

# Music In The Air

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- 01/29- **Forever Plaid** 860-283-6250 \$17-22
- 02/07 One of the most popular and successful musicals in recent memory, this deliciously goofy revue centers on four young, eager male singers killed in a car crash in the 1950s on the way to their first big concert, and now miraculously revived for the posthumous chance to fulfill their dreams and perform the show that never was. F/Sa 8pm; Sun 2 pm  
Thomaston Opera House, 158 Main Street  
Thomaston
- 02/02 **Otello (Verdi) from Salzburg** 860.489.7180 \$20
- 7:30p Verdi's last tragic opera, *Otello*, like Shakespeare's play, is a shattering psychological drama. The new production for the Salzburg Festival is directed by Stephen Langridge, who in 2006 attracted attention with his production of Offenbach's *Bluebeard* in Bregenz. Riccardo Muti, one of the best Verdi conductors of our time, is returning to Salzburg. Alongside to the Spanish baritone Carlos Álvarez as Jago, two rising international singers of the younger generation can be heard as Otello and Desdemona: the Latvian spinto tenor Aleksandrs Antonenko and the Russian soprano Marina Poplavskaya. Running time: 2hrs 20min plus one intermission. Sung in Italian with English subtitles  
Warner Theater – Nancy Marine Studio Theatre, 68 Main Street  
Torrington
- 02/04 **Roger Sprung, Hal Wylie & Friends** \$ / free
- 5 or 8 The "Pasta Project". First Saturday of every month except July and August - Folk, Irish, Bluegrass and Traditional Music (instrumentalists welcome to jam). Dinner 5-7:30; Music 8-10:30.  
United Methodist Coffee House, (Exit 10 off I-84, 1/5 mile north.)  
Newtown
- 02/04 **Allan Holdsworth, Alan Pasqua,** 866-666-6306 \$25-40
- 8:00p **Jimmy Haslip, Chad Wackerman Band**  
Reuniting for a fall 2006 tour to pay tribute to time spent in the mid-'70s fusion juggernaut, the New Tony Williams Lifetime, guitarist Allan Holdsworth and keyboardist Alan Pasqua recruited Yellowjackets bassist Jimmy Haslip and in-demand drummer Chad Wackerman for an exciting cross-section of material that first saw the light of day on a DVD recorded at Oakland's legendary Yoshi's. Infinity Hall, Route 44  
<http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
Norfolk

- 02/04 ***Diane Mower Quartet*** \$ 7-15  
 5:30- Spectacular is the only word that adequately describes the voice of Diane Mower. Whether belting out a  
 7:30p familiar melody or singing warm and breathy ballads, this singer's versatility and exuberance will  
 astound you. Join us to celebrate the arts & culture in the Waterbury Region with music and socializing.  
 Mattatuck Museum  
 Waterbury
- 02/04 ***Coffeehouse*** 203-837-9700 Free  
 8:00 The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, the WCSU  
 Jazz Quartet, at 9 p.m.  
 Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp>
- 02/04 ***David Sanborn Quartet*** (203) 438-3889 \$60  
 8:00p ***Featuring Joey DeFrancesco; special guest Gil Parris***  
 Few musicians are so closely identified with their instrument that they overshadow their peers, but the  
 iconic David Sanborn truly merits his singular position as a saxophonist, unrivaled as a player who  
 straddles the pop and jazz worlds while commanding respect in both. In pop, he is justly famed for his  
 standout solo on David Bowie's 1975 hit "Young Americans. Indeed, his matchless tone has  
 additionally been sought to bolster performances by the esteemed likes of Eric Clapton, the Eagles, the  
 Rolling Stones, James Taylor, Linda Ronstadt, Miles Davis, Bruce Springsteen and Stevie Wonder—  
 many of whom have likewise gone on to enlist his inimitable sax presence in the studio. Meanwhile, the  
 six-time Grammy winner has consistently recorded his own albums.  
*An Evening of Wine and Jazz - Join us in the lobby before the show for a free wine tasting with M elang e  
 Fine Wines & Spirits and hors d'oeuvres from Ancona's from 7–8 pm*  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 02/05 ***Max Creek*** 866-666-6306 \$25-35  
 9:00p Max Creek, a regional phenomenon is one of the most electrifying live acts on the Eastern seaboard  
 today. Max Creek brings to the stage a wide variety of musical experience, from the blues to ballads to  
 hard- edged rock n' roll, to early San Francisco era improv. This five man band has a unique style, and  
 their blend of original songs and classic covers has gained them remarkable respect and a large  
 following which continues to grow.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 02/05 ***Hot Club of San Francisco*** (860) 542-5075 Free; make reservation  
 8:00p Hot Club is an ensemble of accomplished and versatile musicians celebrating the music of Django  
 Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli's pioneering Hot Club de France. Often called gypsy jazz, the music  
 has entranced audiences around the globe for over 18 years. The ensemble borrows the all-string  
 instrumentation of violin, bass and guitars from the original Hot Club, but breathes new life into the  
 music with innovative arrangements of classic tunes and original compositions from the group's superb  
 lead guitarist Paul Mehling. Critics have hailed the group's playing as "intricate, scorching and often  
 brilliant" (Acoustic Guitar).  
