Acoustic Renaissance Concerts Unitarian Church of Hinsdale 11 W. Maple Street, Hinsdale, IL

Shows at 7 pm Saturday, Doors open 6:15 pm, Tickets same price In-person or Streaming, (\$20 except February 15, 2025 is \$22 and November 9, 2024 is \$25)

Sep. 14, 2024 The Tannahill Weavers are a quartet playing traditional Celtic music at its best, with fire-driven instrumentals and songs, haunting ballads and a good dose of humorous tales of life in Scotland. They are in the Scots Traditional Music Hall of Fame, they were nominated for Folk Band of the Year and Album of the Year in Scotland in 2019, and have recorded 18 albums including Orach, their recent 50th anniversary album. They are also lucky enough to have Scotland's youngest clan leader as a member, with Iain MacGillivray on bagpipes.



Tannahill Weavers

www.tannahillweavers.com



Garnet Rogers

Oct. 5, 2024 Garnet Rogers has established himself as "One of the major talents of our time". Hailed by the Boston Globe as a "charismatic performer and singer", Garnet is a man with a powerful physical presence close to six and a half feet tall with a voice to match. With his "smooth, dark baritone" (Washington Post) his incredible range, and thoughtful, dramatic phrasing, Garnet is widely considered by fans and critics alike to be one of the finest singers anywhere. www.garnetrogers.com

Nov. 9, 2024 John McCutcheon, this Wisconsin native literally "headed for the hills," forgoing a college lecture hall for the classroom of the eastern Kentucky coal camps, union halls, country churches, and square dance halls. His apprenticeship to many of the legendary figures of Appalachian music embedded a love of not only home-made music, but a sense of community and rootedness. The result is music whether traditional or from his huge catalog of original songs with the profound mark of place, family, and strength. It also created a storytelling style that has been compared to Will Rogers and Garrison Keillor. John plays guitar, banjo, hammered dulcimer, piano and more. *Tickets:* \$25 www.folkmusic.com



John McCutcheon \$25



Dec. 14, 2024 The concert will feature the song of the Christmas Ship that brought Christmas trees to Chicago for many years. Noted as a fluent instrumentalist on six and twelve string guitars, Lee Murdock combines ragtime, Irish, blues and folk styles with his flair for storytelling in songs. There is an amazing timelessness in this music. Joining Murdock on stage, will be the band, the Dock Wallopers,

playing dobro, mandolin, guitar, and other stringed instruments, providing us with some wonderful

holiday music. <u>www.leemurdock.com</u>

Lee Murdock Christmas Ship and Holiday show with the Dock Wallopers



Donna Herula Trio Jan. 11, 2025 Donna Herula Trio is a Chicago-based folk blues group that has a passion for performing fun, lively and heartfelt versions of traditional blues songs as well as creating original songs that tip the hat to the tradition. The group includes Donna Herula (an award-winning singer/songwriter, resonator slide guitarist, Chicago Blues Hall of Fame Inductee and guitar teacher at the Old Town School of Folk Music), Marc Edelstein (upright bassist and co-founding member of the bluegrass band Special Consensus) and multi-instrumentalist Tony Wittrock (guitar, mandolin and banjo).

"The music flows from acoustic blues through gospel, jazz, and ragtime, to the electric Chicago blues style, with nods to New Orleans, folk, and country influences." - Mark Thompson, Blues Blast Magazine

www.donnaherula.com

Feb. 15, 2025 David Francey is a Canadian folk singer-songwriter. He will be performing as a trio. David Francey won his 4th Juno for "The Breath Between", winning Traditional Roots Album of the Year. David Francey's new album is a poignant yet beautiful reminder of the passage of time, or as David describes it in the title track, "the breath between the here and gone". It is introspective and intimate. "In a time of uncertainty, we managed to pull together a nice body of work which created much joy in the making." - David Francey *Tickets:* \$22



David Francey
Trio \$22

www.davidfrancey.com



Mar. 15, 2025 "Anne Hills is such an exquisite singer that it's understandable that people might be swept up in the pure beauty of her voice and thereby overlook her writing. That would be a mistake. For me, Anne's writing, in songs like 'Follow That Road' and many others, is as direct, melodic and deep as any work being done today. She is quite simply one of my absolute

www.annehills.com

Anne Hills

Apr. 12, 2025 Connie Kaldor Trio With her husband, Paul Campagne, and son, Gabriel they put on quite a show. Connie's career is a three time Juno Award winner. "A masterful performer, wildly funny one moment, deeply personal the next." - The Boston Globe "Big sky. Big impact. Big laughs, too. That's Connie Kaldor in a nutshell. - The Toronto Star.

favorite songwriters." - Tom Paxton



Connie Kaldor Trio

www.conniekaldor.com



Scott Cook

May 17, 2025 Scott Cook and Heather Styka In 2007, Albertan songwriter Scott Cook quit his job teaching kindergarten in Taiwan and moved into a minivan. He's made his living as a troubadour ever since, touring almost incessantly across Canada, the US, Europe, Asia, Australia, New Zealand and elsewhere, averaging 150 shows and a dozen summer festivals a year, and releasing seven albums of plainspoken, keenly observant verse along the way.

www.scottcook.net

Heather Styka writes intricate stories into her songs and sings them with a voice that might make you think of Ella Fitzgerald or Billie Holiday, but she describes herself as a cross between Leonard Cohen and Patsy Cline. Her songs and stories belong squarely in the folk and Americana traditions, but they're also gritty country and catchy pop, a nice mix. Onstage, she's energetic and intimate, quirky and funny.



Heather Styka

www.heatherstyka.com

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Mail Order: To mail order tickets, please send a check (payable to Acoustic Renaissance Concerts) or send a charge authorization with the order form off our website (or write a little note with it), along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Acoustic Renaissance Concerts, P.O. Box 235, Wood Dale, IL 60191

Tickets: All shows are sold on a first-come, first-served basis after initial season ticket holders are accommodated. Tickets may be charged on your Visa, Mastercard, American Express or Discover card (for a \$1.00 per ticket service charge), or paid for by check or cash.

Phone Orders: To order your tickets by phone or for more information, call: 630/941-7797 Special Needs: If you have any special needs, please inform us when ordering your tickets. All shows are wheelchair accessible.

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- -York jogs to Right and becomes Garfield -Continue South to Maple
- -Turn Right on Maple, go 2 blocks (NW Corner of Maple and Washington; 2 blocks N of Burlington Station)

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