



# Music In The Air

*A compilation of music events to  
promote integration through the arts*

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- 05/01 **Danbury Community Orchestra** 203-748-1716 Free  
7:30p Favorite Showstoppers: *Fingal's Cave* by Mendelssohn, *Franck's Symphony in d minor, 3rd mov't*,  
**Beethoven's 5th Symphony, 4th mov't**, and music from *A Chorus Line* and *Man of La Mancha*  
Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 05/01 **Ridgefield BandJam** (203) 438-5795 \$20-25  
4:00p Join eight talented bands in both middle school and high school as they rock the stage of the Ridgefield  
Playhouse! **Proceeds to benefit The Ridgefield Playhouse**  
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
Ridgefield
- 05/01 **FODFest** 860-542-5531 Donations  
4:00p On Sale 2/17.  
FODfest (Friends of Danny Festival) is pleased to return to Infinity Hall for what has quickly become  
an annual tradition. Inspired by the life of his friend and former band mate Danny Pearl (the late Wall  
St. Journal reporter), singer-songwriter & producer Todd Mack started FODfest in 2005 as an informal  
backyard jam. Since that time, FODfest has grown into an internationally touring non-profit  
organization with diverse programming initiatives that strengthen communities through music. In a  
unique performance format that is part concert, part song swap, and part jam session, FODfest is a living  
demonstration of the power of music to connect people, regardless of the differences between them.  
Donations collected at the concert will go directly to FODfest, Inc. programming.  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/01 **An American Songbook** 203-206-7186 \$15  
1:00 The Connecticut Choral Society's annual patron celebration. Music from Cole Porter, Ira and George  
Gershwin, Frank Sinatra, Henry Mancini and many more from the golden age of the American tradition.  
Woodbury Senior / Community Center, 265 Main Street  
Woodbury

- 05/01 ***A Celebration - From Darkness into Eternal Light*** (203) 888-3455 \$20-25  
 4:00p Gloria by Mark Hayes, Excerpts from Requiem in D Minor by Mozart, Requiem (2005) by Karl Jenkins.  
 The Congregational Church of Naugatuck, 9 Division Street  
 Naugatuck
- 05/01 ***May Day Concert and Maypole Dance*** (203) 209-0346 \$ 5-10  
 2-4p May Day Concert and Maypole Dance featuring The Wykeham Consort to benefit Woodbury-  
 Bethlehem Community Music Foundation  
 First Church of Bethlehem, 21 Main Street South  
 Bethlehem
- 05/02 ***Chrous Angelicus Training Choir Concert*** 860) 485-9113 Free  
 5:30p The concert will be followed by a punch and cookies reception. Please register.  
 Harwinton Library,  
 Harwinton
- 05/02 ***Joel Blumert in Concert*** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 2:30p Fingerstyle guitarist Joel Blumert revisits American roots & blues with vocals.  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road, Hollenbeck Room  
 North Canaan
- 05/03 ***Junie B. Jones*** 203.346.2002 \$ 8  
 11:30a Outspoken, precocious, lovable Junie B. Jones stars in a colorful, funny, fast-paced musical  
 about new friends, new glasses, sugar cookies, the annual kickball tournament, and other various first-  
 grade angst-ridden situations. Follow her adventures as she writes down the story of her life in her "Top-  
 Secret Personal Beeswax Journal." This new musical is based on four volumes in Barbara Park's Junie  
 B. Jones series of books: *Junie B, First Grader (atLast!)*; *Junie B, Boss of Lunch*; *Junie B, One-Man  
 Band*; and *Top-Secret Personal Beeswax: A Journal by Junie B (and Me!)*. **Best for Grades: K-5**  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>  
 Waterbury
- 05/03 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?  
 8:30p 59 Bank Street  
 New Milford
- 05/04 ***Too Blue hosts HSC Open Bluegrass Jam,*** 203-925-9064 Free  
 8-11p Bring your instruments, sign up for the open stage  
 Huntington St. Café, 90 Huntington St.  
 Shelton [www.huntingtonstreetcafe.com](http://www.huntingtonstreetcafe.com)
- 05/05 ***Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes*** 860-489-7180 \$50  
 8:00p Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at Backstage Live! with the legendary Jersey Shore musical group.  
 For thirty-plus years, Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes have flourished: more than thirty albums,  
 several EPs and a box set; thousands of live performances around the globe; a legion of dedicated and  
 enthusiastic fans; dozens of classic songs; a release named by Rolling Stone one of the "top 100 albums  
 of the 70s and 80s  
 Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington

- 05/05 **All Jazz First Thursday presents Helen Sung** 203-525-3939 \$ 7-15  
 5:30-7:30p Helen Sung has been called "one of the brightest emerging stars in jazz today". As an Asian-American artist and composer, she challenges stereotypes with a compelling, unique voice informed by her virtuosity in classical, jazz, & popular music. She has worked with such jazz masters as Clark Terry, Slide Hampton, Benny Golson, Buster Williams, Wayne Shorter, Steve Turre, Steve Wilson, T.S.Monk, and MacArthur Fellow Regina Carter. She appears frequently with the Mingus Big Band and is a current member of Clark Terry's "Big Badd" Big Band. She was also a featured performer on PBS' In Performance at the White House for the Monk Institute's 20th Anniversary Celebration.  
 Mattatuck Museum, 144 West Main Street  
 Waterbury
- 05/05 **Beau Bolero – Steely Dan Tribute** 860-542-5531 \$15-22  
 8:00p Beau Bolero is a Connecticut based group, performing the music of Steely Dan. Formed in late 1980, they performed at major clubs and colleges throughout the North-East until 1984, and then disbanded. Thoughts of reuniting started in 2007 but did not develop until 2010. On May 21, 2010, Beau Bolero returned to the stage after 26 years. We are welcoming them to the Infinity Hall Stage for a reunion engagement. This is possibly the very best Steely Dan tribute band you will ever hear.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/05 **Orchestra Concert** (203) 837-8350 Free  
 3:00p The WCSU Orchestra will perform.  
 Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 05/05 **Coffeehouse** (203) 837-9700 Free  
 8:00p The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, Amanda Forker's Musical Theater Extravaganza, at 9 p.m. Admission will be free and the public is invited.  
 Ives Concert Hall, Alumni Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 05/05-05/08 **Greek Orthodox Church Greek Festival** 203-754-5189 Free  
 Live Greek Music/Dancing food, jewelery, Mothers Day Plants and an art exhibit, Super Raffle. . For more info call. Festival Hours: Thur. 10-9, Fri. 10-11, Sat. 10- midnight, Sun. 11-3. Free parking.  
 Holy Trinity, 937 Chase Parkway, Exit 17 off 1-84.  
 Waterbury
- 05/06 **Opera Production: The Old Maid & The Thief** (203) 837-8599 Free  
 8:00p Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 05/06 **Riders on the Storm** 860-489-7180 \$23  
 8:00p One of the premier Tribute shows around, Riders on the Storm provides fans with an electrifying look back on the legacy of The Doors -- one of the bands that helped define the Sixties!  
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 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington

