20 **Willie Nininger** 203-510-9905 Free
 2:00p Woodbury Library
 Woodbury
- 03/20 **Joan Osborne: Acoustic Duo** (203) 438-5795 \$55
 8:00p Special Guest: Jeffry Braum
 Join us in the lobby from 7-8 pm for hors d'oeuvres compliments of Nature's Temptations.
 In the years since her most famous song, "One of Us," became a radio hit in 1995, Joan Osborne's kept busy and kept a low profile, and grown her fan base in pockets. It's been fascinating to trace her career arc since the "One of Us" days: her associations with the surviving members of the Grateful Dead; her country, blues, soul and folk experiments; her work with Motown sidemen the Funk Brothers; and any number of guest appearances and one-off projects. Given that range, no outlet for Osborne seems strange, least of all an acoustic duo, where her gorgeous vocals are put front and center. It's that format she's touring with - just Osborne and her pianist, Keith Cotton.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/20 **Welcome Spring!** (860) 693-6333 Free
 4:00 **Music for Flute, Viola, and Harp**
 A trio of outstanding international musicians will offer a program of works by Bach, Debussy, Ibert, Bartok, and Ravel. A reception will follow the concert.
 Collinsville Congregational Church, 7 South Street
 Collinsville
- 03/20 **An Afternoon of Celtic Music** 860-567-8302 Free
 3:00p Music of Scotland and Ireland played on a variety of pipes with the Litchfield Hills Pipe Band.
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road
 Litchfield <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org/>
- 03/20 **The Wailin' Jennys** 860-542-5531 \$35-45
 7:30p Three extraordinary voices, two founding singer-songwriters, one singular vision: The Wailin' Jennys continue to evolve into far more than the melodious sum of their individual talents almost eight years after blowing in on a fresh acoustic breeze from Canada's mid-western heartland. The Wailin' Jennys began as a happy accident in 2002, when Nicky Mehta, Ruth Moody, and Cara Luft played together for a one-time-only performance at a guitar shop in Winnipeg.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/20 **Hugo Wolf Quartet** 203-426-6470 \$20
 3:00p A return engagement. Maybe they'll play some Dvorak and other gems of the string quartet repertoire, and why not a little Intermezzo by Hugo Wolf himself.
 Edmond Town Hall, 45 Main Street,
 Newtown
- 03/20 **Bob Bloom – Drumming About You** 860-693-0263 \$ 8-9
 1:30p Children and family show. Start the spring season with a bang of the drum as **Bob Bloom** returns to our stage for an interactive, participatory drumming concert!
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
 Canton

- 03/21 **Bo Bice** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 8:00p Known for his diverse vocal abilities, the songs Bo Bice is writing these days have put him in a new spot musically. "My next record will continue to reflect my love of my country, my family, my faith and the emotional journey I'm on," he said during a recent interview from a recording studio behind his home that he shares with his wife and three young children. "I moved my family to Nashville six years ago and that change is now reflected in my music."
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/22 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 03/24 **Popa Chubby** 860-542-5531 \$25-35
 8:00p Popa Chubby has had a prolific career spanning several decades. From the break-out early 90's hit "Sweet Goddess of Love and Beer" from the Tom Dowd-produced **Booty And The Beast** to his inspired interpretations of Jimi on **Electric Chubbyland**, he continues to output a steady stream of fire and brimstone. Popa Chubby is touring in support of his first release in almost 2 years, **The Fight Is On**, classic Bluesrock from New York City's bad boy. Get Knocked Out!
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/24 **Peter Wolf** (203) 438-5795 \$40
 8:00p Special Guest: Kenny White
 Known for his hits "Lights Out" and "Come as You Are" and as the former lead singer of the J. Geils Band (known for "Centerfold" and "Love Stinks"), Peter Wolf is back on his solo tour! His tenure career with the J. Geils Band ranged from the late 60s to the early 80s, but his solo success shows his true songwriting ability and lasting power which got him through the 80s, 90s and even today. In 2010 his latest album, "Midnight Souvenirs" won the award for Album of the Year at the Boston Music Awards. Don't miss the chance to see this amazing songwriter perform some of Rock and Roll's biggest hits!
