



Music In The Air

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- 04/19- ***Feed Me Seymour, Feed Me Now!*** (860) 491-9988 \$22
- 05/04 “Little Shop of Horrors” by Howard Menken with book by Howard Ashman
When timid Seymour brings a mysterious plant into the Skid Row Florists, he names it after Audrey, the woman he secretly loves. Though Seymour’s beloved Audrey is sweet and true, her namesake, Audrey II has a diabolical plan for the human race. Join in this wonderfully hilarious musical version of the 1960's black comedy, featuring doo-wop singers, rock n’ roll dentists and a plant whose thirst can never be quenched. F/Sa 8:00p; Su 5:00p.
Goshen Players, Inc., Goshen Old Town Hall, on the Rotary , 2 North Street
Goshen
- 04/05- ***Peter Pan*** 860-318-5097 Donations
- 05/07 Fly to Neverland without leaving your seat! Fight Pirates, make friends with the Indians and never grow an inch! The Falls Village Children’s Theater presents J. M. Barrie’s classic Peter Pan directed and choreographed by Broadway performer Lanny Mitchell with musical direction by Donald Sosin and featuring a talented ensemble of Falls Village youth ages 5 to through 18. Fri/Sat 7p; Sun 2p.
Housatonic Valley Regional High School Auditorium, 47 Warren Turnpike
Falls Village / Canaan
- 04/27- ***Guys & Dolls*** 860-283-6250 \$23 advance
- 05/12 Guys & Dolls is a musical comedy with vivid characters such as Sarah Brown the upright but uptight "mission doll", out to reform the evildoers of Time Square; Sky Masterson, the slick, high-rolling gambler who woos her on a bet and ends up falling in love; Adelaide, the chronically ill nightclub performer whose condition is brought on by the fact she's been engaged to the same man for 14 years; and Nathan Detroit, her devoted fiancé, desperate as always to find a spot for his infamous floating crap game. Audiences will enjoy this toe-tapping showcase and sing a long with its familiar tunes! F/Sa 8:00p; Su 2:00p
Thomaston Opera House, 158 Main Street
Thomaston

- 05/01 ***New Music Ensemble & Symphonic Band*** 203-837-8732 Free/Donations
 8:00p Ives Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury www.wcsu.edu/music/concerts.asp.
- 05/01 ***Instrumental Studio Recital*** 860-435-4423 Free
 6:00p Hotchkiss students of various string, woodwind, and brass instruments will offer a recital.
 Eastman Music Center, The Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)
 Lakeville
- 05/02 ***English Beat*** 860-542-5531 \$40-60
 8:00p When The English Beat rushed on to the music scene in 1979, it was a time of social, political and musical upheaval. Into this storm came they came, trying to calm the waters with their simple message of love and unity set to a great dance Beat. The band managed to fuse all of their respective musical influences - soul, reggae, pop and punk - into a unique sound that was highly danceable. Along with contemporaries such as The Specials, The Selecter and Madness, The English Beat became one of the most popular and influential bands of the British Ska movement. Their constant touring with iconic bands such as The Clash and The Police helped to boost their popularity in the States. Despite his huge success, Dave didn't stop singing and acting on the problems caused by the noise in this world. The band donated all the profits from their highly successful single version of "Stand Down Margaret" to the Committee for Nuclear Disarmament. They donated their music to causes including the anti-nuclear benefit album "Life in The European Theatre", "The World of Music and Dance" album focusing on indigenous people's art, and lent their voice to The Special AKA's anthemic song of freedom "Free Nelson Mandela", to name but a few.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 05/02 ***Keller Williams*** (203) 438-5795 \$38
 8:00p Since he first appeared on the scene in the early '90s, Keller Williams has defined the term "independent artist." Keller built his reputation initially on his engaging live performances, no two of which are ever alike. Williams' solo live shows, and his ability to improvise to his determinedly quirky tunes despite the absence of an actual band, quickly became the stuff of legend, and his audience grew exponentially. Today when he performs as a one-man band he sings his compositions and cover songs accompanied by an acoustic guitar connected to a delay system that allows him to simulate a full band. Keller is a singer, songwriter and musician, always on a quest for the new and has never followed the prescribed path laid out by the conventional music business.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>
 Ridgefield
- 05/02 ***Rat Pack Show*** 203.346.200 \$30-50
 7:30p They were style with substance, swing with swagger and a non-stop party that everyone wanted to access. Celebrating 50 years of The Rat Pack, *Sandy Hackett's Rat Pack Show* has been hailed as the next best thing to seeing the Rat Pack themselves. Experience this critically acclaimed, hugely entertaining theatrical production, which includes exciting new arrangements of the classic songs everyone knows and loves. In addition, audiences will hear original, never-before-heard songs written by the late, legendary songwriter, Ron Miller ("For Once In My Life"), and recorded voiceovers made exclusively for this show by Sandy Hackett's father, the late, legendary comedian, Buddy Hackett. Relive the music, comedy and unexpected surprises of what defined cool...The Rat Pack! You never know who is going to stop by!
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatret.org/>
 Waterbury

- 05/02 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford
- 05/02 **All Jazz First Thursdays** 203-753-0381x10 \$15; \$7 for members
5:30p **Brian Jenkins Band**
Bassist Brian Earl Jenkins is a graduate of The University of Hartford, Hartt School of Music. The Brian Earl Jenkins Band is a fresh and eclectic musical entity seeking to utilize a multitude of musical influences by playing works from hard-bop legends and original compositions.
[Mattatuck Museum](#), 144 West Main Street
Waterbury
- 05/03 **Voyage** 860-542-5531 \$35-50
8:00p **(Celebrating the music of Journey)**
VOYAGE has been hailed by fans and critics alike as the BEST journey tribute in the world! Singer Hugo, an absolute dead ringer for Steve Perry both visually and vocally has brought the show to critical acclaim through the many Live Nation events performed, private and corporate shows throughout America, after party for Rock of Ages Broadway show and performing in front of 50,000+ at Meadowlands. Featuring a roster of world class New York musicians, Voyage takes you back to the 80's era when the timeless music of Journey ruled the airwaves. The talent of these five guys together has brought the meaning of TRIBUTE to a whole new level. See it to believe it!
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
Norfolk
- 05/03 **Smooth Jazz Affair** 203.346.200 \$25
8p-1a Kick-off the weekend right with smooth vibes on a Friday night! Back by popular demand, *ACTJamsProductions.com* presents A Smooth Jazz Affair hosted by the one and only Blue Plate Radio/ On-Air Personality Al "DJ ACT" Taylor! This special night held in the Palace Poli Club will feature live performances by jazz recording artist David Davis & Company, as well as soulful balladeer Ian Woods. Hors d'oeuvres and exclusive ACTJams drink specials will be available all night, and after the performances, guests are encouraged to take to the dance floor as DJ Stevo spins everyone's favorite R&B hits from the '80s and '90s.
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
Waterbury
- 05/03 **Dan Hicks & the Hot Licks** 860-693-9762 \$45-60
9:00p Beginning as a drummer in the seminal 60's San Francisco rock band The Charlatans, and continuing with his unique and legendary Dan Hicks and the Hot Licks, Dan Hicks is widely acknowledged as one of the defining figures in American roots music. Having earned a reputation as a true original with his signature eclecticism and humor, Hicks continues to carve his way through a number of genres from proto-psychedelia to western swing and jazz, from tin pan alley to country blues -- all the while cultivating his own unique sound.
Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
Collinsville
- 05/04 **Connecticut Master Chorale** 203-743-0473 \$20-25
8:00p "A Hungarian Rhapsody"
St. Rose of Lima Church
Newtown

