



News Update

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(Subscriptions: On sale now; Single concert tickets: April 18)

Rockport Music Hosts a Summer of Folk, World & Pop Concerts

Beginning in July and going through September, Rockport Music's popular **Summer at Rockport** concert series at the Shalin Liu Performance Center continues in 2017 with an intriguing and diverse lineup of roots and pop concerts. Highlights include rising star folk rockers **Delta Rae**, beloved vintage folk artists **The Brothers Four** and the **Kingston Trio**, acclaimed singer-songwriter **Chris Smither**, golden-voiced troubadour **Martin Sexton**, New Orleans roots rockers **The Subdudes**, and 90's alt folk hero **Lisa Loeb**. Some fine Celtic offerings include Scottish fiddler **Alasdair Fraser** (with Natalie Haas) and the all-female Irish-American supergroup **Cherish the Ladies**. There's something for everyone! The full listing is below.

SUMMER AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, July 2, 5 PM

John Davidson

Singer, comedian, movie actor, Broadway star, game show host...John Davidson has spent a lifetime in entertainment. Many people recognize John Davidson as the charismatic host of several popular game shows including *The Hollywood Squares*, *That's Incredible!*, and *The \$10,000 Pyramid*. Tickets: \$29, \$24

Friday, July 14, 8 PM

Lisa Loeb

One of the leading lights of the 90's alternative folk movement, Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter Lisa Loeb continues to write and perform powerfully intimate and melodically-charged tunes like her #1 smash hit "Stay (I Missed You)". Tickets: \$49, \$42, \$35

Saturday, July 15, 8 PM

Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas

Scottish fiddler Alasdair Fraser and cellist Natalie Haas have emerged as one of the most acclaimed purveyors of traditional Celtic music playing today. Fraser, a two-time Scottish National Fiddle Champion and esteemed long-time veteran of the traditional Celtic music scene, has been called "one of the finest fiddle players Scotland has ever produced" (*Scots Magazine*). Tickets: \$39, \$35, \$29

Sunday, July 16, 5 PM

The Subdudes

A fixture in New Orleans for the last 30 years, The Subdudes combine Americana, country soul, folk and rock and roll for an intoxicated blend of passionate, joyous roots music. They are touring off their acclaimed all-acoustic 11th record *4 on the Floor*. Tickets: \$52, \$45, \$38

Friday, July 21, 8 PM

The Brothers Four

Still going strong after more than half a century, The Brothers Four continue to thrill audiences with their pristine harmonies and classic folk sound. The quartet's many hits, including favorites like "Try to Remember" and "Greenfields," turned The Brothers Four into one of the leading lights of the early 60's folk revival. Tickets: \$49, \$42, \$35

Saturday, July 22, 8 PM

Martin Sexton

For the last 25 years, his songs have appeared prominently on beloved television shows like *Scrubs* and *Parenthood*. Sexton has a unique ability to connect with listeners through his voice and songs and in 2015 he released his 10th record, the acclaimed *Mixtape of the Open Road*. Tickets: \$72, \$66, \$50

Sunday, July 23, 5 PM

Jim Messina

As a founding member of both the country rock supergroup Poco and the pop juggernaut Loggins & Messina ("Danny's Song," "Your Mama Don't Dance"), Jim Messina has already made his sizable mark on rock and roll. Tickets: \$65, \$59, \$47

Friday, July 28, 8 PM

Paula Cole

Rockport's own Paula Cole has won Grammy's and played sold-out arenas, but always returns to her hometown for a memorable night of smash hits like "I Don't Want to Wait" and "Where Have All the Cowboys Gone?" as well as tunes from her record, *7*, that Cole describes the sound as "a soft, soulful album made in the 1960's." Tickets: \$69, \$62, \$49

Sunday, July 30, 5 PM

Cherish the Ladies

The Grammy-nominated, Irish-American supergroup, Cherish the Ladies has played the White House and the Olympics, recorded 16 outstanding albums including "An Irish Homecoming," and received an Emmy for their Public Television Special aired across America and Ireland. Tickets: \$52, \$45, \$38

Thursday, August 3, 8 PM

Maceo Parker

Maceo Parker stands among the legends of funk, forging the first half of his stellar career as a sideman for the genre's forefathers James Brown and George Clinton. Tickets: \$79, \$72, \$55

Friday, August 4, 8 PM

Chris Smither

One of the most revered folk/blues stylists of the last fifty years, Chris Smither has left a vibrant, lasting impression on the roots music world. He remains as affecting and dynamic as he did when he burst onto the scene over 40 years ago. Tickets: \$46, \$38, \$28

Wednesday, August 16, 8 PM

Delta Rae

A much-buzzed about folk-rock group from North Carolina that deftly balances Americana with soul and anthemic pop, Delta Rae will be making their second stop in Rockport. After releasing a 2013 EP called *Chasing Twisters* (which featured a guest appearance by Lindsay Buckingham), Delta Rae's *After It All* was released in 2015 and featured the radio single "Scared." Tickets: \$39, \$35, \$29

Friday, August 18, 8 PM

Saturday, August 19, 8 PM

Tom Rush

With Matt Nakoa

In what has become a delightful, much-anticipated Rockport tradition, folk legend Tom Rush returns to the Shalin Liu Performance Center. Rush's timeless originals, including beloved songs like "No Regrets" and "Galveston Flood," have become true classics, residing in the heart of the folk canon. He joins with young singer-songwriter Matt Nakoa whose performances have been hailed as "intimate and genuine, soulful and bittersweet..." Tickets: \$69, \$62, \$49

Sunday, August 20, 5 PM

Kingston Trio

Known for their role in the folk revival of the early 60's, their iconic takes on traditional folk classics like "Tom Dooley" and for their trademark three-part harmonies, The Kingston Trio will perform beloved hits like "M.T.A.," "Worried Man," "Greenback Dollar" and "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?" Tickets: \$72, \$66, \$50

Friday, August 25, 8 PM

BeuSoleil avec Michael Doucet

As the preeminent Cajun band in the world, BeauSoleil has been generously exporting the rich musical traditions of Southwestern Louisiana for close to forty years. Tickets: \$52, \$45, \$38

ABOUT ROCKPORT MUSIC

Founded in 1981 as the Rockport Chamber Music Festival, Rockport Music presents exceptional concerts and cultural events in the "stunning acoustics and dramatic setting" (*Boston Globe*) of the Shalin Liu Performance Center. Best known for its summer chamber music festival featuring some of the world's finest ensembles and soloists, Rockport Music has expanded its offerings to include year-round presentations of jazz, folk, pop, and world music, high-definition broadcasts from the Metropolitan Opera and National Theatre (London), and special film presentations. Education and community outreach activities serve nearly 10,000 students and adults throughout Cape Ann and the North Shore annually.

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