- 05/06 ***Felix Cavalier's Rascals*** (203) 438-5795 \$58  
 8:00p With Special Guest: The Way- Back Machine  
 Felix Cavaliere shared both lead vocal and songwriting duties for the 1960's hit makers The Rascals with partner Eddie Brigati. From 1965 through 1969, The Rascals were one of the best-selling groups on the pop charts scoring such classic chart entries as "How Can I Be Sure," "Good Lovin'," "A Beautiful Morning," "I've Been Lonely Too Long," "Groovin'," and "People Got to Be Free." These hits were marked by such a distinctive mix of R&B and rock, and romance and social consciousness, that in 1997, The Rascals were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 05/06 ***Antigone Rising with Seth Glier*** 860-542-5531 \$20-30  
 8:00p The women of Antigone Rising, known for relentless grass roots touring, returns with new lead singer, Nini Camps. Founded by sisters Cathy & Kristen Henderson, Antigone Rising was catapulted into the spotlight in 2005 with their Starbucks/Hear Music/Lava Records debut release – "From the Ground Up." A major line-up shift in 2008 led to a brief hiatus, but after a few months on the sidelines, drummer Dena Tauriello & The Henderson sisters made the decision to keep moving forward with new member Nini Camps on lead vocals.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/06 ***Ladies of Note*** (860) 927-3486 \$20  
 7:30p Diana Herold Jazz Quartet will perform "Ladies of Note" jazz renditions as tributes to women composers as well as women's names immortalized in song, featuring Diana Herold, vibraphonist; George Potts, bass; Scott Heth, keyboard and Grisha Alexiev, drums  
 St. Andrew's Church Hall, 1 North Main Street  
 Kent
- 05/07 ***Torrington Symphony Orchestra*** 860-489-7180 \$19  
 8:00p "A Salute to American Composers"  
 Mississippi Suite - Grobe, Lincoln Portrait - Copland, Victory at Sea - Herbert and more! Broadway selections by guest artists Mark McNally - Baritone, Fran Wall, Mezzo-Soprano.  
 Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 05/07 ***Molly Hatchet*** 860-542-5531 \$55-75  
 8:00p In the early 1970s a new form of music was emerging in the South. A mixture of blues, country, gospel and the English invasion of rock and roll that later was to be coined the phrase "Southern Rock." The music was filled with style and emotion and with bands in the forefront such as the Allman Brothers, Lynyrd Skynyrd and a band from Jacksonville, Florida called Molly Hatchet.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/07 ***Willie Ninger*** 203-274-1876 Free  
 8-11p Chris Haines on guitar & and Ken Melton on drums  
 Proud Mary's "Under the Inn", 19 Main Street  
 Newtown

- 05/07 ***Kent Singers*** 860-619-8110 \$8-10  
 8:00p Kent Singers, an a cappella group, will present "A Bit of Spring, Love and Laughter" through the Ages from Monteverdi to PDQ Bach will celebrate spring with a mix of traditional madrigals, other love and spring songs, and a selection of humorous music. The choral group, approaching its 40th year of performing in Northwest Connecticut consists of auditioned singers from towns through the area. The self-directed group presents a mostly classical repertoire in the intimate settings of churches.  
 St. Marks Church  
 Bridgewater
- 05/07 ***Danbury Concert Chorus*** 203 206-7186 Free  
 8:00p Three Centuries of Choral Music: Bach's *Sleepers Awake*, the opening Chorus from C.P.E. Bach's *Magnificat*, Humperdinck's *Prayer* from *Hansel and Gretel*, *The Promise of Living* by Aaron Copland  
 First Congregational Church, 164 Deer Hill Ave.  
 Danbury
- 05/07 ***Swing into Spring - dance and social*** 860-567-8302 \$20 per person  
 8-11p Great music and dancing tunes by "the Little Big Band". Cash Bar, complimentary coffee & sweets.  
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road  
 Litchfield <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org/>
- 05/07 ***Patrick Ball, Celtic Harpist & Storyteller*** 860-693-0263 \$ 20-22  
 7:30p [Patrick Ball](#), the acclaimed master of the Celtic Harp, spoken word and *Theater of Legend* returns. He'll be performing the music of Turlough O'Carolan on the legendary, resonant wire strung Celtic Harp and Irish, Breton and Medieval music from his 2010 release *The Wood of Morois*. This music is taken from his stage show *The Flame of Love; The Romance of Tristan and Iseult*. The Wood of Morois was a primeval place where Tristan and Iseult took refuge to escape from King Mark of Cornwall. Magical selections from the recording include "The Chanter's Tune," "Herman Dubh," "Blow Northern Wynde" and "Passing Thus Alone."  
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>  
 Canton
- 05/07 ***John McCutcheon*** 203-272-8404 \$18-20  
 8:00p John McCutcheon is America's balladeer. His songs sing of the nation's heritage. His words channel the conscience of our people into streams of poetry and melody. He writes about subjects small and great, from a child's haircut to freedom and human dignity – issues equally eternal and enduring. Think of McCutcheon as an incarnation of Pete Seeger and Mr. Rogers, Will Rogers and Bruce Springsteen, and above all Everyman, righteously passionate and impishly playful, blessed with gifts as a songwriter, historian, musician and storyteller that have won him praise in Australia as "the most overwhelming folk performer in the English language," from a Russian critic as "the most versatile and compelling performer this reviewer has ever seen," and from Johnny Cash as "the most impressive instrumentalist I've ever heard." John's instruments include the guitar, hammered dulcimer, fiddle, banjo, autoharp, piano, and jaw harp.  
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street  
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 05/08 ***Hotchkiss Chorus*** 860-435-4423 Free  
 7:00p Nearly two dozen choral students will perform in song and oral presentations.  
 Chapel at the Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road [Click to Visit](#)  
 Lakeville

