

# The Outpost Reader

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Friday, September 10, 8:00 pm

Gandalf Murphy  
and the Slambovian  
Circus of Dreams



The music of Gandalf Murphy and The Slambovian Circus of Dreams has been variously described as "hillbilly-Floyd," "folk-pop," "alt-country, roots-rock," and "surreal Americana;" a clear indicator of its singularly indescribable uniqueness. Dancing freely between all existing religious and philosophical

mythologies, the music is uplifting, empowering, and a lot of fun. In 1998 The Circus emerged from the misty hills of Sleepy Hollow, New York and exploded upon the Hudson Valley music scene with their stunning self-produced debut release, *A Good Thief Tips His Hat*. The quirky quartet then began touring throughout the Northeast and rapidly developed a fiercely loyal, all-ages following. (Continues on page 2.)

Friday, November 5, 8:00 pm

James Maddock

James Maddock is quietly becoming one of the breakout musical stories of 2010. With the release of the exquisite song cycle, *Sunrise on Avenue C*, Maddock has re-established himself as one of the most respected singer/songwriters on the scene. When Columbia Records released *Songs from Stamford Hill* in 2000, it looked like James Maddock was destined for stardom. All the benchmarks of burgeoning success were there; a top 5 Triple A radio song, prominent placements in TV/Film, inclusion on the first Dawson's Creek compilation, and extensive touring with the likes of Paula Cole and Train. Although James created a small base of rabid fans, he didn't achieve the wide recognition he deserved. With his grass roots touring presence around the country and airplay on (Continues on page 2.)

## Concerts

Friday, October 22, 8:00 pm

Chris Hillman  
& Herb Peterson



Chris Hillman has carved a permanent niche in the history of contemporary American music. Through his work with such notable bands as The Byrds, The Flying Burrito Brothers, Manassas and the Desert Rose Band, he has firmly established himself

as an innovative songwriter and performer. Throughout his four-decades in music, Hillman has collaborated with several artists including Roger McGuinn, David Crosby, Stephen Stills, Gram Parsons, Vern Gosdin, Connie Smith, Herb Pedersen and John Jorgenson. He is a member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and a four time Grammy® nominee plus the recipient of numerous CMA and ACM awards. His songs have been recorded by many notable artists including Dwight Yoakum, Emmy-Lou Harris, The Oak Ridge Boys, Tom Petty, Dan Fogelberg, and Beck. Tickets are \$35 in advance and day-of-show.

Friday, October 8, 8:00 pm

Rhett Miller

For 10 years, Austin, TX native Rhett Miller has balanced a solo career with a band career, as both the leader of the rock band Old 97's and as an acclaimed singer-songwriter in his own right. Last year, the Old 97's released their seventh album, *Blame It On Gravity*. Now, just a year later, Miller returns with his fourth solo record, the self-titled *Rhett Miller*. Like every record that Miller is involved with, it's tuneful, memorable, and smart. "A lot of the music I really love is depressing," he explains, "so that's what I'm drawn to. But when I play in front of people, I have this really strong desire to make them happy. I can't force people to sit there and listen to sad songs that sound sad. I just can't do it. If I'm going to have a sad lyric, it has to be set to music that's uplifting or fun-sounding." Anyone who's witnessed a Rhett Miller performance can attest to his charisma and boundless energy onstage. October 8th's Outpost show will be no exception. All tickets are \$28.



**This Fall's concerts are at The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Montclair, 67 Church St.**

# Creating Our Community

## Celebrating the Fourth



John Ehlis and Scott E. Moore donated their time and talent to play on the Outpost "float/pick up truck" for the town of Montclair's July 4th Parade. Our volunteers marched and distributed candy and schedules to parade-goers in 100-degree heat!

## Bridges Outreach



For the fourth year in a row, Outpost volunteers joined with Bridges Outreach on July 18th – a good reason for several of us to get together on a Saturday night to make 300 bagged lunches which were given out on Sunday at the Irvington Neighborhood Improvement Corp.

(*Gandalf*, from pg. 1.)

ing. Featured recently in *Relix Magazine*, *The New York Times* and on the CBS hit show, *Joan of Arcadia*, the band's charismatic live performances and whimsical blend of folk, rock, hillbilly and pop have simply captivated audiences and critics alike. Tickets are \$28 in advance; \$33 DOS.



Please join Outpost in the Burbs as we dig through our closets for clean, nearly new, interview-appropriate women's office attire to help a woman gain employment and journey toward self-sufficiency. At our October 1st Patty Larkin concert, we will be collecting clothing on behalf of Dress for Success. Suits, skirts, blouses, jackets and shoes will be accepted. Founded in New York City in 1997, Dress for Success is an international not-for-profit organization offering services designed to help its clients find jobs and remain employed. Each Dress for Success client receives one suit when she has a job interview and can return for a second suit or separates when she finds work.

Since 1997, Dress for Success has served more than 550,000 women around the world. Each year they reach more than 50,000 women in the United States, and in many countries across the globe.

**Friday, October 1  
8:00 pm**

**Patty Larkin  
with special guest  
Jennifer Kimball**

This will be Patty's fourth Outpost appearance, a show which will exploit the release of 25, the unplugged version of classic Patty Larkin love songs, created with a dream team of some of acoustic music's heroes including Shawn Colvin, Suzanne Vega, Bruce Cockburn and Mary Chapin Carpenter. Another of these heroes, Jennifer Kimball, who broke into public consciousness as part of the vocal duo, The Story, will open this show and share the stage with Patty for a good portion of the evening. Patty has been described as "riveting" (*Chicago Tribune*), "hypnotic" (*Entertainment Weekly*) and a "drop-dead brilliant" performer (*Performing Songwriter*). Tickets are \$28.50 in advance; \$34.00 DOS.