 Norfolk Library, 9 Greenwoods Road East **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)  
 Norfolk

- 02/05 ***Musical Box: re-creating Genesis*** (203) 438-3889 \$60  
 8:00p In 1976, Phil Collins took the helm as the new singer of Genesis. With the legacy left by Peter Gabriel, the band launched its new World Tour following the release of "A Trick of the Tail". Genesis kept its tradition of delivering a highly visual show with an extensive song list of new titles and the band's classic pieces. "A Trick of the Tail" considered one of the strongest and innovative Genesis albums, brought new opportunities for the bands live performance such as the famous drum duet of Collins with guest musician Bill Bruford. Musical Box will now present worldwide, with the help of Genesis and artists involved in the original show, a "Trick of the Tail" in painstaking details including original slides, films, laser effects, special effects and original song list as presented by Genesis in 1976 to capture this important moment in Genesis history. [Click here to learn about The Musical Box](http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp)  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 02/06 ***Men Without Instruments*** 203-748-1716 \$10  
 8:00p **doo-wop** and **shoo-wop** the night away at this concert to benefit the Danbury Music Centre. Anyone enjoying classic pop will love this concert of swing, good old fashioned rock 'n roll, and much more of the best of the pop genre. Admission includes a post-concert reception of wine, cheese, and other refreshments. Tickets are available at the door - first come first seated.  
 Danbury Music Centre, Marian Anderson Recital Hall, 256 Main Street  
 Danbury
- 02/06 ***An Afternoon of Classics and Jazz*** (860) 672-1098 \$20-40  
 4-6 p The Litchfield Jazz Festival and Kent Lions Club present the second annual "Afternoon of Music." This year's concert celebrates the music of Duke Ellington, Cole Porter and others. The afternoon features Kent's own celebrated pianist Dolph Traymon, and professionals and outstanding young talents from Litchfield Jazz Camp including include Albert Rivera, Mike DiRubbo, Nick Roseboro, Andrew Hadro, Nicole Zuraitis, Zaccai Curtis, Robin Baytas, Dakota Austin and more. Benefit concert for the Kent Lions charitable giving.  
 Mattison Auditorium at Kent School, 1 Macedonia Road **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)  
 Kent
- 02/06 ***Hot Notes at the Cool Nite Cafe Concert*** (860) 626-9347 free will offering  
 6-11p Concert benefitting Future Foundations, early development classroom. Music performances by Collette Hurst Jazz Quintet, C-Side Alley, Corn Bread, Cece and Ruth, Coyote Doty and Friends, Greg Hoffman, Mike Lovallo, Kent Aldrich, Ron Anthony, and Rob Kitch and the Gridiron Gang - a variety of folk, original, jazz, and blues music  
 First United Methodist Church, 21 Fern Street  
 Torrington
- 02/06 ***A Sentimental Journey*** (860) 210-1332 \$10-20  
 4:00p Cabaret singer Lynn Henderson performs songs in tribute to great singers -from Doris Day to Lena Horne and Nancy LaMott.  
 St. Andrews Church, 1 North Main Street  
 Kent
- 02/06 ***Lustre Kings*** (203) 757-4676 \$24  
 8:00p Elvis' belated birthday bash. Great 50's rock 'n roll  
 Seven Angels Theatre, 1 Plank Road  
 Waterbury

- 02/06 ***Emerging Stars; An Acoustic Evening*** 866-666-6306 \$25-40  
 8:00p ***Featuring Jim Boggia, Seth Glier & Glenn Roth***  
 You have probably seen these artists open for some of your favorite acts @ Infinity Hall! Acts such as Sarah Borges and The Broken Singles, Livingston Taylor, and Kenny Rankin (opening night). We were so amazed by their talent and originality that we are having them back for ONE BIG SHOW!!  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 02/06 ***Ridgefield Symphony Orchestra: Love is in the Air***  
 8:00p Featuring "A valentine especially for you! Rodrigo's fiery guitar concerto and special guest artist mezzo-soprano Caroline Chanin singing her favorite love songs will make this a truly magical celebration."  
