



Music In The Air

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| 05/01
6:00p | <i>Winds & Percussion Studio Recital</i>
Students studying various wind and percussion instruments will offer a recital.
Hotchkiss School, Eastman Music Center, 11 Interlaken Road
Lakeville | 860-435-4423
Click to Visit | Free |
| 05/01
8:30p | <i>Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis</i>
59 Bank Street
New Milford | (860) 350 5995 | Free? |
| 05/01
6:30p | <i>Open Mic hosted by Eran Troy Danner</i>
City Limits Café & Bar, 2627 Thomaston Ave
Waterbury | 205-753-2233
http://www.citylimitsct.com/calenda | ? |
| 05/02
7:30p | <i>GrandMothers of Invention</i>
The GrandMothers of Invention are the only Frank Zappa/Mothers of Invention alumni who have been consistently performing the music of the maestro since 2003. The GrandMothers were formed in August of 2002, when four legendary former members of Frank Zappa's "The Mothers of Invention" were invited to perform the music of Frank Zappa. They have performed on a very long list of classic Frank Zappa & the Mother's of Invention's albums, movies and other projects.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk | 860-542-5531
www.infinityhall.com/calendar | \$ 35-50 |
| 05/03
8:00p | <i>Coffeehouse</i>
Including open mic performers at 8p followed by the featured act, a capella group, <i>Martini Glass</i> , at 9p.
Alumni Hall, 181 White St
Danbury | 203-837-9700
www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp | Free |

- 05/03 **All Jazz First Thursday featuring** 203-753-0381x10 \$ 7-15
 5:30p **Brenda Davenport & John Mobilio**
With James Santucci on piano and drummer Jack Veranelli
 Ms. Davenport began her singing career in June, 1992. She was a winner at The World Famous Apollo Theater's Amateur Night in April, 1993 and the opening act for comedian Bill Cosby in 1994 at the Performing Arts Center at Purchase College. In July 1995, she performed with tenor saxophonist Carmen Leggio's Quartet at the Saratoga Jazz Festival, Saratoga, NY. She currently performs regularly throughout the tri-state area. John Mobilio is a jazz bassist who performs regularly with a number of jazz combos and big bands in the Connecticut, New York, Massachusetts area. As a bassist, educator, musical director and performer John brings his joy of jazz and music to audiences and students throughout Connecticut and the surrounding states.
[Mattatuck Museum](#), 144 West Main Street
 Waterbury
- 05/03 **Judy Collins** 860-542-5531 \$ 60-80
 8:00 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. Judy has continued an impressive musical career with an extensive catalog from every decade throughout the 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and up to the present. Judy Collins' social history has always been linked with her musical history. Judy is drawn to social activism and is a representative for UNICEF and campaigns on behalf of the abolition of landmines, amongst many other causes.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 www.infinityhall.com/calendar
 Norfolk
- 05/04 **Country Joe McDonald's 100 Year** 860-542-5531 \$ 30-40
 8:00 **Anniversary Tribute to Woody Guthrie**
 2012 marks the 100th Anniversary of the birth of Woody Guthrie, the Founding Father of American Folk Music. McDonald knows Guthrie. In a two-act, 100-minute presentation, he weaves together Guthrie's best-loved songs and some writings from Guthrie's autobiography, his novel and his Daily Worker newspaper column. The piece from Guthrie's autobiography about him selling root beer during Prohibition almost sounds more like something out of Will Rogers or Mark Twain. McDonald channels his wry, compassionate wisdom without ever getting in the way, a refreshingly egoless performance by someone who remains as amazed by Guthrie as anyone." Joel Selvin/San Francisco Chronicle
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 www.infinityhall.com/calendar
 Norfolk
- 05/04 **Metta Fridays** 860-294-1156 \$ 10
 8-10p Metta Friday is our coffee house performance monthly event. For May join the all female group "Illuminata" as they bring their distinctive sound. Flavored teas, coffees and sweets.
 The Phoenix Rising Center, 135 South Main Street; 1st floor of Seth Thomas Clock Tower
 Thomaston [Click to Visit](#)
- 05/05 **Too Blue** 203-925-9064 No cover
 8-11 Huntington Street Café, 90 Huntington Street www.huntingtonstreetcafe.com
 Shelton

- 05/05 ***Concert for Two Harpsichords*** (860) 542-5075 Donations
 5:00p The duo Palmboom – Gevert will play on two matching instruments by local builder Carl Dudash in the Great Hall of the Library. The concert will present unusual pieces for two keyboards such as two Italian Renaissance “echo” canzonas – works originally written for two organs or wind ensembles on different balconies of some of the great Italian churches; two Elizabethan duets – intimate music to be played by both players on one instrument; Johann Sebastian's concerto in C for two harpsichords; a set of two sonatas for two keyboards by Nicolo Pasquini – these pieces are not composed through, but will be entirely improvised on two figured bass lines by the players; and finally a grand scale concerto for two harpsichords by Johann Ludwig Krebs, a student of Bach and an exponent of the late Baroque.
 Norfolk Library, 9 Greenwoods Road East
 Norfolk
- 05/05 ***Full Moon Drum Circle*** 860-294-1156 \$ 5 donation
 8-9 Come join Cat Breen as she facilitates a drum circle honoring the full moon each month: Respecting this centuries old ritual of drumming to the moon. No drumming experience needed and if you don't have a drum, bring a rattle or your voice. The Phoenix Rising Center, 135 South Main Street; 1st floor of Seth Thomas Clock Tower
 Thomaston [Click to Visit](#)
- 05/05 ***Arlo Guthrie Boy's Night Out Tour*** 860-542-5531 \$ 85-110
 8:00 Born into incredible artistic influence, American folk singer Arlo Guthrie is the eldest son of America's most beloved singer/writer/philosopher Woody Guthrie and Marjorie Mazia Guthrie. In addition to being a masterful musician in piano, guitar, harmonica and a dozen other instruments, he is a natural-born storyteller, whose off-beat anecdotes and personal tales weave seamlessly into his performances. Arlo Guthrie artfully crafts political commentary and spiritual musings into lively, thoughtful folk music. A career that has spanned decades and countries has confirmed Guthrie's international stature and wide popularity. Arlo Guthrie performed at Woodstock in 1969 and released a landmark 1967 album, Alice's Restaurant, whose title song gave a powerful voice to the '60s generation that would shape music's importance in bringing forth social justice and activism.
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- 05/05 ***Candyrat Guitar Night featuring*** 860-693-9762 \$18-28
 8:00 ***Stefano Barone, Craig D'Andrea, Sergio Altamura, & Pino Forastier***
 Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 05/05 ***The Johnson Girls*** 203-272-8404 \$ 14-16
 7:30p Sea music may well have been the first “world music.” Ships were often melting pots, with crew members from many countries who were heavily influenced by the music they heard while traveling around the world and from other crew members. These sailors incorporated into their work songs and other shipboard music the different rhythms and styles from their own often diverse cultures as well as those they encountered during their voyages. Each of The Johnson Girls was captivated by this music at different times in their lives, and came together in 1997 following the Mystic Seaport Sea Music festival to burst through the barrier of this previously male dominated genre. The Johnson Girls is an energetic all-woman mostly a cappella group performing folk music with an emphasis on songs of the sea and shore. Each member of the group brings a specialty and style to the ensemble. The Johnson Girls' extensive repertoire of both traditional and contemporary music includes songs with an Afro-Caribbean influence, of the inland waterways, of fishing, mining, Irish, Anglo-American, Italian and French