(*James*, from pg. 1.)

some of the most influential stations in the country (WXPB, WFUV, Sirius/XM), what seemed meant to be in 2001 is now taking shape in the new decade. Tickets are \$25 in advance; \$29 DOS.



The Outpost's musical guests stay at

**Best Western Fairfield  
Executive Inn**

216-234 Route 46 Eastbound  
Fairfield, New Jersey 07004  
**973-575-7700**

# Things to Do

## Community Service

Saturdays, 9:30 am:

September 4, 18; October 16

November 6, 20; December 4

## Soup Kitchen Workdays

Help bring nourishment to the clients of the soup kitchen at Christ Episcopal Church in East Orange. Space is limited for each workday, so be sure to contact Mary at mcgeewest@yahoo.com as soon as possible. We'll carpool to East Orange from the First Congregational Church (FCC) parking lot at 9:30 a.m. and return approx. 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 2, 9:30 am

Saturday, December 18, 9:30 am

## Teen Soup Kitchen Workday!

The Outpost is pleased to bring back these special opportunities for teens to help nourish the clients of Christ Episcopal Church in East Orange. Contact Jennifer at (973) 744-6560; or email jennifer@trevanna.com.

Saturday, September 25, 7:45 am

## Habitat for Humanity

We'll spend the day volunteering with Habitat for Humanity in Paterson NJ on Saturday, September 25th. Our

day will start bright and early at 7:45 am and go til 3 pm. We'll help build homes for low-income families of the surrounding area, working side-by-side with the home's residents. Since Paterson Habitat began in 1984, 204 homes have been built with private donations from individuals, churches and faith congregations and businesses. Habitat for Humanity is a story of the power of ordinary people stepping forward to make a difference. Watch for more Habitat volunteer dates this fall and spring 2011. To learn more about Habitat in Paterson visit <http://www.patersonhabitat.org>. To join us on the 25th, please email Jolynda ASAP at: [jolyndamichelle@hotmail.com](mailto:jolyndamichelle@hotmail.com).

## Activities

Sundays, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm:

September 5, October 24

November 14, December 12

## Spiritual Drumming

Richard Reiter invites adults and mature teenagers to join him for a "joyous feeling of unity and power." Richard supplies drums, but you are encouraged to bring your own drums and percussion instruments. \$7 includes refreshments.

Friday, September 17, 6:30 pm

## Fall Kickoff Harvest Dinner at Farm2Bistro

If you haven't discovered this local gem, you are in for a treat. Start with a superb chef who is member of the Certified Organic Chefs, add a pinch of just-picked local produce, and bring your sense of adventure and order from an ever changing very modestly priced menu. BYO, too! "Fabulously savory...we all sat there in a state of bliss" – Baristanet

Where: Farm2Bistro, 177 Franklin Ave., Nutley, NJ 973-667-FARM; <http://farmbistro.com>

RSVP: Joyce: (973) 744-6560 by Wednesday, September 15th.

*The Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Montclair is located at 67 Church Street, Montclair. The First Congregational Church is located at 40 South Fullerton Avenue, Montclair.*

*For tickets, call or visit Ticketweb, 866-468-7619, [www.ticketweb.com](http://www.ticketweb.com); or locally at Keil's Pharmacy, 732 Valley Road, Montclair or Modern Leaf & Bean, 146 Chestnut Street, Nutley.*

I would like to make a tax-deductible donation. For donations of \$100 or more, indicate T-shirt size: \_\_.

I would like to subscribe to *The Outpost Reader* for one year (6 issues) — \$10.

I would like to order tickets. I am enclosing a check for the full amount (advance ticket price) and a self-addressed, stamped envelope, and am mailing them at least ten (10) days prior to the concert.

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I would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities at the Outpost.

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Make checks payable to "Outpost in the Burbs." Mail this form with payment to: *Tickets and/or Reader* • Outpost in the Burbs • 40 South Fullerton Avenue • Montclair, NJ 07042-3396.

Friday, November 12, 8:00 pm

## Vance Gilbert and Dala

While a crippling snow storm last February caused this concert to be fast forwarded to this fall, the anticipation surrounding the pairing of Outpost veteran (eight shows) Vance Gilbert and the new Canadian duo sensation, Dala, is palpable. Of Gilbert's latest release, *Angels, Castles, Covers*, (much of which Vance will cover at the show) Roberta Schwartz of *Fame* says, "Gilbert sings the songs that have influenced him as an artist. From the sounds of Motown, through the R&B of Al Green and Gladys Knight, to classic Joni Mitchell and Shawn Colvin, the song palette represented here is rich and lively." The darlings of the Canadian music scene, Dala, have performed at Toronto's legendary Massey Hall a total of seven times and are now poised to bring their fresh brand of acoustic pop music to the world. Drawing upon influences like The Beatles, Joni Mitchell, Neil Young and Bob Dylan, Dala write songs that are both catchy and insightful. Exclaims the *Peterborough Examiner* "Dala



Amanda Walther (left) and Sheila Carabine of Dala.

### Advance Ticket Sales Convenient Hours!

Both Modern Leaf & Bean, 146 Chestnut St., Nutley, NJ (973-661-0439) and Keil's Pharmacy, 732 Valley Rd., Upper Montclair, NJ (973-744-2113) support the Outpost with ticket sales. Call for hours.



Also, for a service charge, tickets are available online or by phone from TicketWeb or by direct mail from The Outpost. See order information on page 3.



can sing! What beautiful flights of melody and harmony, reminiscent of the Everly Brothers, Emmylou Harris and associates..." Tickets are \$23.

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