

WHEN:
Thursdays
8:00pm



Midtown Coffeehouse

Fall 2009 Schedule



WHERE:
Alumni
Hall



September 3
Ali Chambliss
Acoustic Folk/Americana

Vermont based Singer-Songwriter Ali Chambliss brings a palpable warmth and open heart with her wherever her travels take her. You can hear it in her beautiful voice and within the melodic air that she creates with each well crafted song. Her songs draw us in and reach into our human condition which then play us through the light and the dark.

Mieka Pauley is the winner of the first ever Starbucks Emerging Artist Award, the Rocky Mountain Folk Festival Songwriter Showcase and the Rock Boat/BMI Song Contest. Northeast Performer calls her "a version of Sarah McLachlan with a switchblade in her shoe," The Boston Globe said she's "like Aretha in the husky vocal turns," and The Cornerstone Player dubbed her "the next meaningful female voice of her generation."

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September 10
Mieka Pauley
Soul/Blues/Acoustic/Alt.

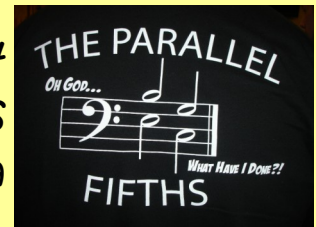


September 17
WCSU Jazz Quartet
Jazz

Led by coordinator of jazz studies area Jamie Begian, the group features alumni Jonathan Blanck on tenor saxophone, Jamie Begian on guitar, alumni/faculty Chris DeAngelis on bass and alumni Tim Walsh on drums. A program of all-original music is planned with each member of the band contributing 1 composition.

The Parallel Fifths is an all male a Capella 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.

September 24
The Parallel Fifths
A Capella



October 1
Steve & Jon Rodgers of
Mighty Purple
Rock/Indie

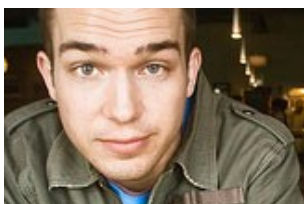
Brothers Steve & Jon Rodgers, the song writing team of the long standing underground band, Mighty Purple, have released 9 Albums and Played over 2000 shows nationally. Their songs are full of honesty and their live shows make the listener feel as if they are on a journey with a group of great friends. Between songs the brothers share stories about ten solid years of touring the country.

Rebecca Loebe is best known for her energetic live performances. Her songbird voice carries the show while her buoyant personality captivates audiences and has them laughing, shouting and singing along. Fans of the Americana/Folk tradition identify with her breezy storytelling while audiences of mainstream pop/rock sing along to her catchy, confessional original songs.

October 8
Rebecca Loebe
Glam/Folk/Crunk



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October 15
Michael Kent
Comedian/Magician

In a style reminiscent of a late-night talk show, Michael invites the audience to laugh with him at the absurdity of a modern-day magician. He combines his sarcastic and irreverent sense of humor with mind-blowing magic in a way that seems to let the audience "in on the joke." As he tours college campuses all over the country, Michael's audiences are experiencing what it's like when a stand-up comic performs (and occasionally pokes fun at) the art of magic.

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October 22
Matt Barsalou
Folk/Indie

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Matt Barsalou is an English major at WestConn who has been a regular at the Coffeehouse's open mic session with his acoustic, roots reggae, folk style of music... and even performed as an opening act to one of the feature performers. With a solid following of on-campus fans, he is now taking the Coffeehouse stage as THE feature act for the first time.

In 2004, bass player Basil Bernard brought together five musicians from various musical backgrounds to recreate the music of the "king of reggae" Bob Marley as the tribute band Due Respect.

www.rideproductions.net/Respect%20Due%20Band%20Bio.htm

October 29
Respect Due
Reggae



November 5
**WCSU Faculty/Staff
Talent Showcase**
Various artists

Co-Sponsored by Alpha Delta Pi

You won't want to miss this Coffeehouse as many of our very talented faculty will perform folk music, jazz, poetry, musical theater and much more. This has been a big hit over the past two years with a very special guest MC. Stay tuned for a list of faculty/staff performers.

Pete Lee is an adorable smart mouth with a 10th grade vocabulary. Mixing smart punchlines with a juvenile perspective, he is one of the hottest acts on the college circuit today. In the past two years, Pete has performed at over 100 colleges and universities. This season, Pete is one of the stars of NBC's Last Comic Standing.

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November 12
Pete Lee
Comedian



November 19
Play It By Ear
A Capella

Co-Sponsored by the GSA

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

Thanksgiving—No Coffeehouse

November 26



December 3
WCSU Jazz Band
Jazz

One of the outstanding small student jazz groups from WCSU's outstanding jazz program will give a performance of both original compositions and jazz standards.

Zach Hurd is a singer, songwriter and producer. He released his first CD (The Small Places EP) in 2008. August of 2009 will mark the release of Hurd's first full-length album, "Changing Landscapes."
www.myspace.com/zhurd

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December 10
Zach Hurd
Pop/Acoustic/
Experimental