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/25 **Graham Parker with Mike Gent** 860-542-5531 \$25-35
 8:00p Graham Parker and The Rumour were formed in the summer of 1975 and released their first album, "Howlin' Wind," in January 1976 to worldwide critical acclaim. Their second album, "Heat Treatment," followed six months later, garnering similar critical reaction and propelled Parker to international recognition. That same year, a 4-track EP, featuring a cover of the Tramps' "Hold Back The Night," claimed the band two appearances on Top Of The Pops and gave them a UK top twenty single
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/25 **An Evening in Vienna** 203-748-1716 \$
 8:00p A Fundraiser for the Danbury Music Centre featuring a Viennese Dessert Table, Dancing, and Silent Auction. Period costumes are welcome!
 Grand Ballroom of the Matrix Conference & Banquet Center, 39 Old Ridgebury Road
 Exit #1, I-84
 Danbury

- 03/25 ***Juan de Marcos & Afro Cuban All Stars*** (203) 438-5795 \$45-50
 8:00p **Afro-Cuban All-Stars** is a Cuban band led by Juan de Marcos González (formerly tres player for Sierra Maestra). Their music is a mix of all the styles of Cuban music, including bolero, chachachá, salsa, son montuno, timba, guajira, danzón, rumba and abakua. They are known internationally for their 1997 album *A Toda Cuba Le Gusta*, which was recorded at the Buena Vista Social Club sessions. The Afro-Cuban All Stars spans 4 generations of musicians ranging from the age of 81 to 13: Rubén González, Eliades Ochoa, Ibrahim Ferrer, Manuel "Guajiro" Mirabal Vázquez, Omara Portuondo, Orlando López Vergara aka "Cachaito", Bárbaro Alberto Torres Delgado aka "Barbarito Torres", Manuel Licea aka "Puntillita", Raúl Planas, Félix Valoy, Richard Egües, José Antonio "Maceo" Rodríguez, Pio Leyva, and the young Julienne Oviedo Sánchez. *An Evening of Wine and Jazz: Enjoy free wine tasting compliments of Mélange Fine Wines in the lobby one hour prior to show time!*
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 03/25 ***Nutmeg Symphony Present...amidst Baroque Splendor*** 860-584-1055. \$?
 7:30p Nutmeg Symphony will present--amidst Baroque Splendor featuring Biber, Battaglia; Bach, Concerto for Piano and Orchestra in d and Biber, Missa Christi Resurgentis. The concert features Watson Morrison, pianist. Morrison is well known as Connecticut's poet of the piano and Professor of Piano Emeritus at the Hartt School. Call for reservations and
 Trinity Episcopal Church, 220 Prospect Street,
 Torrington
- 03/25 ***Journey amidst Baroque Splendor*** (860) 584-1055 \$10-22
 7:30p A Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra performance. We will travel across time and imagine that we are in the Salzburg Cathedral in the 1670's. We invite you to the Western Hemisphere premier of Heinrich Biber's glorious and polychoral Missa Christi Resurgentis performed by six groups of musicians spread all around the Trinity Church sanctuary. Having languished in the archives in Kromeriz for over 400 years, it has recently been published and is ready to go. Rounding out the program will be Biber's fascinating Battaglia and Bach's Concerto for Piano and Orchestra in d minor. The pianist is Watson Morrison, Connecticut's well known poet of the piano and Professor of Piano Emeritus at the Hartt School
 Trinity Episcopal Church, 220 Prospect Street
 Torrington
- 03/25 ***Music Faculty Recital*** (860) 435-4423 Free
 7:00p Hotchkiss School, Kathern Elfers Hall, 11 Interlaken Road
 Lakeville
- 03/26 ***Naturally 7*** (203) 438-5795 \$37-43
 8:00p This is a capella music like you've never heard or seen it before. With their voices taking on the sound of actual instruments, Naturally Seven creates a sound that is new and unusual. Naturally Seven summon up soul, rap, rock and folk from their throats in harmonious balance. Their repertoire consists half of their own compositions, half of cover versions. There are disco classics (Don't Stop The Music, Yarbrough & Peoples), Simon and Garfunkel hits (Bridge Over Troubled Water) and rock ballads (More Than Words, Extreme), while their own R&B numbers easily keep pace with any Neptunes production. (Just to remind you: Naturally Seven use neither instruments or samples for any of this!) The seven vocal giants have found a wonderful way to exploit the variety of their styles-- with a self-directed irony, they dramatize their competing musical interests as comedy.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield

- 03/26 ***The Metropolitan Hot Club*** (860) 355-0300 \$10
 6:00p The Metropolitan Hot club is a gypsy jazz group that plays hot swing of the 30s and 40s. Steeped in the gypsy jazz traditions, the group celebrates the music made popular by legendary guitarist, Django Reinhardt, and jazz violinist, Stephane Grappelli. An impressive repertoire of period music, along with newer favorites and a growing body of original compositions, make for an unforgettable listening experience.