Canadian ballads and work songs, and much more. With a sound that has been called “exciting”, “haunting”, “uplifting”, and “full of harmony”, the Johnson Girls give “hair-raising” performances of powerhouse chanteys, tender ballads and just plain fun songs.

The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street
West Hartford

<http://www.folknotes.org/>

05/05 ***A Fine Romance – A Choral Musical***

877-815-5635 \$15-20

7:00p Join us for a romantic musical journey through the generations of our times. We’ll sing some contemporary songs, Broadway tunes and a few timeless classics about love found and love lost, about children, family, friends and the stories we discover on our family trees – all the things that make us who we are today. And we’ll remember that ...it all began with a fine romance.

Ridgefield High School, 700 North Salem Road,
Ridgefield, CT.

<http://www.ridgefieldchorale.org/>

05/05 ***Martini Glass***

203-748-1716 \$10

8:00p Women’s a cappella singing group, Martini Glass To perform in benefit concert for Danbury Music Centre. There will be a wine and cheese reception following the concert.

Danbury Music Center, 256 Main Street
Danbury

05/05 ***Jane Monheit***

(203) 438-5795 \$40

8:00p This extraordinarily gifted jazz vocalist whose romantic and exceptional songs have made her a favorite in the jazz and cabaret worlds. She is a 2 time Grammy nominated artist and has collaborated with artists such as Michael Buble, Ivan Lins, Terence Blanchard and Tom Harrell. Jane celebrates the tenth anniversary of her recording career with her most heartfelt album yet, "Home".

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

05/05 ***Senior Moments***

860-355-5930 \$25-30

8:00p Sal and Jim of “Senior Moments” are thrilled to be returning to the Sherman JCC. Once again they’ll be playing the music of the 1940’s, 50’s and 60’s; plus several movie themes, tunes from Broadway, and even some songs in Italian and Spanish. This time there’ll be some room for dancing if you like, or you can tap your feet, sing along, or just sit back and reminisce. Jim will be doing impressions of famous people who couldn’t make the show, and you can expect some new “senior jokes” from Sal. Together they’re guaranteed to bring back memories and get some feet tapping. We hope to see you at the “Senior Moments” show! Cocktails at 7p, show at 8p

Jewish Community Cneter, 9 Route 39 South
Sherman

[Click to Visit](#)

05/05 ***2nd Annual Masterworks Concert***

(860) 496-8841 \$25-40

7:30p Featuring Chorus Angelicus & Gaudeamus with the Battell Chamber Orchestra. Celebrate the arrival of spring with this fantastic exploration of sacred, heart-stirring, and majestic masterpieces by Bach (Cantata29), Haydn (Missa Cellensis), and Arvo Part (Cantate Dominum). Joining the chorus will be the Battell Chamber Orchestra providing a shimmering instrumental counterpart to the unique sound of Joyful Noise: classics from the past and present yet revisited in the refreshing sound of Joyful Noise.

Ethel Walker School Chapel, 230 Bushy Hill Road
Simsbury

- 05/06 **Green Jazz Band** 860-868-7586 Free
 1:00p Folks will enjoy the popular standards including swing, blues, bossa nova, and classic torch songs from the masters, the Great American Songbook, and contemporary artists. The Green Jazz Band members include, John Sarlo on bass and double bass. John has played in area rock bands and with a jazz duo for many years. Vocalist, Sally Terrell has been singing and playing piano for over thirty years. Perry Gentile plays the sax, clarinet, and flute and is a musician with several bands. Perry also composes music for movies and television.
 Gunn Memorial Library, 5 Wykeham Road [Click to Visit](#)
 Washington
- 05/06 **Harmonious Brass Choir Concert** 860-379-4766 Donation
 3:00p Community music ensemble directed by Willard Minton. Selections include opera, classical, traditional, Broadway, hymns and marches.
 Second Congregational Church, 800 Main Street
 Winchester / Winsted
- 05/06 **Wagner's Dream – The Met Live in HD** (203) 438-5795 \$ 15-25
 5:00p **Part of The Ring Cycle Encores**
A new documentary film by Susan Froemke
Wagner's Dream takes you deep into the artistic and musical challenges of the epic work. Visionary director Robert Lepage begins a five-year journey to create the most ambitious staging in Metropolitan Opera history, featuring a 90,000-pound set ("The Machine") designed to realize all of Wagner's scenic instructions. The film follows heroic singers from rehearsals to performance as they take on many of the most daunting roles in opera. Soprano Deborah Voigt is torn between excitement and fear as she prepares to play the warrior goddess Brünnhilde, while unexpected drama arises as a new tenor, Jay Hunter Morris, steps in as the *Ring's* hero, Siegfried—days before the production's world premiere.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 05/06 **Noah Preminger Quartet** 860-693-9762 \$15-25
 8:00 Brooklyn-based saxophonist Noah Preminger brings a unique sound, technical mastery and a narrative sensibility to his playing that belies his youth. A relative newcomer to the scene, Preminger has already developed an instantly recognizable sound. According to the Boston Globe's Siddhartha Mitter, "He plays with not just chops and composure, but already a distinct voice." In 2009, Preminger received a nomination for "Up and Coming Jazz Artist" by the Jazz Journalists Association. Preminger's debut album, *Dry Bridge Road*, released on Nowt Records, was named "Jazz Debut of the Year" by the prestigious Village Voice Jazz Critics' Poll.
 Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 05/06 **Phil Ochs Afternoon** (203) 431-6501 \$22-25
 4:00p Sonny Ochs & assorted songwriters including Magpie
 Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St. www.acousticcelebration.org/
 Ridgefield
- 05/06 **Arlo Guthrie Boy's Night Out Tour** 860-542-5531 \$ 85-110
 7:00 See above.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 www.infinityhall.com/calendar
 Norfolk

