

## Midtown Coffeehouse

Spring 2010 Schedule





January 28 Elza Acoustic Soul "ElZa is one of the best and sexiest live performers I've seen in a long while." Walter Yetnikoff, CEO, Commotion Records.
"She has the pipes to spare on her independently released 'ElZa,' which sounds like a blend of Joni Mitchell and Paula Cole. The songs are Catchy, melodic and radio friendly." The Post and Courier, Charleston, SC. www.elZamusic.com

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. February 4 WCSU Jazz Quartet TBA





February 11 PAC Sponsored Shayna Zaid

soulful voice is unmistakably powerful, yet tender, strong yet sweet, and mature beyond her years. Her genuine ability to draw you into her lyrical world will leave you grounded, uplifted and inspired. With five recent placements on CBS's The Young & the Restless (since Jan. '08), three #1 songs on Malaysian radio, and an incredibly dynamic live show with performances in NYC, Boston, L.A., Singapore and Malaysia, Shayna is creating a strong buzz within the industry and amongst fans.

Shayna Zaid's unique and mesmerizing vocal chords will captivate you. Her

The WCSU Gospel Choir "Reality" returns for a second year Feature Act Performance. Don't miss this night of inspirational, encouraging,, and uplifting music.

February 18 Gospel Choir Gospel Songs





February 25 **The Paperboyz** R&B / Hip Hop / Rap

No Big Deal was formed in 2006, by five trained musicians who wanted to bring high energy rock/dance/party music to venues across Connecticut. They have played countless bars, weddings and private parties, covering everything from Led Zeppelin to Beyonce. All five band members - Ana on vocals, Alex on guitar, Steph on keytar, Frank on bass, and Ryan on drums, are former WestConn students.



March 11 Derek Waldron Piano / Vocals

WestConn's own Improv Group made up of students from the Theater Arts Department. Come on down and Check out what they have to offer. Many compare PAPERBOYZ to the likes of musical geniuses RKELLY & JAYZ, however, PAPERBOYZ bring a refreshing new sound and Chemistry to the music game! <u>www.myspace.com/paperboyZonline</u>

PAC Sponsored March 4 No Big Deal Dance / Rock / Party Band



WestConn Alum Derek Waldron, returns to the coffeehouse having been one of the most popular feature acts over the first few years of the coffeehouse's existence. Derek's piano and vocal skills consistently knock the audience out of their chairs. He is an outstanding performer and also a huge crowd pleaser. <u>www.myspace.com/dwaldron</u>

March 18 WCSU Improv Group Improv Theater





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## Spring Break — No Coffeehouse

March 25



## April 1 The Parallel Fifths A Cappella

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.

The Files and Fires are an ambient/rock band from Connecticut and is partially comprised of WCSU students. Their first EP "Like Ivy", is available on iTunes. This is their second time performing at the coffeehouse. www.myspace.com/thefilesandfires

PAC Sponsored April 8 The Files and Fires





April 15 Game Night Various Board Games Join us at the Coffeehouse for a night of games and quiet music. Get out of your Res Hall and meet others who enjoy an evening of table games. Bring your own or play one of the Coffeehouse board games.

Don Lowe is a singer/songwriter who explores the world around him with arCane songs that are at turns witty, profane, sad, and sometimes downright silly. Don has opened for Little Toby Walker and David Jacob-Strains, and he has been featured at the famed Town Crier in Pawling, NY in addition to a variety of other venues throughout Connecticut and New York. A former actor, he now

teaches writing at WCSU and NCC.

Special Late Night Performance by CenterStage at 10pm



April 29 DJ Kendall of WXCI 60's and 70's Retro

DJ Kendall, Life Member and host of WXCI's "Third Stone From the Sun," 20 year Anniversary Show, broadCasting live at the Coffeehouse. With musical guests Brianne Chasanoff and Joe Gegeny.

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

PAC Sponsored May 13 Taylor Williamson Comedian

May 6 WCSU Jazz Ensemble Jazz



Taylor Williamson is one of the youngest working comedians in the business. At only 21 years old, he has already made two national TV appearances, performing on the Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson, and was invited to the prestigious Just For Laughs Comedy Festival in Montreal, Canada.

Indie/Ambient/Live Electronics



Original Songs