 Ridgefield High School, Anne Richardson Auditorium, Ridgefield High School  
 Ridgefield
- 02/06- ***The Full Monty*** 860.489.7180 \$19-25  
 02/13 In this Tony-nominated musical based on the academy award-winning movie, a group of unemployed steelworkers frustrated with life, women and work decide that the only thing left to lose are their clothes! In the process of becoming male strippers, together they find the strength to overcome their inner demons. Due to mature themes, this show may not be suitable for very young audiences.  
 Sat. 8pm; Sun 2pm; Fri 8pm  
 Warner Theater  
 Torrington
- 02/07 ***Otello (Verdi) from Salzburg*** 860.489.7180 \$20  
 3:00p See 02/02  
 Warner Theater – Nancy Marine Studio Theatre, 68 Main Street  
 Torrington
- 02/07 ***City Winds Trio*** 860-673-9712 Free  
 3:00p Flute, oboe, bassoon. A Scott Joplin program to celebrate Black History Month.  
 Avon Public Library, 281 Country Club Road  
 Avon
- 02/09 ***Peter Madsen, Jazz Pianist*** (860) 435-2591  
 7:00p Madsen, who has been thrilling audiences around the world for 30 years will perform exhilarating piano improvisations with his band. Visitor parking is available in the main circle in front of the School.  
 Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road, intersection of Routes 41 and 112  
 Lakeville
- 02/11 ***Coffeehouse*** 203-837-9700 Free  
 8:00 The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act at 9 p.m.  
 Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp>
- 02/11 ***Buckwheat Zydeco*** 866-666-6306 \$35-55  
 8:00p Buckwheat Zydeco's repertoire consists of soulful original tunes and the trademark exuberance that's made Dural the world's best-loved zydeco artist, and has earned Buckwheat Zydeco fame as "The World's Greatest Party Band."  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk

- 02/12 **Phil Vassar** (203) 438-3889 \$83  
 8:00p **Special Guest: Jamie McLean Band**  
 Phil Vassar has Charted 13 Top 20 Singles including three Number Ones and three Top Fives! Those who understand Phil Vassar - good-time, whirling-dervish- on-the-piano, hardest- working-man-in-country- music. The Virginia-born singer, songwriter and musician took his seat as country's leading piano man with the success of songs like "Just Another Day in Paradise" and "Six-Pack Summer", and his penchant for pure musical escapism continues. Vassar's heart-swelling embrace of life's richest blessings is also apparent, especially on lead single "Love Is A Beautiful Thing".  
*AllShows.com VIP Party Pass -which includes a pre- show cocktail party catered by [Ancona's](#), open bar, priority parking, VIP seating and meet and greet with the artist.*  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield [Go to Phil Vassar's website](#) [Go to Jamie McLean's website](#)
- 02/12 **Willie Nininger** (203) 270-1876 Free  
 8-11p w/ Chris Haines on electric guitar  
 Proud Mary's (Inn at Newtown) 19 Main Street  
 Newtown
- 02/12 **Greg Brown** 866-666-6306 \$30-50  
 8:00p Greg Brown's mother played electric guitar, his grandfather played banjo, and his father was a Holy Roller preacher in the Hacklebarney section of Iowa, where the Gospel and music are a way of life. Brown's first professional singing job came at age 18 in New York City, running hootenannies (folksinger get-togethers) at the legendary Gerdes Folk City. After a year, Brown moved west to Los Angeles and Las Vegas, where he was a ghostwriter for Buck Ram, founder of the Platters. Tired of the fast-paced life, Brown traveled with a band for a few years, and even quit playing for a while before he moved back to Iowa and began writing songs and playing in midwestern clubs and coffeehouses. Brown's songwriting has been lauded by many, and his songs have been performed by Willie Nelson, Carlos Santana, Michael Johnson, Shawn Colvin, and Mary Chapin Carpenter. He has also recorded more than a dozen albums.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 02/12 **Donald Sosin and Joanna Seaton Music for Silent Films** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 7:00p "The top of the line of film pianists!" —Leonard Maltin, author and film critic "Of all the musicians who play for the silent film today, Donald Sosin is for me the one who is most sensitive to the film he accompanies, the one who supports the film and never overpowers it." —Eileen Bowser, former Curator of Film, Museum of Modern Art, NY, film scholar and author.  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road  
 North Canaan
- 02/13 **A Valentine Cabaret** (860) 491-9988 \$20  
 8:00p Be serenaded by the hand-picked talent of Goshen and beyond as Valentine's Day is celebrated in Goshen Players style. Hear about good love, bad love, true love, false love, public love, private love, sweet love, sour love, mother's love, child's love and every other kind of love that you can imagine. Make your reservations for this one-night-only performance; cabaret seating and fabulous reviews make these tickets go fast! Parking is located in the lot across the street, or at the Congregational Church. Goshen Playhouse, Old Town Hall, Intersection of Rt. 4 & Rt. 63 (on the rotary)  
 Goshen

- 02/13 ***Just Friends Coffee House*** (860) 567-0857 \$ 8-12  
 7:00p Blue Grass at it's finest! WMCC Education Director, Jeff Greenwood and his dynamic wife Zoe toting her oversized violin, dare you to keep your toes from tapping! Food and beverages will be sold. White Memorial Conservation Center, 80 Whitehall Road **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)  
 Litchfield
- 02/13 ***River City Slim & The Zydeco Hogs*** 866-666-6306 \$20-30  
 8:00p MARDI GRAS PARTY!! River City Slim&The Zydeco Hogs have been "Rockin' The Zydeco World" throughout the Northeast for over five years, and now they're ready to rock your world. New England's hottest Zydeco dance band is here at Infinity Hall!  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 02/13 ***Romantic Winds*** 860-584-1055 \$  
 7:30p Performed by the virtuoso players of the Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra's wind section, the works by Strauss are the epitome of Romantic wind ensemble composition. Raff's composition is the first piece ever written with the title sinfonieta.  
