

# Music In The Air

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

*Compiled by the Connecticut Department of Developmental Services  
West Region Music Therapy Department  
203-586-2144*

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= outdoor performance

bring lawn chair, blanket, etc.

- 06/18- ***Funny Girl*** 203-748-6873 \$13-21  
07/04 Backstage in her dressing room at the New Amsterdam Theatre, where she is a reigning Ziegfeld star, Fanny Brice sits thoughtfully at her dressing table. Tonight Fanny's mind is on something more important than the show. Her husband, Nick Arnstein, will be coming home after serving a prison sentence. Now she must make a decision about their future Grounds open at 7:15 p.m. for picnicking. Chair rentals are available on site.  
Richter Center for the Arts, Aunt Hack Road [www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)  
Danbury
- 06/18 ***A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum***(860) 364-7469 \$17-44  
07/04 Forum offers a non-stop laugh fest in which slave, Pseudolus, struggles to win the hand of a beautiful but slowwitted countess, Philia, for his young master, Hero, in exchange for freedom. Call for tickets, schedule of showtimes and further information.[Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Triarts – Sharon Playhouse: After intersection of Rts 4, 41, & 343, go another 100 feet on Rt. 343.  
Sharon
-  07/01 ***Mac Talla Mor*** 860-567-7569 Free  
7-9p Mac-Talla Mor, Gaelic for 'Great Echo', is an exciting Celtic Fusion Band featuring the Great Highland Bagpipes in a dynamic mix of Celtic Rock, Blues and Jazz. They have been featured performers at the annual 'Pipes in The Valley' Celtic music series at Riverfront Plaza, Hartford and at the Newport Waterfront Festival in Rhode Island. Traveling throughout the East Coast, Mac-Talla Mor is sought after by many Celtic organizations looking to add some spice to their Celtic-themed festival. With music simultaneously youthful and ancient, there is magic in that voice. Visit their website [HERE](#)  
Litchfield Green rain = Litchfield Firehouse on Route 202, just south of the Green  
Litchfield

07/02 ***Maria Muldaur*** 866-666-6308 \$30-50  
8:00p Maria Muldaur went platinum in two years and forever enshrined Maria in the minds of baby boomers the world over. "**Midnight at the Oasis**" remains to this day a staple song on multi-format radio. Four albums on Warner Brothers followed including her acclaimed second disc, *Waitress in a Donut Shop*, which contained her next hit single, a remake of "**I'm A Woman.**" She invited her friends and musical heroes to join her musical adventures and the list is a who's who of the true lasting greats in American music: Dr. John, Ry Cooder, Paul Butterfield, Lowell George, Linda Ronstadt, Stevie Wonder, Jr. Walker, James Booker, Benny Carter, J.J. Cale, Kenny Burrell, Doc Watson and Hoagy Carmichael.  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk



07/02 ***2<sup>nd</sup> company Governor's Foot Guard*** 860-945-5246 Free  
7:00p Comprised of a group of men and women volunteers, dedicating their time and services to the Governor and people of the State of Connecticut. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
Veterans Memorial Park, 570 Novia Scotia Hill Rd.  
Watertown Rain = Held inside Heminway Park School



07/02 ***Harry Manx*** (203) 431-6501 Free  
7:00p Ballard Park (rain = East Ridge Middle School; no food or drink permitted in the auditorium)  
Ridgefield <http://www.Chirpct.org/>

07/03 ***Pousette-Dart Band*** 866-666-6308 \$25-40  
8:00p Jon Pousette-Dart captained the Pousette-Dart Band through four albums for Capitol Records between 1976 and 1980, a run that acquainted a generation with his formidable gifts as a singer, songwriter, arranger, guitarist and all-around musical adventurer. During this time, the Pousette-Dart Band became one of the busiest touring groups in the U. S., working with such acts as the Byrds, Bonnie Raitt, Little Feat, James Taylor, Yes, the J. Geils Band, Eddie Money, Peter Frampton, Journey and Billy Joel  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk

07/04 ***Avalon String Quartet*** 860-824-7126 \$  
6:30p Soyeon Lee, piano. A Salute to Independence Day: God Bless America Sing A Long and more. Arrive early, bring a box lunch or dinner and enjoy a stroll around our lovely grounds.  
Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
Falls Village

07/04 ***The Cartells*** 866-666-6308 \$15-30  
8:00p Jazz, swing, rhythm&blues and popular music of all styles are equally represented in their impressive repertoire, and their dedication to defining and fulfilling the wants & needs of their audience results in every appearance being an event to remember.  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk



07/04 ***Sleeping Beauty*** 203-748-6873 \$ 5  
 11a Prior to the show, each child has the opportunity to meet, and receive a special gift from, Mother Goose as well as participate in a craft activity related to that day's performance. Each show is interactive with song and movement, and many of the children in the audience join the actors onstage to become part of the story. With birthday celebrations during intermission, a visit to Fairy Tale theater will undoubtedly be memorable for the whole family Grounds open at 10:30 for craft activity.  
 Grounds of Wooster School [www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)  
 Danbury

07/04 ***Turn of the Century Fest & Litchfield Pet Parade*** 860-567-4501 Free  
 2:30- Litchfield History Museum Pet Parade, games, music, food on the historic Litchfield Green.  
 4:30p Ice cream social, period music and plenty of 19th century games. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Litchfield Green  
 Litchfield

07/04 ***Respect Due*** Free  
 9:00p This is a fun night--there is a carnival at Youngs Field, 2 bands on the green, a giant cake, and of course, fireworks. The band will be in the gazebo, starting at 9 pm, with a break for the fireworks  
 New Milford Green  
 New Milford

07/05 ***The Zimro Project*** 860-824-7126 \$  
 3:00p The Zimro Project: Alexander Fiterstein, clarinet, Sharon Roffman, violin, Alexis Sykes, viola, Steve Beck, piano, Lily Francis, violin and Raman Ramakrishnan, cello. Arrive early, bring a box lunch or dinner and enjoy a stroll around our lovely grounds.  
 Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
 Falls Village



07/06 ***Apricot Brandy*** 860-283-4937 Free  
 7:00p "The Brandy", as they are known to their die-hard enthusiasts, is a great band to see live! Audiences can't help but get up and dance as this tight seven-piece powerhouse "gets down and boogies". Whether they're playing soulful Otis Redding songs, the lyrical harmonies of Van Morrison or the rockin' brass of Tower of Power (to name but a few of their styles), Apricot Brandy takes you on a fantastic voyage through musical time. What really stands out most about any performance by The Brandy, though, is that these guys truly have a great time playing to the crowd.  
 Town Green; South Main & Elm . (Rain = Black Rock Elementary School, Branch Road; Rte. 109.  
 Thomaston [www.fineartsconnection.org](http://www.fineartsconnection.org)



07/07 ***Magic Moments*** 860-489-2274 Free  
 7:00p Idol Bests.  
 Coe Memorial Park [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Torrington



07/07  
7:00p

***Martyn Joseph***

(203) 431-6501 Free

Martyn's particular strength is in the lyrical narrative of his songs, be they contemporary protests against injustice and inhumanity, a musical psalm to the fulfilment and fragilities of love, or a piercing précis of social history, "It's the song that can soothe, explain or even in a small way save us". In this manner he carries on in the tradition of the six string balladeer as both catalyst and interpreter of our raddled and rewarding times, our personal and communal stories sung out loud in the spirit of Woody Guthrie, Ewan MacColl, Hank Williams and Bruce Springsteen.