- 05/08 ***Pianist Andrea Lam*** (860) 693-6333 Free  
 4:00p Australian pianist Andrea Lam, a semifinalist at the 2009 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, will give a free concert as part of the Maxwell Shepherd Memorial Arts Fund's Shepherd Music Series at Collinsville Congregational Church. She will perform works by Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, Granados, Westlake, and Prokofiev. A reception will follow the concert. Ms. Lam has given over sixty concerts with major symphony orchestras in Australia, America, Hong Kong, and Japan. The winner of several prestigious awards, including the silver medal at the 2009 San Antonio International Piano Competition, she was widely praised at the 2009 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition for her inventive programming, fine musicianship, color, and personality.  
 Collinsville Congregational Church, 7 South Street  
 Collinsville
- 05/08 ***Dance Across China*** (203) 438-5795 \$15  
 4:00p Presented by Tang Yun Dance School. From the Mongol steppes to the Silk Road and Forbidden City! A program of Chinese dance from the lively and colorful folk dances of China's ethnic minorities to the elegant classical dances of China's imperial courts. See traditional dances from Tibet, China's western Xin Jiang Province, the Miao minority group and the Mongolian plains. Experience the beauty of authentic period costumes created by one of China's foremost costume makers. Witness the talent and enthusiasm of students, aged four and up, from Ridgefield's own Tang Yun Dance School. Founded in 2004 by Grace Reddy, the School is dedicated to promoting an interest in traditional Chinese culture and dance. Grace graduated from China's national academy of dance, the Beijing Dance Academy, and performed with China's most famous dance company on stage and television, as well as in movies, before moving to the United States in 1995. A portion of the proceeds from this evening's performance will be donated to The Ridgefield Playhouse Arts for Everyone program.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 05/08 ***Abbey Road Memories*** 860-542-5531 \$30-50  
 7:30p ***Featuring Denny Laine from the Moody Blues and Wings***  
 Complete performance of the Beatles' classic album, as well as other songs recorded at Abbey Road Studios from the likes of The Zombies, Manfred Mann, Gerry and the Pacemakers, Stealer's Wheel and more. Denny Laine is a founding member of Wings with Paul McCartney, and of The Moody Blues, singing their #1 hit, "Go Now."  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/08 ***Doug Pet Quintet*** 860-354-7264 Free  
 8:00p New Milford native Doug Pet leads this Boston-based jazz group, which features an artful array of original repertoire as well as jazz arrangements of traditional and folk standards. Doug's compositions are largely inspired by hard-bop swing, Latin American folk, and middle-eastern music in a contemporary jazz context. The group's repertoire and sound balance intricate melody and counterpoint with extended improvisation. The quintet has performed extensively around Boston and plans to record later in May. The group includes: Doug Pet (tenor/soprano saxophone), Vivek Patel (flugelhorn/trumpet), Jason Yeager (piano), Noam Wiesenberg (bass) and Michael Gleichman (drums). Sponsored by the New Milford Commission on the Arts  
 Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
 New Milford,

- 0508/ *David Ferrard* (203) 431-6501 \$17-20  
 4:00p Performing contemporary & traditional songs from Scotland and America  
 Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St.  
 Ridgefield [www.acousticcelebration.org/](http://www.acousticcelebration.org/)
- 05/08 *Mothers Day Brazilian Jazz* (203) 426-1533. \$15-18  
 1-4p Those not wishing to partake in the music may still come for a tasting. Wine tasting fee \$7 + tax.  
 McLaughlin Vineyards - 14 Albert's Hill Rd,  
 Sandy Hook
- 05/09 *Outlaws, Villains and Rogues.* 203-426-5937 Free  
 7:30p The bad guys are the ones that always make the news, as the saying goes. This **musical presentation by Rick Spencer** will examine some of the badies of history. Rick Spencer grew up in Newtown, and has performed throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, England, Portugal, France, Poland, Germany and the Netherlands. He is best known as an historian, researcher and performer, but is also recognized as a composer and writer of songs that run the range from delicate and sensitive to humorous and irreverent. Refreshments will be served following the presentation.  
 Booth Library, 25 Main Street (Rt. 25)  
 Newtown
- 05/10 *ASIA* (All Original Members) 860-542-5531 \$80-120  
 8:00p Asia's debut album exploded onto the music scene in March 1982 with several Top 10 singles and sales exceeding 7 million copies. This "supergroup", featuring bassist/vocalist John Wetton, drummer Carl Palmer, keyboardist Geoff Downes, and guitarist Steve Howe, was the logical successor to their collective bands of the 70s - Yes, ELP, King Crimson, UK, and The Buggles.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/10 *Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis* (860) 350 5995 Free?  
 8:30p 59 Bank Street  
 New Milford
- 05/10 *Jeffrey Engel's "Spring Fever Song & High Tea"* 860-567-8302 \$15  
 4-6p A lecture devoted to music inspired by everything spring, followed by sweets & tea.  
 Reservations required.  
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road  
 Litchfield <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org/>
- 05/11 *Judy Collins with Kenny White* 860-542-5531 \$60-80  
 8:00p Judy Collins has thrilled audiences worldwide with her unique blend of interpretative folksongs and contemporary themes. Her impressive career has spanned more than 50 years. At 13, Judy Collins made her public debut performing Mozart's Concerto for Two Pianos but it was the music of such artists as Woody Guthrie and Pete Seeger, as well as the traditional songs of the folk revival, that sparked Judy's love of lyrics. She soon moved away from the classical piano and began her lifelong love with the guitar.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 05/11 ***Symphonic Band & Wind Ensemble Concert*** (203) 837-8350 Free  
 8:00p Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 05/12 ***An Evening with Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra*** 860-542-5531 \$40-60  
 8:00p Ottmar Liebert is a six-time GRAMMY-nominated, multi-platinum selling guitarist and composer. Considered one of the most talented, creative and influential guitarists of all time, his legendary debut release, *Nouveau Flamenco*, is the biggest selling guitar albums in history. Liebert has released over 20 albums and received more than 30 gold and platinum awards. Along with his band, Luna Negra, he thrills audiences worldwide as one of instrumental music's most popular and compelling live performers  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/12 ***Strauss' Capriccio*** 860-489-7180 \$10-20  
 7:30p Metropolitan Opera in HD  
 On Opening Night of the 2008–09 season, Renée Fleming dazzled audiences when she sang the final scene of Strauss's wise and worldly meditation on art and life. Now she performs the entire work, in which the composer explores the essence of opera itself. Joseph Kaiser and Sarah Connolly also star, and Andrew Davis conducts. Andrew Davis; Renée Fleming, Sarah Connolly, Joseph Kaiser, Russell Braun, Morten Frank Larsen, Peter Rose. *Running Time: 2 hours, 45 minutes*,  
 Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street Nance [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 05/12 ***Honors Concert*** 860-435-2591 Free  
 7:00p Music students in the Department of Visual & Performing Arts will return for an encore performance from individual recitals performed earlier in the semester. These student performances were especially accomplished and have been invited back to participate in an Honors Concert. The program will include an array of classical music performed on any manner of instruments and voice, solo and ensembles. Be prepared to be thrilled by these young, serious musicians as they take the stage.  
 The Hotchkiss School, Elfers Hall, Esther Eastman Music Center, 11 Interlaken Road  
 Lakeville [Click to Visit](#)
- 05/13 ***Chamber Choir – Spring Concert*** (860) 927-3486 \$10-20  
 8:00p St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1 North Main Street corner Rt. 7 & 341  
 Kent
- 05/13 ***Buffy Sainte-Marie*** 860-542-5531 \$50-65  
 8:00p Academy Award-winner, Buffy Sainte-Marie was a graduating college senior in 1962 and hit the ground running in the early Sixties, after the beatniks and before the hippies. All alone she toured North America's colleges, reservations and concert halls, meeting both significant acclaim and huge misperception from audiences and record companies who expected Pocahontas in fringes, and instead were both entertained and educated with their initial dose of Native American reality in the first person.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/13 ***Glen and Friends*** 203-729-4236 Free  
 8:00p Urban / Contemporary  
 Naugatuck United Methodist Church, 208 Meadow Street <http://insightchristianmusic.webs.com/>  
 Naugatuck