 Chippens Hill School 551 Peacedale St. [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Bristol
- 02/13 ***Ed Gerhard*** 860-693-0263 \$18-20  
 7:30p For master guitarist Ed Gerhard, 2009 was a full year of concerts, radio shows and workshops from New Hampshire to California, Italy and Japan. Ken Burns included Ed's music in his latest documentary, The National Parks: America's Best Idea. Grammy-winning Gerhard has created his own "guitar voice" by assimilating the best techniques from folk, blues, classical, Hawaiian and Celtic genres. Enjoy this fingerstyle master as he gracefully goes from 6-string to 12-string, slide and Hawaiian lap steel guitars. Request romantic, driving or bluesy pieces from his CDs, Favorites include "The Water Is Wide," "In My Life," "Imagine" & "Amazing Grace."  
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>  
 Canton
- 02/13 ***John McCutcheon*** 203-272-8404 \$18-20  
 8:00p John McCutcheon is America's balladeer. His songs sing of the nation's heritage. His words channel the conscience of our people into streams of poetry and melody. He writes about subjects small and great, from a child's haircut to freedom and human dignity – issues equally eternal and enduring. Think of McCutcheon as an incarnation of Pete Seeger and Mr. Rogers, Will Rogers and Bruce Springsteen, and above all Everyman, righteously passionate and impishly playful, blessed with gifts as a songwriter, historian, musician and storyteller that have won him praise in Australia as "the most overwhelming folk performer in the English language," from a Russian critic as "the most versatile and compelling performer this reviewer has ever seen," and from Johnny Cash as "the most impressive instrumentalist I've ever heard." John's instruments include the guitar, hammered dulcimer, fiddle, banjo, autoharp, piano, and jaw harp.  
*Advance tickets for the John McCutcheon concert are now available. Space is limited, so order yours now.* Make your check payable to The Sounding Board and mail with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Brent Hall, 460 Wallingford Road, Cheshire, CT 06410.  
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street,  
 West Hartford

- 02/14 **Paris Piano Trio** 203-426-6470 \$20  
Spectacular piano trio performances by these three great French musicians won acclaim throughout Europe and North America. Their recordings of works by Schubert, Brahms, Tchaikovsky, Shostakovich and Chausson are familiar to listeners worldwide. We expect sublime music making for Valentine's Day on this, their second visit to Newtown.  
Edmond Town Hall, Main Street <http://newtownfriendsofmusic.org/>  
Newtown
- 02/14 **Neville Bros. w/Dr. John & Lower 911** (203) 438-3889 \$95-125  
6:30p **VALENTINE'S DAY EVENT! MARDI GRAS MAMBO!**  
6:30 - 8:30pm - Everyone gets Mardi Gras beads, a free glass of champagne, hors d'oeuvres, chocolate fountain & additional glass of champagne with every raffle purchased!  
There is no question that the Grammy Award winning Neville Brothers are New Orleans' first family of funk. As a group, The Neville Brothers have been together and recording since 1978. Perhaps their best known, and most artistically successful release was 1989's "Yellow Moon". Several songs that have been staples of their live shows, that are fan favorites include "Shake Your Tambourine", "Junk Man", "Congo Square" and "One Love". The Nevilles continue to provoke, entertain and excite audiences around the globe.  
