

WHEN:
Thursdays
8:00pm



Midtown Coffeehouse

Spring 2012 Schedule



WHERE:
Alumni
Hall



January 19
Jen Vanderlyn
Folk Rock

One-half of the folk-rock duo Free Thought, singer/songwriter Jen Vanderlyn weaves unique stories of colorful characters into intriguing and catchy melodies. Reminiscent in sound and style of Fairport Convention and Joni Mitchell, Jen is currently promoting Free Thought's debut CD, "In Her Eyes," available on CD Baby and iTunes. freethoughtmusic.wordpress.com

"Today, Dion's original music is a surprising combination of catchy pop/rock hooks with brooding, raw emotionality. His songs draw upon personal experiences but speak to a greater audience about conflicting perspectives and desires. What distinguishes this young artist from others is his genuine lack of pretense and his guarded nature. He almost never reveals the backstories to his songs, encouraging his fans to find their own connection to the words."

January 26
Dion Roy
Pop / Rock



February 2
Homestate
Pop / Indie / Folk

"A breath of fresh air in the smog of songwriter records..."
Tim Mudd - San Diego Troubadour

Sponsored by the OWLs

If you like Jazz you are sure to like another performance by one of our awesome WCSU student jazz ensembles. Enjoy the music, the atmosphere, and some of the food and beverages provided free of

February 9
WCSU Jazz Ensemble
Jazz



February 16
Arildo de Souza
Brazilian/World Music

Arildo de Souza has earned his status as the most respected and talented Brazilian musician in CT through over 17 years of hard work. His first CD defines his musical personality, and expands his Brazilian musical influences into an original expression of world music. Drumbeats, real life, poetry, acoustic guitar and the Portuguese language are the ingredients that make each track on his CD amazingly captivating. www.myspace.com/arildodesouza

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Every time Kurt Scobie sits down at the keys, the power of his expressive lyrics and percussive piano style have a magnetic effect on the entire room. The lyrics strike a familiar chord but carry a refreshing tone, and the catchy melodies enable listeners to sing along, even after hearing his songs for the first time.

February 23
Kurt Scobie
Singer



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March 1
Parallel Fifths
A Capella

The Parallel Fifths is an all male A Cappella group, comprised of both music and non music majors. Performing arrangements of both choral and pop-music, they will put on a show you are sure to remember.

"Joel Meyers, an interactive comedy illusionist who has already taken the world by storm at 26 years old. Performing a progressive brand of magic for celebrities and audiences of all types and ages worldwide. Newsweek magazine says Joel quite simply "will capture your imagination."

March 8
Joel Myers
Illusionist



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Come and celebrate Women's History Month at the Coffeehouse. "Honor Finnegan is the Susan Boyle of quirky indie folk, only hotter. Her songs are humorous then heartbreaking with melodies that soar."

March 15

**Women's History Month
Honor Finnegan**

FOLK



Opening Act: Show Choir

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March 22

Spring Break —No Coffeehouse

5 minutes original stories are judged on how well they are told, how well constructed, and how well they explore, connect and/or reveal some truth and, how well the teller honors the time limit. Students should submit names ahead of time if they would like to compete. Call 203-837-9700. Winner receives \$50 gift certificate and together with runner-up will move on to Slammer Finals in New London on April 28th.

March 29

Campus Slammer
Original story slam

Co-Sponsored by NSCS



April 5
Play It By Ear
A Capella

Opening Act: Drew Mazur

P.I.B.E. is a group of 14-16 students - both music and non-music majors - who have performed A Capella extensively on and around campus and have a great campus following.

If you can't make it over to the Westside campus for a special night of "Cabaret" in support of the WCSU Childcare Center, then come to Coffeehouse for an evening of all-night open mic. Perform yourself (sing a song, play your instrument, do a sketch, tell a joke, or read a poem or short story). Or, if you are not the performer type, convince a friend to go and come in support. The Coffeehouse regulars are always very supportive.

April 12

All-Night Open Mic
Various



April 19
Matt Beilis
Singer

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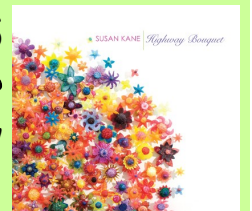
Matt Beilis sounds like nothing you've heard before. His style fuses soul and hip-hop grooves with the electricity of a rock band. One might call Matt an Elton John Legend or a Maroon Folds 5.

A beautiful voice, a distinctive point of view, and a knack for memorable melodies make her more than just another musician to listen to. Her songs draw on many strains of roots music, from folk to blues to country. www.susankane.com

April 26

Susan Kane
Folk / Blues / Country

Opening Act: Nicole Thompson



May 3
Martini Glass
A Capella

Co-Sponsored by the Newman Club

Martini Glass is one of WestConn's three A Capella groups and is made up entirely of female WestConn students. If you have not yet heard them, you should make a point of coming to this coffeehouse, they are spectacular!

This schedule is subject to change. Please check the website at www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/coffeehouse.asp