Voted Best Male Artist at the 2004 BBC Welsh Music Awards and with a string of humanitarian plaudits and awards, he's a mean guitar player with one of the most powerful voices on the circuit crafting songs with, as the BBC's Bob Harris put it, "outstanding lyrical intelligence.

Ballard Park (rain = East Ridge Middle School; no food or drink permitted in the auditorium)  
Ridgefield <http://www.Chirpct.org/>



**07/07 *Ian Campbell***

**203-586-2144**

**Free**

**6:30**

**Ian Campbell grew up in Western Connecticut with Seven-teen entertaining and musical brothers and sisters. Friday night family talent shows and outrageous dinnertime jam sessions, where people were encouraged to play instruments such as: "fork-boing," "salt shaker," or "nose" gave Ian a witty approach to music.**

**James Taylor, Joni Mitchell, and Jackson Browne, among many Singer/Songwriter's" influenced Ian's musical taste.**

**Ian spent five years as a Naval Aviator, patrolling the world's oceans; traveling around the world, carrying a guitar wherever a guitar would go. He left the Navy, after the Gulf War, and drove a beat up Jeep around the United States, looking for a little peace and adventure. Somewhere just outside of the Grand Canyon, the songwriter found his voice.**

**Ian began to record the first of two albums. His original work is introspective; stories of survival in the human condition, with depth and humor bringing ease to the story.**

**Ian's music has been getting acclaim throughout the Northeast. Both of his albums have enjoyed regular radio play, and his song, "Litchfield Hills Road Race" (a fun song written after finishing 'said race') is used as the official song of that large road race.**

**Through CD sales and a fan base, Ian's live shows have continued to grow exponentially. Ian tours around the country, as a clinician for the Ovation guitar, and regularly performs live throughout Connecticut and the Northeast. He also directs and teaches for the world renowned National Guitar Workshop.**

**[http://www.iancampbellmusic.com/contact\\_us.html](http://www.iancampbellmusic.com/contact_us.html)**

**Café will be open; may also bring picnic lunch.**

**Gate House Café, Rt. 172**

**Southbury**

**Rain = pavilion; follow the signs**



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 Naugatuck (rain = same night at City Hill Middle School)



07/08 **Last Fair Deal** 860-567-7569 Free  
 7-9p Bluegrass  
 Litchfield Green [.Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Litchfield rain = Litchfield Firehouse on Route 202, just south of the Green



07/08 **Music Appreciation Day** 203-263-3113 Free  
 6:30p The Woodbury Summer Concert series opens with a Music Appreciation Day--featuring local talent and a variety of instrumentals. [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Hollow Park  
 Woodbury



07/08 **Night of Fresh Voices & Kim Roberts** 860-677-4787 Free  
 6:30p **Music by Freddie Bryant**  
 Fresh Voices – four to six high school winners of Hill-Stead's Young Poets Competition selected from all corners of the state – represent some of the best writing being produced in Connecticut high schools today. These bright young adults will dazzle the audience with their verse and poise.  
 Kim Roberts, second place winner of Hill-Stead's prestigious Adult Poetry Competition 2008, will read from her prize-winning manuscript, *Exhibitionist*.  
 Guitarist, composer and educator Freddie Bryant, a graduate of Yale School of Music and active on the New York music scene for over 20 years, returns to the Sunken Garden to perform Brazilian jazz with his trio. [www.freddiebryant.com](http://www.freddiebryant.com)  
 Boxed suppers will be available by pre-order purchase, or bring your own picnic from home. Picnicking will be allowed on the West Lawn and in select locations in the Sunken Garden. Hill-Stead's Sunken Garden is wheelchair accessible. Parking: On-site, \$10 per vehicle. Free public parking available on a limited basis at Brickwalk Shops, off High Street, Farmington.  
[http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry\\_performseries.html#facts](http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry_performseries.html#facts)  
 Hill-Stead Museum, 35 Mountain Road (rain = on site location)  
 Farmington



07/08 **Clearview – Oldies and Rock n’ Roll** 860-945-5246 Free  
 7:00p Clearview--headed by three outstanding vocalists. This band will be performing the best Oldies and Rock and Roll. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Veterans Memorial Park, 570 Novia Scotia Hill Rd.  
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07/09 **Vienna Teng w/Seth Adam** 866-666-6308 \$25-40  
 8:00p Teng is a rising star, winning accolades as much for her soprano ("smooth and sophisticated," says the Washington Times) as for her lyrics ("smart and introspective," observes the Philadelphia Daily News). Meanwhile, the San Jose Mercury News calls Teng "a child of Chopin and Sarah McLachlan." With songs as powerful as the stirring folk ballad "Whatever You Want" and the gorgeous, string-laden "Now Three," it's easy to see why. Chamber folk or classically-influenced pop, Vienna Teng's music is simply one of the most enchanting new sounds around.  
 Seth Adam creates compelling, accessible, timeless rock music with honest lyrics. With influences ranging from Counting Crows, The Beatles and Led Zeppelin, his songs demonstrate a deft pop-sensibility and a compelling vulnerability which continue to touch an ever-growing and remarkably diverse fan base  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44  
 Norfolk

07/09 **The Church** (203) 438-3889 \$45  
 8:00p This Australian rock band has been part of the music scene for more than twenty five years. With hits such as "The Unguarded Moment" and "Under The Milky Way," The Church continues to rock audiences all over the world with their progressive rock and instrumental jams.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge  
 Ridgefield

07/09 **Lez Zeppelin** (203) 438-3889 \$20  
 9:00p Since forming in 2004, this NY City-based quartet has toured throughout the United States and Europe to become the first and foremost female rock act to pay homage to Led Zeppelin and to garner rave reviews across the board. Although Lez Zeppelin stays true to the musically audacious spirit of the original, delivering the legendary rock band's blistering arrangements and monstrous sound note-for-note, the four women bring their own unique energy and passion to the music. Live, the group takes its lead from what Led Zeppelin did in performance, seeking to create an intense experience from the in-the-moment interaction between all the players to both recount and reinvent the musical moment for the audience.  
 Heirloom Arts Theatre, 155 Main Street  
 Danbury



07/09- **A Chorus Line** 203-748-6873 \$13-21  
 07/25 A stunning musical-verite about a chorus audition for a Broadway musical. It tells of the achingly poignant ambitions of professional Broadway gypsies to land a job in the show, and is a powerful metaphor for all human aspiration. Memorable musical numbers include I Can Do That, At the Ballet, Dance: Ten; Looks: Three, The Music and the Mirror, What I Did for Love, One (Singular Sensation) and I Hope I Get It. It is a brilliantly complex fusion of dance, song and compellingly authentic drama.

The show was instantly recognized as a classic. Grounds open at 7:15 p.m. for picnicking. Chair rentals are available on site.

