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#### By Paula Greatorex, Host of Blues the Healer, and Chris Stark, WERU Volunteer Coordinator

On Monday nights, from 8 to 10 pm on WERU FM, Paula Greatorex and her Ol' Buddy have been soothing souls over the airwaves with *Blues the Healer* since September 13, 1992. The show kicks off every Monday night with John Lee Hooker's classic tune by the same name. In this exclusive interview with Paula, we pull back the curtain and unveil the mastermind of this unique WERU blues show that has been running the past 20 years.

In the beginning . . .

"I moved home to Maine in 1989. My brother, Byron, had a jazz show called Straight, No Chaser that aired on Sunday afternoons. I hung out at the henhouse (the old WERU studio in Blue Hill) with Byron a few times and got interested. I listened all the time, met a few volunteers and decided to take the training. There were no other traditional blues shows airing during that time so I chose that genre. The only thing I knew about the blues was that I liked the sound."

In Paula's program proposal she said she wanted to sources of information

"connect to life's joys and sorrows with blues lyrics." She practiced on *Southern Wind* with Terry Mason. Then, her brother moved out of the area, so she jumped in with *Blues the Healer* on Sept 13, 1992. It was on a Sunday afternoon and, of all times, it was during a pledge drive. David Piszcz was her co-host.

"I was nervous, clumsy and scared and didn't know much about the blues – David Piszcz saved the show with his knowledge and wit. I was smitten with the music and thought I could pull it off."

"John Blaisdell (aka, My Ol' Buddy) moved to Isle au Haut from the Boston area in the late '70's. John has rich and varied taste in music, but living on Isle au Haut, he felt like he was living in a radio wasteland with a few commercial stations. Then, WERU hit the airwaves in 1988. One day, while he was working outside his cabin listening to Blues the Healer, John decided to call the station and make a music request. He later wrote a letter asking for sources of information CONTINUED page six

# WERU LIVE RADIO AUCTION DEC. 1ST!

By Mary Kellett, WERU Auction Day Coordinator

Tune in on Saturday, December 1, 2012, from 8 am until Noon and bid on a wide range of items donated by members of the WERU community. Most items are gift certificates for restaurants, inns, classes, books, galleries, garden supplies and many other services and products. A few items can be viewed at our website www.weru.org.

Bidding on each item will begin at half its value. Support your favorite community radio station, secure great holiday gifts, and have fun!

We will auction items off in groups of three or four. Our

auctioneers will describe each group and then play music while the bids come in. You can call **469-6600** or **1-800-643-6273** and give your name, phone number and bid to one of our phone answerers. The auctioneers will update listeners as the bids come in. Each grouping will be available for bids for approximately five minutes. Big ticket items can be bid on at any time during the auction and will be closed out one by one during the last hour.

If you are the highest bidder you will receive a call from another volunteer who will ask if you are paying by check or credit card and get your mailing address. Please check our website for updates at **www.weru.org**. We will be posting the order in which items will be offered for bids on the website a few days before the auction.

#### **AUCTION CATALOG pages 4-5**



# WERU ON FULL POWER!

By Matt Murphy, WERU General Manager

As many of you know, up until July of this year WERU had been broadcasting with the original FM transmitter installed when the station first went on the air in 1988. Our transmitter was very old by industry standards and was in a downward spiral of breakdowns and nearly constant maintenance taking unannounced days off more frequently, which, as you might imagine, made it hard to operate the radio station and to fulfill our mission of community service. Thanks to the generosity of more than 200 people who gave to the New Transmitter Campaign, as well as the Maine Association of Broadcasters Foundation and the Bangor Savings Bank Foundation for their grants, WERU is once again operating at full power with a brand new radio transmitter.

The process for installing the new, state-of-the-art, and solid-state transmitter took a good deal of work. In June we modified the building that houses the transmitter at the base of the 200-foot communications tower on Blue Hill Mountain. (We rent space on the tower, which also holds cell phone, wireless Internet and other communications antennas.) The small structure, about the size of a shed for storing a riding lawnmower, had to be enlarged so that both the new and old transmitters, each of which fits in a rack about the size of a large refrigerator, could sit side by side. We are keeping the old transmitter as a back up for the new one, and also to save ourselves the huge job of getting it down the hill. We also replaced the building's 25-year old roof.

Finally, during the last week of July, using an off-road vehicle



Jonathan Owen of Harris, Inc. (left) and WERU Chief Engineer Bruce Clark (right) installing the new transmitter.

we transported the new transmitter components up Blue Hill Mountain, about a twenty-minute ride one way. Fortunately, the transmitter came in several parts, the heaviest of which weighs only 200 pounds, unlike the 500-pound generator we installed a couple of years earlier. It took all day to bring the equipment up to the building.

It then took three full days for the engineer from the transmitter company and our Chief Engineer, Bruce Clark, to assemble all the parts and run an exhaustive battery of tests before turning on the new transmitter for the public to hear. We were able to stay on the air for much of the installation period because we continued to use the old transmitter while the work was being done.

Once the new transmitter was broadcasting we began hearing from listeners that the sound was "richer" and "fuller." The signal doesn't go any farther than before, as our signal coverage pattern authorized by the FCC has not changed. We just plain sound better. And perhaps more importantly, we are dramatically less susceptible to frequent breakdowns and extra maintenance, which both saves money and provides listeners with more consistent service. We are also saving 10% on our electricity bill with the new transmitter.

Once again, the Board, staff and volunteers of WERU thank everyone who contributed to our New Transmitter Campaign! And, we thank everyone who supports the station through his or her membership contributions to the station. Whether you are a new member or you've been giving for twenty-plus years, you keep us going strong! (See pages 3 and 6 for more on the new transmitter and improving reception.)

#### **WERU'S MISSION**

WERU provides a community-based non-commercial radio service; WERU broadcasts programs designed to serve the needs of those not fully served by other broadcast media in the areas covered by the WERU signal; WERU is a "voice of many voices" offering a wide variety of people an opportunity to share their experiences, concerns, perspectives and information with their neighbors over the airwaves and Internet.

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By Matt Murphy, WERU General Manager

What's the biggest WERU news item for 2012? It's got to be finally obtaining our much-needed new FM transmitter. It was a huge amount of work, both in terms of fundraising and technical issues, and we did it thanks to a tremendous outpouring of listener support, both for the purchase of the new transmitter (200 donors) and for keeping everyday operations in tune (2,500 donors). (See cover story for more on the new transmitter.) Thank you everyone!

Another big "Thank You!" goes out to Sylvia Smith, our Database Manager since 2007 and a volunteer at the station for three years before that. Sylvia is leaving the staff of the station and will be greatly missed by everyone, as her database expertise and pledge drive work was essential to our success. Other staff members will work together to perform Sylvia's former duties, including one part-time member of our staff becoming fulltime (Denis Howard).