- 05/04 **Opera Production: "Little Red Riding Hood" and "The Miraculous Staircase"** 203-837-8350 Free/Donations
 2:00p The WCSU Opera will perform.
 Ives Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury www.wcsu.edu/music/concerts.asp.
- 05/04 **Eliza Gilkyson** 203-346-2000 \$25-30
 7:30p "With a knowing eye on the past, **Eliza Gilkyson** is making Folk Music for the 21st century and it's a delightful thing to hear!"—Austin Chronicle Roaring Brook is proud to present a full evening with Grammy-nominated Texas songwriter-guitarist **Eliza Gilkyson**. She has toured worldwide as a solo artist, as part of **Red Horse** with John Gorka and Lucy Kaplansky and in support of Richard Thompson, Patty Griffin and Mary Chapin Carpenter. Eliza was inducted into the Austin Music Hall of Fame alongside Willie Nelson, Nanci Griffith and Townes Van Zandt. Her fine discography includes **Roses At The End Of Time, Beautiful World, Lost and Found** and **Land of Milk and Honey**.
 Her songs have been recorded by Roseanne Cash, Tom Rush and Joan Baez. Garnering great reviews and creating a lasting legacy of her own, she is the daughter of legendary songwriter Terry Gilkyson whose hits include, "Green Fields," "Memories Are Made of This" and "The Bare Necessities" from Disney's Movie, The Jungle Book. Tonight's standout selections may include "Slouching Towards Bethlehem," "Tender Mercies," "Easy Rider" and "The Party's Over." The New York Times says "Gilkyson doesn't pull any punches. She graces the music with her lush and passionate voice, a dark and lonely sound, hope and satisfaction, and edgy lyrics with piercing imagery round out the whole."
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
 Canton
- 05/04 **Ronnie Spector's 'Beyond the Beehive'** 860-693-9762 \$37-72
 8:00p In her captivating one woman show, 'Beyond the Beehive' Ronnie Spector details her unique odyssey from the Peppermint Lounge to Beverly Hills, from hit records to hit men, from CBGB's to performing for the leaders of the free world...and eventually being inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. In 'Beyond the Beehive', Ronnie tells her story in words, pictures and song, and how she transformed herself from Victim to the ultimate Rock & Roll survivor.
 Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 05/04 **Rani Arbo & daisy mayhem** 203-272-8404 \$18-20
 7:30p One of "America's most inventive string bands" (The Boston Herald), Rani Arbo & daisy mayhem mix traditional, original, and contemporary sounds on fiddle, guitar, bass and recycled percussion - and top that with joyous harmonies from four skilled lead singers. Hailed as "one of the most song- and arrangement-oriented bands in a field overgrown with pyrotechnic, jam- and solo-conscious virtuosos." (San Francisco Guardian), the band tackles the human condition with playfulness, courage and heart.
 Rani Arbo & daisy mayhem draw from the deep well of American roots music, and have an adventurous way of mixing things up. They'll hang a 200-year-old Georgia Sea Islands song over a New Orleans groove. They'll set original lyrics to an Irish fiddle tune, then layer it with a groove on a South American box drum. A Leonard Cohen cover gets a clawhammer banjo; Springsteen gets high-octane, bluegrass-style harmonies - and band's originals range from Unitarian funk gospel tune to 1950s swing. With influences from Doc Watson to Django Reinhardt, from Ghanaian drumming to the funky Meters, and from Fiddlin' John Carson to Bob Dylan, daisy mayhem celebrates America's rich musical past.
 First Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street <http://www.folknotes.org/>

West Hartford

- 05/04 ***The Transforming Power of American Music*** 860-567-3163 \$40 incl. lunch
9:30a- American Music, particularly from the 20th century until the present, is a powerful tool that has shaken
3:00p world views, questioned the status quo and contributed to the transformation of the American spirit. We will
examine music of the people: union and civil rights songs, soul, rock and contemporary music -- all forms
that take courage to create and to perform. The times and the music will come alive through audio and video
examples as well as our own voices raised together.
Wisdom House, 229 East Litchfield Road, <http://www.wisdomhouse.org>
Litchfield
- 05/04 ***Kal David & the Real Deal*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
8:00p As the former lead singer/lead guitarist of the Fabulous Rhinestones, lead guitarist of John Mayall's Blues
Breakers and Etta James' band, Kal is considered by many as the finest blues singer/guitarist on the planet.
If you haven't seen him before, don't miss this performance.....and if you have, we'll see you there.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
Norfolk
- 05/04 ***Swing into Spring with Daryl Sherman*** 860-355-8050 call for price
8:00p Spend an evening with internationally acclaimed jazz pianist and singer Daryl Sherman, just back from a
tour in Japan!
JCC in Sherman, 9 Route 39 South [Click to Visit](#)
Sherman
- 05/04- ***Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.*** (203) 438-5795 \$20 adults, \$15 children
05/05 Performed for kids by kids! In a magical kingdom fathoms below, the beautiful young mermaid Ariel longs
to leave her ocean home to live in the world above. But first, she'll have to defy her father King Triton,
make a deal with the evil sea witch Ursula, and convince Prince Eric that she's the girl with the enchanting
voice. Adapted from Disney's 2008 Broadway Production, Disney's The Little Mermaid JR. features the hit
songs "Part of Your World," "She's in Love," and the Oscar Winning "Under the Sea." Sat 7:30; Sun 2 & 6.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>
Ridgefield
- 05/04- ***Anything Goes*** 860.489.7180 \$ 20-34
05/12 Aboard the S.S. American are Billy Crocker, a stowaway in love with heiress Hope Harcourt, who in turn is
engaged to Lord Evelyn Oakleigh, nightclub singer and former evangelist Reno Sweeney, and Public
Enemy #13, Moonface Martin, who is posing as a minister. A series of comical mistaken identities ensues as
the passengers and crew sing and dance their way across the Atlantic.
This musical theatre favorite began its run at the Alvin Theatre in November of 1934. Having won
six Tony Awards, including Best Revival of a Musical, ANYTHING GOES, returned to Broadway in 1987,
2002 and 2010. Fri/Sat 8:00p; Sun 2:00p
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
Torrington
- 05/05 ***Danbury Community Orchestra*** 203-748-1716 Free
7:00p Marian Anderson Recital Hall, 256 Main Street
Danbury