- 05/06 ***Danbury Community Orchestra*** 203-748-1716 Free
 7:00p ***North and South of the Border***
 Danbury Music Centre presents the Danbury Community Orchestra in a concert titled, "North and South of the Border", conductor is Stephen Michael Smith. Concert includes Copland's Hoe Down and Moncayo's Huapango. Ives Concert Hall, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 05/08 ***Spiritual Drumming with Susan Strand*** 860-567-3163 \$10
 1:00p Experience drumming by becoming part of a sacred circle; learn and play drum rhythms; drum with intentionality and create community. Bring your own drum if you have one. A few drums and many rhythm instruments will be available.
 Wisdom House, 229 East Litchfield Road, <http://www.wisdomhouse.org>
 Litchfield
- 05/08 ***Open Mic hosted by Eran Troy Danner*** 205-753-2233 ?
 6:30p City Limits Café & Bar, 2627 Thomaston Ave <http://www.citylimitsct.com/calenda>
 Waterbury
- 05/08 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 05/09 ***Walter Trout*** 860-693-9762 \$25-35
 8:00 Walter Trout's 20th album is called Common Ground, but for the visionary roots singer, songwriter and guitarist that's more than a title. It's where Trout's compelling music resides — in a territory that unites the worlds of blues, rock and pure sonic adventurism, where inspiration and technique meet to create a unique, soulful language. In a sense, the title also describes Trout's personal geography. Although he lives in California, he spends much of his life on the road bridging the U.S and Europe, where he's so well-known and respected that the United Kingdom's BBC Radio One placed the Stratocaster master at number six on their list of the Top 20 guitarists of all time. Legendary BBC disc jockey, Bob Harris, in his book "The Whispering Years" calls Trout: "The world's greatest rock guitarist." (p. 186)
 Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 05/09 ***An Evening with CAKE*** 203.346.2002 \$38-53
 8:00p Premier Concerts and Manic Productions proudly present “**An Evening with Cake.**” Formed in the early 90s as a somewhat antagonistic answer to grunge, CAKE’s democratic processes, defiant self-reliance, and lucid yet ever-inventive music has made them a nation-state unto themselves with no obvious peers. As band approaches their 20th anniversary, CAKE’s sixth full-length studio album, ***Showroom of Compassion***, is also the band’s first independently released record from their own Upbeat Records label. Grounded in their unique style of alternative rock, *Showroom of Compassion* adheres to the band’s original guiding principles by combining esoteric lyrics with word play and syncopation, catchy distorted guitar riffs and complex bass patterns.
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 05/09 ***Das Rheingold – The Met Live in HD*** (203) 438-5795 \$ 15-25
 6:00p Conceived by Wagner as a prologue to the Ring cycle, Das Rheingold sets forth the dramatic issues that

play out in the three subsequent operas. Gold from the depths of the Rhine River is stolen by the dwarf Alberich, who uses it to forge a ring that will give him unlimited power. The theft sets in motion a course of events that will eventually alter the order of the universe. Bryn Terfel as Wotan, lord of the gods, heads the cast. Run time 2 hours 46 minutes.

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

05/09 ***The Mr. Molecule Science Show***

203.346.2002 \$10

9:30a & 11:30 A whimsical blend of Science, puppets and laugh-out-loud audience participation, Mr. Molecule turns real science into real fun! In his fast-paced and highly visual demonstrations of core curriculum science principles, Mr. Molecule will have students on the edge of their seats, eagerly absorbing every fun-framed minute! Exciting and colorful props, costumes and original music are just some of the highlights of this show that teaches kids to “open up their craniums and fill up their brainiums.”

Best for Grades: 1-4

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury

<http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

05/10 ***John Tesh***

203.346.2002 \$35-65

7:30p John Tesh and his Big Band Orchestra are “swinging” into town with a brand new show! On stage with 14 performers, John will play favorite big band tunes, including “In the Mood,” “I’ve Got the World on a String,” “Beyond the Sea,” and many more. An all-around showman, John will treat you to piano solos, original hits in the big band style, and his engaging audience rapport. With three gold albums, two Grammy nominations, and on-air every day with the nationally-syndicated "John Tesh Radio Show," he continues to be recognized worldwide as a leading and respected figure in the entertainment industry.

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury

<http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

05/10- ***Teddy and Alice***

(203) 757-4676 \$45

06/10 “I can do one of two things,” says Teddy Roosevelt at the top of “Teddy & Alice,” “I can either be President of the United States or I can control Alice. I cannot possibly do both!” The battle of wills between the great American President and his free-spirited daughter provides a spectacular double-star turn in this high-stepping, flag-waving and heart-warming family drama, set to the immortal strains of John Philip Sousa.