Richter Center for the Arts, Aunt Hack Road  
Danbury

[www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)

07/10 ***New Riders of the Purple Sage*** 866-666-6308 \$30-45

8:00p The New Riders of the Purple Sage, signed to Columbia Records by Clive Davis, released its eponymous first album in September 1971 to widespread acclaim. In the next 11 years the band toured and released over 12 albums, selling over 4 million records. NRPS began as a part-time spin-off from the Grateful Dead when Jerry Garcia (pedal steel guitar), Phil Lesh (bass) and Mickey Hart (drums) teamed up with John Dawson (guitar, vocals) and David Nelson (guitar).

Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk



07/10 ***Jus Us Band*** 860-489-2274 Free

7:00p Motown

Coe Memorial Park  
Torrington

[Click here to visit their Web site](#)



07/10 ***Lime Light Rock / Tribute Band*** 203-792-1711 Free

7:30p CityCenter Bandshell on the Danbury Green  
Danbury

07/10 ***Too Blue***

7:30p Listening room, coffees & lite fare. BYOB.

Liquid Lunch, 434 Howe Ave. in downtown Shelton  
Shelton

[www.liquidlunchrestaurant.com](http://www.liquidlunchrestaurant.com)

07/10 ***Tokyo String Quartet & Jasper String Quartet*** 860-542-3000 \$10-45; Kids free

8:00p Quartet perform Mendelssohn's glorious Octet. Works of Haydn and Beethoven are also on the program. Come early and enjoy a brookside picnic and a stroll along the grounds.

Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, Rtes 44 and 272  
Norfolk

[Click here to visit their Web site.](#)

07/10 ***Sherman Chamber Ensemble*** 860-355-5930 \$25

8:00p Subscription Series #1 – 8:00 PM. Music for flute, harp and strings by Debussy, Villa Lobos and Takemitsu, plus Mendelssohn's String Quartet Op. 44 #3, with Stacy Shames (harp), Susan Rotholz (flute), Jill Levy (violin), Sarah Adams (viola) and Eliot Bailen (cello).

St. Andrews Church  
Kent

07/10 ***Sherman Chamber Ensemble*** 860-355-5930 Free

2:00p Children's Concert  
Kent Memorial Library  
Kent

07/10- **Disney's High School Musical 2** 860-364-SHOW \$  
07/26 High School Musical 2 picks up where the excitement of High School Musical left off. Join Troy, Gabriella, Sharpay, Ryan and the rest of the East High gang as they dive into the enchanted world of Lava Springs Country Club and put their talent to the ultimate test--featuring dynamic dance numbers and infectious energy. Call for reservations and further information. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
TriArts Sharon Playhouse, Rtes. 343, 41 & 4  
Sharon



07/11 **NV/Billboard Favorites from the 60's, 70's & 80's** 203-792-1711 Free  
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Lake Mauweehoo Clubhouse  
Sherman

07/11 **Chuck Mangione** 866-666-6308 \$40-65  
7 & For more than five decades, Chuck Mangione's love affair with music has been characterized by  
9:30p his boundless energy, unabashed enthusiasm, and pure joy that radiates from the stage.  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk

07/11 **Haydn & Mendelssohn** 860-542-3000 \$10-45; Kids free  
8:00p The Festival commemorates the bicentennial of Mendelssohn's birth and Haydn's death with a program of the composers - trios performed by Shmuel Ashkenasi *violin*, Ole Akahoshi *cello* and Peter Frankl *piano*. Come early and enjoy a brookside picnic and a stroll along the grounds.  
Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, Rtes 44 and 272 [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Norfolk



07/11 **Roxbury Pickin' n Fiddlin' Contest** 860-354-5921 \$  
A fun family event for all. Prizes in categories: Fiddle Jam (not judged); Old Time Fiddle, Old Time Banjo, Mandolin, Fancy Fiddle, Finger Picking Guitar, Bluegrass Banjo, Band Playoff. No electric instruments. Bands will play between categories. Bands play between categories, leading up to a winner playoff. Also, Vendors, Volleyball, Playground, Kid Crafts & Food/Drinks. Lawn chair/blankets recommended. Fun for the whole family. No dogs. Admission. Parking Free. Benefit Roxbury Vol.Fire Department. [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Hurlbert park, off Rt. 67; 18 Apple Lane,  
Roxbury



07/11 ***The Ugly Duckling, and Stone Soup*** 203-748-6873 \$ 5  
11a Prior to the show, each child has the opportunity to meet, and receive a special gift from, Mother Goose as well as participate in a craft activity related to that day's performance. Each show is interactive with song and movement, and many of the children in the audience join the actors onstage to become part of the story. With birthday celebrations during intermission, a visit to Fairy Tale theater will undoubtedly be memorable for the whole family Grounds open at 10:30 for craft activity.  
Grounds of Wooster School [www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)  
Danbury

07/11 ***Maze featuring Frankie Beverly & Friends*** 203-755-4700 \$45-80  
8:00p Summer Soul presents "Maze featuring Frankie Beverly & Friends", dubbed the "best kept secret in the industry," Frankie Beverly and Maze have gained world-wide appeal through their unique sound and legendary sold-out live performances. For over 30 years, the group has yielded a string of chart-topping hits including "We Are One," "I Can't Get Over You," "The Morning After," and "Joy and Pain." In 2004, Maze released an 18-track Greatest Hits album featuring some of the most popular and successful songs of the group's remarkable career.  
Palace Theater, 100 East Main St.  
Waterbury



07/11 ***Picnic & Pop Concert*** 203-574-4283 Free  
6:00p Saluting Our Heritage is the theme of the Picnic and Pop Concert featuring the Waterbury Symphony Orchestra. Food vendors available. [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Hollow Park  
Woodbury

07/11 ***Black Eagle Jazz Band*** 860-824-7126 \$27-30  
6:30p Guardians of traditional jazz drawing on their abundant repertory of 1920's classics to Preservation hall standards. Penetrating Rhythm, Flawless Ensemble, A Great Show. Arrive early, bring a box lunch or dinner and enjoy a stroll around our lovely grounds.  
Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
Falls Village

07/11 ***John Shackelford & Amy Vinisko in concert*** (860) 354-7264 \$10-20  
8:00p Something different for Merryall: a sing-along of favorite tunes of the 20th century, led and encouraged by John, an operatic tenor with a voice that could raise the roof, and pianist Amy, a brilliant performer and accompanist. They are both on the Canterbury School music faculty. This will be great fun.  
Merryall Center for the Performing Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Road **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)  
New Milford

07/12 ***Amernet String Quartet*** 860-824-7126 \$10-45; Kids free  
3:00p Come early and enjoy a brookside picnic and a stroll along the grounds.  
Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, Rtes 44 and 272 [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Norfolk

07/12 **Dave Mason** 866-666-6308 \$45-60  
7:30p At age 18, the Worcester England native teamed up with Steve Winwood, Jim Capaldi and Chris Wood to form the legendary band Traffic. At 19, Mason penned the song "*Feelin' Alright*". This song has since become a rock and roll anthem, having been recorded by well over 48 artists, the best known version being Joe Cocker. The group's profound influence over rock music remains unquestioned even today.  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk

07/12 **Yale School of Music Open House** 203-432-1966 Free  
4:00p In Honor of Ellen Battell Stoeckel, come take a tour, have some ice cream and listen to one or both of the concerts. At 1PM there will be a special program for kids and at 4PM everyone is invited to the Chamber Ensemble of the United States Coast Guard Band in a blockbuster program of music by Mozart and Dvoak.  
Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
Falls Village



07/13 **Jackson Browne** \$36-76  
7:30p Gates Open: 6:00pm  
Ives Concert Park no longer allows the carrying in of alcoholic beverages or glass containers to the concert grounds. Beer, wine, soda, water and food are available for purchase on site  
Ives Center for the Arts. Westside Campus of Western Connecticut State University  
Danbury



07/13 **Maple Leaf Brass** 860-283-4937 Free  
7:00p The MAPLE LEAF BRASS, now beginning its eleventh year as a brass ensemble, started as a group of St. Peter's Drum Corps members. The quintet plays all styles of music from Sousa marches to Mozart, Scott Joplin, rags to Church Hymns, and has an ever-growing repertoire of their own original pieces.  
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Thomaston [www.fineartsconnection.org](http://www.fineartsconnection.org)



07/14 **MacTallia Mor** 860-489-2274 Free  
7:00p Scottish / Irish Music  
Coe Memorial Park [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
Torrington

07/14 **Rosanne Cash w/Joe Whyte** 866-666-6308 \$50-75  
8:00p "I couldn't avoid them," says Cash about the twelve songs that constitute *Black Cadillac*, a breakthrough album that raises both the stakes and the standards for one of this country's finest singer-songwriters. "I couldn't let any of them simply return to the ether. Some of them literally wouldn't let me sleep."  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk



07/14 *Respect Due*

203-586-2144

Free

6:30 When you think of reggae music, the king of Reggae will probably come to your mind first. Reggae music fans yearn for live bands that can dig deep into Bob Marley's body of work and yet few bands have tried to take up that challenge...then, along comes Respect Due. They don't just play the classics, they play a wide variety of the King's music that only a serious audiophile would even know about. Live audiences will be in for a danceable, memorable, musical experience when Respect Due comes their way.

Respect Due is not merely a tribute band. The members of the band individually and as a group have collaborated with some of reggae music's finest singers and musicians. Their repertoire of current and classic reggae music will bring young and old to the dance floor.

Respect Due is a metro-New York band composed of professionals from rock, jazz, blues and reggae backgrounds. Together, they bring Bob Marley's music to life once again.

Café will be open; may also bring picnic lunch.

Gate House Café, Rt. 172

Southbury

Rain = pavilion; follow the signs



07/14 *Crooked Still*

(203) 431-6501

Free

7:00p Still Crooked is an ensemble effort of inspired music making that moves the bands' impossible to pigeonhole style in new directions while honoring their folk roots. "It's hard to pin down our music," bass player Corey DiMario says. "We play improvised old time music, bluegrass, folk and our own songs within the broad context of a string band. Like a lot of today's bands, we have modern and traditional influences that confuse the boundaries. We want to keep blurring those lines to make something all our own."

Ballard Park (rain = East Ridge Middle School; no food or drink permitted in the auditorium)

Ridgefield

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



07/14 *Redstone Ridge*

203-720-7043

Free

7:00p Redstone Ridge is a bluegrass band based in Western Connecticut. Entering their fourth year the band has enjoyed success bringing their mix of "hard driving" bluegrass and Americana to fairs, festivals, and town greens across the state. Visit their website [HERE](#). Please remember to bring non perishable food items to benefit the Food Bank. Rain date is Thurs. 07/16 on the green.

On the Green

Naugatuck



07/15 ***Gumbo Jumbo Dixieland Band*** 860-567-7569 Free  
 7-9p Litchfield Green [.Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
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07/15 ***The Kerry Boys – Irish Balladeers*** 860-945-5246 Free  
 7:00p The Kerry Boys--popular Irish balladeers who have been performing together for over 17 years throughout the Northeast Rain = inside Heminway Park School. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Veterans Memorial Park, 570 Novia Scotia Hill Rd.  
 Watertown Rain = Held inside Heminway Park School



07/15 ***Changes – jazz*** 203-574-3113 Free  
 6:30p Hollow Park [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Woodbury



07/16 ***Synergy Brass Quintet*** (203) 431-6501 Free  
 7:00p Synergy Brass Quintet performs more concerts than anyone in classical music today, averaging nearly 300 engagements per year. Acclaimed for “a veritable fireworks display of outstanding musical ability combined with superb showmanship” (Door Concerts,Inc) in addition to “blazing precision [and] amazing technique” (The Watertown Daily Times), the Synergy Brass Quintet has emerged as one of the world's most exciting ensembles.  
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07/16 ***The Bookends Band*** 203-270-4340 Free  
 6:30p Dickinson Park, Elm Drive and Brushy Hill Rd.  
 Newtown [Click here to visit their Web site](#)



07/16 ***Third Thursday Family Night*** 203-792-1711 Free  
 6:30p CityCenter Bandshell on the Danbury Green  
 Danbury



07/16 ***Rubber City Blues Band*** 860-945-5246 Free  
 7:00p Twelve musicians strong playing and singing songs from horn groups such as Chicago and Tower of Power. In case of rain: held inside Heminway Park School. [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Veterans Memorial Park, 570 Novia Scotia Hill Rd.  
 Watertown

07/16 ***Danielia Cotton w/Jamal Ford-Bey*** 866-666-6308 \$10-25  
 8:00p As a performer, Danielia is glad she grew up pre-American Idol. "Most kids today, if you ask why they want to perform, they'll say they 'want to be a star' or 'be in the music business.' I liked music not because I saw it as a way to get out of the life I lived and have more than what I had, which wasn't that much. I did it because it was fun; it was like a drug. I've always felt a little selfish when people say, 'I do it for the people.' I do it because it does something for me." **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44  
 Norfolk

07/16- ***Wizard of Oz*** (203) 271-6660 Free?  
 07/18 Performed by Cheshire Youth Theater. Little Dorothy Gale of Kansas, like so many girls her age, dreams of  
 7:30p what lies over the rainbow. One day a twister hits her farm and carries her away over the rainbow to another world. Come join Dorothy, the Scarecrow, the Tinman, the Cowardly Lion and Toto as they travel the universe of Dorothy's imagination.  
 Cheshire Park  
 Cheshire



07/17 ***E 2 Eagles Tribute Band*** 860-489-2274 Free  
 7:00p Coe Memorial Park [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Torrington

07/17 ***Free Thought*** 860-567-8302 \$ 5  
 8:00p Music of Jen & Kate Moncuse  
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road  
 Litchfield



07/17 ***Doug Walberg*** 203-792-1711 Free  
 7:30p CityCenter Bandshell on the Danbury Green  
 Danbury

07/17 ***Pete Francis and Barefoot Truth with Bronze Radio Return***  
 8:00p Every now and again a band emerges that grows so quickly that every time you press refresh on their web page, something new seems to be happening. Just one year out of college, Barefoot Truth looks to take on that role. In the blink of an eye the acoustic folk rockers have transitioned from a few shows per month to a full-time, full-fledged touring act. BFT's ever-changing live show features a wide array of instruments, including upright bass, Weissenborn lap guitar, lead harmonica and didgeridoo, plus a drummer who sings lead vocals. Their studio albums have grown from stripped down optimistic sing-a-longs to the full band environmentally themed songs on their most recent release, "Walk Softly".  
 866-666-6308 \$10-25  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44  
 Norfolk