- 05/05 ***Spring Ring & Sing: A Community Music Day!*** 860-631-3246 Free
 4:00p Centered in Bethlehem, Community Music Day brings together many amateur and professional musicians from the surrounding area to spend an afternoon preparing and performing music together. A free public concert is given at 4:00 pm. If you would like to sing along on the finale, rehearsals are on April 25 & May 2 at 7:00 pm at First Church of Bethlehem. All are welcome!
 Church of the Nativity, 48 East Street
 Bethlehem
- 05/05 ***Buskin & Batteau*** (203) 431-6501 \$20-25
 4:00p St. Stephen's Church, North Hall, 351 Main St. www.acousticcelebration.org/
 Ridgefield
- 05/05 ***Arum Rae*** 860-542-5531 \$10-15
 12:30p Early comparisons to Rickie Lee Jones, Nora Jones and Patty Smith offer suggestions as to Arum Rae's wide scope of talent and super-star potential. Arum Rae, formerly know as White Dress, is a modern day siren. Industry standards cannot harness Arum's sonic expression into a singular genre. Her ability to transcend styles allows the music to complement country, resurrect the soul, feel the blues, and ruin then reinvent rock, through her deeply rooted foundation as a singer-songwriter. As she plays, the room falls silent except for her sultry voice and electric guitar.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 05/05 ***Fourplay*** 860-542-5531 \$70-90
 7:30p Fourplay is one of those groups that everyone should see and hear, at least once in a lifetime. They rock, they swing, they groove and they bump like no band you've ever heard. For two decades, Fourplay has enjoyed consistent artistic and commercial success by grafting elements of R&B, pop and a variety of other sounds to their unwavering jazz foundations. In the course of a dozen recordings – six of which have climbed to the top of Billboard's Contemporary Jazz Album charts – the supergroup has continued to explore the limitless dimensions and permutations of jazz while at the same time appealing to a broad mainstream audience.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 05/07 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 05/08 ***Todd Rundgren's Official State Visit*** 860-542-5531 \$65-80
 8:00p This general admission / standing room only show will feel like a party! Come experience the up-close feeling of Infinity and rock the night away. One of the true "Icons of Rock" returns to the Infinity Hall stage, and folks, we're clearing out all the seats for this one! Come join the reunion and dance your self into oblivion on the orchestra level. Or sit back and groove in the comfort of our mezzanine. Either way, your head will be bobbin' and your toes will be tappin' all night long. After all, it's Todd, back in the Hall...
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 05/08 ***Earth, Wind & Fire: Guiding Lights Tour*** 203.346.200 \$60-103
 7:30p One of the most musically accomplished, critically-acclaimed and commercially popular funk bands of the

70s, **Earth Wind & Fire** is set to light up the Palace Theater stage during the group's 2013 Guiding Lights Tour. Known for their dynamic horn section and energetic stage shows, the six-time Grammy Award winning band will perform the hits that skyrocketed them to stardom, including "Shining Star," "September," "Boogie Wonderland," "Sing a Song," "Fantasy" and many more. Declared by *Rolling Stone Magazine* as the band that "changed the sound of black pop," **Earth Wind & Fire** is one of the most successful bands of the 20th century, selling more than 90 million records worldwide and garnering an induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury

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

05/08 ***Open Mic Night***

860-542-5531 free

8:15p This general admission / standing room only show will feel like a party! Come experience the up-close feeling of Infinity and rock the night away. One of the true "Icons of Rock" returns to the Infinity Hall stage, and folks, we're clearing out all the seats for this one! Come join the reunion and dance your self into oblivion on the orchestra level. Or sit back and groove in the comfort of our mezzanine. Either way, your head will be bobbin' and your toes will be tappin' all night long. After all, it's Todd, back in the Hall...

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com>

05/08 ***Aaron Freeman***

860-693-9762 \$25-35

9:00p Aaron Freeman, front man for the iconic cult rock band Ween, has gained equal notoriety and critical acclaim over the past two decades as a musical shape shifter, performing songs ranging from punk to country to metal to pop and everything in between. Not only eclectic in genre, Freeman has adopted countless musical personas, taking on new identities within each song and each album, all under the pseudonym Gene Ween. Now, for the first time, Freeman has shed the moniker, recording a solo album and giving fans a glimpse at the man behind the mask.

Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street
Collinsville

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

05/09 ***Peter Case***

860-693-9762 \$20-30

9:00p Peter Case is a three time Grammy nominee for his work as a singer-songwriter, guitarist and producer (his 2007 solo album, *Let Us Now Praise Sleepy John*, was among those named in the Best Contemporary Folk category). He has recorded more than a dozen solo records for the Geffen, Vanguard and Yep Roc labels. He is the author of several books as well as a sought-after record producer. His songs have been featured in movies and TV shows including *True Blood*, *Friday Night Lights*, and *Parenthood*. Peter's songs have been covered by artists as diverse as Dave Alvin, Chris Smither, Alejandro Escovedo, Marshall Crenshaw, the Goo Goo Dolls, the Go-Go's, and many others. Passionate about writing songs and connecting to audiences, Case tours throughout the year in the US, Canada, and Europe, while his hardcore fans bring to the shows their deep connection to the songs and to the artist.

Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street
Collinsville

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

05/09 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis***

(860) 350 5995 Free?

8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford

05/09 ***Rubblebucket (CPTV Filming)***

860-542-5531 \$35-45

8:00p Led by the musical couple of front woman Kalmia Traver and bandleader/trumpeter Alex Toth,

Rubblebucket has spent the last four years building a reputation as a band that blurs the lines between psychedelic indie rock, upbeat dance, and radiant, left-field arrangements. The Brooklyn, NY by way of Boston and Vermont band has evolved into something that is "utterly post-genre—horns, synth, guitars, harmonies—a smile-inducing point on the tangent that connects Björk and Broken Social Scene", which is to say that you never know what you'll see or hear next

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com>

05/09 ***Johnny Winter***

(203) 438-5795 \$47

8:00p Johnny Winter has been a guitar hero without equal. Signing to Columbia records in 1969 called largest solo artist deal of its time, Johnny immediately laid out the blueprint for his fresh take on classic blues a prime combination for the legions of fans just discovering the blues via the likes of Jimmy Page and Eric Clapton. Constantly shifting between simple country blues in the vein of Robert Johnson, to all-out electric slide guitar blues-rock, Johnny has always been one of the most respected singers and guitar players in rock, and the clear link between British blues-rock and American Southern rock (a la the Allman Brothers and Lynyrd Skynyrd). Throughout the '70s and '80s, Johnny was the unofficial torch-bearer for the blues, championing and aiding the careers of his idols like Muddy Waters and John Lee Hooker. Winters' recent Grammy nominated *I'm A Bluesman* has only added to his Texas-sized reputation. Performing now with a renewed vigor and fire – to say that he is "back" would be an understatement. In fact, he never left. He is just better than ever.

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>

05/09- ***Next to Normal***

203-757-4676 \$~40

06/09 The acclaimed, groundbreaking musical that took Broadway by storm. Winner of 3 Tony Awards and the 2010 Pulitzer Prize. With a thrilling contemporary score, NEXT TO NORMAL is an emotional powerhouse about a family trying to take care of themselves and each other.

“A moving, blisteringly honest, and inordinately powerful new musical. It is stocked with beautiful songs that get to the heart of the story – and simply get to the heart.” Peter Marks, The Washington Post

Seven Angels Theatre, 1 Plank Road
Waterbury

05/10 ***Lucie Arnaz: Latin Roots***

(203) 438-5795 \$55

8:00p The daughter of Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz, much of America grew up with Lucie Arnaz having watched her blossom as an actress opposite her mother on *The Lucy Show* and *Here's Lucy*. But Arnaz has since triumphed in a variety of mediums, most notably in the Broadway musical *They're Playing Our Song* and in the film *The Jazz Singer*, for which she received a Golden Globe nomination. In recent years, she has become a popular nightclub performer, and on May 10th, she brings her new show *Latin Roots*, based on the CD of the same name, and an homage to her father's legacy. Don't miss this incredible night complete with a 12-piece big band, tons of video footage and costume changes! It will be a night to remember!

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>

05/10 ***Back to the Eighties Show with Jessie's Girl***

860-542-5531 \$25-35

8:00p Outrageous costumes, stage show and musical talent. Their last time here was a dance frenzy with folks having more fun that should be legal. The best hits of the 80's done note for note. This is the band that's been selling out NY City's Canal club every Saturday night for the past three years. If you're a fan of 80's pop rock, this is your night !!

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44

<http://www.infinityhall.com>

Norfolk

- 05/10 ***Hiroya Tsukamoto*** 860-567-8302 \$ 5-10; \$30 max family
7:00p A Japanese guitarist and songwriter brings new acoustic music, described as “North and South American folk + Japanese roots.”
Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org>
Litchfield
- 05/10 ***Tom Russell*** 860-693-9762 \$25-35
9:00p Tom Russell is a master storyteller and Mesabi, his new release for Shout! Factory , corrals some of the acclaimed singer-songwriter’s most compelling tales to date. A thread runs through its songs, a zigzagging but determinedly solid line that connects the perilous bordertown of Juarez, Mexico to the real and faux glitz of L.A. and the bleak iron range of Minnesota—the Mesabi of the album’s title. The broad landscapes created by Tom Russell for Mesabi are inhabited by characters we all know—Bob Dylan, James Dean and Elizabeth Taylor—and some we may not: the now-obscure, once well-known singer Cliff “Ukulele Ike” Edwards, the tragic Disney child star Bobby Driscoll and the character actor Sterling Hayden. It’s a logical progression from Russell’s last album, 2009’s Blood and Candle Smoke, yet it’s like no other album Russell has made in his nearly four decades as a recording artist.
Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
Collinsville
- 05/10 ***Trumbull High School Chamber Choir*** 860-927-3486 \$10
7:30p The award winning Trumbull High School Chamber Choir will perform at St. Andrew's church as part of the "Music in the Nave" concert series. This is the second year they have performed at St. Andrew's. The Choir has performed in Austria, Germany, Italy, France, and the Czech Republic, giving concerts at such notable places as Notre Dame, Salzburg Cathedral, St. Peter's Basilica, Basilica De San Francesco, Santo Maria de Duomo and Santa Maria Maggiore. The choir has also performed throughout the United States and Canada at invitational music festivals and on tour
St. Andrew’s Church Hall, Bridge St **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)
Kent
- 05/11 ***Mahler TITAN with Waterbury Symphony*** 203-574-4283 \$20-50
8:00p Waterbury Symphony presents "The World According to Gustav.” A multimedia experience.
Naug. Valley Community College, 750 Chase Parkway
Waterbury
- 05/11 ***Sherman Chamber Ensemble Spring Concert*** 860-355-5930 call for price
8:00p An evening of chamber music with this critically acclaimed ensemble!
JCC in Sherman, 9 Route 39 South [Click to Visit](#)
Sherman
- 05/11 ***Torrington Symphony Spring Concert*** 860-482-4574 \$22
8:00p Nancy Marine Studio Theatre, Warner Theatre Campus, Main Street
Torrington
- 05/11 ***Night of Excitement*** (860) 482-5122 \$ 5
7:30p Music, open stage, refreshments.Proceeds go to support the Artwell Gallery and Community Arts Center.
Artwell Gallery, 45 Main Street
Torrington