Seven Angels Theater, 1 Plank Road, Historic Hamilton Park Pavilion
Waterbury

05/10 ***The Dana Fuchs Band***

860-693-9762 \$20-30

8:00 Producer, co-writer, guitarist Jon Diamond says: “Dana is blessed with an incredibly warm, powerful and textured voice. Her lyrics are direct and real. And while she has really studied the great soul, rock & blues singers, she has synthesized those influences into her own unique sound and style.”

Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street
Collinsville

<http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>

05/10 ***The Mahavishnu Project***

860-542-5531 \$ 18-28

8:00 Performing the classic 1970's jazz-rock of John McLaughlin & The Mahavishnu Orchestra (Birds of Fire & Inner Mounting Flame), Jeff Beck (Blow by Blow & Wired) & Jan Hammer (Oh Yeah & Like Children) and Billy Cobham's Spectrum!

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

www.infinityhall.com/calendar

- 05/11 ***Annual Memorial Organ Concert*** 860-482-6027 Free will
 7:30p John Rose, internationally acclaimed organist will be featured in 6th Annual Memorial Organ Concert.
 Trinity Episcopal Church, 220 Prospect Str.
 Torrington
- 05/11 ***Felix Cavaliere's Rascal*** 860-542-5531 \$ 50-75
 8:00 Founder and voice of the legendary Rascals. The Rascals ruled the airwaves during the late 60's with hits like "Good Lovin'," "Groovin'," and "People Got to Be Free," as they evolved from blue-eyed soul (a term coined to describe them) to pop psychedelia and jazz fusion. After the group disbanded Felix continued to record, releasing solo CD's working with artists like Todd Rundgren, Leslie West and Luther Vandross. In 1997 Felix and The Rascals were inducted into The Rock N Roll Hall Of Fame. Today Felix continues to tour and his love of music is alive and well.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 www.infinityhall.com/calendar
 Norfolk
- 05/12 ***Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra*** 860-542-5531 \$ 40-60
 8:00 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. Liebert's 2008 releases, The Scent of Light and Up Close, have been continuously played on over 90 smooth jazz and specialty stations around the country, as well as earned him the Silver Award for Best Flamenco Guitarist from Acoustic Guitar Magazine.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 www.infinityhall.com/calendar
 Norfolk
- 05/12 ***Danbury Community Chorus & Orchestra*** 203-748-1716 Free
 8:00p ***Requiem and Gloria***
 St. James Episcopal Church, 25 West Street
 Danbury
- 05/12 ***Felix Cavaliere's Rascal*** (203) 438-5795 \$55
 8:00p Felix Cavaliere's voice is familiar to millions through smash hits like "Good Lovin'", "Girl Like You", "I've Been Lonely Too Long", "Groovin'", "You Better Run", "A Beautiful Morning" and the inspiring "People Got To Be Free". The Rock & Roll Hall of Famer was the main creative force behind The Rascals who had four no.1 hits, six top 20 singles, and six top 20 albums.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 05/12 ***Waterbury Symphony Orchestra – Metamorphosis*** 203.574.4283 \$20-50
 8:00p Perhaps the greatest power of a symphony orchestra concert is the ability to evoke an emotional catharsis in audience members. The music of "Metamorphosis" seeks to maximize this effect through the brilliance of the featured composers and the return of one of the WSO's most beloved guest artists.
 Naugatuck Valley Community College, Chase Parkway
 Waterbury

- 05/12 ***Galvanized Jazz Band*** 860-868-2527 \$40
 8:00p? "Best Jazz Band in the State"
 St. John's Episcopal Church 78 Green Hill Road
 Washington
- 05/12 ***Kenny Vance & the Planotones*** 860-693-9762 \$35-65
 8:00 Among today's great vocal pop musicians, Kenny Vance and The Planotones have voices of original and inviting dimension. The group 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.
 Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 05/12- ***Gypsy*** 860.489.7180 \$20-40
 05/20 The Tony-Award winning musical of a stagemother who pushes her daughtersto achieve the fame and fortune that eluded her. F/Sa 8p, Su 2p
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org/>
 Torrington
- 05/13 ***Weird Al Yankovic: Apocalypse Tour*** 203.346.2002 \$25-55
 7:00p The foremost song parodist of the MTV-era, "Weird Al" Yankovic is the reigning king of musical comedy. By topically mocking everything from new wave to gangsta rap, the popular parodist has scored hit after hit including "Smells Like Nirvana," a send-up of Nirvana's landmark single "Smells Like Teen Spirit;" "Amish Paradise," a take-off of the Coolio hit "Gangsta's Paradise;" and "White & Nerdy," a suburban parody of Chamillionaire's hit "Ridin." Yankovic's thirteenth studio album, *Apocalypse*, skewers the likes of Lady Gaga ("Perform This Way") and Miley Cyrus ("Party in the CIA") and recently received two 2012 Grammy-Award nominations, including "Best Comedy Album."
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 05/13 ***Ramblin' Jack Elliot*** 860-693-0263 \$25-30
 7:00 Roaring Brook is proud to present living legend and five-time Grammy Nominee and two-time Grammy Winner, [Ramblin' Jack Elliott](#). 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 for his 1995 release *South Coast* and the Best Traditional Blues Grammy for his 2009 recording *A Stranger Here*. 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.
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
 Canton
- 05/13 ***Spring Choral Concert*** 860-435-4423 Free
 6:00p The Hotchkiss Chorus. An evening of choral works for all to enjoy in this Mother's Day concert event.
 Hotchkiss Chapel, Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road [Click to Visit](#)
 Lakeville