We've got some excellent volunteer programmers moving on who deserve our gratitude as well: Paul Conte (Paul's Emporium), Quinn Mitchell (Quinntopia), and Wes Sterrs (Beastly Jams), three young guys who have finished school (the first college, the second two high school). Best of luck, gents! And we also welcome a few new

programmers: Pip (The Junk Drawer indie rock Saturdays at 3 p.m.), and Holly McMartin (Sunday Morning Coffeehouse – folk Sundays at 6 a.m.).

In the past several months we have had some successful station events as well as outreach at other events. Our events were the Roy Zimmerman Concert (April in Bangor), Spring Fling Music Sale (April in Belfast during the Free Range Music Festival), WERU Birthday Party Open House (May at the radio station). Boat Talk Cruise (June out of Northeast Harbor), Theodore Treehouse Concert (June in Northeast Harbor) and American Folk Festival Live Broadcast (August in Bangor). We also had outreach tables at the North Atlantic Blues Festival (July in Rockland), KahBang Music Festival (August in Bangor), Common Ground Country Fair (September in Unity) and the Aurora Music Festival (September in Aurora). We very much appreciate all the people who participated and visited us, and all the volunteers who helped make this outreach possible!

This summer we heard from a number of listeners in Augusta and Bath-Brunswick that it seemed like ever since we turned on the new transmitter their radio reception has become full of static and weaker than other stations in the area. Unfortunately, there is nothing that we can do about this problem, as it actually has nothing to do with our transmitter. Around the same time as we were switching to the new transmitter two new radio stations came on line in Augusta (89.5) and Bath-Brunswick (89.7), part of The Presence Radio Network (which also has stations in Bangor and Portland). These stations are operating in accordance with their FCC licenses and are not interfering with our primary signal area, which under FCC regulation is protected from interference by other stations. Sadly, these listeners live outside our protected signal area and there is

nothing that the station can do about this situation, but there are things that listeners can do for better reception (see Page 6).

Financially the station is doing well. We are right on track to reach our \$250,000 annual membership goal and as of October 22 we have \$60,000 to go. So please get us to that goal by renewing your membership or becoming a new member (through the mail or during the pledge drive). Our next Funathon Pledge Drive will take place November 3 – 10. Thank you in advance for your support!

Federal funding for broadcasting and media (including community radio) continues to be in jeopardy and targeted by some members of Congress and the Romney-Ryan presidential campaign. WERU receives 20% of its annual income through a Community Service Grant from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting so this is an issue that we are watching very closely. More information on this issue, including how you can get involved, is available http://170millionamericans.org/ and http://www.freepress.net/.

We have news about our Board of Directors as well. In the past few months our Board added two new members: Jon VanAmringe of Lamoine, who is a financial consultant, and Sara Trunzo of Unity, who is the Food & Farm Project Coordinator at Unity College. Sara is also the co-host of Midcoast Currents (3rd Friday of each month at 10 a.m.). Welcome to both and thank you for joining in the work of the Board, the governing body responsible for determining the overall direction and insuring the overall well being of WERU.

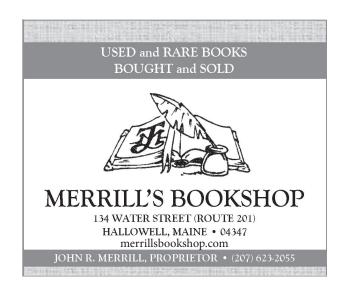
Finally, we can't say it enough but many thanks to everyone who makes WERU so great: individual and family members, business members, program underwriters, volunteers and listeners. You make it all happen!

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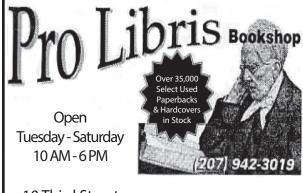


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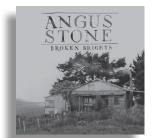


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## **NEW MUSIC REVIEWS**

WERU's Brother Al Gives His Favorite 5



#### **Angus Stone --- Broken Brights**

Angus Stone, one half of the Australian brother and sister act Angus and Julia Stone, has released his 2nd solo project Broken Brights. The easy on the ears, laid back rhythms calls up Dire Straits and the distorted guitar solos evoke the best of early Neil Young and Crazy Horse. While delivering shared intimacies in a whisky drawl over mandolin and fiddles, Stone builds hypnotic momentum as each song progresses. The Line of Best Fit says "Broken Brights is a collection of folk pop songs, honestly sung to produce a body of emotion that anyone in or out of love and desire will relate to." Stone also produced these 13 tracks for Desert Harvest Records.

#### The XX --- Coexist

Pitchfork.com says the XX has "produced a record that fills a void most of us didn't know existed." Several currents of music flowed into the work of this London band to create something that feels strangely new. Many of their songs are skeletal, with nothing more than guitar, bass and restrained percussion, creating music with a daring sense of space with minimal production. Romy Croft and Oliver Sim share vocals, while the third member, Jamie XX produced these 11 songs for the Young Turks label. These soulful songs are about little things like a glance, a gesture or a murmured word. Listening to Coexist will prove to be a haunting and captivating experience.



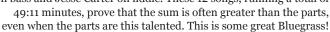


#### The Be Good Tanyas --- A Collection

This Vancouver based trio, Frazey Ford, Trish Klein and Sam Parton, have been playing together since 1999. Their music has a beautiful, soft and sweet warmth that has Michael Z. Jody saying that they "are about the finest all female group of all times, if you like folky, traditional, bluesy, bluegrassy and I-am-not-sure-whatsy kind of music." These 16 songs on the Nettwerk label span ears 2000 to 2012, and include two new tracks. The hand's tight, effortless harmonic understated arrangements and inventive musicianship is simply top notch.

#### Keller Williams & the Travelin' McCoury Band --- Pick

American Songwriter says, "You would think it's difficult for an instrumentalist as talented as Keller Williams to find musicians who are worthy of collaboration," yet once again he has joined forces with an established band on this, his 18th studio album. On other discs he has worked with String Cheese Incident, The Keels and members of the Grateful Dead. This time he has united with the Travelin' McCoury band, made up of Rob McCoury on banjo, Ronnie McCoury on mandolin, Alan Bartram on bass and Jesse Carter on fiddle. These 12 songs, running a total of





#### The Dang-it Bobbys --- Big Trouble

The Birds of Chicago is a collective of musicians based around JT Nero and Allison Russell, who the Chicago Sun Times says "have emerged as two of the most compelling new voices in North American Roots music." JT Nero is a distinctly American songwriter and is the front man for JT Nero and the Clouds. Russell is a multi-instrumentalist who writes gorgeous unpredictable songs and fronts Po'Girl. Often on tour together, they collaborated in 2011 on Mountains/Forests under JT's name. The album was so well received that they have merged bands and now go under the name of Birds of Chicago. Listen to these 12 songs and you will become a fan, as I have.