- 05/13 ***Ottmar Liebert & LunaNegra*** (203) 438-5795 \$48  
 8:00p Join us in the lobby from 7-8 for a wine tasting provided by M elang e Fine Wines & Spirits!  
 Ottmar Liebert has become one of the most successful instrumental artists of the past decade, thrilling audiences throughout the world. In 2006 Liebert's record label SSRI released One Guitar, his first solo guitar recording, which received Liebert's fourth nomination for a Grammy. His newest releases are Up Close (2008), which is a binaural dummy head surround sound recording, and The Scent of Light (2008) a labor of five years.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 05/13 ***Peter Poirier in Concert*** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 2:30p Guitarist  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Rd. Hollenbeck Room  
 North Canaan
- 05/14 ***Harrybrooke Park Creative Arts Festival*** (860) 355-1098 Free  
 10-5 Interactive Arts Festival featuring a variety of art forms. Free to artists and the public. Great for networking and inspiring a new generation of potential artists. RAIN DATE: May 15,2011  
 Harrybrooke Park, Lanesville Rd  
 New Milford
- 05/14 ***Concert: The O-Tones*** 860-542-5075 Free  
 7:30p The O-Tones, a hot Swing and Motown band from Massachusetts, will melt your hearts and get your feet dancing. he diverse repertoire as a dance band showcases powerful vocal harmonies, a driving rhythm section, soulful tenor sax, blazing guitar solos and funky keyboard. www.theotones.com Please call for reservations.  
 Norfolk Library, 9 Greenwoods Road East  
 Norfolk
- 05/14 ***The Magic and Allure of the Celtic Harp:  
 Healing and Transformation*** (860) 8-7586 Free  
 1:00p The sound of the plucked string of the harp has enchanted and transformed people for thousands of years. Certified music practitioner, psychologist and researcher Marcie Swift, M.Ed. CMP NCSP has explored the role of the Celtic harp. This ancient instrument has been used for transformation throughout the world, with its timeless magic, power, and allure. Come hear the history of this mystical instrument; learn of the modern application of harp therapy to ease pain, stress, depression and illness. Hear the many astonishing tales of transformation during harp therapy sessions. Audience members will experience first hand the soothing tones of the harp, as Marcie plays a wide range of beautiful music, paired with her own improvisations and story-telling. Ease yourself into bliss as she weaves her colorful stories and guided images into the therapeutic massage of the music. Marcie will bring several of her Celtic harps, including her Reverie harp, which each member of the audience may play to experience its wonderful healing vibrations.  
 Gunn Memorial Library- Wykeham Room, 5 Wykeham Road  
 Washington
- 05/14 ***West Fest Concert – Third Eye Blind*** (203) 837-8350 \$35+  
 8:00p Westside Athletic Complex, Westside Campus, 43 Lake Ave. Extension  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>

- 05/14 ***Wagner's Die Walkure*** (203) 438-5795 \$25  
 12 & The Met Live in HD. A stellar cast comes together for this second installment of Robert Lepage's new  
 6:00p production of the Ring cycle, conducted by James Levine. Bryn Terfel is Wotan, lord of the Gods.  
 Deborah Voigt adds the part of Brünnhilde to her extensive Wagnerian repertoire at the Met. Jonas  
 Kaufmann and Eva-Maria Westbroek star as the twins, Siegmund and Sieglinde, and Stephanie Blythe is  
 Fricka. Expected running time: 5.5 hours,  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
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- 05/14- ***Seussical the Musical*** (203) 837-8732 Free  
 4:00p; Berkshire Theatre,, Berkshire Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
 05/15 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>  
 2:00p
- 05/14- ***Jesus Christ Superstar*** 860-489-7180 \$19-25  
 05/22 JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR, the groundbreaking theatrical masterpiece by the legendary writing  
 team of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber is one of the most popular and enduring works ever  
 created for the musical theatre. Featuring a memorable score including Superstar, Everything's Alright  
 and I Don't Know How to Love Him, JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR earned five TONY nominations  
 and tells the story of the final seven days in the life of Jesus of Nazareth. JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR  
 will leave audiences captivated by the combined power of its epic message and artistry. F/SA 8p; Su 2p  
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 05/14 ***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](mailto:info@firstchurchofwinsted.org).  
 First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main Street  
 Winsted
- 05/14 ***Ramblin' Jack Elliott*** 860-693-0263 \$ 25-30  
 7:30p Roaring Brook is proud to present living legend and five-time Grammy Nominee and two-time  
 Grammy Winner, [Ramblin' Jack Elliott](#). Long a favorite of Roaring Brook Concerts and Hartland  
 Festival audiences we are honored to host him in his only 2011 Connecticut performance. Before he was  
 a major influence on Bob Dylan, Keith Richards and Bruce Springsteen, he was part of a circle that  
 included Beat writers Jack Kerouac and Allen Ginsberg and folk icon Woody Guthrie with whom he  
 travelled the country collecting stories and songs. Jack won the Best Traditional Folk Grammy and the  
 Best Traditional Blues Grammy. In 1998, Jack received the Presidential Medal of the Arts from  
 President Clinton at The White House. He was part of Bob Dylan's Rolling Thunder Revue, Woody  
 Guthrie's Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Induction and Pete Seeger's 90th Birthday Party at Madison  
 Square Garden! This living legend's cowboy songs, ballads, blues and travelogue-style yarn spinning are  
 priceless. We look forward to Jack's amazing renditions of songs, "South Coast," "Death Don't Have No  
 Mercy," "Buffalo Skinners," "Pastures of Plenty," "If I Were a Carpenter," "Talkin' Dust Bowl" and  
 "San Francisco Bay Blues".  
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>  
 Canton