Dr. John is universally celebrated as the living embodiment of the rich musical heritage exclusive to New Orleans. The incomparable pianist is known for old favorites such as: "Iko, Iko" "On A Mardi Gras Day", "More Than You Know," "Walk on Gilded Splinters", "Right Place, Wrong Time", "Makin' Whoopee", "Such A Night" and "Big Chief". Dr. John garnered four Grammy awards.. His Hurricane Katrina benefit disc. In 2009, "City That Care Forgot" won the Grammy for "Best Contemporary Blues Album.". [Visit The Neville Brothers' Website](#) [Check out Dr. John's Website](#)  
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
Ridgefield
- 02/14 **John Mayall** 866-666-6306 \$65-90  
8:00p It was 1956 when John Mayall was able to pursue his interest. He started playing blues in semi-professional bands such as "The Powerhouse Four" and "The Blues Syndicate". Alex Korner influenced him so much that he moved to London to form "John Mayall's Bluesbreakers".  
Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
Norfolk
- 02/18 **Willie Ninninger** (203) 266-5771 Free  
7-10p with John Kuhner on keyboards and Ken Melton on drums  
The Painted Pony, 74 Main Street  
Bethlehem
- 02/18 **Corey Harris** 866-666-6306 \$25-35  
Harris shifts his focus to more traditional American blues and related styles with the September 29, 2009, release of blu.black, a collection of fourteen original songs – primarily blues and reggae, but with generous doses of other genres – that examine the African-American story of earlier centuries and connect it to the present day and future generations.  
"I always deal with Africa and the blues and roots on my records," he says. "Those have been my primary themes throughout most of my career. On this record, I wanted to express my love for great black music, and demonstrate that love in original song form. It's the same goal I've been pursuing for some time – to make original music and try to educate people in the process."  
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Norfolk

- 02/18 **Coffeehouse** 203-837-9700 Free  
 8:00 The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, the SCSU Gospel Choir at 9 p.m.  
 Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp>
- 02/19 **Rubblebucket** 866-666-6306 \$10-20  
 8:00p Rubblebucket is a nine-piece polyrhythmic dance/rock band led by trumpeter Alex Toth and fronted by the alluring vocals of Kalmia Traver. Comparisons have been drawn to Talking Heads, Fela Kuti, Bjork and James Brown, but Rubblebucket's afro-beat inspired, trip-rock soul experience is beyond classification.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 02/19 **Melvin Chen & the Portals Resident Quartet** (860) 435-2591  
 7:00p The performance will feature Melvin Chen on piano with Jessica Lee, violin; Harumi Rhodes, violin; Jacob Braun, cello; and Melissa Reardon, viola. Chen, an acclaimed pianist and associate director of the Bard College Conservatory of Music, is artistic director of the Summer Portals program at The Hotchkiss School, and the quartet musicians are music instructors for the program. Visitor parking is available in the main circle in front of the School  
 Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road, intersection of Routes 41 and 112  
 Lakeville
- 02/19 **Hot 8 Brass Band** (203) 438-3889 \$45-50  
 8:00p The Hot 8 Brass Band is a New Orleans based brass band that blends hip-hop, jazz and funk styles with traditional New Orleans brass sounds. As the featured band in SAVE OUR BRASS!, a Hurricane Katrina relief project, Hot 8 Brass Band brought their unique, energetic New Orleans sound to evacuee shelters, temporary trailer parks and other disaster-stricken communities. Performing in festivals, parades and clubs up and down the Northeast and internationally, founding members Bennie Pete, Jerome Jones and Harry Cook have earned a reputation for unceasingly uplifting souls everywhere they play! The Hot 8 Brass Band continued their efforts to provide hope and healing for those impacted by the storm through the Finding Our Folk Tour, traveling to 8 cities in four consecutive weekends during January and February, 2006. The tour successfully connected young people and adults from around the country with the plight of people and families directly impacted by the storm.  