- 05/11 ***Sing-A-Long Grease*** 203.346.200 \$21
 2:00p Ever wanted to know what it's like to be a T-bird or a Pink Lady but never quite felt cool enough to pull it off? Well, now is your chance to don those pink jackets, grease up those coifs and let your inhibitions go for an evening where you are the star and **GREASE** is the word! A completely interactive event, **Sing-a-Long Grease** is a screening of the classic John Travolta and Olivia Newton John film presented with **subtitles** so that the audience can sing along. The show starts with a vocal warm-up led by the evening's host, who then walks patrons through their **complimentary 'goody bag,'** which contains various props and accompanying actions to use and perform throughout the movie. After that, the audience will just sit back, relax and watch Danny, Sandy and the gang, while singing (and dancing) along to the lyrics on the screen. **Dress-up is strongly encouraged and full audience participation essential!**
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
 Waterbury
- 05/11 ***The Jolly Beggars*** 203-272-8404 \$16-14
 7:30p The Jolly Beggars bring the rich tradition of Celtic folk music and storytelling to modern day audiences. They tell traditional stories from Irish folklore and intersperse their musical arrangements with traditional reels and jigs. Characterized by their tight harmonies and use of guitars, mandolin, tin whistles, octave mandolin, mandola, tenor banjo, double bass, bodhran, spoons, and more, The Jolly Beggars have quickly built a solid following and continue to spread their music around the east coast.
 First Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street <http://www.folknotes.org/>
 West Hartford
- 05/11 ***The Bells*** 203-748-1716 Free
 7:00p Danbury Concert Chorus and Community Orchestra
 Marian Anderson Recital Hall, 256 Main Street
 Danbury
- 05/11 ***Steam Vent Coffee House*** 860-379-1778 Free
 6:00 STEAM VENT Coffee House...where the Music is FREE...Dinner'll cost ya...and donations go to Missions!
 Serving light supper, desserts and beverages for the evening from 6 – 8 PM.
- 05/11 ***Lipbone Redding & the LipBone Orchestra*** 860-693-9762 \$18-28
 9:00p 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.
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 Collinsville
- 05/11 ***Peter Tork*** 860-542-5531 \$35-50
 8:00p ***(Founding membef of the Monkees)***
 "In This Generation: My Life in the Monkees and so much more" brings to life onstage the roller coaster ride of blistering TV ratings, concert tours, recording sessions, magazine covers, The Beatles, The Wrecking Crew, Jimi Hendrix, Jack Nicholson, MTV, Japan, Reunion tours, and 45 off-again on-again years with the

group that the late Davy Jones called "The brothers I never had." His early romance with blues and folk intensified Tork's interest in songs and songwriting, and many of his own compositions reflect that early dedication. Tork's song "For Pete's Sake" was the closing theme of the TV show's second season --a well deserved placement and a considerable compliment, knowing that songs written by Carole King, Boyce and Harte, Neil Diamond, Harry Nilsson, and John Stewart all were in the running for that honor. The stories behind those songs are among the wealth of insights featured "In This Generation." Reissue producer and writer Andrew Sandoval, who has overseen the legacy of the Monkees for over 20 years and arranged their acclaimed 2011 and 2012 tours, is producing the show alongside Peter.

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- 05/11 ***Beauty and the Beast*** (203) 438-5795 \$15
11&2 Follow the story of a prince who has been transformed into a Beast and a young woman named Belle whom he imprisons in his castle. To become a prince again, the Beast must love Belle and win her love in return, or he will remain a Beast forever.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>
- 05/11 ***Ted Vigil – John Denver Tribute Show*** (203) 438-5795 \$30
8:00p You won't believe your eyes, or your ears, when Ted Vigil takes the stage as the legendary John Denver. In 1990 he began writing, recording and performing his original compositions. In 2006, Vigil competed against performers from 28 states, New Zealand, Australia and Canada to win first place in "Talent Quest '06" in Laughlin, Nev. After his win, and after years of hearing that he resembled the legendary Colorado musician, he began to plan a John Denver tribute show. He began singing his way all across the U.S. and in 2007 shared the stage with Keith Anderson, Jeff Bates and Kevin Sharp on the annual "Traveling Kountry Kruz" with the Royal Caribbean Cruise Line
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>
- 05/12 ***Dance Across China!*** (203) 438-5795 \$15
2:30p Chinese artistry and culture are coming to The Playhouse when Dance Across China! showcases this most graceful and exotic of dance forms. From lively, colorful folk dances to elegant repertoires of the imperial courts, dances will be performed by students of Ridgefield's own Tang Yun Dance School.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>
- 05/12 ***David Francey*** (203) 431-6501 \$20-25
4:00p St. Stephen's Church, North Hall, 351 Main St.
Ridgefield www.acousticcelebration.org/
- 05/12 ***Mother's Day Brunch w/guest Lipbone Redding*** 860-693-9762 \$30/pp incl brunch
11am Join us for Mother's Day at Bridge Street Live. Chef Frank O'Malley will prepare a wonderful brunch buffet and we have the incredible Lipbone Redding providing entertainment from 11am-1pm. Seating begins at 10am, Buffet begins at 11am. Reserve your space early, you know your Mom is going to love this.
Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street
Collinsville <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
- 05/12 ***Brian Miller*** 860-542-5531 \$20-35