- 05/14 ***Sherman Chamber Ensemble*** 860-355-5930 ?  
 ? SCE participates in the Creative Art Festival sponsored by Friends of Harrybrooke Park  
 Harrybrooke Park,  
 New Milford
- 05/14 ***Danbury Symphony Orchestra*** 203-748-1716 Free  
 8:00p Romance, Remembrance, and Reformation. Mendelssohn's *Reformation*  
*Symphony*, Tchaikovsky's *Overture to Romeo and Juliet*, and *Knoxville: Summer 1915* by Samuel Barber  
 Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
 Danbury
- 05/14 ***Kent Singers*** 860-619-8110 \$8-10  
 8:00p Kent Singers, an a cappella group, will present “A Bit of Spring, Love and Laughter” through the Ages  
 from Monteverdi to PDQ Bach will celebrate spring with a mix of traditional madrigals, other love and  
 spring songs, and a selection of humorous music. The choral group, approaching its 40th year of  
 performing in Northwest Connecticut consists of auditioned singers from towns through the area. The  
 self-directed group presents a mostly classical repertoire in the intimate settings of churches.  
 St. Andrews Church  
 Kent
- 05/14 ***The April Verch Band*** 203-272-8404 \$18-20  
 8:00p Emerging from the thick of the traditional music scene, the fiddling of April Verch is a breath of fresh  
 air. Though she has deep roots in the fiddling of her native Ottawa Valley in Canada, April's broad  
 repertoire features traditional and contemporary tunes ranging in source and inspiration from French  
 Canadian to Appalachian, from Bluegrass to Celtic, and Brazilian to Old Time - not to mention her own  
 colorful compositions. EnRoute magazine says, "April's strings burn with energy, whether she's playing  
 waltzes, airs, reels, or polkas. This is the hottest old time music of the year." No matter what you call it,  
 April's music is beguiling in the way it brilliantly balances contemporary élan and traditional resonance.  
 First Church of Christ Congregational, 12 South Main Street,  
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 05/14 ***Oh What a Night of Doo-Wop & Rock N Roll*** 203.346.2002 \$ 8  
 8:00p Take a stroll down memory lane with Kenny Vance & The Planotones, as they share the stage with a  
 variety of doo-wop and rock n' roll stars from the 50s and 60s, including The Hearbeats, The Passions,  
 Harold Winley's Clovers, and original lead singer of the Angels, Linda Jansen. Among today's great  
 vocal pop musicians, Kenny Vance and The Planotones have voices of original and inviting dimension.  
 The group, Kenny Vance, Johnny Gale, Kurt "Frenchy" Yahjian, Jimmy Bense, keyboardist Chip  
 Degaard, and Tony Gallino on Drums, redefine oldies with vocal authority and freshness. As  
 exemplified by their signature song "Looking For An Echo", their material is influenced by the music of  
 the 50's and 60's, but they consistently bring a unique and musically sophisticated point of view. In this  
 sense they are classicists, opening the eyes of a new generation to a rich historical musical style. With  
 their cool and sultry musical approach, filtered through a Brooklyn vibe, they give a gift to those who  
 are discovering them for the first time!A  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatretect.org/>  
 Waterbury

- 05/14 ***Windows to the Soul*** (203)-574-4283 \$20-50  
 8:00p Waterbury Symphony Orchestra. Are the eyes the windows to the soul? Peer into Alessio Bax's gaze to intuitively feel why Gramophone states "his playing quivers with an almost hypnotic intensity". Guest Artist: Alessio Bax  
 Naugatuck Valley Community College, 750 Chase Turnpike, Fine Arts Center  
 Waterbury
- 05/14 ***Mike DelGuidice & BIG SHOT*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45  
 8:00p Performing the music of Billy Joel and more.  
 BIG SHOT is fronted by the amazing vocals of Singer/Songwriter and Piano Man, Michael DelGuidice. Michael is a well known and respected singer/songwriter and Long Island Musician. Michael is a multi-instrumentalist. He is able to change his voice to suit almost any musical genre. In addition to Billy Joel's music they will also astonish you with songs by artists like Journey, Paul McCartney, The Beatles, Elton John, Marc Cohn, The Outfield and others. You will find yourself taking a second look to make Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/15 ***New Riders of the Purple Sage*** 860-542-5531 \$30-50  
 8:00p The New Riders of the Purple Sage, signed to Columbia Records by Clive Davis, released its eponymous first album in September 1971 to widespread acclaim. In the next 11 years the band toured and released over 12 albums, selling over 4 million records. NRPS began as a part-time spin-off from the Grateful Dead when Jerry Garcia (pedal steel guitar), Phil Lesh (bass) and Mickey Hart (drums) teamed up with John Dawson (guitar, vocals) and David Nelson (guitar).  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 0515/ ***Martyn Joseph*** (203) 431-6501 \$22-25  
 4:00p Performing contemporary & traditional songs from Scotland and America  
 Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St.  
 Ridgefield [www.acousticcelebration.org/](http://www.acousticcelebration.org/)
- 05/16 ***Americas Music from Ragtime to Swing*** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 1:15p Thomas Briggs (piano/ percussion) % Andy Sherwood (clarinet/ saxophone) presents "Americas Music from Ragtime to Swing: Music from 1890-1935"  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Rd. Hollenbeck Room  
 North Canaan
- 05/17 ***Hand Bell Choir in Concert*** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 7:00p The Salisbury Congregational Church Hand Bell Choir in Concert  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Rd. Hollenbeck Room  
 North Canaan
- 05/17 ***Orchestra Concert*** (203) 837-8350 Free  
 8:00p Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown campus – 181 White Street  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 05/17 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?  
 8:30p 59 Bank Street  
 New Milford