- 05/13 ***Jerrod Cattey Brazilian Jazz Trio*** 203-426-1533 \$15-18
 No pets or outside alcohol.
 McLaughlin Vineyards, 14 Alberts Hill Road
 Sandy Hook
- 05/13 ***Glen & Friends*** 203-419-0890 Free/donation
 8-10p Urban / Contemporary
 United Methodist Church of Naugatuck, 208 Meadow St. <http://www.numcct.org/goodfridays.htm>
 Naugatuck
- 05/13 ***Reckless Kelly with Gabriel Kely*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 7:30p For fifteen years Reckless Kelly has been doing things their way, bucking the mainstream system and playing by their own rules, straddling the fence between country and rock as if they built it themselves. Throughout the years their old school approach to recording has always adhered to one main objective: make each record better than the last.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 www.infinityhall.com/calendar
 Norfolk
- 05/14 ***Die Walkure – The Met Live in HD*** (203) 438-5795 \$ 15-25
 5:00p This extraordinarily powerful work of theater focuses on some of the Ring’s most interesting characters at decisive moments of their lives: Wotan, whose violation of his own laws has jeopardized the gods’ rule; his twin offspring, Siegmund and Sieglinde, who are meant to save the gods; and, above all, his heroic Valkyrie daughter Brünnhilde, who makes a fateful decision that shatters her world. This production marked soprano Deborah Voigt’s first performances as Brünnhilde. Bryn Terfel again is Wotan, Jonas Kaufmann and Eva-Maria Westbroek star as the twins, Siegmund and Sieglinde, and Stephanie Blythe sings Fricka. Run time 4 hours 25 minutes.
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- 05/15 ***Open Mic hosted by Eran Troy Danner*** 205-753-2233 ?
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- 05/16 ***Siegfried – The Met Live in HD*** (203) 438-5795 \$ 15-25
 5:00p Part three of the Ring follows the journey of Siegfried, son of Siegmund and Sieglinde, from naive fearless boy to supreme hero. With the re-forged sword of his father, he conquers magical obstacles to reach his prize, Brünnhilde. Jay Hunter Morris took over the title role, one of the most demanding in the repertoire, days before the production’s premiere and reprised his acclaimed portrayal in this live transmission the following week. Deborah Voigt is Brünnhilde and Bryn Terfel sings the Wanderer.
 Run time 4 hours 25 minutes.
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- 05/15 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford

- 05/17 ***Rusted Root*** 860-542-5531 \$ 49-69
 8:00 The quintessential live band, Pittsburgh's Rusted Root celebrates their 20th anniversary this year. The band is currently in the studio recording their new album, tentatively titled *Fortunate Freaks*, after a song on the upcoming release. Due out for a summer 2012 release, the disc will mark the groups 20th anniversary year. "Our last record was to let people know that we were back and were making music again," Glabicki said. "With this new one, we're not only back, we're back to our old selves. [the new album] is very danceable and energetic," he said. "It's happier than the last record but, more than anything, we returned to our rock roots. I think it's something fans will be happy with.
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 Norfolk
- 05/17 ***Lee Dimo*** 203-753-0381x10 \$ 7-15
 5:30p Lee Dimo, Sinatra-style vocalist extraordinaire, crooning the tunes of the big band era, the similarity of Lee's voice and mannerisms to Sinatra's astounds audiences. Come enjoy, remember and dance.
[Mattatuck Museum](http://www.mattatuckmuseum.com), 144 West Main Street
 Waterbury
- 05/17 ***NewFound Road*** 860-693-9762 \$18-28
 8:00 NewFound Road is one of the most exciting bluegrass bands of the new millennium. In the past year, the band has shared the stage with a diverse array of artists including Oscar winner The Swell Season, Grand Ole Opry member Joe Diffie, Rock-n-Roll Hall of Famer Mavis Staples, Grammy nominated R&B artist Ryan Shaw, folk icon Judy Collins, and a long list of country and bluegrass artists and legends.
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 Collinsville
- 05/18 ***Friday Feast and Dancing Feet*** 860-567-8302 \$ 7
 12-2p Join us on the third Friday of each month for a great afternoon of music, food and fun. Enjoy a great meal provided by Litchfield High School Cooking Class and music by Bob Mel.
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road
 Litchfield
- 05/18 ***Savoy Brown featuring Kim Simmonds*** 860-693-9762 \$25-35
 8:00 Legendary...a blues/rock institution...true innovators. These are just a few of the ways Savoy Brown has been described over the past forty years by music critics and fans. One of the earliest of British blues bands, Savoy Brown, with founder guitarist Kim Simmonds at the helm, helped launch the 1967 UK blues boom movement that brought blues music back to the USA invigorating the style forever. In the process, the band became part of the framework that launched the rock and roll music of the 1970's. Their influence now stretches into modern rock as we know it today
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 Collinsville
- 05/18 ***Brazilian Music Extravaganza*** 860-435-4423 Free
 6:00p Brazil has an incredibly rich musical history. The Hotchkiss School is pleased to host an evening that will highlight Brazilian classical music - performed by exceptionally talented Brazilian musicians!
 Hotchkiss Chapel, Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road [Click to Visit](#)
 Lakeville