- 07/17- ***Pippin*** 203-775-0023 \$  
 08/01 Presented by the Brookfield Theatre for the Arts, Inc. The energetic pop-influenced score of Pippin by three-time Oscar winning composer/lyricist Stephen Schwartz bursts with one show stopping number after another. Call for reservations and further information. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Brookfield Theatre for the Arts, 184 Whisconier Rd.,  
 Brookfield
- 07/18 ***Kathy Mattea*** (203) 438-3889 \$45  
 8:00p Kathy Mattea, the beloved, Grammy-winning singer of such classics as "18 Wheels and A Dozen Roses," "Where've You Been," and many other hits says that her new album offered her a "re-education" in singing. That album, COAL, is a re-education for the listener, as well, a record that reshapes the way we think about music, reminding us of why we love it so much in the first place.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge  
 Ridgefield
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- 07/18 ***Mighty Ploughboys / Irish*** 203-792-1711 Free  
 7:30p CityCenter Bandshell on the Danbury Green  
 Danbury
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- 07/18 ***Johnny Appleseed, and Paul Bunyan*** 203-748-6873 \$ 5  
 11a Prior to the show, each child has the opportunity to meet, and receive a special gift from, Mother Goose as well as participate in a craft activity related to that day's performance. Each show is interactive with song and movement, and many of the children in the audience join the actors onstage to become part of the story. With birthday celebrations during intermission, a visit to Fairy Tale theater will undoubtedly be memorable for the whole family Grounds open at 10:30 for craft activity.  
 Grounds of Wooster School [www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)  
 Danbury
- 07/18 ***Keller Quartet*** 860-542-3000 \$10-45; Kids free  
 8:00p Schubert's moving Cello Quintet is performed by the Keller Quartet of Hungary and cellist Ole Akahoshi. Bartók's String Quartet No. 5 is also on the program. Come early and enjoy a brookside picnic and a stroll along the grounds.  
 Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, Rtes 44 and 272 [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Norfolk
- 07/18 ***Summer Drumming Workshop*** 860-567-3163 \$45  
 9:30a- This workshop will feature rhythm, pulse, and improvisational exercises towards developing confidence  
 3:30p and dexterity. Traditional rhythms from around the world will be explored in a joyful, safe and non-competitive atmosphere. Bring a drum if you have one. A limited number will be available. Presenter: John Marshall, percussionist who performs on concert stages, radio, television and film. His performances include drumming traditions of the Middle East, North and South India, West Africa, Central Asia and the Caribbean; performs with the classical/jazz/world ensemble, Ufonia. Fee includes lunch. Bring one friend for \$16 payable with registration. [Email. Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Wisdom House Retreat and Conference Center - 229 E. Litchfield Rd.  
 Litchfield

- 07/18 ***Bluegrass Jam*** 860-922-5134 Free  
 11-2p Bristol Nursing Care Center  
 Rts. 4 & 272  
 Torrington
- 07/18 ***Frank Carillo & The Bandoleros*** 866-666-6308 \$10-20  
 8:00p Frank Carillo is the epitome of the "musician's musician." Throughout his career, his craftsmanship as a gifted world-class guitar player, electrifying stage performances, memorable prolific songwriting and his warm and affable persona have allowed him to make an indelible mark on the international music scene.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44 **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)  
 Norfolk
- 07/18 ***TriArts at Music Mountain & TriArts Big Band*** 860-824-7126 \$27-30  
 6:30p Directed by Rich Conley with singer Mark Raisch--a Music Mountain Debut.  
 Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
 Falls Village
- 07/19 ***Cassatt String Quartet*** 860-824-7126 \$27-30  
 3:00p Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
 Falls Village
- 07/20 ***Shotter Jennings*** (203) 438-3889 \$40-50  
 8:00p "The main thing I want people to understand is that I'm a country artist," Shooter says. "Sure, there's rock in there. I've played a lot of rock & roll. I take a lot from it. But it's country music. And I'm going to push it as far as I can because it's that important."  
 Waylon Albright Jennings was born rollin'. The only child of Waylon Jennings and Jessi Colter, he lived his first few years in a crib on his parents' tour bus. "I thought everybody's family was like mine," he remembers. "We'd check out of hotels and travel all night. Songwriting, shows, stage setups, the band, the crew, the bus, the trucks - all that stuff was normal. And I loved it. To this day I sleep better on the bus than anywhere else." "In country music I feel completely free to do what I want to do," he insists. "I still get off to a lot of what's going on in rock - the White Stripes are great and so is Velvet Revolver. I almost feel like real rock & roll is more present in country than it is in rock. Not only that - Shooter does it with a sound that's nourished by tradition, that acknowledges his family, and yet is entirely his own. "In my head, I still wish I sounded like a Waylon record from 1978," he laughs. "But I know I sound like myself. I guess that comes from finally doing what I want, even though I'm embracing my heritage too. That's important in country music."  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge  
 Ridgefield
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- 07/20 ***The Kerry Boys*** 860-283-4937 Free  
 7:00p The Kerry Boys are Mark James, originally from the County Kerry Ireland and Pierce Campbell who is also the Connecticut State Troubadour for 2007 & 2008. These two dynamic and popular Connecticut Irish balladeers have been performing together for over 15 years, dazzling fans of all ages from Maine to New York. Their humorous, high-energy show will have you clapping and singing along in no time, engaging you from start to finish with their wide collection of traditional and original songs.  
 Town Green; South Main & Elm . (Rain = Black Rock Elementary School, Branch Road; Rte. 109.  
 Thomaston [www.fineartsconnection.org](http://www.fineartsconnection.org)



07/21 ***Daybreak***  
 7:00p Classics  
 Coe Memorial Park  
 Torrington

860-489-2274 Free

[Click here to visit their Web site](#)



07/21 ***North by Northeast***

203-586-2144 Free

**6:30** On July 12, 2008, at a bluegrass musicians' picking party, North By Northeast was born. Some of New England's finest bluegrass musicians, all long-time friends, were ready for a new bluegrass experience.

- **Phil Zimmerman:** former lead singer and mandolinist with Connecticut's premier traditional bluegrass band, Traver Hollow.
- **Stacy Phillips:** renowned fiddler and Grammy-winning dobro player.
- **Dave Howard:** versatile instrumentalist and singer, crossing the spectrum from bluegrass to jazz
- **Bruce Stockwell:** winner of the prestigious Merlefest Banjo Competition in 2005, and long-time member of Vermont-based The Stockwell Brothers.
- **Kelly Stockwell:** relatively new to bluegrass and rarin' to go in a band with husband Bruce.

These musicians have performed in bands together at different times during their careers, and respect each other's considerable talent. Picking together that day, they realized the time is right. It was a true bluegrass "Let's make a band" moment.

[http://northbynortheast.net/home\\_page.html](http://northbynortheast.net/home_page.html)

Café will be open; may also bring picnic lunch.