- 05/18 **John Mayall** 860-542-5531 \$65-90  
 8:00p John Mayall was born 29th of November 1933 in Macclesfield, a small English village near the industrial hub of Manchester--a far cry at that time from the black American blues culture we are familiar with today. The eldest of three from humble working class origins, and in the shadow of WWII, this skinny English lad grew up listening to his guitarist father's extensive jazz record collection and felt drawn to the blues.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/19 **Maceo Parker** 860-542-5531 \$50-65  
 8:00p Maceo Parker: his name is synonymous with Funky Music, his pedigree impeccable; his band: the tightest little funk orchestra on earth. Everyone knows by now that he's played with each and every leader of funk, his start with **James Brown** which Maceo describes as "like being at University"; jumping aboard the Mothership with **George Clinton**; stretching out with **Bootsy's Rubber Band**. He's the living, breathing pulse that connects the history of Funk in one golden thread. The cipher that unravels dance music down to its core  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/20 **John Gorka** 860-542-5531 \$25-35  
 8:00p John Gorka is an honored icon of folk tradition. Energetic acoustic music that is not a trend, not a fad, but an expression of everyday life, is his trademark. John's rich baritone voice and unique song-craft weave a magical spell that can only be described as '**Gorka**.' "*Gorka is widely heralded for the sophisticated intelligence and provocative originality of his songs.*" - Boston Globe  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/20 **CT Virtuosi presents TOSCA** 203.346.2002 \$20-60  
 8:00p The Connecticut Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Adrien Slyveen, presents a fully staged co-production of Puccini's operatic masterpiece TOSCA, performed by the Connecticut Lyric Opera in original Italian with English sub-titles. Puccini's music soars to match the drama and emotion of this opera, which is a tale of passion, betrayal, and above all, love  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street  
 Waterbury <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
- 05/20 **Ridgefield Chorale** 877-815-5635 Free?  
 7:30p **Music Shabbat** Members of The Ridgefield Chorale join the Temple Shearith Israel Adult Choir for an evening of music to warm your soul and lift your spirits.  
 Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable Street,  
 Ridgefield
- 05/20 **Simply Diamond** (203) 438-5795 \$40  
 8:00p Brian LaBlanc and Simply Diamond capture the true essence of Neil Diamond with their stunning musical tribute to the legendary entertainer. Free wine tasting in the lobby at 7pm compliments of Fairgrounds Wines and Spirits  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge  
 Ridgefield <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

- 05/20 ***Airborne*** 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/>
- 05/20 ***An Elvis & Ann Margaret Tribute Concert*** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 2:30p DB Entertainment presents Tracey Lynne as Ann Margaret and David Alan as Elvis Presley in the ultimate tribute concert experience.  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Rd. Hollenbeck Room  
 North Canaan
- 05/20 ***Hotchkiss Ensembles on Stage*** (860) 435-2591 Free  
 7:00p The Hotchkiss Orchestra will perform. Also performing will be the Right Brain Logic, the Hotchkiss jazz ensemble.  
 Hotchkiss School, Elfers Hall in Eastman Music Center [Click to Visit](#)  
 Lakeville
- 05/21 ***The McLovins*** 860-542-5531 \$15-25  
 8:00p Rolling Stone recently called jam-rock band The McLovins, “a trio of Connecticut kids who have managed to harness the musical ferocity of Trey Anastasio, Les Claypool and Stewart Copeland before being able to legally drive a car.” In fact, Rolling Stone liked them so much they brought them to their offices for a visit, an interview and to video tape three of their original songs, posting one as a podcast on itunes.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/21 ***Celebration!*** 203-206-7186 \$10-20  
 8:00p TheConnecticut Choral Society. **CELEBRATION!** features a creative blend of both classical and contemporary music spanning the ages and the globe. The program, designed to delight a variety of musical tastes, will be sung in English, Portuguese, Latin, German and Kenyan.  
 Trinity Episcopal Church , 36 Main Street  
 Newtown
- 05/21 ***Men Without Instruments*** 203-748-1716 \$15  
 8:00p Carlos Sousa and his popular group of singers will again present a fun, doo-wop evening, to benefit the programs of the Danbury Music Centre. Song, comedy, wine and cheese. A good way to help out the DMC. Register in advance.  
 CityCenter Danbury, 256 Main Street
- 05/21 ***The Portable Folk Music Festival*** 203-272-8404 \$14-16  
 8:00p The Portable Folk Music Festival was formed in 1974 and has continued playing and singing at venues around the Northeast. They have appeared in Virginia and have also performed on the Clearwater Sloop. Their music consists of traditional, country, contemporary, blues, sea shanties, and humorous songs from the Berrymans and others. Instruments include guitar, bass, fiddle, mandolin, autoharp, hammered dulcimer, and much more.  
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street  
 West Hartford