*7:30pm: pre performance discussion with members of the band about life for musicians post Katrina- moderated by Ira Joe Fisher and Morton Dean*  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 02/20 **The British Invasion Tour** (203) 346-2000 \$28-53  
 8:00p Get ready to rock with "The British Invasion Tour" featuring The Led Zeppelin Experience performed by Hammer of the Gods with special guest Who's Next, The Ultimate Tribute to The Who! The Led Zeppelin Experience takes fans on a classic concert journey of amazement, re-creating the sights, sounds and wonder of one of the most powerful shows of our time. Who's Next brings to life the explosive, high energy excitement of one of rock and rolls greatest bands. Now, "The British Invasion Tour" features these two must see bands together on one stage! Come see what fans and critics are calling "quite simply the greatest Zeppelin show in the world."  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/events/>  
 Waterbury

- 02/20 **Nathan Day** 203-567-8302 Free  
 7:00p Common Ground Café, 250 West Street  
 Litchfield
- 02/20 **Stephen Bishop** 866-666-6306 \$40-60  
 8:00p He sang the hit theme, "It Might Be You," from the movie, "Tootsie," as well as writing and/or singing  
 13 other films including, "Animal House," and "Separate Lives.." from "White Nights." His songs have  
 been sung by artists such as: Phil Collins, Eric Clapton, Barbra Streisand, Art Garfunkel, Steve Perry,  
 Stephanie Mills, Kenny Loggins, Johnny Mathis, Phoebe Snow, David Crosby, The Four Tops, Aswad  
 and Pavarotti.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 02/20 **Randy Burns & Ron Anthony** 860-693-0263 \$15-17  
 7:30p Roaring Brook presents two remarkable songwriter-guitarists in a split bill who began their  
 careers in the New Haven Folk Music Scene of the 1960's. Randy recorded for ESP records in the 60's  
 and for major labels Mercury and Polydor in the 70's. Tonight he performs songs from his 2008 release,  
 The Simple Things, RandyBurns-The Exit and Gaslight Years and an upcoming CD produced by Pete  
 Kennedy. With solid guitar work and a strong, rich voice, he sings "Right Around You," "Sad Irish  
 Tunes," "Evening of the Magician" and "The Farm Song."  
 In 2009, Ron Anthony represented CT at The National Blues Challenge in Memphis, TN after  
 winning the CT Blues Society "Best Solo Blues Artist" award. He performs original roots and blues  
 infused songs featuring strong vocals and inventive satin-smooth guitar work. Ron has played on bills  
 with Bonnie Raitt, Chris Smither, John Fahey, John Hammond and Michael Bolton!  
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>  
 Canton
- 02/20 **Anne Hills** 203-272-8404 \$14-16  
 8:00p "Hills has carved a distinct niche by performing contemporary folk songs in a stunning voice ...  
 Experimenting with country, blues and jazz techniques, she brings a fresh vision to many of the finest  
 folk songs being written today." - Michigan Daily.  
 "Anne Hills is such an exquisite singer that it's understandable that people might be swept up in the pure  
 beauty of her voice and thereby overlook her writing. That would be a mistake. For me, Anne's writing,  
 in songs like 'Follow That Road' and many others, is as direct, melodic and deep as any work being done  
 today. She is quite simply one of my absolute favorite songwriters." - Tom Paxton.  
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street,  
 West Hartford
- 02/20 **Robin OHerin** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 2:30p Robin O'Herin (blues/ roots fingerstyle guitar player/ vocalist) In Concert.  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road  
 North Canaan
- 02/21 **Baroque Music for Guitars** 866-666-6306 \$20-30  
 3:00p This concert is brought to you by The Yale School of Music Guitar Department. The program will  
 include repertoire from Bach, Telemann, Scarlatti. More to come...  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk

- 02/21 ***Music for Organ and Trombone*** (860) 693-6333 Free  
 4:00p Organist Ahreum Han and trombonist Achilles Liarmakopoulos will be the featured artists. Born in Seoul, Ahreum Han has received degrees from Westminster Choir College, the Curtis Institute of Music, and the Institute for Sacred Music at Yale University. She has won several prizes, including first prize at the 2007 Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival. Ahreum has given concerts to great critical acclaim in the United States and Europe. Ms. Han will perform on the historic Flentrop Organ built in 1965 by Dirk A. Flentrop, the leading organ builder of his generation. Achilles Liarmakopoulos is a native of Athens. He holds degrees from the Curtis Institute of Music, the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, and the Philippos Nakas Conservatory. Achilles was a prize winner at the 2008 Christian Lindberg International Competition and is a founding member of the Atticus Brass Quintet. A reception will follow the concert. In case of severe inclement weather the concert would be rescheduled to Sunday, February 28 at 4:00p.. Collinsville Congregational Church, 7 South Street, Village Green  
 Collinsville
- 02/21 ***Freedom, Slavery and the Roots of American Music*** (860) 355-1191 Free  
 2:00p Presented by guest musician and lecturer Ray Kamalay. The discussion will include freedom, ancient and modern slavery, the Haitian Revolution, the origin of blackface, blues, minstrel shows, ragtime and jazz. Mr. Kamalay has performed at several prestigious venues including the Edinburgh Festival, Interlochen and the Philadelphia Folk Festival.  