# DEC. IST LIVE RADIO AUCTION CATALOG

NoodenBoat School, Brooklin, ME. Approaching its 33rd year, offers dozens of classes designed for beginning, intermediate, or experienced woodworkers with expert teachers of seamanship, boat-building, and woodworking and related crafts during the 2013 summer session. Classes are small and intimate, allowing each student the opportunity for personalized attention from the instructor. There's even a family week for intergenerational sharing. WoodenBoat school offers one certificate good for one course. Value: \$750. www.thewoodenboat-school.com

Rock the Path, Camden. A holistic retreat and educational center offering experiential programs and enlightening experiences to help reduce stress, spur creativity, heal, access guidance, achieve goals, explore gonzairante plore consciousness, and enhance and improve lives of participants and communities. Offering a Silent Weekend retreat workshop from January 18 to 20, 2013. Includes accommodations, gourmet meals, and all course materials and activities. Also includes personalized Hemi-Sync Sessions, meditative exercises that involve listening to the quiet, all-powerful voice within while giving our body, mind and spirit a soothing and healing retreat. Value: \$495. Note: Option to bring a friend at 50% the tuition rate (increasing the value of the auction item to \$742.50.) www. rockthepath.org

**3.** Downeast Family YMCA, Ellsworth. Offering fitness rooms, a swimming pool and gym as well as fifty hours of free programming each week. Gift certificate for one adult annual membership. Begin use by 6/15/13. Value: \$480. www.defymca.com.

**Lynn Karlin Photography**, Belfast, will provide a 2-hour garden photography lesson valued at \$400. **www.lynnkarlinphoto.** 

Maine Fiddle Camp, Mont-5. Waine Fluite Camp, wille offers a campership for from a week-long session from Sunday, June 16 - Friday, June 21, 2013. It offers a beautiful rustic lakeside camp for all ages and abilities to learn and share Maine dance music. Daily classes and workshops are offered in fiddle and other instruments, including piano, accordion, flutes and whistles. There are also performances by Maine and Canadian musicians, jams, singing, dancing and swimming. Reservation must be made by June 1, 2013. Value: \$400. www.mainefiddle. org

Frederica Marshall, Master Brush Painter, artist, teacher and researcher who lived and studied in Japan for 28 years and currently resides in Deer Isle, is providing a 3 day Japanese Sumi-E workshop including all art materials. Value: \$350. www.fredericamarshall.com

The Green Store, Belfast, a general store for the 21st Century with environmentally safe, energy efficient products at affordable prices, is donating a Sun-Mar Garden Composter. Value: \$350. www.greenstore.com

Haystack Mountain School
of Crafts, Deer Isle. Provides
workshops led by prominent
New England craftmakers and visual artists since 1982. Offers an
intensive fall session for Maine
residents of all levels on Columbus
Day Weekend, 2013. Value: \$330.
www.haystack-mtn.org

Darwin K. Davidson. Join your host of *Bronzewound* on a 5 hour boat trip in the Deer Isle Vicinity for up to 7 people. Swimming in a quarry or out to Isle au Haut for a hike if desired. June – September. Value: \$300. www.darwindavidson.com

Down East Nature Tours, Bar Harbor, offers year round birding tours throughout Maine and the Down East coast focusing on MDI. A gift certificate for one 4 hour birdwatching/nature tour for 2 people. Value: \$200. www.downeast-naturetours.com.

Miss Nina Coast to Islands Sailing Charters, where adventure is just a sail away, provides a 3-hour dinner sail for 2 from Belfast aboard the 60 foot Miss Nina wooden pilot house ketch. 3 course dinner. Will accommodate special diets. The pilot house is full size and is above deck level. 24-hour reservation is required from Memorial Day to October 10, 2013. Value: \$200. www.sailingmissnina.com

The Lester Gallery LLC, Deer Isle, a well known Maine Landscape Fine Art Photographer, offers a 14" x 16" original photograph of the Maine Landscape by Terrell S. Lester. Value: \$175. www.the-lestergalleryllc.com.

Waldo County YMCA, Belfast, has programs and activities for people of all ages and abilities. General group specialty fitness classes are available as well as a wide selection of youth and adult sports programs. The facility includes a pool complex, and indoor walk/jog track, air-conditioned fitness center and

wellness/aerobic classroom. They are providing a three month adult membership. Value: \$171 www.waldocountyymca.org

Creature Quarters Guest House and Dog Camp, Brooklin. Creature Camp/Barnside offers professional services tailored to meet the needs of your pet. The Camp includes a 2 story, 3 bedroom farmhouse, and an attached finished barn, which opens into 3 fenced areas. Creature Camp provides a safe home away from home for your dog with no kennels or cages. They provide 2 nights lodging for up to 2 humans and 2 dogs from April through October. Value: www.creaturecampoline.com

Center Harbor Sails in Brooklin is offering a large sea tote bag crafted by Sea Bags of Portland of recycled sails. Big enough for lots of gear. Perfect for sailor or landlubber. Value: \$150. www.center-harborsails.com

Black Bear Inn Conference Center & Suites in Orono, an award-winning boutique style hotel featuring a complimentary wine and cheese reception and deluxe continental breakfast, is a non-smoking hotel minutes from the University of Maine. They offer an overnight stay, \$130 value. Available Sunday to Thursday only with reservations prior to arrival. www.blackbearinnorono.com

Diver Ed, Bar Harbor, donates a certificate for a 2 hour scenic divein theater for 2 adults and 2 kids. Take a journey to the bottom of the sea without ever getting wet when you dive into Maine's only underwater sightseeing trip. (Valid June-October, 2013) Value: \$130. www.divered.com.

Don Foshays Discount Tire and Alignment, in Belfast has a gift certificate for a 4-wheel alignment, 4 tire rotation and balance, and 4 tire nitrogen fill. Value: \$130. www.donfoshays.com

Country Inn at Camden, Rockport. Open year 'round. Only minutes from beautiful Camden and Rockport Harbors and a myriad of coastal attractions. Gift certificate for one night stay in the Luxury Suite until May 20th 2013. Value: \$119.00 www.countryinnmaine.com

The Fiddlehead Restaurant, downtown Bangor, uses only the most quality ingredients, bringing a little extra finesse to comfort-style dishes, interpreted from cuisine ranging from the Far East to Down East. Their motto is Eat local, eat

inexpensively, eat well. Gift certificate. Value: \$100. www.thefid-dleheadrestaurant.com

Havana Restaurant, Bar Harbor. American fine dining with a Latin flair. A great atmosphere, extensive wine list, knowledgeable staff and sophisticated menu. Seafood, vegetarian and meat dishes are flavored with intelligence and respect and change weekly, sometimes daily. Havana is located in downtown Bar Harbor, just a short stroll up Main Street. Gift certificate: \$100 value. May through October; Open 3 days a week, November and December. www.havanamaine.com

Holbrook Williams Garden Services, Brooklin, will provide three to four hours of garden services, using hand tools with you in your garden on the Blue Hill Peninsula: Spring prep., transplanting, improve garden beds, etc. sometime during the 2013 growing season. Value: \$100.

**Jay Peterson Signs**, Sedgwick. *Rhythm Ranch* host, sign painter and sign carver Jay Peterson offers a \$100 gift certificate toward a hand painted driveway sign. **www.jaypetersonsigns.com** 

Paradise Tattoo, Blue Hill. Free lance artist, professional tattooist – also WERU programmer, Corey Paradise, provides work up to 1 hour. Must be at least 18 years old. Gift certificate. http://coreyparadisetattoo.blogspot.com Value: \$100.