- 05/21 **Willie Nininger** 203-274-1876 Free  
 8-11p Chris Haines on guitar & and Ken Melton on drums  
 Proud Mary's "Under the Inn", 19 Main Street  
 Newtown
- 05/21 **Keys To Our Future: Vegas Style** 203.346.2002 \$50  
 7:00p Our year-end Keys to Our Future Dueling Piano Celebration returns to the Palace Stage with a new flair... and this time, what happens in Waterbury stays in Waterbury! Join us for a glamorous evening of live entertainment as we transform the Palace Stage into a vintage Las Vegas nightclub featuring dancing showgirls, "celebrity" guest crooners performing as your favorite Vegas acts, and three hours of interactive entertainment by Keys to the City's incredibly talented dueling piano players. Guests are encouraged to bring along their musical requests and dress in their flashiest Vegas attire! The night will also feature festive food stations, complimentary cocktails (two per person), a silent auction and a live drawing announcing the seven lucky winners of our Annual Fund raffle! Feeling lucky yourself? Last minute raffle tickets will be available the night of the event, so roll the dice and let the chips fall where they may  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>  
 Waterbury
- 05/22 **William Florian** 860-693-0263 \$ 15  
 7:30p Not only were Randy Sparks, Barry McGuire and Kenny Rogers members of the New Christy Minstrels, so was [William Florian](#), Canton High School, Class of 1971. He's in town to celebrate his class reunion and perform at RBNC. These days he is a solo songwriter-guitarist based in California. He will perform songs from his CDs, *Just For You, Past & Present* and *Counting On You*. Perhaps he'll favor us with his versions of "Green, Green," "Saturday Night," or "Follow the Drinking Gourd" songs made famous by the NCM. William (Bill) will be accompanied by his best friend and Canton High class of '71 music buddy Woody Andrews on bass. Canton High Class of 1971 members receive discounted admission of \$12.00 to this special Sunday evening show.  
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>  
 Canton
- 05/21 **Connecticut Master Chorale Spring Concert** 203-743-0473 \$?  
 ? Tina Johns Heidrich, Conductor. "Around the World in 80 Minutes - Part II". A new and unique adventure in response to our well-received musical journey last year.  
 St. Rose of Lima Church - 46 Church Hill Rd.,  
 Newtown
- 05/22 **Watoto Children's Choir** (860) 824-5960 donations  
 4:00p This will will be an amazing performance of African music. The concert is free, but Please donate to these orphans as generously as you can.  
 Salisbury Congregational Church, Main Street [Click to Visit](#)  
 Salisbury
- 05/22 **Open House and Colonial Dancing Demonstration** 203-364-1147 ?  
 12-4p Nutmeg Country Dancers will be traveling from Windsor to show visitors a few colonial moves. Come join in the fun and try a few steps for yourself.  
 Matthew Curtiss House, 44 Main St  
 Newtown

- 05/22 ***Western CT Youth Orchestra*** (203) 438-5485. \$10-12  
 3:00p Chamber Music Concert  
 Keeler Tavern Museum - 132 Main St.,  
 Ridgefield
- 05/22 ***Celebration!*** 203-206-7186 \$10-20  
 3:00p The Choral society. **CELEBRATION!** features a creative blend of both classical and contemporary music spanning the ages and the globe. The program, designed to delight a variety of musical tastes, will be sung in English, Portuguese, Latin, German and Kenyan.  
 Congregational Church of Naugatuck, 9 Division Street  
 Naugatuck
- 05/22 ***James Walker, Steel Band*** 860-354-7264 \$10-20  
 8:00p James Walker, a classically trained percussionist, specializes in mallet percussion and steel pan. He has taught at Ithaca College and Northern Illinois Univ., and has presented mallet percussion clinics across the United States. He has written for Jazz Player Magazine and Percussive Notes, the official magazine of the Percussive Arts Society. His debut CD, Rhyme Or Reason, received world-wide radio airplay. In addition to teaching and performances, he also hosts the mallet percussion forum at tigerbill.com.  
 Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
 New Milford,
- 05/22 ***Greater Waterbury Youth Symphony***  
 3:00p Season Finale Concert  
Rotella School, 380 Pierpont Road  
 Waterbury
- 05/22 ***Mozart to Motown*** 860-482-3491 \$ 8-10  
 4:00p Laurel City Singers  
 Selections will include: Mozart's "Ave Verum Corpus" and three Motown smash hits: "Stop! In the Name of Love!" made famous by The Supremes; "Reach Out, I'll Be There!" by The Four Tops and "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" originally recorded by Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell.  
 Other selections will include: "Wade in the Water," "Hail Holy Queen" (from the movie Sister Act 2), "Live a Humble", "Turtle Dove" and "Niska Banja".  
 First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main Street  
 Winsted
- 05/22 ***The Kingston Trio*** 860-542-5531 \$40-60  
 3:00p **Recent recipients of the Lifetime Achievement Grammy**  
 & In 1957 The Kingston Trio emerged from San Francisco's North Beach club scene to take the country by storm, bringing the rich tradition of American folk music into the mainstream for the first time. During the late 50s & early 60s, the Trio enjoyed unprecedented record sales and worldwide fame, while influencing the musical tastes of a generation.  
 7:00p Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk  
<http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/23 ***Keiko Matsui*** 860-542-5531 \$40-60  
 8:00p Keiko Matsui is a citizen of the world. She tours relentlessly and has brought her music to virtually every corner of the globe. Her music transcends boundary and her unique melting pot of musical influences have garnered her a devout international following. "Music has no borders and it creates a

oneness among people,” confides the Japanese born pianist, composer and producer. “There have been many occasions when I have felt like music saved me.