 New Milford Public Library, 24 Main Street  
 New Milford
- 02/21- ***Ann Schein*** 860-283-6250 \$25  
 2:00p From her first recordings for Kapp Records, and her highly acclaimed Carnegie Hall recital debut as an artist on the Sol Hurok roster, Ann Schein's amazing career has earned her high praise in major American and European cities and in more than 50 countries around the world. She has performed with conductors including George Szell, James Levine, Seiji Ozawa, James dePreist, David Zinman, Stanislaw Skrowacewski, and Sir Colin Davis, and with major orchestras including the New York Philharmonic, the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Baltimore Symphony, the Washington National Symphony, the London Philharmonic, the London Symphony, and the BBC Symphony Orchestra. She has performed at the White House during the Kennedy administration.  
 Thomaston Opera House, 158 Main Street  
 Thomaston
- 02/21 ***Bridget & Luiz de Moura Castro*** 860-673-9712 Free  
 3:00p Pianists extraordinaire. Reception for the artists will follow the performance  
 Avon Public Library, 281 Country Club Road  
 Avon
- 02/22 ***Bruce Wheeler*** 860-693-0263 \$  
 7:30p A most satisfying performer, this stellar guitarist will perform originals and covers from his influences—Michael Hedges, Doc Watson and Pierre Bensusan  
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road  
 Canton <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
- 02/23 ***Winter Wonderland Instrumental Music & High Tea*** 860-567-8302 \$20  
 4-6p By Jeffrey Engel. A lecture on symphonic and instrumental music inspired by winter followed by sweets & tea. Reservation and pre-payment required by 2/19.  
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road  
 Litchfield

- 02/24 **Joel Blumert In Concert** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 2:00p A product of the 60's blues and folk revival, Joel started playing guitar in 1963. Joel has opened for Brownie and Sonny, Spider John Koerner, Rory Block, Jack Elliot, and many other folk and blues artists. He is frequently referred to as a musician's musician, admired by many jazz and classical musicians as well as folk and blues artists. He is described as having a confident, commanding stage presence, aided by dazzling guitar playing, and vocal strength.  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road  
 North Canaan
- 02/25 **David Mallett** 866-666-6306 \$20-30  
 8:00p David Mallett is one of America's true original troubadours. In a career spanning four decades, he has recorded 14 albums and performed in clubs, concerts halls and outdoor festivals across the U.S., Canada and Europe. He has appeared on numerous national broadcasts, including Prairie Home Companion, The Nashville Network and NPR.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 02/25 **Coffeehouse** 203-837-9700 Free  
 8:00 The coffeehouse will include open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, R&B hip-hop / rap artists The Paperboyz at 9 p.m.  
 Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp>
- 02/25 **Dennis DeYoung: The Music of STYX** (203) 438-3889 \$85  
 8:00p The Music of Styx features founding member of the band, Dennis DeYoung, who also acted as lead vocalist, keyboardist, accordion player, producer, writer and creative force behind many of the band's hit songs. DeYoung will recreate 30 years of musical history featuring all the music he wrote and sang spanning his remarkable career. The set list for the evening will include all of the hits that Dennis wrote and sang such as "Lady," "Babe," "Come Sail Away," "Best of Times," "Mr. Roboto," "Grand Illusion," "Don't Let It End," "Show Me the Way," Lorelei," "Rockin' the Paradise," and "Desert Moon."  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 02/26 **Jazz Orchestra Concert** 203-837-8350 Free  
 8:00 Featured will be Frankensax, conducted by Jamie Began; the WCSU Jazz Ensemble, conducted by Dave Scott; and the WCSU Jazz Orchestra, conducted by Jamie Began.  
 Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.  