- 05/18 ***The Wood Brothers*** (203) 438-5795 \$37
 8:00p Returning to The Ridgefield Playhouse, The Wood Brothers are musician siblings Chris and Oliver Wood from Boulder, Colorado. Chris is a founding member of Medeski Martin & Wood, and Oliver played second guitar with Tinsley Ellis before forming King Johnson. They adapted the blues, folk and other roots-music sounds they loved as kids into their own evocative sound and twining their voices in the sort of high-lonesome harmony blend for which sibling singers are often renowned. Their musical chemistry has never felt more profound. Oliver Wood (guitar, vocals) and Chris Wood (bass, vocals, harmonica) refine their rich, spacious sound on songs like the rousing opener "Mary Anna," the back-porch-funky "Shoofly Pie," the waltz-time plaint "Pay Attention," the elegiac title track, the gospel-inflected "Made It Up the Mountain" and more.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 05/18 ***Bluegrass Concert with Cowboy & the Rock Hearts*** 860-824-7863 Free
 7:00p Bluegrass returns to the Douglas Library with the Cowboy and Rock Hearts band (some members of Old Croken Stillers)
 Douglas Library, 108 Main Street
 North Canaan
- 05/19 ***15th Presentation of an Evening of Words & Music*** 860-824-7126 \$
 7:00p The event will benefit the David M. Hunt Library of Falls Village.
 Music Mountain [Event Website.](#)
 Lakeville
- 05/19 ***Joyful Noise Concert*** 860-482-6027 \$10-15
 7:30p Chorus Angelicus and Gaudeamus in a special concert to benefit Trinity Episcopal Church.
 Trinity Episcopal Church, 220 Prospect Str.
 Torrington
- 05/19 ***Juilliard Violin Concert with Daniel Yue*** 860-355-8050 \$20-25
 7:30p Daniel is presently studying at the Juilliard School of Music on a full scholarship with Professor Lewis Kaplan. From 2006-2010 he studied at the Conservatory of Music in Beijing, China as a ranking Number One Audition. Daniel has won prizes and honorable mentions in competitions in Beijing; Suwan, Korea; Lublin, Poland and Calgary, Canada. Light refreshments will be served at intermission.
 Renee Tarbet, 9 Route 39 South
 Sherman
- 05/19 ***Cinderella*** (203) 438-5795 \$15
 11a & Cinderella bursts with excitement, fantasy and song. Join Cinderella and her new friend Mortimer
 2p Mouse as they sing and dance their way from the kitchen of her stepmother's house to the brilliance of Prince Charming's Ball. Storybook characters come to life as audiences share in the spirit and joy of the AFT Broadway for Kids production. American Family Theatre's award winning production of Cinderella has thrilled audiences of all ages nationwide with spectacle, song and special effects.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 05/19 ***Portable Folk Festival*** 203-272-8404 \$ 14-16
 7:30p The Portable Folk Festival began in January of 1974 as a large group of folk-music enthusiasts from the Sounding Board Coffeehouse in Hartford who wanted to make music. They currently have 13 members.

Although most of their selections are sung, they usually can be heard accompanying songs on mandolin, bass, harmonica, fiddle, spoons or "bones" in addition to the above mentioned instruments. Occasionally you'll hear a cornet, a tuba or even a ukulele. (They tend to stay away from electric guitars and full drum sets). Each member brings suggested songs to the group which adds to the variety, ranging from contemporary and traditional folk music to old and new country music, to an occasional pop tune (from a bygone era) or an international favorite. They love to celebrate life with their music and hope that their musical pleasure is contagious.

The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street

West Hartford

<http://www.folknotes.org/>

05/19 ***Ronnie Spector***

(203) 438-5795 \$42

8:00p An evening of stories, images and music...With hits like "Be My Baby", "Baby I Love You" among many, many others, only a few artists in history have been capable of defining an entire era in pop music. Ronnie Spector is one of those artists: the embodiment of the heart, soul, and passion of female rock and roll in the 1960s. And to this day, no one has ever surpassed Ronnie's powerful trademark vocals, her gutsy attitude, or her innocent but knowing sexuality. For these qualities and more, Ronnie Spector and the Ronettes, were inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in March 2007

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

Ridgefield

05/19 ***Otello***

203.346.2002 \$20-65

8:00p What happens when a man listens to his worst fears? Even the strongest man can be destroyed by jealousy and rumor. In Verdi's re-telling of Shakespeare's play, often considered his greatest opera, the warrior Otello returns home from battle to find the treacherous Iago, who pretends to be his friend, spinning a web of deceit and lies. Otello begins to doubt the faithfulness of his beloved wife, Desdemona, and caught between evil whispers and the voice of his own heart, he must decide what – and who – he believes. Presented with English supertitles, this fully staged co-production features an international cast of singers conducted by Maestro Adrian Sylveen and presented by the Connecticut Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra and the Connecticut Lyric Opera.

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street

<http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

Waterbury

05/19 ***CT Master Chorale & Orchestra***

203-743-2602 \$20-25

8:00p "I Hear America Singing" music of America and by American Composers. Includes sacred songs, patriotic songs, folk songs, spirituals, Broadway, and music from the Big Band Era.

St. Rose of Lima Church, 46 Church Hill Road

<http://www.cmchorale.org/>

Newtown

05/19 ***Lydia Pense & Cold Blood***

860-542-5531 \$ 26-36

8:00 Cold Blood is one of the original R&B horn bands from the late 60's/ early 70's that exemplified the "East Bay Grease" melding of funk & rock with blues and jazz elements. Lydia Pense has been compared to Janis Joplin, but is a true original and a pioneer in the women's rock movement. During the span of six original late-60's, early-70's albums, Lydia Pense and Cold Blood helped, along with Tower Of Power, forge their own specific brand of funk/soul and R&B. That music still holds up today, proving that great music is timeless and will continue to inspire generations to come.