Whale's Rib Tavern, Deer Isle, offers a dinner for two. Does not include beverages, tax or 20% gratuity. Open from mid-May to mid-October. Value: \$100. www.pilgrimsinn.com/dining

Bay Chamber Concerts, Camden Opera House, is providing two tickets to America's premiere post-classical quartet in a program entitled Present Beauty featuring The Hours by Philip Glass on Saturday, February 2, 2013. Value: \$90. www.baychamberconcerts.org

Northern Bay Handspun, Penobscot, custom hand spinning, hand-dyed yarns of many fibers (cashmere, silk, bison, alpaca, and more), provide a \$90 gift certificate toward hand-dyed exotic yarn of your choice. Use by end of 2013. www.northernbayhandspun.etsy.com

Island Fishing Gear and Auto Parts, Stonington, which has commercial fishing, lobstering and clamming gear, plus auto parts, is providing a Grundens, Brigg 38 Anorak Pullover, Rain Jacket, Foul Weather Gear. Not returnable. \$80.00 value.

SaraSara's, Blue Hill, Castine & Gardiner. Great clothes and jewelry from many local artisans and manufacturers, US made clothes, fair trade products, jewelry. They are providing a gift certificate for any SaraSara's shop. Value: \$75. www.sarasaras.com

Blue Hill Wine Shop has terrific wine at compelling prices – also coffee, tea, tobacco, seasonal food items. Plenty of advice and good cheer. Gift certificate redeemable for one supremely elegant bottle of white burgundy and one bottle of Chateauneuf du Pape worthy of your holiday feasting, chosen by Max himself. Value: \$70. www.bluehillwineshop.com

Camden Snow Bowl, a community owned ski and recreation area that offers alpine and snowboarding skiers and riders an incredible view of the Atlantic Ocean. In addition, there are many other winter activities available at the Snow Bowl including snow tubing slope and a 400' toboggan chute. They offer 2 complimentary anytime lift tickets. Expiration is April, 2013. Total value: \$70. www.camdensnowbowl.com

Yo Mamma's Home, Belfast. Fun, Funky, Functional Fundamentals for everyone! Pick up bag with beautiful decorated bamboo placemats and 2 whimsical lightswitch plates. Value \$ 65.00. www.yomammashome.com

Blue Hill Inn. A lovely, historic inn in the heart of Blue Hill Village with the best blueberry pancakes and scones ever using local ingredients. Offering breakfast for 4 people, includes tax and breakfast chocolates, but not mimosas or gratuity. Value: \$64. www.blue-hillinn.com

**Colonial Theatre**, Belfast, offers 8 movie tickets to the Colonial Theatre. Value: \$64.00 www.colonialtheatre.com

Blue Hill YMCA, a branch of the Downeast Family YMCA, offers people of the community a place to exercise. Cardio machines, universal weight machine, free weights, medicine balls, stability balls, and etcetera, to help you achieve your fitness goals. They also offer personal training and fitness classes. Provides a 2 month pass for use of gym facilities. Expires February 28, 2013. Value: \$60. www.defymca.org











**Reel Pizza**, Bar Harbor, an uncommonly good cinema mixing food and community for 17 years, offers 1 big ticket for 10 movies. Value: \$55. www.reelpizza.net

Aarhus Gallery, pronounced "Ar-HOOSE," (as in "moose"), in Bel-fast, creates a space where lovers of community, form, and design as well as admirers of contemporary and unique art feel welcome. Gift certificate: \$50. www.aarhusgallery.com

**Borealis Press**, Blue Hill, great cards and graphics, as green as it gets, is donating 4 - \$50 gift certificates each (total value: \$200). **www.borealispress.net** 

Belfast Co-op, Belfast. A community-owned health food store and deli cafe in downtown Belfast since 1976 offering whole natural foods and other goods and provisions with a wide variety of products that are organically produced and locally grown whenever possible. Gift Certificate: \$50 value. www.belfast.coop

Carding Brook Farm, Brooklin. This certified organic farm, which includes maple sugaring and woods work with horses, provides a gift certificate for their fresh farm organic produce at their farm stand, the Brooklin Farmers' Market or by appointment. Gift Certificate: \$50 value.

Clay Forms Pottery, Sedgwick, is contributing a pottery gift certificate for Melody Lewis-Kane handmade porcelain, hand built and wheel thrown tableware, teapots, urns and vessels. Value: \$50. www.clayformspottery.com

Coyote Moon, Belfast. The boutique that speaks to the heart, offering comfortable and elegant clothing, playful and sophisticated jewelry, whimsical and practical accessories. Gift Certificate. Value: \$50. www.coyotemoonmaine.com

Deer Isle Hostel, Deer Isle. An off the grid hostel with communal dinners each evening and organic gardens, a canoe and kayak launch and hiking trails provides one lodging for two people including a communal dinner. Expiration: September 30, 2013. Value: \$50. www.deerislehostel.com

Ellsworth Farmer's Market. Enjoy local vegetables, food, and art at the Ellsworth Farmers Market. Organic vegetables, goat cheese, baked goods, prepared foods, jewelry, hand knits, and much more. Offers a gift certificate good for the 2013 season until October 31, 2013. Value: \$50. www.ellsworth-farmersmarket.com

Fahringer's Framing Gallery, Ellsworth. Features expert custom framing and design consultation as well as printing, and photo & art restoration services. Gift certificate (not redeemable for cash). Value: \$50. www.fahringersframinggallery.com

**Fiddlehead Artisan Supply**, a sewing, quilting and craft supply store in Belfast, offers a Gift Certificate value: \$40. www.fiddleheadartisansupply.com

**5 Star Nursery**, Brooklin, stocks hand-grafted, certified organic fruit trees, most of heirloom stock, and fruit, vegetables and seedlings in season. Donates one organic heirloom apple tree. Gift certificate. \$50 value.

George Fowler, Brooklin, host of *New Potatoes* and long-time contradance fiddler, offers a one hour fiddle lesson for an adult in his studio in Brooklin and will send you home with a CD of contradance music by George or the Montville Project. Gift Certificate. Value: \$50. myspace.com/gwfowler.

Handworks Gallery, Blue Hill. For more than 30 years Handworks in Blue Hill sells fiber arts, book arts, floor cloths, glass, jewelry, painting, sculpture, pottery and more. Gift certificate: \$50 value. Open May through December. www.handworksgallery.org.

Mainescape, Blue Hill. Full service nursery and landscaping, with produce from local farms, garden supplies, and great community spirit. Gift certificate. Value \$50. www.mainescape.com

Nocturnem Draft Haus, Bangor, serves their guests with the finest beers from Maine, the US and abroad paired with some artisan-style, simply prepared locally sourced food. Offering a combination of two \$25 gift certificates. Value \$50. www.nocturnemdrafthaus.com.

