



Cultural Center

July 2009

News

Thanks:

Thank you to the Keal, Synnestvedt, and Powell families, who pitched in and helped get the gardens planted after Kamali had to leave unexpectedly due to health issues. She is in the Adirondacks at a church camp for the summer with her mother and feeling well now. Thanks to everyone on our "Street Team" for supporting us by attending shows, spreading the word, printing and posting fliers, and much more. The most recent Flier of upcoming events is always available at <http://www.creeksidecenter.org/UpcomingEvents.pdf> and if you print 10 of them and find places to post them, we'll give you a free desert each month you do so, just give us a list of the places you put them.

Community Garden

Farm "shares" are available by working any number of 2 hour blocks doing weeding and (once we all dry out from the 10 inches of rain we got in June) possibly watering and other little tasks in the garden. Harvest will be distributed according to how many 2 hour chunks you worked.

Activities:

We are having an all day Women's Music Festival on August 23rd. We have an all star line-up of neat women who will be joining us as musicians, visual artists, crafts-people, children's activities, health and wellness activities, picnics by the creek, and so much more! Our other big name artists coming up include this week's Craig Bickhardt concert, Richard Ray Farrell in July, and Pat Wictor in August. And we have a special children's concert on July 12th with Leonardo, who your 2-12 year olds will ALL love (and so will you!) We'll be having a special Jazz evening on July 18th as well, with a bit of an upgrade to our usual decorations and foods. See our attached schedule for details and more exciting upcoming events.

Membership News:

We have had quite a few new members in the last two months! Members get discounts on all concerts, and some free events, as well as a chance to give their input into the concert schedule, classes, and other activities they'd like to see at Creekside. The Walker family gets the award for attending the most shows since the new season started in March. Free cheesecake to them at the next concert they attend!

Legal and Logistic stuff:

Our neighbor had a surveyor come to determine property lines, and we have more land than we thought on the west side of the barn. We'll get some split rail fencing up shortly and then decide how to arrange the space from there. Our state paperwork for the IRS has been filed, the "board resolutions" have been written, and we're waiting for the appraisal so we can get the lease written. I'd love to have as many of you as possible give feedback on a structure for separation of Creekside and personal property, and how we organize who pays what – as our original plan is not in accordance with what the IRS prefers. Let me know if you want the details, so that you can give feedback about it.

Wish List:

Vacuum in good working order

Additional Burlap for the walls

Lots of lumber for building frameworks for insulation on the outside of the stage wall, and staircases for the fire escape and balcony, and shingles for covering the west side of barn after it is insulated.

Large sheets of Plexiglas or used storm windows and doors for building a greenhouse for the community garden.

A few sheets of Plywood for replacing the seat supports of many of our red chairs.



Calendar

Summer 2009 Events

ALL Shows 7:30pm (meet the artist at 7:00) Suggested donation \$5 for non-members \$3 for members, unless otherwise noted.

Sat Jun 27 Craig Bickhardt "Music used to change people, Bickhardt notes. Records used to be made for careful listeners who read the lyrics and talked about the songs, interpreted their meanings. That's the kind of music I relate to." Craig is following in the traditions of his admired predecessors. <http://www.craigbickhardt.com/>

Sat Jul 4 Campfire and sing-along

Sat Jul 11 Richard Ray Farrell – "The conviction and determination in his voice and instrumental skills take a back seat to no one. He's as tough as they come, as artistic as those before him, and surely a name to be reckoned with in the future." Craig Ruskey, Blind Man's Blues Forum <http://www.richardrayfarrell.com/>

Sun Jul 12 12:30pm Membership Potluck and meeting attend the Leonardo concert free if you come to the meeting!

Sun Jul 12 02:00 PM Leonardo (children's concert) - "Themes of bravery, justice and inclusion weave throughout this fun collection of water-themed songs, rife with catchy hooks and danceable beats. Songs to empower kids of all abilities without being preachy." - Kristen Dobsen, ParentMap Seattle, WA <http://www.leonardomusic.com/> **(regular admission OR \$10 maximum for member families, \$15 maximum for non-member families)**

Sat Jul 18 Michael Bellar and the As-Is Ensemble Cutting edge jazz from New York City – a very different evening, with new deserts and a more upscale feel to the whole night.

Fri Jul 24 Open Mic and Jam session with John Austin (\$3 for non-members, free for members)

Sat Jul 25 Chuck Schaeffer - Music based largely on life experiences, inspired by a wide range of artists across many different musical genres, Chuck Schaeffer combines a blend of folk, bluegrass, country, country rock and Americana. <http://www.myspace.com/chuckschaeffermusic>

Sat Aug 01 Rupert Wates - Wates' voice sounds like a clearer and more theatrical Gordon Lightfoot. Each song is a single piece, without any blending into each other, a mark of the true tunesmith. Wates definitely has a way with words, thought structures, melody lines and musicianship, and I truly believe this worth a listen' (Jim Testa, www.jerseybeat.com) <http://www.myspace.com/rupertwates>

Sat Aug 08 Hope Machine "The musicianship, lyrics, heart, and soul are alive and well with the Hope machine, I'm really enjoying their new CD, the only thing better... is seeing them live." -Hale Milgrim, KTYD FM <http://www.myspace.com/hopingmachines>

Sat Aug 15 The Orphan Trains -The Orphan Trains take their name from the 1800's trains that ferried orphans from New York City to farms of the west. Jon Connelly said their songs were, "Poetry with wings. Like Leonard Cohen on a roller coaster." Delivering well-crafted lyrics with both male and female vocals, two guitars, a ferocious violin, harmonicas, harmonies, piano and tambourine, The Orphan Trains take listeners on a journey with: orphans on an 1850's train, laughing trees, a runaway bride in New Orleans, a lion-loving foster child and a man who imagines he is a record spinning beneath the needle of time.