Gate House Café, Rt. 172

Southbury Rain = pavilion; follow the signs

07/21 ***Aimee Mann***

866-666-6308 \$35-55

8:00p From her work with MTV favorite Til Tuesday to her acclaimed solo discs, Aimee Mann has always been at the forefront of contemporary songwriters. From "Voices Carry" to the Oscar-nominated "Save Me," Mann has always been known for her clever, literate, and dryly witty takes on emotional sabotage and self-destruction.

Infinity Hall, Route 44  
 Norfolk



07/21 **Marty Q** 203-720-7043 Free  
 7:00p A Must See playing music old and new, from Sinatra to Santana; to 70's, 80's Funk, Motown & Rock & Roll (Groups like Bon Jovi U2 & Beatles). Please remember to bring non perishable food items to benefit the Food Bank. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 On the Green  
 Naugatuck

07/22 **Kevin Costner & Modern West** (203) 438-3889 \$75  
 8:00p Whether it's acting or performing in a band, Kevin Costner proves he's an all-around talented performer. The band, Modern West is comprised of Kevin Costner, John Coinman, Teddy Morgan, Blair Forward, Park Chisolm and Bobby Yang. They play a rocking show that has audiences on their feet throughout the entire performance.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge  
 Ridgefield



07/22 **Cave Canem Poets with Marilyn Nelson / Music by Tomas Doncker**  
 6:30p 860-677-4787 Free

Soul Mountain Retreat ([www.soulmountainretreat.org](http://www.soulmountainretreat.org)) is a writers' colony in Haddam, Connecticut, established in 2004 by **Marilyn Nelson**, then Poet Laureate of the State of Connecticut. Cave Canem ([www.cavecanempoets.org](http://www.cavecanempoets.org)) is a non-profit organization committed to the discovery and cultivation of new voices in African American poetry (Cave Canem's Executive Director, Alison Meyers, was previously the Artistic Director of Hill-Stead's Sunken Garden Poetry Festival). This evening's reading will feature several Cave Canem graduates participating in a summer retreat at Soul Mountain. Marilyn Nelson will also read her work.

Producer, singer, songwriter and guitarist **Tomas Doncker** will perform "acoustic/neo-soul, with a touch of blues." Doncker, a mainstay on the New York music scene, has performed with numerous respected recording artists, including Bootsy Collins, Ivan Neville and Bonnie Raitt

Boxed suppers will be available by pre-order purchase, or bring your own picnic from home. Picnicking will be allowed on the West Lawn and in select locations in the Sunken Garden. Hill-Stead's Sunken Garden is wheelchair accessible. Parking: On-site, \$10 per vehicle. Free public parking available on a limited basis at Brickwalk Shops, off High Street, Farmington.

[http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry\\_performseries.html#facts](http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry_performseries.html#facts)

Hill-Stead Museum, 35 Mountain Road (rain = on site location)  
 Farmington



07/22 **Alvin James Band** 860-567-7569 Free  
 7-9p Blues Rock  
 Litchfield Green [.Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Litchfield rain = Litchfield Firehouse on Route 202, just south of the Green



07/22 **GP2 – Guitar Duo** 203-574-3113 Free  
 6:30p Hollow Park [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Woodbury



07/22 **Vic Fuda & The Musicmen** 860-945-5246 Free  
 7:00p Big Band Flavor. In case of rain: held inside Heminway Park School. [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Veterans Memorial Park, 570 Novia Scotia Hill Rd.  
 Watertown



07/23 **Stonehoney** (203) 431-6501 Free  
 7:00p Stonehoney began as a bunch of “songwriters in the round.” It’s that simple. Nothing contrived or planned, just a group of songwriters that enjoy playing and singing together. “We would meet up at Nick’s house in Beachwood Canyon and play songs around the circle. With four singers we just naturally started singing harmonies and this sound, reminiscent of the country rock sound of the 70’s, began to develop that we all really loved.” In August of 2005 the band took their “Songs From A Hillside Living Room” live with a monthly show at the Knitting Factory in Hollywood.  
 Ballard Park (rain = East Ridge Middle School; no food or drink permitted in the auditorium)  
 Ridgefield <http://www.Chirpct.org/>

07/23 **The Rippingtons** 866-666-6308 \$35-60  
 8:00p Over the past two decades, Russ Freeman&The Rippingtons have taken the stage thousands of times throughout the world with just one goal in mind: celebrating the joy of life and music with their ever adoring fans. Marking an incredible milestone in the history of smooth jazz, the band turns 20 years old this year, and invites fans all around the world to celebrate with The Rippingtons 20th Anniversary, a remarkable new CD/DVD package that includes a CD of all new Ripps music and a DVD featuring a colorful retrospective as well as exciting videos from over the years.  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44  
 Norfolk

07/23- **Comedy 101** (203) 271-6660 Free?  
 07/25 Performed by Cheshire Youth Theater. It’s just another day at “Enrico Fermi High”. However, the school’s tyrannical principal, Miss Delilah Strict, senses trouble in the shape of transfer student Jonny Warner. In addition to taking the “H” out of his name as a sign of rebellion, Jonny (an orphan from the wrong side of the tracks) has taken up with Miss Strict’s star pupil, Toffee. Jonny and Toffee’s friends are abuzz with this hallway romance (“Ain’t No Goin’ Back”). But Miss Strict, with the help of Toffee’s parents, bullies the girl into leaving Jonny.  
 Cheshire High School, Thorp Auditorium, 525 South Main Street  
 Cheshire



07/24 ***All in Band*** 860-489-2274 Free  
7:00p Classic Rock  
Coe Memorial Park [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
Torrington

07/24 ***Steam Vent Open Mic Coffee House*** 860-482-3491 \$10 suggested  
6:00p Musicians Wanted...Music Enthusiasts too! We are providing a venue for musicians to vent their talents. Musicians are needed to fill 15 minute extendable to half hour slots. Sound equipment provided for a plug-n-play night. Coffee house will benefit the church Mexico Mission. Food and beverage available. **Email:** [info@firstchurchofwinsted.org](mailto:info@firstchurchofwinsted.org)  
First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main Street,  
Winsted

07/24 ***Simon & Garfunkel Songbook feat. Aztec Two Step*** 866-666-6308 \$30-45  
8:00p Feelin' Groovy! That's how Rex Fowler and Neal Shulman felt after playing to a full house this fall at Infinity Hall. By popular demand, Aztec Two-Step is back, and they are bringing the Simon and Garfunkel songbook with them.  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk

07/24 ***Thomson & Laderman*** 860-542-3000 \$10-45; Kids free  
8:00p Acclaimed tenor James Taylor will perform the world premiere of Ezra Laderman's *Jersey Rain*. Also in the program are works by Elgar, Saint-Saëns, Piazzolla, Ravel and Virgil Thomson. Come early and enjoy a brookside picnic and a stroll along the grounds.  
Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, Rtes 44 and 272 [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Norfolk



07/24 ***Shrdlu*** 203-792-1711 Free  
7:30p Playing blues, Rock, and R&B.  
CityCenter Bandshell on the Danbury Green  
Danbury