The North Atlantic Blues Festival is an annual two-day blues music festival featuring national blues performers and considered one of the most prestigious on the East Coast. The festival is held at the Public Landing in Rockland, Maine, overlooking the picturesque Rockland Harbor. Some of the top names in blues music have been featured at this prestigious East Coast festival. They provide 2 single day passes for July 13-14, 2013. Value: Advanced price is \$50 and at the gate price is \$70 for 2 tickets. www.northatlanticbluesfestival.com

Out of the Woods in Belfast, features quality wooden gifts, furniture, housewares and children games from Maine, as well as an entire collection of unique, outdoor living products. Gift Certificate. Value: \$50. www.kilndry.com

**Pro Libris Bookshop**, Bangor with over 30,000 used books, in dozens of categories, serving Greater Bangor and beyond since 1980. 2 \$25 gift certificates combined. Value \$50. On facebook.

Rooster Brother, a family busi-

ness in downtown Ellsworth, provides good cooks with good tools and has a food lover's emporium with wine, cheese, bakery, coffee and specialty foods. \$50 gift certificate. www.roosterbrother.com

**Turtle Gallery**, for 30 years has provided fine art and contemporary craft on Deer Isle. The have over 100 award winning artists and craftsmen represented. Open from Memorial Day to Columbus Day. \$50 gift certificate. **www.turtle-gallery.com** 

Belfast Dance Studio, dedicated to providing space where everyone can explore the world of movement, donates one month Hip Hop Fusion class with Shana Bloomstein on Mondays for either 7 to 9 year olds - from 3:45 to 4:30pm or ages 10 to 13 from 4:30 to 5:15pm to be used in the Winter of 2013. Value: \$32. And for one or two parents or guardians, they donate a sauna pass valued at \$16. Combined value: \$48. www.belfast-dancestudio.com

Lucy's Granola, East Blue Hill. Lucy's Granola, a family enterprise, has a Gift certificate for 6 bags: original –extra seedy- or gluten-free granolas made of whole grains and unprocessed ingredients with local ingredients wherever possible. Value: \$47. www.lucysgranola.

The Strand Theatre in Rockland has a high definition live broadcast of the London National Theatre's production of *The Magistrate* starring John Lithgow on Thursday, January 17, 2013. Value: \$46 www.rocklandstrand.com

Blossom Studio & Gallery, Brooklin. A shop of fine crafts and apparel, with lamp-work glass by Sihaya Hopkins, donates a gift certificate to be used online or in the shop. Value: \$45. www.blossomstudiobeads.com.

Camden Opera House, Camden, is furnishing two tickets for the Indie Artist Showcase: Real Music for Real Music Lovers with Baraby Bright, Connor Garvey and Chris Ross –all acclaimed artists with new albums to be held on Thursday, February 14, 2013 at 7:30 pm. Value: \$40.00. www.camdenoperahouse.com

Darwin K. Davidson Photography, Deer Isle. Host on WERU's Bronzewound. Provides an 11 by 14 photo of a celebrated bluegrass musician (shown on his website). Value: \$40. www.darwindavidson.com

Kneisel Hall Chamber Music Festival, Blue Hill. One of the best chamber music schools in the world, featuring virtuoso young musicians excited about making fine music together. Offer 4 separate gift certificates worth \$40 each toward the Kneisel Hall Young Artist Concerts in the 2013 Summer Season. Total Value: \$160. www.

kneisel.org

Mad Mama's Vintage, Brooklin, has vintage clothes, décor, kitsch, and collectible jewelry. Offers a gift certificate for items in the shop or online. Shop closed January through May. Value: \$40. www.twirlswithpearls.etsy.com

**Red's Automotive Service**, Stockton Springs, offers an oil change, check of all fluids and an inspection. Gift certificate. Value: \$40.

Sow's Ear Winery, Brooksville providing dry table wines from the unsprayed fruits of apples, blueberries and rhubarb, contributes one bottle of sparkling cider and one of sparkling rhubarb. Value: \$40. theciderman@localnet.com

Maine Discovery Museum, downtown Bangor, is the largest children's museum north of Boston with 3 floors of too much fun. 2 single admission passes. And, Giacomo's, also in downtown Bangor, known for its paninis, pizza and espresso, has a \$20 gift card. Total value for both items: \$35. www.mainediscoverymuseum.org and www.giacomosbangor.com

A+B Naturals, Bar Harbor. A+B Naturals is Bar Harbor's premier natural food store, with a strong commitment to local producers. Shop for your local organic produce, milk, eggs and locally produced groceries of all kinds. Gift certificate to be used by end of 2013. Value: \$30. www.aandbnaturals.com.

Bangkok Restaurant, Ellsworth. Serves fine Thai cuisine since 1989 (dine in or take out). 2 gift certificates: \$30 each. (Total value: \$60)

**Barncastle**, Blue Hill. A hotel, restaurant, and pub. Gift card. Value \$30. www.barn-castle.com

Belfast Framer and Gallery, Belfast, offers a gift certificate. Value: \$30.00 www.thebelfastframer.com

Betsy's Sunflower, Inc., Brooklin. A serendipitous shop full of beautiful housewares, garden gear, boating comforts, necessities and paper goods; fun things for everyone. Mail orders accepted. Closed January 15 to April 1. Gift certificate. Value: \$30. www.betsysunflower.com.

**Bookstacks**, Bucksport an independent bookstore boasting over 5,000 new book titles, more than 1500 periodicals and an assortment of greeting cards and gifts provides a \$30 gift certificate. Value: \$30. www.bookstacksmaine.com.

The Good Table. Belfast. A fine selection of cookware, table linens, cookbooks, kitchen gadgets and more. Gift certificate: \$30 value. www.thegoodtable.net

Maine Grind, Ellsworth, a neighborhood café and coffee lounge, has a certificate for a framed poster of Downeast Maine. Value: \$30. www.mainegrind.com

The Mill Stream Deli, Bakery and Barbeque is Blue Hill's breakfast and lunch spot. Local love -be a part of it! Gift certificate. Value: \$30

Morning Glory Bakery, Bar Harbor, gives a gift certificate. Real food from the heart of Bar Harbor every day - open from 7 am to 8 pm. Value: \$30. www.morningglorybakery.com.

Noah Publications, Brooklin. America's foremost photographer of wooden boats, Benjamin Mendlowitz. Great publications, including calendars, notecards, screensavers, and prints featuring beautiful images. Gift certificate for NOAH Publications merchandise. Value: \$30 www.noahpublications.com.

**Pyramid Studios**, Ellsworth. Creative jewelry design by goldsmiths and brothers Dave and Don Herrington who specialize in custom jewelry solutions of heirloom quality with designs that fit your lifestyle. 2 gift certificates: \$30 each. (Total value: \$60) Use by 12/4/13 www.pyramid.ws

Window Panes, Bar Harbor. A shop filled with fun and functional items for the home, offers 2 gift certificates for \$30 each (Total value: \$60) to be used by December 2013. www.windowpanesmdi.com.