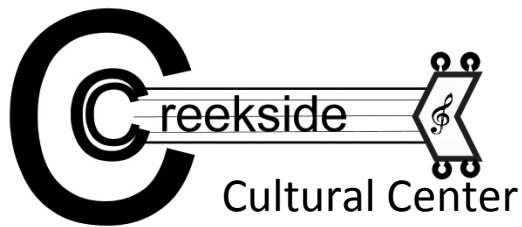
Fri Aug 21 Open Mic and Jam session with John Austin (\$3 for non-members, free for members)

Sat Aug 22 Pat Wictor - Pat Wictor's songs, his blues-tinged slide guitar and mellow performance style impress the hell out of me. Watch out for this guy. He's a terrific new talent." - Gene Shay, WXPB, Philadelphia www.myspace.com/patwictor **Tickets: \$12 (members \$10)**

Sun Aug 23 12:00 PM-7:00 PM – Women's Music Festival! Kelly Flint, Jessy Tomsko, Amanda Penecale, Folk By Association and more! All day music by some of the best women artists in the region. Children's activities, picnicking by the creek, music, artists, crafts, and more! **Tickets: \$20 (members \$15)**

Sat Aug 29 Lisa Bouchelle What do Jon Bon Jovi, Bruce Springsteen, Rob Thomas of Matchbox 20, Cyndi Lauper, and Daryl Hall, have in common? Lisa Bouchelle has sung backup for them all. And now she is stepping out on her own, with a new CD of acoustic pop that has garnered rave reviews. Her style has been compared to Sheryl Crow, Jewel, Jason Mraz, and KT Tunstall, among others. <http://www.octoberbaby.com/>

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Membership

Memberships in the center are \$75 a year for an individual OR a family (two adults and their children under the age of 18 living in the same household) and discounted memberships are available based on family income and volunteer hours. Every member is encouraged to get involved in the center in whatever way interests them.

This organization is NOT run by a small exclusive group. EVERY member has equal input into the programming, policies and procedures, and any other part of the running of the center that they have interest in. All members are invited to attend any meeting of the whole organization or of any committee, and any member who attends a meeting has input into and veto power over any change or new proposal.

All members will receive:

- A monthly potluck meal, meeting, and entertainment, which is free to members and ticketed to non-members.
- \$2 off every concert for all family members.
- Monthly e-newsletter.
- An e-mail address "@creeksidecenter.org" for personal use.
- Subscription to the podcast, discussion board, and other website features.

In addition, there are higher levels of sponsorship available, with benefits for each. The first \$75 of each sponsorship will be considered to be the membership fee. Please see our website for details.

Creekside is applying for 501(c)3 status and intends to operate as a non-profit corporation. Donations ARE tax deductible. EIN #38-3777653

Application for Membership to Creekside Cultural Center

I have read the mission and other information provided in this document, and I understand that this organization is run by the members using a consensus model. I want to participate!

Name of Primary Member _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Phone Number _____

Signature _____

Membership Type

- Individual
- Family

Number of adults ___ Ages of children _____

Membership/Sponsorship Level

- Basic (\$75)
- Dove (\$100 and up)
- Red Tailed Hawk (\$500 and up)
- Peregrine Falcon (\$1000 and up)
- Eagle (\$5000 and up)
- Golden Eagle (\$25,000 and up)
- Please contact me about discounted memberships.

Total Amount Pledged _____

- Please use the sponsorship portion of my donation where it is needed most.
- I would like my donation beyond the basic membership to go, in part, towards _____

Admit One

If you have never attended a concert at Creekside before, you can print and clip this coupon and bring a friend - two admissions for the price of one. Give this to a friend!

The Creekside Cultural Center is a gathering place based on the tenets of the Chautauqua_movement - our mission is to address a variety of needs by providing educational, cultural, spiritual, and recreational programming for the broader community. Activities available include music, art, and spoken word performances, family events, potluck gatherings, barn dances, educational, historic and scientific programs and series, after school clubs for young people, worship services, support and play groups, and whatever YOU suggest next!

Classes Now Forming (contact Creekside for more information)

- *Women Finding their Dream Work* - Led By Vicki Klopp, every other Saturday morning
- *Do-Re-Mi Preschool Music* class led by Wellesley Keal, Wednesday mornings
- *Shakespeare Drama* group - led by Laurel Powell, group to determine schedule
- *Boat Building* classes led by Gordon McQueen, Saturdays by appointment
- *Art Exploration* classes led by Judy Schultz, by appointment
- What do you want to do? Please let us know!



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