 Hunt Hill Farm, 44 Upland Road
 New Milford
- 03/26 ***Spring Fever*** (860) 927-3486 \$10-20
 4:00p Vocalist Lynn Henderson will present SPRING FEVER, a one woman show featuring songs from the great American songbook to benefit Saint Andrews Church in Kent, Ct. Featured musicians are Douglas J. Cohen, piano, Jennifer Leitham, bass, Sherrie Maricle, drums.
 Saint Andrews Episcopal Church, 1 North Main Street
 Kent
- 03/26 ***Coffee House: Lava Lamp Rock-Out Spectacular*** 860-567-0857 \$12-15
 7:00p ***with Nancy Tucker***
 Celebrate the arrival of spring with the warm and wonderful music and comedy of Nancy Tucker! Lava is the theme. Participants are encouraged to bring their own lava lamps to illuminate the room. Many surprises are in store for the evening. Light refreshments will be able for purchase. Reservations required.
 White Memorial Foundation, 71 Whitehall Road
 Litchfield
- 03/26 ***Willie Nininger*** 203-510-9905 Free
 8:00p With Chris Haines on electric guitar, Bill Strohm on bass and Ken Melton on drums.
 Proud Mary's ("Under The Inn") 19 Main Street
 Newtown
- 03/26 ***Red Molly*** 203-272-8404 \$16-18
 8:00p The dynamic female trio that began as a happy accident around a campsite (at the 2004 Falcon Ridge Folk Festival) is now drawing invitations from renowned historic national events like Merlefest, and is winning over audiences around the country. Spurred onward by an ever-growing and devoted fanbase, and the desire to commit themselves to touring farther from home, Red Molly is at the start of a new and exciting musical chapter. After six years of touring, the band announced that guitarist/bassist Carolann Solebello will leave the group in August 2010 to spend more time with family and pursue solo opportunities. Remaining founding members Laurie MacAllister (bass, banjo) and Abbie Gardner (Dobro, guitar) welcome the newest "Molly", Austin-based singer/songwriter Molly Venter, to fill out their lush, distinctive three-part harmonies. Over the last month of rehearsals and impromptu live performances in Hamilton Park, near their rehearsal space in Jersey City, the three women quickly nailed the essence of the Red Molly sound, while hinting at inspiring new musical possibilities in the months of touring that lie ahead. "We are busily reinventing fan favorites from our current recordings, while adding new material and collaborating on songwriting for the first time," says Gardner. "This is an exciting time for the band; we're so thrilled that Molly has joined us," adds MacAllister.