**Bar Harbor Bank & Trust**, Deer Isle is providing a \$25 VISA gift card. Expiration: February 1, 2003. **www.BHBT.com** 

Cleonice Bistro, Ellsworth. Providing meals with local ingredients with international flavors seven days a week. Gift certificate. Value: \$25. www.cleonice.com

**44 North Coffee**, Deer Isle. A small-batch organic and fair trade coffee roaster open year-round, offers two 12 ounce bags of coffee. Value: \$22. www.44northcoffee.com



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about the Blues. I invited him to the station to check out the music library. He did. We met and we've been programming together ever since."

The commute:

When Paula started the show she was living in Searsmont and teaching in Belfast. The commute from Searsmont to Blue Hill Falls (the old address of WERU in a henhouse) was about an hour one way.

"Later I moved to Deer Isle which I thought would be great because it was so much closer to Blue Hill. Then the radio station moved to East Orland, which made my commute about 45 minutes." Six years ago Paula started teaching in Isle au Haut and moved there. Then her Monday commute to the radio station in East Orland became a little more challenging:

"Now I take a 40 minute mail boat ride, jump in my mainland car and drive almost an hour to the station. I spend the night with a friend in East Orland and drive to Stonington to catch the 7 am boat so I can get to work before 8am. Actually the commuting has been surprisingly smooth over the past 6 years. I've had a few times when I've hitched a ride with a fisherman for a faster commute. I missed the 7am boat once by about 1 minute. Come to find out, the captain's watch was fast. I had to hitch a ride with a caretaker and I was 1 1/2 hours late for work. Luckily I had an assistant who took over for me. Winter storms make me crazy. I won't come if a big one is predicted. In six years, the mailboat has never been cancelled on a Monday night or a Tuesday morning . . "My Ol' Buddy" has been known to row his peapod to Stonington to ride with me to the station in the car."

How has blues music changed over the years?

"I don't necessarily think that the music is better, but the sound is sharper and the recordings are more polished and professionally produced. Young, new artists are still covering Robert Johnson songs and Willie Dixon songs. I

think the blues is the blues. Blues artists sing about love and trouble and sometimes political strife like they always have . . . I believe that if someone wants to be successful at playing the blues they have to put their heart and soul into it. They have to be creative and not just a copycat. They have to do more than just play the high notes on the guitar. Knowing the technical side of playing the instrument is fine but it's not the blues without the "feeling."

"Twenty years of listening to, researching and studying one genre of music is an amazing eye opener. I believe my taste has become more discerning because I have allowed myself the  $privilege\ of\ listening\ to\ all\ styles\ of\ blues\ and\ am\ able$ to select music from a tremendous variety of styles within the genre. The extensive CD library at the radio station along with the endless sources of music on the internet have afforded me amazing access to this music. I think if you have the opportunity to listen often and you let yourself search you can find what you like. I will admit I often judge a CD by it's cover and I'm a bit of a blues snob. I trust my instinct and my feeling for the music. I can usually tell after listening to the first 5-10 notes of a song if I'll play it on my show.

What's it been like being a volunteer programmer at the station?

"I guess in 20 years of sitting in the chair at the station anything that can go wrong will and has. I've gone off the air a few times, I've miscued hundreds of songs, I've mispronounced names, I've had great interviews and not so great interviews, I've raised over a thousand dollars in an hour on one fund raiser and made less than \$200 on another. I've been praised, adored, flirted with, and reviled by phone. I've met many wonderful blues performers, fans, promoters of the music and hard working volunteers. I've



John Blaisdell, Marquis Knox, and Paula Greatorex at the 2012 American Folk

loved and lost two darling radio friends Dave Piszcz and Royce Dixon."

Special Connections...

"I was in a near fatal car crash in 2006 which put me out of circulation for 6 months. WERU found people to cover my show and kept the time slot open for Blues the Healer until I came back. Many radio friends visited and sat with me while I healed. I've always said I'll do this show as long as I'm allowed and as long as I'm still having fun. WERU still allows me air time and I'm still having fun. Thank you.

By the way, Blues is the Healer, it's good for what ails ya! It's been very good for what ails me."

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that a more selective, generally higher cost radio for your home would be beneficial. Most car radios are more selective than some home radios as they are built for a noisier environment as you drive down the road. An outside antenna with a coax cable to your radio can also help in many cases. Turn the antenna toward Blue Hill

first. If that direction doesn't work turn the antenna while someone monitors WERU on the radio until the clearest reception is achieved.

Listen online at http://weru.org any number of ways. Use your computer, smart phone mobile devices (like the Public Radio Tuner for iPhones and Tunein Radio for Android), WiFi and Internet radios (type "wifi radio" or "Internet radio" into your browser), or FM signal transmitters that plug into your computer (type "computer FM transmitter" into your browser.)





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## WERU's New Autumn Featured Artists

By Denis Howard, WERU Music and Underwriting Director

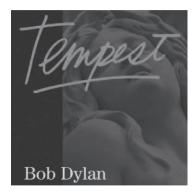
Over the last fifteen years the music industry's way of conducting business has had to evolve dramatically due to the creation of "burning" compact discs at home, digital sound files, illegal file-sharing websites, portable music players, online stores, and even websites that stream and store seemingly any song ever produced. If one looks at the advertising in magazines or on websites and televisions it might seem that nobody purchases physical music any longer. In fact that is not true. Vinyl album sales have been increasing for a few years now while cassettes are once again being produced by independent artists and small record labels. CDs recently experienced a slight surge in sales (perhaps due to Adele's 21 blockbuster of an album and the desire of commercial country music fans to own an actual product. During the late summer and early fall the music industry releases many of its strongest contenders (both established acts and promising new faces) as it plans for an exciting and profitable gift-giving holiday season.

In my fourteen years spent at WERU (both as a volunteer and as a member of the paid staff) I have never seen as much anticipation and excitement for a new album as I have for the Avett Brothers' recent release The *Carpenter*. As of this writing it is the #1 album on WERU's Americana and AAA (adult album alternative) airplay charts. The two actual brothers in this North Carolina rock band (Scott & Seth Avett) recorded their sixth full-length album with famed producer and owner of American



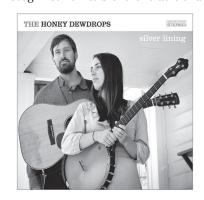
Recordings Rick Rubin. After twelve years operating as a group they have accumulated a host of honors including the 2007 Americana Music Association Duo / Group of the Year and New / Emerging Artist of the Year awards as well as the 2009 "Artist To Watch" in *Rolling Stone* magazine. Though they have always been under the radar of mainstream media this fall finds the Avett Brothers' music featured in commercials for Gap.

Another album released on September 11th with the Avett Brothers' record is Bob Dylan's Tempest, his thirty-fifth studio recording. This record has rapidly

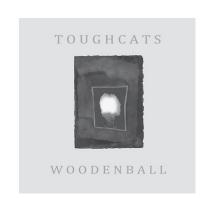


become a favorite of WERU's onair corps of volunteer programmers and not just because of Highway 61 (a weekly hour of Bob Dylan music, hosted by "Doc" Dufour and airing each Friday from 9 - 10 AM). For over half a century this singer / songwriter and folk / rock musician has redefined what it means to be a Sixties icon, a touring superstar, and a poet. It is not hyperbole to consider how unique this new album is -- how many seventyone year olds who have been making music since the 1960s continue to release universally acclaimed new works and actually tour behind the material as well? Are you planning on purchasing this new album to add to YOUR Bob Dylan collection?