07/24- ***42nd New Milford Village Fair Days*** (860) 354-6080 Free  
07/25 Arts, Crafts, Antiques, Businesses, Organizations, Church Groups, and Clubs. Village Fair Days is the largest annual event in New Milford and draws thousands of visitors every year. With 2 full days of live entertainment, bingo, a food court and over a hundred vendor and community booths, Village Fair Days is a summertime destination for shopping, eating and browsing. On Friday, July 24, from 7-10PM the final round of the karaoke style singing competition will be held. Please contact the Chamber of Commerce office at (860) 354-6080 or [nmcc@newmilford-chamber.com](mailto:nmcc@newmilford-chamber.com) to reserve your booth space. Space is limited, call today. Fair Day Hours: Fri. 10-10; Sat. 9-9. No rain Date. Parking is available at the John Pettibone Elementary School located on Route 7 with a Free Shuttle Bus to and from the Green. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
Village Green  
New Milford

07/25 ***The Shufflers*** (860) 354-7264 \$10-20  
8:00p A rock night at Merryall?? You bet! This talented trio, Dean Lindenmuth on drums, Hank Milligan on keyboard and Jason Perkel on guitar/vocals will entertain with the timeless music of Elvis, the Beatles and others. Dance or simply mill around for an enjoyable evening. Be there!  
Merryall Center for the Performing Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Road **Web site:** [Click to Visit](#)  
New Milford

07/25 ***John Hammond with Caravan of Thieves*** 866-666-6308 \$20-35  
8:00p So how does he continue to do it and do it with such passion? "Because I love it, that's how," he said. "It's my life." Blues doesn't get any better than this, in concept or execution. Stay on the road, John Hammond. We need your blues. -- BlueSpeak  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk



07/25 ***Peter Pan*** 203-748-6873 \$ 5  
11a Prior to the show, each child has the opportunity to meet, and receive a special gift from, Mother Goose as well as participate in a craft activity related to that day's performance. Each show is interactive with song and movement, and many of the children in the audience join the actors onstage to become part of the story. With birthday celebrations during intermission, a visit to Fairy Tale theater will undoubtedly be memorable for the whole family Grounds open at 10:30 for craft activity.  
Grounds of Wooster School [www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)  
Danbury

07/25 ***Leschetizky Trio*** 860-542-3000 \$10-45; Kids free  
8:00p Hailing from Vienna, the Leschetizky Trio returns to Norfolk for a performance of Schubert's Piano Trio in B-Flat Major and works by Haydn, Bloch and Slonimsky. Come early and enjoy a brookside picnic and a stroll along the grounds.  
Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, Rtes 44 and 272 [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Norfolk



07/25 ***Yesteryear / 50's and Oldies*** 203-792-1711 Free  
7:30p Playing blues, Rock, and R&B.  
CityCenter Bandshell on the Danbury Green  
Danbury

07/25 ***Joyce Lyons Quartet of NY Jazz All-Stars*** 860-824-7126 \$27-30  
6:30p Joyce Lyons and her Quartet of New York Jazz All-Stars. Joyce Lyons returns bringing her magnetic and joyful music from Classic Broadway, Swinging Jazz and the Great American Songbook. Call for reservations or check the website for scheduling. [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
Falls Village

07/25 ***Giant Panda Guerilla Dub Squad*** 866-666-6308 \$19-20  
8:00p Giant Panda Guerilla Dub Squad is relentless reggae sound. Roots reggae and experimental dub. North American International Body Music.  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk



07/25- ***TibetFest IV*** 860-567-0086 \$  
07/26 Tibetan Music, Food and dance. An event to raise awareness, and funds to assist Tibetan Refugees  
10a- preserve their endangered culture. [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
5p Goshen Fairgrounds - Rte. 4  
Goshen

07/25- ***Seussical*** 860-283-6250 \$17-22  
08/09 SEUSSICAL is based on the books of Dr. Seuss that debuted on Broadway in 2000. The play's story is a  
F/Sa rather complex amalgamation of many of Seuss's most famous books presented in a fantastical,  
8p; magical, musical extravaganza! Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty (Lucky Stiff, My Favorite Year,  
Sun Once On This Island, and Ragtime) have lovingly brought to life all of our favorite Dr. Seuss characters,  
2p including Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, Lazy Mayzie and all of the Whos of Whoville! These  
classic, colorful tales are seamlessly brought together by Jojo, a young boy and "thinker of strange and  
wonderful thinks"! As each story unfolds you will marvel at how relevant and profound Seuss's subtle  
themes are; making this musical one that appeals to all ages. The score emerges as a Seussian gumbo of  
musical styles, ranging from Latin to pop, swing to gospel, and R&B to funk! So let your toes tap, your  
fingers snap, and your imagination run wild, for "If you open your mind, oh, the Thinks you will find  
lining up to get loose! Oh, the Thinks you can think! Oh, the Thinks you can think when you think about  
Seuss!!"  
Thomaston Opera House, Main Street  
Thomaston

07/26 ***Penderecki String Quartet*** 860-824-7126 \$27-30  
3:00p Music Mountain, Rts 63 & 7 [www.musicmountain.org](http://www.musicmountain.org)  
Falls Village

07/26 ***Hal Ketchum with Tracy Grammer*** 866-666-6308 \$30-50  
7:30p Award winning singer songwriter and professional recording artist Hal Ketchum is a native of New  
York State. He spent his childhood growing up in the small town of Greenwich with his musical parents.  
Soon he was a drummer in his high school band, then singing in clubs as a teenager.  
Infinity Hall, Route 44  
Norfolk

07/26 ***Lita Ford*** (203) 438-3889 \$55-60  
8:00p In 1975 at the age of 17 Lita Ford joined the all- female rock band *The Runaways*, for whom she played  
lead guitar. After the group folded in 1979, she began a solo career. Her first two albums, *Out for Blood*  
and *Dancin' on the Edge* were moderately successful. *Out For Blood* featured the single "Out For  
Blood". Her next album *Dancin' on the Edge* was even more successful. It featured the single "Fire in  
my Heart" which reached the top 10 in several countries. The next single "Gotta Let Go" was one of  
Ford's biggest hits. It reached number one on the Mainstream Rock charts.  
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge  
Ridgefield



07/27 **E-2** 860-283-4937 Free  
 7:00p E-2 is a new 8-piece band performing a tribute to The Eagles, inspired by their 2004 "Live From Melbourne" DVD. The bands covers all the many vocal and instrumental nuances in their performances; from the strings and pianos of "New York Minute" to the dueling guitars of "Hotel California" to the classic country rock lines of "Peaceful Easy Feeling".  
 Town Green; South Main & Elm . (Rain = Black Rock Elementary School, Branch Road; Rte. 109. Thomaston [www.fineartsconnection.org](http://www.fineartsconnection.org)



07/28 **Torrington Civic Symphony** 860-489-2274 Free  
 7:00p Coe Memorial Park [Click here to visit their Web site](#)  
 Torrington



07/28 **Old School Freight Train** (203) 431-6501 Free  
 7:00p Tim Dickinson of Rolling Stone put it this way: "Old School Freight Train is off on a timeless new track, blending roots and rock to create a sound that's all their own." In their conception, the members of OSFT, Jesse Harper (vocals & guitar), Darrell Muller (bass), Nate Leath (fiddle), Nick Falk (drums) have recorded with mandolin master David Grisman,toured as Grisman's backup band, played countless headlining shows across the country; and been asked to cover songs by the likes of John Mayer, Wilco, and Coldplay for the popular bluegrass "Pickin' On" compilation series.  
 Ballard Park (rain = East Ridge Middle School; no food or drink permitted in the auditorium)  
 Ridgefield <http://www.Chirpct.org/>