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 05/24 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?  
8:30p 59 Bank Street  
New Milford
- 05/25 ***Manzarek-Rogers Band*** (203) 438-5795 \$45  
8:00p The legendary co-founder of The Doors, keyboardist and member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Ray Manzarek and the critically acclaimed slide/blues guitarist **Roy Rogers** have put their artistic minds together and have created a captivating new concert experience. Amazing new takes on Doors classics like "The Crystal Ship" and "Riders On The Storm", as well as other blues/jazz/classical tracks define the level of musicianship that each of these award winning composers/producers/ performers display. Join us from 7- 8PM for a FREE beer and wine tasting provided by Fairgrounds Wine and Spirits!  
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
Ridgefield
- 05/25 ***Ray LaMontagne & the Pariah Dogs*** 203.346.2002 \$37-52  
8:00p ***with Brandi Carlile and the Secret Sisters***  
Ray LaMontagne & The Pariah Dogs will embark on a headlining tour in the US this summer, beginning today, with special guests Brandi Carlile and the talented Secret Sisters as support. Fresh off their Grammy win for “Best Contemporary Folk Album,” they will kick off their 2011 tour in support of the highly acclaimed album, *God Willin’ & The Creek Don’t Rise*. LaMontagne is one of music’s most remarkable stories of the past decade. He has released three studio albums and two live EPs, won numerous awards, topped critics’ polls internationally and established himself as one of the most distinctive talents of his generation  
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatret.org/>  
Waterbury
- 05/26 ***Chicago*** 203.346.2002 \$49-89  
7:30p Chicago is the first American rock band to chart Top 40 albums in five decades. Lifetime achievements include a Grammy Award, multiple American Music Awards, a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, a Chicago street dedicated in their honor, and record sales that top the 100,000,000 mark, including 21 Top 10 singles, 5 consecutive Number One albums, 11 Number One singles and 5 Gold singles. The tour’s line-up includes original band members Robert Lamm on keyboards/vocals, Lee Loughnane on trumpet, James Pankow on trombone and Walt Parazaider on woodwinds, as well as Jason Scheff on bass/vocals, Tris Imboden on drums, Keith Howland on guitar, Lou Pardini on keyboards/vocals and Drew Hester on percussion  
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatret.org/>  
Waterbury
- 05/26 ***Jesse Winchester*** 860-542-5531 \$30-40  
8:00p You could stock a crowd-pleasing jukebox with the songs Jesse Winchester has written and recorded in the last four decades – and with the better-known versions of his songs that have become hits and album staples for artists ranging from Joan Baez to Elvis Costello to Jimmy Buffett.  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 05/27 ***Buddy Guy*** 860-489-7180 \$43-88  
 8:00p In an art form that's practically been defined by the rediscovery of long neglected artists, Buddy Guy stands alone in recent decades as a giant reclaimed from obscurity. An ace session player for Chess Records throughout the 1960s who backed Muddy Waters, Howlin' Wolf, Little Walter, Sonny Boy Williamson and Koko Taylor, Guy was largely sidelined during the years that should have been his prime. The Muddy Waters protégé eventually came to define second-generation Chicago blues with his wild performances and screaming, feedback-laden solos. His influence was profound across the Atlantic, where British blues lovers like Eric Clapton, Jeff Beck and Jimmy Page absorbed his style. His definitive 1991 album, *Damn Right, I've Got the Blues*, officially launched his ascendance, and he's been making the most out of his late-blooming fame ever since. His new Silvertone release, *Living Proof*, is a tour de force featuring fellow legends B.B. King and Carlos Santana, winning a 2011 Grammy Award for Best Contemporary Blues Album. A 2005 inductee into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Buddy Guy remains an iconic force on guitar whose incandescent solos reveal the searing, uninhibited soul of the blues.  
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 05/27 ***Little House*** 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. Reexperience the 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](http://www.littlehouselive.com), and on iTunes, but most of all see them live!  
 Nancy Marine Studio,, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 05/27 ***The Willie Big Eyes Smith Band*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45  
 8:00p ***featuring special guest Hubert Sumlin***  
 WINNER OF THIS YEAR'S GRAMMY® AWARD FOR TRADITIONAL BLUES ALBUM WITH PINETOP PERKINS Willie "Big Eyes" Smith was born in Helena, Arkansas, in 1936. In 1942, at the age of six, he saw Pinetop Perkins play in Helena. He was immediately hooked on the blues. At 17, he ventured to Chicago, where he heard Muddy Waters for the first time. The attraction to the music persuaded him to make the Windy City his home.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/27 Rock 'N Roll 'R Coaster Laser Light Spectacular (203) 758-2913 Free  
 9:30p Outdoor laser light show choreographed to a variety of popular music. Benefits Connecticut Food Bank. Bring canned food donations. Lawn seating. Free show; parking fee charged.  
 Quassy Amusement Park, 2132 Middlebury Road Route 64  
 Middlebury
- 05/28 ***Springtime in Roxbury*** (203) 770-1614 \$?  
 3:00p He who sings scares away his woes." Enjoy the Chamber Singers of The Connecticut Choral Society, an a cappella group formed in 1988. The group performs an exciting repertoire, from classics to contemporary, sacred to spectacular. Benefit for the Friends of the Roxbury Senior Center.  
 Roxbury Town Hall, North Street  
 Roxbury Center

- 05/28 ***Luther "Guitar Junior" Johnson*** 860-542-5531 \$26-46  
 8:00p On his third Telarc release, Talkin' About Soul, Luther "Guitar Junior" Johnson emerges as the bona fide leader of the West Side guitar style with his unique blend of blues, soul and funk. His incredible guitar riffs and plaintive vocals leave no doubt that this is Johnson's finest recording to date.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/28 ***Dave Deidrich & Michael Chenkus*** 860-489-7180 \$18  
 8:00p Playing the NYC circuit for the last 5 years. Dave Deidrich and his band have cultivated a unique piano-based Pop/Rock sound which has been featured across the country on ABC radio, College radio and even in the independent film Made in Good Air. Pop-Country artist, Michael Chenkus and his band recently released the a CD with a new 5-song EP planned for release in time for the show.  
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 05/29 ***Al Kooper*** 860-542-5531 \$28-38  
 7:30p He was a man who knew what he wanted at an early age – a life of music. He turned professional at the age of fourteen and joined the group The Royal Teens, who sat at the top of the charts with their initial release "Short Shorts" in 1958. After that he never looked back.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 05/29 ***Memorial Day Parade Ride*** 203-757-0295 Free  
 11a The Memorial Day Parade Ride will be taking place on Sunday at 11 a.m. This is surely gonna be a fun ride for everybody! All bikes are welcome, so be sure to come out! Doing this ride, riders will be leading the Memorial Day Parade, and this parade will travel in Downtown Waterbury.  
**Waterbury** - 1625 Thomaston Ave.,  
 Waterbury
- 05/29 ***Future Steinway Artists*** 860-355-0300. \$5-13  
 2:00p Join pianists Eric Haglund Alex Siladi and Connor Calabro, and guitarist Louis Marandola  
 Hunt Hill Farm Trust, 44 Upland Rd [Event Website.](#)  
 New Milford
- 05/30 ***Memorial Day Parade***  
 6:30a On Monday, Don't miss out! Make plans to attend this Downtown tradition! The day begins at 6:30am with a Memorial Service at St. Peter's church, followed by a placement of wreaths at area monuments. The parade will commence at 9:30am from the intersection of Rose and Main and end on Lions Way in Rogers Park.  
**Danbury** - Rose St
- 05/30 ***Memorial Day Parade and 100th Birthday Cook-Out*** 860-364-5688.  
 Parade and 100th Birthday Cook-Out, 9 am-2 pm Parade takes place down Main Street (Rt. 41) in Sharon. The parade culminates at the War Memorial at the intersection of Route 341/Route 4, and Route 41. The parade begins at 10, is usually over with by 10:30, service is 10:30-11, and Sharon Historical Society cook-out open house will be from 11-2 pm. Event will be postponed in case of rain.  
 18 Main Street, just north of the War Memorial  
 Sharon

05/30	<b><i>Memorial Day Jazz</i></b>	(203) 426-1533.	\$15-18
1-4p	Jazz by Gomez & Sadlon McLaughlin Vineyards , 14 Albert's Hill Rd, Sandy Hook		
05/31	<b><i>Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis</i></b>	(860) 350 5995	Free?
8:30p	59 Bank Street New Milford		