- 2:00p Magic, comedy, mind reading, philosophy, and live music are interwoven in this vaudeville inspired one-man variety (and family friendly) show.
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- 05/12 ***Iris DeMent*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
7:30p DeMent, the last of 14 children, born in Arkansas and raised in Southern California, grew up immersed in gospel music and traditional country. She was somewhat of a late bloomer as an artist, writing her first song at age of 25. Her first release, *Infamous Angel*, initially issued on Rounder in 1992 before being picked up by Warner Bros., immediately established her as a promising and talented artist. Its 1994 follow-up, *My Life*, earned a Grammy nomination in the Contemporary Folk category. Her 1996 album *The Way I Should* addressed political as well as personal themes and earned a Grammy nomination, as well.
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- 05/14 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford
- 05/14 ***Spiritual Drumming with Susan Strand*** 860-567-3163 \$10 donation
1-2:30p 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,
Litchfield <http://www.wisdomhouse.org>
- 05/15 ***Indigenous*** 860-542-5531 \$25-40
8:00p The name “Indigenous” is more than appropriate for this band, as their members are true American Indians. Often compared to their Latino counterparts (Los Lonely Boys) they’ve gathered a loyal following around the world by presenting their blues tinged rock and spiritual vibe at numerous festivals and intimate venues as well. We are honored to bring them to the Infinity Hall stage and believe you’ll truly enjoy the show. Check out the video above, it should confirm all that the critics have raved about. Mato Nanji's always provided the heartbeat of the band Indigenous - along with the warm dusty voice and the soaring, spirited guitar fireworks that have earned the group from South Dakota's Nakota Nation a place among roots rock's elite.
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- 05/16 ***Bill Kirchen and Too Much Fun*** 860-693-9762 \$20-30
9:00p Grammy nominated guitarist, singer and songwriter Bill Kirchen is one of the fortunate few who can step onto any stage, play those trademark licks that drove his seminal Commander Cody classic *Hot Rod Lincoln* into the Top Ten, and elicit instant recognition for a career that has spanned over 40 years and includes guitar work with Nick Lowe, Emmylou Harris, Doug Sahm, Elvis Costello and many more. Named “A Titan of the Telecaster” by *Guitar Player Magazine*, he celebrates an American musical tradition where rock 'n' roll and country music draws upon its origins in blues and bluegrass, Western swing from Texas and California honky-tonk. His current CD *Word To The Wise on Proper American* features duets with many of these artists he's worked with, including Elvis, Nick, Maria Muldaur and Dan Hicks.
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Collinsville <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>

- 05/16 ***Asleep At The Wheel*** 860-542-5531 \$40-50
 8:00p Asleep At The Wheel is one of the most energetic and fun bands to ever grace the Infinity Hall stage. Among the group's many accolades are 9 Grammy's, a slew of top 20 radio hits (including "Choo Choo Ch'Boogie "The Letter That Johnny Walker Read," "One O'Clock Jump"), Rolling Stone's "Best Country Western Band," The Academy of Country Music's "Best Touring Band of the Year" and a record setting 10 appearances on the PBS TV Series Austin City Limits!
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- 05/16 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 05/17 ***Friday Feast and Dancing Feet*** 860-567-8302 \$
 12-2p Join us on the third Friday of each month for an afternoon of music by "Ron Murray", food and fun. Enjoy a great meal and music for your listening and dancing pleasure.
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org>
 Litchfield
- 05/17 ***Matt Wertz*** 860-542-5531 \$25-35
 8:00p We're very pleased to bring Matt Wertz to the Infinity Hall stage for the very first time. Acclaimed as one of the hottest new singer/songwriters on the scene, he's received significant airplay on each of his first three albums and his songs have been featured in a host of hit movies. All of the songs on Wertz's new album are tied to relationships, and each track delves into what the singer has learned about himself and others during that last few years. More than ever, the reflective songwriter has his heart on his sleeve, and *Weights & Wings* is the very incarnation of that lifeline.
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- 05/18 ***The Dulcimer Folk Association*** 203-272-8404 \$15
 7:30 First Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street,
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 05/18 ***Big Band!*** 203-438-3889 \$25-60
 8:00p Ridgefield Symphony Orchestra
 Come swing to the Big Band sounds of Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey. Greatest hits from the 40's include *In the Mood*, *Chattanooga Choo Choo*, *Sing, Sing, Sing* and *Moonlight Serenade*.
 East Ridge Middle School, 10 East Ridge Road
 Ridgefield
- 05/18 ***Mozart's Don Giovanni*** 203.346.200 \$50
 8:00p Set in Spain in the 1600s, Mozart's famous opera tells the story of Don Giovanni, a.k.a. Don Juan, the legendary "love-em and leave-em" scoundrel of history and opera, whose conquests are said to have numbered in the thousands. Bent on vengeance, those seduced and abandoned by the Don start to pursue him, as well as the ghost of the Commendatore he killed in a duel as the nobleman fought to save his daughter's virtue. When the ghost demands that the Don repent and reform, he brazenly refuses. In the end, virtue vanquishes vice. 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
Waterbury

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

- 05/18 ***Connecticut Dance Theatre & Arts Recital*** 203.346.200 \$25
6:00p Join Owner/Director Nefra Wihbey and the **Connecticut Dance Theatre & The Arts** students for their annual Recital at the Palace Theater. Guests will enjoy an evening full of song, dance, and musical entertainment. Preshow begins at 5:30pm.
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
- 05/18 ***Connecticut Chorale Society- Inspire*** 203-206-7186 \$25
8:00p First Congregational Church, 146 Deer Hill Ave
Danbury
- 05/18 ***The Burrito Brothers*** 860-542-5531 \$39-59
8:00p A tumultuous history seems to be the single most common characteristic of all great bands....so it goes with the Flying Burrito Brothers. The clipping of their wings led to the eventual decision to pick themselves up, resurrect the band but, this time, to keep their feet firmly on the ground....thus no more “flying” or bad habits and simply re-structuring the group as “The Burrito Brothers”. These guys deliver the goods effortlessly, having played with many of the legends of that era, including The Flying Burrito Brothers, Spirit, The Amazing Rhythm Aces, Jackson Browne, Poco, Billy Joe Shaver, The International Submarine Band and many others!
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- 05/18 ***A Spring Doo Wop Spectacular*** 860.489.7180 \$ 35-50
8:00p Rrazz Entertainment will present a Spring Doo Wop Spectacular featuring: The Duprees, Fred Parris and the Satins, The Legendary Teenagers, The Coasters and Randy & The Rainbows.
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street
Torrington <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
- 05/18 ***En Evening with The Persuasions*** 860-693-9762 \$25-35
8:00p Since those long ago days of 1962, The Persuasions have gone on to sing in concert halls and nightclubs the world over. They have released 26 albums, and opened for artists including: Frank Zappa and The Mothers of Invention, Ray Charles, Bill Cosby, and Richard Pryor. Amazingly enough, Roseanne Barr and Bruce Springsteen once opened for The Persuasions. The Persuasions have long been the acknowledged “Kings of A Cappella.” They have gone on to become the undisputed grand old men of the genre.
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Collinsville <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
- 05/18 ***Connecticut Chorale Society- “Inspire”*** 203-206-7186 \$25
3:00p First Congregational Church of Naugatuck, 9 Division St.
Naugatuck
- 05/18 ***SingOut! CT Spring Concert & Garden Tour*** 850-868-2864 \$15-50
1:30p SingOut! Connecticut, your favorite new glee group, invites you to celebrate the best of Spring with the joy of Song and the glory of Gardens! Join us for this Gala Fund Raiser held at the home of Artistic Director,

Alecia Evans, in Warren, Connecticut. Tour the beautiful Covered Bridge Gardens while enjoying festive appetizers and refreshments. Then gather in the Garden Room for an intimate hour of entertainment. This SingOut! concert, accompanied by piano, cello, guitar and fiddle, promises to be one of this Spring's most memorable events. Garden enthusiasts who are attending Trade Secrets in Sharon on the morning of May 18th can enjoy an afternoon of flowers and music echoing just over the Litchfield Hills. All proceeds from ticket sales go to support SingOut!