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/Coffeehouse.asp>
- 02/26 **Cyril Neville** 866-666-6306 \$25-40  
 8:00p The youngest of the four Neville Brothers, Cyril Neville maybe the last great voice of New Orleans music. In addition to his work with the Neville Brothers, Cyril has formed other bands over the years, including the Endangered Species Band in 1983 and the Uptown All-stars Band, while he also found time to launch his own record label, Endangered Species. Cyril also founded the New Orleans Musicians Organized (NOMO), which helps musicians who need business advice with their careers. Cyril Neville has issued several solo albums on his own over the years, including 1995's "The Fire This Time," and a pair in 2000, "New Orleans Cookin'" and "Soulo."  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk

- 02/26 **Bobby McFerrin** (203) 438-3889 \$75-80  
 8:00p Bobby McFerrin is one of the natural wonders of the music world. A ten- time Grammy Award winner, he is one of the world's best- known vocal innovators and improvisers, a world- renowned classical conductor, the creator of "Don't Worry Be Happy", one of the most popular songs of the late 20th century, and a passionate spokesman for music education. His recordings have sold over 20 million copies, and his collaborations including those with Yo-Yo Ma, Chick Corea, the Vienna Philharmonic, and Herbie Hancock have established him as an ambassador of both the classical and jazz
- With a four-octave range and a vast array of vocal techniques, McFerrin is no mere singer; he is music's last true Renaissance man, a vocal explorer who has combined jazz, folk and a multitude of world music influences - choral, a cappella, and classical music - with his own ingredients. As a conductor, Bobby is able to convey his innate musicality in an entirely different context. He has worked with such orchestras as the New York Philharmonic, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Chicago Symphony, the Philadelphia Orchestra, and the Vienna Philharmonic. [Go to Bobby McFerrin's website](#)
- AllShows.com VIP Party Pass -which includes a pre- show cocktail party catered by [Ancona's](#), open bar, priority parking, VIP seating and meet and greet with the artist when available! Call the Box Office for more information.*
- Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 02/26- **A Chorus Line** (203) 346-2000 \$49-59  
 02/28 In an empty theatre, on a bare stage, casting for a new Broadway musical is almost complete. For 17 dancers, this audition is the chance of a lifetime. It's what they've worked for with every drop of sweat, every hour of training, every day of their lives. It's the one opportunity to do what they've always dreamed -- to have the chance to dance. This is A Chorus Line, the musical for everyone who's ever had a dream and put it all on the line. Winner of nine Tony Awards®, including “Best Musical” and the Pulitzer Prize for drama, this singular sensation is the longest-running American Broadway musical ever. Fri 8pm; Sat 2 & 8p; Sun 1p.  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/events/>  
 Waterbury
- 02/27 **Sally Rogers & Howie Bursen** (203-272-8404 \$14-16  
 8:00p Sally Rogers performs an evening of traditional, contemporary and original ballads and song, interwoven with stories taken from her life as a performer, a wife and a mother. Throughout her concerts, she accompanies herself on guitar and Appalachian dulcimer, or performs without accompaniment in a voice that needs no further enhancement. Reviewers have described her voice in superlatives ranging from "remarkable" to "mesmerizing." As one critic summarized, "...it's really next to impossible to do justice to a voice of that quality." Much of the material performed by Sally includes compositions of her own, many of which are considered classics of the folk and popular genre. Joining Sally will be Howie Bursen, an outstanding singer and banjo player in his own right.  
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street,  
 West Hartford
- 02/27 **Capitol Steps** 860.489.7180 \$20-40  
 8:00p This political satire performing group directly from Washington D.C. has an inside track on what is “really” going on. The performers are from “the hill” and perspective will definitely raise your humor level to new heights!  
 Warner Theater  
 Torrington

- 02/27 ***Paul Rishell & Annie Raines*** 860-693-0263 \$18-20  
 7:30p W.C. Handy Award-Winners Paul Rishell and Annie Raines are amazing! Their mastery of instruments, vocals and performance skills on roots, folk, blues and jazz material earn them standing ovations during and at the end of sets. Paul Rishell is a superb acoustic, National Steel, slide and electric guitarist who has played with Son House, Howlin' Wolf and Brownie McGee and Sonny Terry. Annie Raines is an acclaimed harmonica player whose tone, phrasing and dynamics will astound you. Tonight they will perform selections from their new live DVD, A Night in Woodstock which features John Sebastian on harmonicas and Bruce Katz on keyboards.  
 Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road Canton <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
- 02/27 ***Ryan Montbleau Band*** 866-666-6306 \$20-30  
 8:00p Averaging over 200 gigs per year for the past few years, Ryan Montbleau Band has generated the kind of buzz that only surrounds a talented artist on the verge.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 02/27- ***Student Choreography & Dance*** (860) 435-2591 Free  
 02/28 Students of Dance Director Alice Sarkissian-Wolf take the stage in what has become an annual  
 7:30p presentation of student choreography and dance.  
 Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road, intersection of Routes 41 and 112 Lakeville
- 02/28 ***Open Recital*** (860) 435-2319 Free?  
 3:00p Open recital of music and dance students from the tri-state primary schools through high schools to benefit the Arts Fund for Region One. Come and support these students as they keep the ARTS alive!  
 Salisbury Congregational Church, Fellowship Hall Salisbury
- 02/28 ***The Verve Pipe – Alternative Take*** 866-666-6306 \$25-40  
 8:00p With sales of three million albums worldwide and a reputation for spectacular live performances, the genesis of The Verve Pipe can be traced back to the early 90s, when lead singer Brian Vander Ark and drummer Donny Brown, members of two rival Michigan bands, joined forces. After the additions of lead guitarist AJ Dunning (later replaced) and keyboard/percussionist Doug Corella, The Verve Pipe released two independent albums, I've Suffered A Head Injury and Pop Smear. The group quickly garnered a regional following for its textured rock songs distinguished by inventive arrangements, soul-searching lyrics and layered vocals  
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