07/28 **Gin Blossoms** 866-666-6308 \$45-70  
 8:00p Singer Robin Wilson recently encountered a friend who had heard the new Gin Blossoms' single, "Learning the Hard Way," on the radio. At first, the friend was aghast. "I thought, 'Who the hell has the audacity to sound this much like the Gin Blossoms?'" he told Wilson.  
 Hits Include: "Til I Hear It From You"; "Hey Jealousy"; "Allison Road" ; "Found Out About You"; "Follow You Down".  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44  
 Norfolk



07/28 **Aces & Eights** 203-720-7043 Free  
 7:00p You loved this band last year! Aces & Eights delivers the best in Contemporary and Classic Country Music and Classic Rock & Roll! Visit their website [HERE](#). Please remember to bring non perishable food items to benefit the Food Bank.  
 On the Green Rain = July 30 on the green  
 Naugatuck



07/28 *Eclipse*

203-586-2144

Free

6:30 Eclipse is Matt Wilkie and his twin sisters Helen Malysaka and Trish Keil.

Originally from Edinburgh Scotland, Eclipse has performed in the United States since 1977. Andrew Lafrenier, lead guitarist, joined Eclipse in 1985. The group started as a trio and evolved into a seven piece band in the late 1980s. They are now going back to their roots by performing an acoustic concert with a blend of Soft Rock, Celtic, and folk music.

Café will be open; may also bring picnic lunch.

Gate House Café, Rt. 172

Southbury

Rain = pavilion; follow the signs

07/29 *Tower of Power*

866-666-6308

\$35-60

8:00p No matter whom you may be, where you live, or your taste in music, Tower of Power will find you. And once that happens, it's all over. You will come to believe not only that soul music is the salvation of us all, but that Tower of Power is one of those rare bands who can claim to be the real deal, 100 proof, aged-to-perfection, ground zero Soul. And the thing is... they're everywhere now.

Infinity Hall, Route 44

Norfolk



07/29 *Free Thought*

860-567-7569

Free

7-9p pop, folk, rock  
Litchfield Green  
Litchfield

[Click here to visit their Web site](#)

rain = Litchfield Firehouse on Route 202, just south of the Green



07/29 *Root 6*

203-574-3113

Free

6:30p Classic Rock'n'Roll

Hollow Park

Woodbury

[Click here to visit their Web site.](#)

07/29 *Billy Squier*

(203) 438-3889

\$75-83

8:00p Born in Wellesley, Massachusetts, Squier had a string of arena rock hits in the 1980s. He is probably best known for the song "The Stroke" on his 1981 album release Don't Say No. Other hits include "In the Dark", "Rock Me Tonite", "Lonely Is the Night", "My Kinda Lover", "Everybody Wants You", "All Night Long" and "Emotions in Motion". All of those hits are still receive recognition on "classic rock" radio stations!

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge

Ridgefield



07/30 ***The Jay Willie Band*** 203-270-4340 Free  
 6:30p Dickinson Park, Elm Drive and Brushy Hill Rd.  
 Newtown [Click here to visit their Web site](#)



07/30 ***The Fairfield Counts*** (203) 431-6501 Free  
 7:00p The Fairfield Counts keeps the music of the Big Band era alive. You'll hear all of the big band classics From Fletcher Henderson in the '20s to Woody Herman in the '80s. The sounds of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Duke Ellington, Harry James, Gene Krupa and the great Count Basie are a large part of our repertoire. We also feature music from the Nelson Riddle Orchestra, George and Ira Gershwin and Chuck Mangione. No matter what the affair, the Fairfield Counts brings a broad range of Big Band music to keep everyone jumping, regardless of age.  
 Ballard Park (rain = East Ridge Middle School; no food or drink permitted in the auditorium)  
 Ridgefield <http://www.Chirpct.org/>



07/30- ***Children of Eden*** 203-748-6873 \$13-21  
 08/15 ACT ONE: The story of Adam and Eve and Cain and Abel.  
 ACT TWO: The story of Noah and the flood.  
**A NOTE FROM COMPOSER STEPHEN SCHWARTZ:** The book of Genesis has fascinated and inspired dramatists for centuries, from the medieval mystery plays to such modern American theatre writers as Arthur Miller and Richard Rodgers. Still, when John Caird and I began work on CHILDREN OF EDEN, it was with a certain amount of trepidation. After all, this was the Bible we were dealing with. Who were we to be putting our own interpretation on these sacred stories, or worse yet, adding characters and incidents? (Continue reading: <http://www.musicalsatrichter.org/childrenofeden.php>)  
 Grounds open at 7:15 p.m. for picnicking. Chair rentals are available on site.  
 Richter Center for the Arts, Aunt Hack Road [www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)  
 Danbury

07/31 ***Tom Paxton*** 866-666-6308 \$25-40  
 8:00p In his lengthy career, Tom Paxton has become a beloved constant on the folk circuit, acclaimed for the depth and wit of his songs and the humor he brought – and still brings – to his dozens of yearly performances. His compositions, whether topical, personal, humorous, or all three combined, have become templates for the successive waves of singer-songwriters (no longer "folk singers").  
 Infinity Hall, Route 44  
 Norfolk

07/31 ***Music for Winds & Brass*** 860-542-3000 \$10-45; Kids free  
 8:00p The Festival presents a program of works by Gounod, Schumann, Telemann and Strauss. Come early and enjoy a brookside picnic and a stroll along the grounds.  
 Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, Rtes 44 and 272 [Click here to visit their Web site.](#)  
 Norfolk



07/31 ***Cross Purpose***  
 7:30p CityCenter Bandshell on the Danbury Green  
 Danbury

203-792-1711

Free



07/31 ***Breakaway Band***  
 7:00p Classic Rock  
 Coe Memorial Park  
 Torrington

860-489-2274

Free

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07/31- ***Litchfield Jazz Festival***

860-567-4162

\$ 35-350

08/02 Litchfield Jazz Festival, now in its fourteenth summer, is held at the Campus of Kent School in Kent. The weekend includes an opening night *Friends of the Festival Gala*, three days of jazz, a juried craft show, a variety of food vendors and performances on a second stage by students from the Litchfield Jazz Camp. Over the years we have presented legends like Dave Brubeck, Tito Puente and Ray Charles as well as introduced new talent and fostered the careers of Diana Krall, Brad Mehldau, Jane Monheit and many others. The NY Times called last summers festival a model jazz line-up, and the Wall Street Journal said it stands tall. Drummer Lewis Nash with his Quintet, Dafnis Prieto's Si O Si Quartet, Wycliffe Gordon and Jay Leonhart Quartet, Guitarist Bucky Pizzarelli and pianist Benny Green, Bill Henderson Quartet and Ted Nash Quartet are just a few of the many famous artists who will perform this year. [www.litchfieldjazzfest.com](http://www.litchfieldjazzfest.com), [Click here to visit their Web site](#).  
 Kent School, One Macedonia Road,  
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