 The First Church of Christ Congregational, 12 South Main Street
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>

- 03/26 ***Brass City Ballet – Birthday Gala*** 203.346.2000 \$25-55
 6:30p Enjoy a gala evening of classic BCB repertoire, including BCB's original production of *Snow White*, featuring an eclectic mix of pop, opera and rock music. Top it off with a silent auction and champagne reception during which audiences members are invited to meet the artists
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatret.org/>
 Waterbury
- 03/26 ***Stephen Bishop*** 860-542-5531 \$40-60
 8:00p Stephen Bishop's journey into the collective musical consciousness began with the major 1977 hit, "On and On", which was a #11 chart hit in the U.S.; his other hits include "Save It for a Rainy Day," "Everybody Needs Love," and "It Might Be You", the theme from the movie, TOOTSIE. More movie themes followed, including the theme from NATIONAL LAMPOON'S ANIMAL HOUSE, which he sang in falsetto. He also provided his talent to the theme song in the holiday movie, ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/27 ***(Tentative) Open Mike Series*** 860-693-0263 \$ 5
 5:00p Sign up at 5:00p
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
 Canton
- 03/27 ***David Mallett*** 860-542-5531 \$25-35
 7:30p Life in an out of the way place carries universal import, and people everywhere seem to understand what David Mallett's songs are about. Although they are rooted in place, they speak to the essential things that move us all. If you grow up in a small rural town, as Mallett did, you can't help but learn its stories. He knows about the people who shouldn't have stayed, but did, and those who shouldn't have left, but did. He knows the factory work, the field work, the memories of summer dances, the loves and losses, and the stunning incidents of courage and despair.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/28 ***Gordon Lightfoot*** 860-489-7180 \$43-63
 8:00p Canadian Gordon Lightfoot first began to gain recognition in the mid-'60s as a songwriter when his compositions "For Lovin' Me" and "Early Morning Rain" became hits for Peter, Paul & Mary, and Marty Robbins topped the country charts with "Ribbon of Darkness." Lightfoot's own style was understated, his tasteful folk arrangements topped by a gentle burr of a voice.
 His albums began to appear in 1966, but it was not until the start of the '70s that he became a big success as a performer, scoring in 1970 with Sit Down Young Stranger, which contained his hit "If You Could Read My Mind," a song with a typically flowing melodic line and gently poetic lyrics. Thereafter, the first half of the '70s was his. Lightfoot hit a peak in 1974 with Sundown, which went to number one, as did the title song when released on a single. Though he had developed a timeless style, Lightfoot was caught by the popular decline of folk-based music in the latter half of the 1970s, and has performed and recorded less frequently since, sometimes trying to conform to perceived commercial trends without success. However, concert appearances in the early '90s confirmed that he remained an engaging performer and that his catalog of original songs was hard to match.
 Warner Theater, 68 Main Street
 Torrington www.Warnertheater.org

- 03/29 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 03/29 **Piano Recital** (203) 837-8350 Free
 8:00p Students in WestConn's music program will present a piano studio recital.
 WCSU White Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 03/30 **Tim Grimm & Joe Crookston** (203) 431-6501 \$15-20
 7:00p Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St. [Garnet Rogers](#)
 Ridgefield
- 03/30 **Al Di Meola World Sinfonia:** 860-542-5531 \$45-70
 8:00p **Pursuit of Radical Rhapsody Tour 2011**
 A bona fide guitar hero, perennial poll-winner and virtuoso of the highest order, Al Di Meola has also
 been recognized over the past 30 years as a prolific composer and respected artist with over 20
 recordings as a leader
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 03/31 **Open Mic** (203) 837-9700 Free
 8:00p The coffeehouse will include open mic performers.
 WCSU Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White Street
 Danbury www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp
- 03/31 **James Cotton** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 8:00p Between his huge, blast-furnace sound, his larger-than-life personality, and his massive frame, Grammy
 Award-winning blues harmonica master James "Mr. Superharp" Cotton is a blues giant in every respect.
 James Cotton Cotton, who in 2010 celebrates his 66th year as a professional musician (starting at the age
 of nine), has recorded almost 30 solo albums, including two highly-regarded releases for Alligator in the
 1980s and the famed Harp Attack! with Junior Wells, Carey Bell and Billy Branch in 1990.
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 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>