29 Lake Road
Warren

- 05/19 **Keyboard "Conversation" on Gershwin** 860-927-3486 \$10
2:00p "Keyboard Conversations" with Internationally renowned pianist, Jeffrey Siegel. Mr. Siegel will be performing works by Gershwin. Prior to performing each piece Mr. Siegel will give a brief introduction designed to make the piece more "accessible, and the listening experience more focused and meaningful." There will be a Q&A with Mr. Siegel at the end and a reception after the concert
.St. Andrew's Church Hall, Corner US Route 7 and Route 341 **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)
Kent
- 05/19 **An Evening with Bruce Hornsby** (203) 438-5795 \$80
8:00p Hornsby is an American singer-songwriter, pianist and accordion player and known for his hit songs "The Way It Is," "The Valley Road" and "Mandolin Rain" as well as his spontaneity and creativity of his live performances drawing frequently from classical, jazz, bluegrass, folk, Motown, rock, blues, and jam band musical traditions. Hornsby's recordings have been recognized on a number of occasions with industry awards, including the Best New Artist Grammy in 1987 with Bruce Hornsby and the Range, the Best Bluegrass Recording Grammy in 1990, and the Best Pop Instrumental Grammy in 1993. Hornsby has also achieved recognition for his solo albums and performances as well as his touring band Bruce Hornsby and the Noisemakers, his bluegrass project with Ricky Skaggs.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>
Ridgefield
- 05/19 **California Guitar Trio** 860-693-9762 \$22-32
8:00p Their performances astounding, and diversity unparalleled, these three revered musicians are not actually natives of the "Golden State." The California Guitar Trio (CGT) is Bert Lams from Belgium, Hideyo Moriya from Japan, and Paul Richards from Utah. Together, their technical wizardry is breathtaking, as is the wide range of instrumental music the group renders... everything from unique originals to dazzling, cleverly-arranged interpretations of jazz, classical music, and even surf rock. Since their inception in 1991, the Trio has released 14 CDs: nine studio albums (including a Christmas record), three live releases (including An Opening Act from their 1995 worldwide tour with King Crimson), and two compilations. On screen, CGT can be seen in documentary Following the Music: On The Road w/ California Guitar Trio (©2004 Stone Chapel Films) and the new Hi-Def multi-camera shoot of an intimate house concert in 2009. In October 2010, CGT released Andromeda, an entirely new all-original album nearly three years in the making. The Indie Acoustic Project named it Best Instrumental Album that year
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- 05/19 **Tift Merritt** 860-542-5531 \$20-25
2:00p The New Yorker has called Merritt "the bearer of a proud tradition of distaff country soul that reaches back to artists like Dusty Springfield and Bobbie Gentry," a standard upholding that got underway in earnest with *Bramble Rose*, the 2002 solo debut that put her on the Americana map forever. As her sophomore album, *Tambourine*, was followed by *Another Country* and *See You on the Moon*, Merritt found acclaim coming

not just from critics and awards orgs but her own heroes, like Emmylou Harris, who marveled that Merritt “stood out like a diamond in a coal patch.” Now a leading lady in her own right, Merritt is hardly one to hog the spotlight. She engages in dialogue with fellow artists of all disciplines on her public radio broadcast and podcast “The Spark With Tift Merritt,” bringing in fellow sojourners ranging from Patty Griffin and Rosanne Cash to Rick Moody and Nick Hornby (who devoted a chapter to Merritt in his 31 Songs book).

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05/19 ***Karla Bonoff***

860-542-5531 \$35-50

7:30p Karla Bonoff has been described as one of the finest singer/songwriters of her generation. And in her case, that description is not hyperbole. With a career spanning four decades, Bonoff has enjoyed critical acclaim, commercial success, enduring popularity and the unwavering respect of her peers. In addition to achieving chart success with her own recordings, Karla has seen her songs become hits for such stellar artists as Bonnie Raitt, Wynonna Judd and Linda Ronstadt. Many of Bonoff’s ballads are now pop classics. All the while, she has continued to tour extensively, playing sold-out shows around the world. Karla’s moving vocals on her rich, expressive songs is like standing beneath a sparkling waterfall--refreshing, exhilarating, restorative. And hearing them live can be transformative.

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05/21 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis***

(860) 350 5995 Free?

8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford

05/21 ***Keystone Revisited***

(203) 438-5795 \$35

8:00p **40th Anniversary of “Live At Keystone” Performed in its Entirety**

Keystone Revisited plays the songs that Merl and Jerry made famous including “After Midnight”, “The Night They Drove Ol Dixie Down”, “Expressway to Your Heart”, “The Harder They Come” along with many more of the songs that made them famous. Keystone Revisited has even written and recorded a few new songs that are with the same heart such as “These Troubled Times” and “It’s A Love Thing”. The band was bought together because of the huge demand from fans to hear more music from the originators of the so-called “Jam Band”. When Merl Saunders and Jerry Garcia got together it was pure magic. They were in these groups; Merl Saunders and Jerry Garcia, Reconstruction and Legion Of Mary, which were at the forefront of the jam band era. What better way to pay homage to these legendary players than by having BILL VITT who played with Merl and Jerry, TONY SAUNDERS, the son of Merl, who started playing with them when he was 18 and continued to play with them both doing other projects, MICHAEL HINTON who played with Merl in High Noon with Mickey Hart and Merl’s Rainforest Band. These three have played with so many of the people we love that their chemistry on stage is electric.

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org>

05/23 ***Keystone Revisited “The Music of Garcia-Saunders”***

860-542-5531 \$40-60

8:00p **40th Anniversary of “Live At Keystone” performed in its entirety**

KEYSTONE REVISITED is a band with a sound that brings the old music to new heights. Don’t miss this treat of spectacular sounds. Yes, you can hear Grateful Dead songs, Merl and Jerry songs, Reconstruction songs and Legion Of Mary songs all played with new energy but with those old musical styling’s that made Merl and Jerry rock.