Other new albums receiving heavy airplay on WERU this fall include a roots duo known as the Honey Dewdrops. This Virginia-based act at first appeared to be destined for the bluegrass program (*Bronzewound*, airing every Thursday evening from 8 - 10 PM) but quickly was recognized for its blend of traditional



and contemporary folk music. Their album Silver Lining was released a few months back but continues to be featured quite frequently on WERU. It has been five years since Lucy Kaplansky's last solo album. She just released Reunion in late September and it has already been heard many times on Community Radio's airwaves. Lucy recently lost her mother (after her father's death six years ago) and many of the songs reflect on that loss. Rickie Lee Jones also has released a brand-new album, The Devil You Know. The songs are all cover versions and were produced



by fellow musician Ben Harper. Tune in to hear!

Electronic dance music (or EDM) has experienced a renaissance in mainstream popularity this year and WERU continues to feature this genre of music as well. Chicago production duo Supreme Cuts' album Whispers In The Dark has been played on those programs while Malian actress /musician (and current French resident) Fatoumata Diawara currently is receiving much airplay on WERU's world music programs (from her album Fatou) one year after being released. The jazz charts at WERU are topped by drummer Reggie Quinerly and his album Music Inspired By Freedmantown. Reggie hails from Houston, Texas and this album revolves around the historic neighborhood located in the Fourth Ward of that metropolitan area.

WERU offers a very diverse collection of music every day and you are invited to partake at your leisure. Sometimes the most rewarding phone call a DJ receives is the one from a listener who is very curious about the music being played. Even with all of the current online options for listening to music, radio continues to be the primary place where people hear new music for the very first time. During this final quarter of 2012 the major record companies, independent labels, promoters, and individual musicians are hoping that you hear something you like on WERU and that you purchase it for yourself or someone you love. Local favorites Toughcats just released their third album, Woodenball, to locally owned record stores and WERU one month before it is available for digital sales. If you do plan on purchasing music during the next few months please do consider purchasing your music from those local record stores -- the music industry, your fellow Mainers, and many of the musicians would be very grateful! WERU's DJ squad is supposed to keep themselves educated about new releases and are given shelves of new CDs weekly to add to their playlists. Listen in today via our terrestrial signal or online (via www.weru.org) from anywhere in the world and hear the best new music available on WERU!



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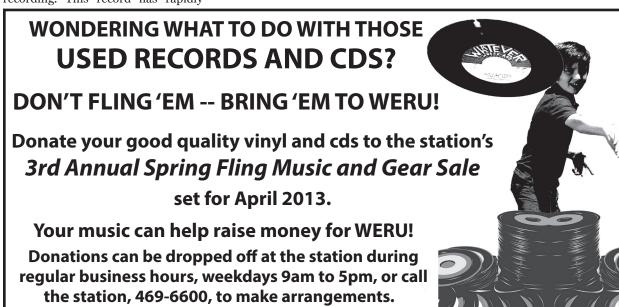
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| SUNDAY   | MONDAY  | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY   |
|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| COUNTRY<br>Downhome Country<br>Doc Morrill   | INSTRUMENTAL &NEW AGE  "Book Waves" 5-5:30  Sunrise Service   |  |  |   | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>"Ecoshock"                                     |  |
| FOLK<br>and Short<br>Features  | ECLECTIC MIX OF AMERICANA Plus News, Weather, Community & Performing Arts Calendars, & Short Features       |  |  |   |  | FOLK<br>and Short<br>Features  |
| Sunday<br>Morning<br>Coffeehouse<br>Jane Gerlach<br>Mary Kellett   | Morning Maine  Allison Watters John "Vern" McVeigh John Hillman-Waters Brother Al Denis Howard              |  |  |   | Saturday<br>Morning<br>Coffeehouse<br>Phil Norris<br>Jim Bahoosh |  |
| Holly McMartin<br>Rosa Livonius  | MUSIC/SATIRE Scouting the Perimeters Joneford Comedy Hour last Mon. of Month John Greenman & Arthur Morison | FOLK<br>Front Porch Folk<br>Phreddie                                 | BLUES<br>Barefoot Blues Hour<br>Mike Joyce       | COUNTRY Downhome Country Doc Morrill  | DYLAN<br>Highway 61<br>Doc Dufour                                | Chuck Markowitz<br>Robin Mendenhall  |
|  | John Greenman a virtual monson  | INFORM   | ATION & PUBLIC                                   | AFFAIRS*  | L  | CHILDREN   |
| PHILOSOPHY<br>New Dimensions   | Alternative<br>Radio  | Rotating<br>Programs   | Health<br>Related                                | Rotating<br>Programs  | Live Local<br>Call-Ins   | WERU Family Radio Hour<br>Scot Cannon & Lonya Julin<br>(In rotation with Imagination<br>Station & Story Land)        |
| CAJUN/ACADIAN Acadia Highway Sister Moxie & Sam Spruce  ROCK Woodstock Nation Charie Bickford & Dan Deluca | ECLECTIC CONTEMPORARY MUSIC<br>(Singer-songwriter, Folk, Rock, World, Jazz, & More!)<br>On The Wing         |  |  |   |  | LATIN and Short Features Gracias a la Vida Susana Diaz, Sara Elena Chiri, Luz Kogson, Jim Fisher, William Ryan, Cheo |
| MUSIC/STORIES The General Store  | Elaine Shute<br>Corey Paradise  | Rich Hilsinger   | Melisenda Ellis                                  | Mark Dyer   | Joel Raymond   | REGGAE<br>Reggae Reprieve  |
| GOSPEL/CLASSICAL<br>Maine Sunday's<br>Best<br>Karen Nelson   | NEW AGE/INDIGENOUS<br>and Short<br>Features<br>Earthtones   | ROOTS<br>Rhythm Ranch<br>Jay Peterson                                | BLUES<br>Blues Station<br>Fritz Homans           | R & B<br>X-Large Soul Show<br>Alan Sprague                                    | SOUL<br>Soul Food<br>Sister Mango                                | Selecta Heat Vizionary Prince I Gwaan  ROCK The Junk Drawer Pip  |
|  | Lee Witting  This Way Out   | The WERU N   | lews Renort*                                     | RadioActive*  | Counterspin  | APPALACHIAN  |
| CELTIC   | This Way Out  |  | <u> </u>   |   | Counterspin  | High on a Mountain<br>Sean Gambrel   |
| <i>New Potatoes</i><br>George Fowler<br>Kathleen Rybarz  | Free Speech Radio News  Democracy Now!  |  |  |   | LOCAL/ME MUSIC<br>Wicked Good<br>Music Hour                      |  |
| WORLD<br>A World<br>of Music<br>Greg Rossel  | The Jazz Scene<br>Jeri Spurling<br>Gavin Rogers   | <b>JA</b><br><i>Jazz Alchemy</i><br>June Sendrowski                  | <b>ZZ</b> Jazz Straight  Ahead  Larry Stahlberg  | Groove Shop<br>Holbrook Williams  | ALT/INDIE ROCK  Departure  Joe Fisher  Cheryl Morin              | ROCK/ECLECTIC Daydream Nation Kristie Billings Andy Buckley  |
| ECLECTIC & SPOKEN WORD Women'sWindows Magdalen Linda Washburn Peaches & Indigo                             | BLUES<br>Blues the Healer<br>Paula Greatorex<br>& John Blaisdell  | LATIN/ZYDECO/<br>DELTA BLUES<br>A Southern Wind<br>Ric Pomilia       | REGGAE<br>WERU<br>Drive Thru<br>Roots Controller | BLUEGRASS<br>Bronzewound<br>Darwin Davidson,<br>David Manski,<br>Marilyn Ryan | HIP HOP/<br>ELECTRONICA<br>Da Vibez<br>DJ Marquard<br>Sam West   | ROCK/ECLECTIC Paul's Emporium Paul Conte   |
| SATIRE<br>Le Show<br>w/ Harry Shearer  | ECLECTIC<br>Night Fly<br>Sanguine Fromage   | ECLECTIC/WORLD<br>Northern<br>Journeys<br>Jeff Ellis<br>Kevin Carman | MODERN ROCK  Modern  Moonlight  Neal Harkness    | ZAPPA<br>Conceptual<br>Continuity<br>Howie Zowie                              | R&B/SOUL<br><i>Mama Popcorn</i><br>Mark Elwin                    | METAL/HARD<br>ROCK<br>Head Rush<br>Brother Luv<br>Alice Madd Hatter  |
| ECLECTRONICA & SPOKEN WORD  The Matrix Magnus Johnstone  | PUNK/SURF<br>Cat Beast Party<br>WFRN  | & Other Music  SOUL/R&B  Juke in the Back  KZMG                      | ECLECTIC<br>All Mixed Up<br>WBAI                 | ROCK<br>R & R Omnibus<br>WFRN   | ELECTRONICA<br>Trance on the Porch<br>KZGM                       | GRATEFUL DEAD<br>LATE NIGHT DEAD<br>WERU   |
| PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Guns & Butter  | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Law & Disorder  | PUBLIC AFFAIRS Cultural Baggage PUBLIC AFFAIRS Century of Lies       | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>The Michael Slate<br>Schow     | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>From the Inside<br>Out                                      | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Monitor Radio or<br>Visionary Activist         | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Hard Knock Radio<br>Logic Amen   |
| PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Latin Waves<br>PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Sprouts   | PUBLIC AFFAIRS Building Bridges PUBLIC AFFAIRS Food Sleuth  | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>First Voices<br>Indigenous Radio                   | PUBLIC AFFAIRS WINGS PUBLIC AFFAIRS Sea Change   | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>TUC Radio<br>Conversations on<br>Healthcare                 | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Writers Voice                                  | PUBLIC AFFAIRS<br>Your Own Health<br>& Ftiness   |
| PUBLIC AFFAIRS  Making Contact  PUBLIC AFFAIRS   |   |  | PUBLIC AFFAIRS Flashpoints                       |   |  | PUBLIC AFFAIRS Uprising  |