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Norfolk

- 05/20 ***Preservation Jazz Band*** (203) 438-5795 \$45-50
 8:00p It only takes a few opening notes for the iconic Preservation Hall Jazz Band to transport listeners to 1950's New Orleans. With a multigenerational line up that consists of a cross section of seasoned players and younger instrumentalists, the Preservation Hall Jazz band is one of most entertaining and historically exciting bands you are likely to see in these modern times.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 05/20 ***Northwest CT high School Jazz Festival*** 860-542-5531 \$ 20-25
 1:00 Jazz aficionados, music lovers, and supporters of the arts – this is an event you cannot miss! The festival will feature performances by The Jerrod Cattey Group, Northwestern Regional HS Jazz Band, and Gilbert School Jazz Band. In addition to each group performing their own set, attendees can expect to hear exciting collaborations between the groups as well as solo features. The repertoire featured will range from Solo to Big Band from jazz giants like Herbie Hancock, Horace Silver, George Shearing and many others. The NW CT High School Jazz Festival is a benefit for jazz education whose proceeds go directly to the student groups featured.
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- 05/20 ***Mid-Hudson Saxophone Quartet*** 203-438-5485 \$12-15
 3:00p They will perform a variety of musical selections suited to this special instrument. All guests are invited to meet with the musicians after the concert and enjoy light refreshments.
 Keeler Tavern, 132 Main Street <http://keelertavernmuseum.org>.
 Ridgefield.
- 05/22 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 05/22 ***Collective Soul*** (203) 438-5795 \$75
 8:00p With seven number one hits under their belts, Collective Soul is one of the biggest American rock bands to come out of the 90's. Their songs, from "Shine," to "December," "Where The River Flows," and "The World I Know," to name a few, are still in constant rotation on the radio and "Tremble For My Beloved" found Collective Soul on the soundtrack to one of the hottest movies of 2008 – Twilight.
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 Ridgefield
- 05/22 ***Open Mic hosted by Eran Troy Danner*** 205-753-2233 ?
 6:30p City Limits Café & Bar, 2627 Thomaston Ave <http://www.citylimitsct.com/calenda>
 Waterbury
- 05/22 ***Greater Waterbury Youth Orchestra*** 203-753-0381x10 \$?
 3:00p [Mattatuck Museum](http://www.mattatuckmuseum.org), 144 West Main Street
 Waterbury
- 05/22- ***Blue Man Group*** 203.346.2002 \$49-69
 05/24 Experience the Phenomenon. BLUE MAN GROUP is best known for their wildly popular theatrical
 7:30p shows and concerts which combine comedy, music, and technology to produce a totally unique form of entertainment. *E! Entertainment News* exclaims, "BLUE MAN GROUP is what every live performance

aspires to be.” Although it is impossible to describe, people of all ages agree that BLUE MAN GROUP is an intensely exciting and wildly outrageous show that leaves the entire audience in a blissful, euphoric state. With no spoken language, BLUE MAN GROUP is perfect for people of all ages, languages, and cultures. This unique experience is a form of entertainment like nothing else; guaranteed to be an outing you will never forget

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury

<http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

05/24 ***Joy Kills Sorrow***

860-693-9762 \$12-22

8:00 Some people prefer pop music that behaves like math: once a few familiar variables have been determined— female vocals or male? Acoustic guitar or electric? — the end result should be easy to predict, and always sound the same. That's not the Joy Kills Sorrow method. This Boston-based string band favors a more unpredictable approach relying on musical chemistry and improvisation. Hence the title of their sophomore album, This Unknown Science. All of the members have been touted as virtuosos, and the early twenty-somethings effortlessly hunt for unexpected outcomes and new discoveries.

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Collinsville

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05/24 ***Sons of Cream***

860-542-5531 \$ 35-45

8:00 The "Cream" were undeniably the first rock "supergroup" of the 1960s. Although they were together for less than 3 years, Jack Bruce, Ginger Baker and Eric Clapton left a gigantic impression on the world of rock music forever. Ginger Baker's son Kofi, along with Jack Bruce's son Malcolm, team up with guitarist Godfrey Townsend...to pay humble tribute to the world's greatest power trio.

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05/24 ***The Wailers***

(203) 438-5795 \$50

8:00p Reggae music has never stopped evolving but for millions of people from around the world it's still defined by the songs of Bob Marley and the Wailers. The Wailers were formed by *Tina Turner*, following the death of Bob Marley in 1981. They will be at The Playhouse on May 24 at 8pm with their heartbeat rhythms that have inspired so much of what's followed since, as evidenced by the enduring popularity of the "one-drop" reggae sound.

Together with Bob Marley, the Wailers have sold in excess of 250 million albums worldwide. Outside of their groundbreaking work with Marley, the Wailers have also played or performed with international acts like Sting, the Fugees, Stevie Wonder, Carlos Santana, and Alpha Blondy, as well as reggae legends such as Peter Tosh, Bunny Wailer, and Burning Spear. Their most recent collaborators include Kenny Chesney, Eve, Jason Mraz and Colbie Caillat.

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

05/25 ***Greg Brown***

860-542-5531 \$ 35-50

8:00 One of American folk music's most prolific and profound singer/songwriters of the past three decades, Greg Brown has earned respect from his peers and a far-flung, passionately-devoted fan-base via a burnished, intimate baritone, a seemingly effortless gift for swinging, organic melody and--perhaps most of all--a humble, unvarnished poetic grace that can imbue even the most mundane, everyday human endeavors and emotions with quiet dignity, startling insight and gently twisted humor