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- 05/23 ***The Duke Robillard Band*** 860-693-9762 \$17-27
8:00p Guitarist. Bandleader. Songwriter. Singer. Producer. Session musician. And a one-man cheering section for the blues, in all its forms and permutations. And every one of those names has shared recording studio space or stage time with a man who is a legend in the blues community. The Blues Music Awards (formerly W.C.Handy Awards) have named Duke Robillard "Best Blues Guitarist" four years out of five (2000,2001,2003,2004) making him the second most honored guitarist for that award! He was also nominated in that category in 2005, 2007 and again this year of 2008. None of that goes to Robillard's head. He's still on the road, still playing as many as 250 dates a year. And still proving, night after night, that his true talent is bringing people out to hear the music, appreciate the show, and dance to the blues. Duke Robillard is a man in command of a full range of creative talents — unique in the blues, and rare in the music industry as a whole. He is, in fact, a complete artist at the height of his power.
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- 05/23 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford
- 05/24 ***The James Cotton Blues Band*** 860-693-9762 \$30-40
9:00p The musical pedigree of James "Superharp" Cotton consists of a veritable who's who in the world of the Blues. He's a Grammy winner, an inductee into the Blues Hall of Fame, the Smithsonian Institute, and a recipient of countless W.C. Handy Blues Awards. The year 2011 has begun with four coveted nominations. GIANT, his current CD on Alligator Records, has a Grammy nomination for Traditional Blues Album and the Blues Foundation's Blues Music Awards have nominated GIANT in the same category along with Cotton in both the Traditional Male Artist and Instrumentalist - Harmonica categories. 2011 is Cotton's 67th year in the entertainment business. What an amazing adventure "Superharp" is experiencing with his little harmonica.
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- 05/24 ***Ray Wylie Hubbard*** 860-542-5531 \$29-44
8:00p Ray Wylie Hubbard has been a leading figure of the progressive country movement since the 1970s. The singer/songwriter remains best known for the anthem "Up Against the Wall, Redneck Mother." He is on the road in support of his newest and critically acclaimed album, *The Grifter's Hymnal*. Don't miss the opportunity to see him at the beautiful Infinity Hall!
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- 05/24 ***Danbury Madhatters Barbershop Chorus*** 355-1191 Free
7:00p As a thank you for the support of the New Milford area community during the library's month-long celebration of "Our New Milford, an American Town," the Library will offer a closing concert by the Danbury Mad Hatters Barbershop Chorus in the Library proper. Each attendee will receive a chocolate confection, provided by the Community Culinary School of Northwestern Connecticut. This is a ticketed event, appropriate for all ages.
New Milford Public Library, 24 Main Street [Click to Visit](#)
New Milford

- 05/25 ***Unforgettable Fire*** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 8:00p (***The Worlds #1 U-2 Tribute Act***)
 Unforgettable Fire, or "UF", was born on New Years Day in 1995 as one of the very first U2 tribute bands to ever perform in America. After over seventeen years of playing in some of the most prestigious venues on the East Coast, UF has formed a reputation among many to be one of the closest experiences to being at an actual live U2 show. The members of UF are also very dedicated fans of U2, and will not settle for anything less than complete authenticity. In addition to performing a very impressive array of U2 material from pre-Boy to the most recent No Line On The Horizon and beyond, the band does everything in their power (from wardrobe to lighting) to recreate the live U2 concert setting for their audiences.
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- 05/25 ***The Dana Fuchs Band*** 860-693-9762 \$20-30
 9:00p 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."
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- 05/28 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 05/30 ***Della Mae*** 860-542-5531 \$20-30
 8:00p 'This World Oft Can Be,' Della Mae's Rounder debut, shows that like The Avett Brothers, The Lumineers, and Punch Brothers, the five multitalented young women of Della Mae are respectful of American musical tradition, but not restricted by it, combining centuries' worth of musical influences with an emotionally tough, undeniably modern songwriting sensibility. In a relatively short period of time, the band has become a sensation in the music world, commanding a powerful collective chemistry with vocal, instrumental, and songwriting talent to spare. 'This World Oft Can Be,' recorded at Johnny Cash's cabin in Hendersonville, Tennessee and mixed by Paul Q. Kolderie (Radiohead, The Pixies, Uncle Tupelo), mines time-honored elements to create music that's unmistakably fresh and contemporary
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- 05/30 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 05/31 ***Dave Davies of The Kinks*** 860-542-5531 \$50-70
 8:00p Dave Davies founded the Kinks in the early 1960s and forever changed music after he sliced up the speaker cone of a little green amp and created a revolutionary, distorted guitar tone and frenetic solo on song You Really Got Me. Musicologist Joe Harrington described the Kinks' influence: "'You Really Got Me', 'All Day and All of the Night' . . . were predecessors of the whole three-chord genre ... the Kinks did a lot to help turn rock 'n' roll into rock." In 1998, writer Bill Crowley wrote, "As lead guitarist and founder of The Kinks, Dave Davies is one of the most unpredictable and original forces in rock, without whom guitar-rock styles including heavy metal and punk would have been inconceivable. A member of the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, Dave's massive guitar sounds have inspired bands from Van Halen to Green Day."
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05/31 **Laurence Juber** 860-693-9762 \$17-27
8:00p Laurence was voted "Guitarist of the Year" by the readers of Fingerstyle Guitar Magazine and named one of the top acoustic guitar players of all time by Acoustic Guitar Magazine. A dynamic, entertaining performer and an accomplished clinician, LJ brings his passion for the guitar to venues around the world, creating a multifaceted performance that belies the use of only one instrument. Currently Juber is a columnist for Guitar World Acoustic magazine.
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05/31- **Dreamgirls** 203.346.200 \$49-69
06/02 CATCH THE DREAM! Full of onstage joy and backstage drama, the sensational new production of DREAMGIRLS tells the story of an up-and-coming 1960s girl singing group, and the triumphs and tribulations that come with fame and fortune. With music by Academy Award nominee Henry Krieger and book and lyrics by Tony and Grammy Award winner Tom Eyn, DREAMGIRLS features the unforgettable hits: "And I Am Telling You I'm Not Going," "One Night Only" and "Listen." This Tony and Academy Award winning musical sparkles like never before! Fri 8pm, Sat 2 & 8p
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
Waterbury