#### **DETAILED PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

#### **WEEKDAY NEWS & FEATURES Morning AM**

6:00 - 6:05 National Native News (M-F)

6:30 - 6:35 Short Spoken Word Features

Mon: The People's Almanac\*

Tues: Esoterica\* Wed: Dog Noir

Thurs: Natural Remedies\*

Fri: Sustainable Sketchbook\*

7:00 - 7:05 Workers Inpependent News (M-F)

7:30 - 7:35 Short Spoken Word Features

Mon: A Word in Edgewise\*

Tues: Outside the Box\*

Wed: World Ocean Radio\*

Thurs: *Electronic Cottage\** Fri: Awanadjo Almanack\*

7:45 - 8:00 Featured Artist of the Week (M-F)

8:00 - 8:15 Democracy Now! Headlines (M-F)

**8:30 - 8:35** *Hightower Radio* (M-F)

#### Afternoon PM

2:30 - 2:35 Mon: Peace Time\*

4:00 - 4:28 Grassroots News/Features

Mon: This Way Out

**Tues:** WERU News Report\*

Wed: WERU News Report\*

Thurs: RadioActive\* Fri: CounterSpin

4:28 - 4:30 Hightower Radio (M-F)

4:30 - 5:00 Free Speech Radio News (M-F)

5:00 - 6:00 Democracy Now! (M-F)

#### **MONTHLY 10-11 AM PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Monday 2nd: Democracy Forum

Others: Alternative Radio or local specials

1st: Conversations thru the Ism Prism\* Tuesday

2nd: BoatTalk\*

3rd: Wabanaki Windows\*

4th:Maine Arts Alive\*

5th: Local Specials\*

Wednesday 1st: Healthy Options\*

2nd & 5th: Natural Living/Your Own Health & Fitness (alternating)

3rd: Common Health\*

4th Baby Talk\*

Thursday 1st: Bangor Area Commons\*

2nd: Writers' Forum\*

3rd: WERU Soap Box\* 4th Dog Talk\*

Friday

1st: Common Ground\*

2nd: Talk of the Towns\*

3rd: Midcoast Currents\*

4th: Talk of the Towns\* 5th: WERU Review\*

#### **WEEKEND AM PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

6:30 - 6:35 Isla Earth (Sat. & Sun.)

7:30 - 7:35 Short Spoken Word Features

Sat: Earthwise\* Sun: Pet Sounds\*

8:30 - 8:35 Short Spoken Word Features

Sat: The World Around Us\* Sun: Awanadjo Almanack\*

10:00 - 11:00 Grassroots News/Features

Sat: Imagination Station, Story Land

or WERU Family Radio Hour\* Sun: New Dimensions

11:30 - 11:35 U.S.- El Salvador Report\* (Sat)

12:00 - 12:05 PM Radio Bilingue News (Sat)

\*LOCALLY PRODUCED PROGRAMMING: All of which are archived online for you to listen to, download and forward completely free of charge at: http://archives.weru.org/

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because WERU's diverse community has kept the station on course for 24 years to "serve the needs of those not fully served by other broadcast media" meaning that we respect individuality and diversity. We celebrate you!

As a volunteer powered community radio station our needs are varied. We depend on a large number of

listeners also actively participating as volunteers to keep going forward (¡Adelante!). Volunteers act as public affairs producers, committee members, pledge drive phone volunteers, CD library cataloguers, audio archive digitizers, and the list

And now, (drumroll please), you

can find out about a wide spectrum of volunteer opportunities by signing up for a Volunteer Orientation held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from 6 to 8 pm right here at the station in East Orland!

If Interested, please contact Chris at 469-6600 or send an e-mail to info@weru.org.