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- 05/25 ***Hotchkiss Ensembles Concert*** 860-435-4423 Free
 7:00p The Hotchkiss Orchestra and the school's jazz ensemble, Right Brain Logic, will perform. Katherine Elfers Hall, Hotchkiss Music Center, 11 Interlaken Road [Click to Visit](#)
 Lakeville
- 05/26 ***Lipbone Redding and the LipBone Orchestra*** 860-693-9762 \$18-28
 8:00 That's not a trombone you're hearing... It's a human voice. Former subway musician Lipbone Redding revs up the party and makes lots of sounds with only his lips. He not only imitates a trombone, he is an accomplished soloist, songwriter, guitarist and entertainer. He's the Jazz, Blues, Jam and Soul version of a human beat-box ... Make that a "Human Sweet Box." Inventive voicestrumentalist and Southern Gentleman, Lipbone Redding, creates original songs that effervesce with New Orleans swing, Memphis grooves and New York City style. Though his songs stand alone, his entire show is greased with uncanny riffs of vocal trumpeting booming mouth percussion, hilarious side moments and esoteric lyrics. Witty, soulful, and sincere, this free spirit has caught fire in Manhattan's downtown scene. Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 05/26 ***Highway 61 Revisited – Bob Dylan Tribute*** 860-542-5531 \$ 25-40
 8:00 Highway 61 Revisited, the world's only Bob Dylan Tribute Band, recreates Bob Dylan's greatest and stage shows, featuring the songs that made Dylan a cultural icon and legend. With an acoustic and an electric set, fans of all ages revel in experiencing Dylan again, and the power of Dylan's greatest performances still resonate today, thanks to Highway 61 Revisited. For this tour, Highway 61 Revisited will especially feature songs from the 1975-1976 Bob Dylan Rolling Thunder Revue tour, including "Isis", "One More Cup of Coffee," "Joey", and many more. With an acoustic and an electric set, fans of all ages revel in experiencing Bob Dylan again, or for the first time! Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 www.infinityhall.com/calendar
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- 05/26 ***Gotterdammerung – The Met Live in HD*** (203) 438-5795 \$ 15-25
 5:00p The Ring cycle concludes with a cataclysmic climax of betrayal and loss as focus shifts from the realm of the gods to the power and ambition of human beings. It is left to Brünnhilde, in the legendary Immolation Scene that brings the cycle to a close, to restore balance to the world. Deborah Voigt stars as Brünnhilde and Jay Hunter Morris is Siegfried—the star-crossed lovers doomed by fate. Run time 4 hours 48 minutes. Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 05/26 ***Verdi's La Traviata - The Met Live in HD*** 860.489.7180 \$20
 1:00p Natalie Dessay will put on the red dress in Willy Decker's stunning production, in her first Violetta at the Met. Matthew Polenzani sings Alfredo, Dmitri Hvorostovsky is Germont, and Principal Guest Conductor Fabio Luisi is on the podium. Running time – 3 hrs 12 min. Lecture time: 11:00 – 11:45. Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org/>
 Torrington
- 05/27 ***Laurel City Singers*** 860-482-3491 Free
 3:00p First Church of Winsted
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- 05/27 ***AJ Croce with Liz Longley*** 860-542-5531 \$ 25-35
 7:30p Born Adrian James Croce on September 28th 1971. The son of legendary singer/songwriter Jim Croce, A.J. lost his father to a 1973 plane crash. To this date A.J. Croce has recorded 7 albums, all of them reaching the charts in different categories, from Jazz, College, AAA, Americana, and Top 40. A.J.'s diverse writing and musical abilities have made him a go to songwriter and session musician for a variety of films and numerous creative projects. In this show he will be performing some of the music of his father Jim Croce, along with his originals.
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- 05/29 ***Open Mic hosted by Eran Troy Danner*** 205-753-2233 ?
 6:30p City Limits Café & Bar, 2627 Thomaston Ave <http://www.citylimitsct.com/calenda>
 Waterbury
- 05/29 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 05/30 ***Los Straitjackets w/special guest Ray Mason*** 860-693-9762 \$20-30
 8:00 Ray Mason is often called the Godfather of the New England music scene. Godfathers are usually that cool uncle or friend of your parents who tells good stories and gives you advice on the things that matter. As the Godfather of the scene, Ray tells stories in his songs and has given more sage advice to young musicians than anyone can possibly imagine. Mentoring musicians is just another feather in the cap of Mason, who continues to be an icon to people who know music.
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- 05/31 ***Ivan Neville & Dumpstaphunk*** (203) 438-5795 \$35
 8:00p The son of Aaron Neville and nephew to members of The Neville Brothers, Ivan Neville has released four solo albums and had a Top 40 Billboard hit with "Not Just Another Girl" from his first solo album If My Ancestors Could See Me Now. He formed Dumpstaphunk in 2003 on a whim, to perform a solo slot at the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival. Ivan tastefully selected the unique double-bass attack of both Nick Daniels and Tony Hall on bass, enlisted his own bloodlines for the scorching guitar rhythms of cousin, Ian Neville, and most recently, added the newest member to the group, heavy-hitting female protégé Nikki Glaspie on drums. The project has since grown from a chance side-project into what is now widely considered to be one of New Orleans' most prestigious modern funk ensembles. An offspring with a direct lineage to their fathers in The Meters and The Neville Brothers, Dumpstaphunk is a recipe for creating a new standard for an entire genre.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 05/30 ***Dawes (CPTV Filming)*** 860-542-5531 \$ 30-45
 8:00 A self-described "American rock 'n' roll band," Dawes represent everything pure and true about that fundamental delineation, four talented friends making music together, fueled by a shared belief in the power of their songs. The Dawes continue to master their blend of singer/songwriter reflection with folk, country, and AOR-inspired arrangements, all ringing guitars, soaring harmonies, and heartfelt melodies.
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 Norfolk

05/31 **Laurence Juber**

860-693-9762

\$17-27

8:00 Described by Acoustic Guitar Magazine as "one of the most gifted and versatile fingerstyle guitarists on the scene," Laurence Juber grew up in North London and took up the guitar at age 11, inspired by the explosive British pop scene of the early '60s. As a young working musician in London, England in the 1970s, LJ got an extraordinary, life-changing break when Paul McCartney picked him to become Wings' lead guitarist. Juber spent three years recording and touring with the band. During that time he won a Best Rock Instrumental GRAMMY® for the track "Rockestra" from the Wings album "Back To The Egg." "He gloriously articulates the melodies and never succumbs to show-off playing. But the notes spin out of the songs with such finesse and musical agility, it's hard to believe he has only 10 fingers and six strings. Juber has made a rare acoustic guitar record with bark and bite. His playing is just short of sleight of hand and, like all magicians, he makes it seem effortless." - San Francisco Chronicle

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05/31 **Tower of Power**

860-542-5531

\$ 55-75

6:30 You will come to believe not only that soul music is the salvation of us all, but that Tower of Power is
& one of those rare bands who can claim to be the real deal, 100 proof, aged-to-perfection, ground zero
9:30 Soul. And the thing is... they're everywhere now. But the truest testament to Tower of Power remains the band's formidable concert appearances. Stand in front of the stage at their show and bathe in the sonic blast of brass and funk. "Tighter than a clenched fist," says The Hollywood Reporter "For almost two hours," gushes The Fresno Bee, "the band members let loose with an energy- filled show that left a sell-out crowd on its feet, dancing in the aisles and applauding with feeling for a band it's loved for more than 25 years." Concerts will be a 75 minute set.

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