



# The Sounding Board

A folk & acoustic music coffeehouse since 1973 West Hartford, Connecticut

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**Sounding Board concerts** are held at **The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street, West Hartford, CT**, unless noted otherwise. Concerts start at 7:30 pm. Doors open at 6:45 pm, reservations held until 7:15 pm. Sounding Board members receive a \$2 discount on admission. Cash, checks & credit cards accepted at the door. Wheelchair accessible.

**Purchase advance tickets with a credit or debit card online**  
<http://www.soundingboardcoffeehouse.org/advance-tickets.html>

Advance ticket purchases are handled by [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com). A small service charge is added to all advance ticket purchases.

**For reservations, use the SAVE MY SEAT! button at**  
<http://www.soundingboardcoffeehouse.org/reservations.html>  
or send an email to [reservations@soundingboardcoffeehouse.org](mailto:reservations@soundingboardcoffeehouse.org). If you are web-averse, call 860-770-3001 and leave a voice mail.  
**Please note that we do not confirm reservations made by phone.** Reservations must be received before 3:30 p.m. the day of the show. Reservations are held until 7:15 p.m. on the night of the concert. If you do not arrive and purchase your reserved tickets by 7:15, your reserved tickets may be released for sale to other concertgoers. Please do not call the Universalist Church for Sounding Board information or reservations.

## Jan 6, 2018 | Caravan of Thieves

Driving gypsy jazz rhythms, acoustic guitars, upright bass and violin lay the foundation for mesmerizing vocal harmonies and fantastic stories when Caravan of Thieves come to The Sounding Board.

It's theatrical and humorous. It's musical and intense. This band entertains, dazzles and defies classification while welcoming the spectator to join the band throughout the performance in momentary fits of claps, snaps and sing-alongs. If Django Reinhardt, the cast of Stomp and the Beatles all had a party at Tim Burton's house, Caravan of Thieves would be the band they hired.

**"[P]art concert, part Vaudeville, part musical theater and entirely enjoyable."**

— Emmett Smith, *The Plain Dealer, Cleveland*



\$22 general, \$20 members  
\$12 students with ID, \$8 children

## Jan 20, 2018 | Susan Werner

A triple threat as a songwriter, singer and musician, Susan Werner is one of the most prolific singer/songwriters in the United States since her 1995 debut. Her iconoclastic concept CDs, including 2007's agnostic gospel album, *The Gospel Truth*, and 2013's tribute to American agriculture, *Hayseed*, have won her passionate fans from coast to coast. She is also the composer and lyricist for the forthcoming Broadway show, "Bull Durham: The Musical," based on the popular MGM motion picture.

Werner's latest project is another unique concept album titled *An American In Havana*. The recording is a collection of original songs inspired by Werner's recent travels to Cuba.

**"Susan Werner... brings literacy and wit back to popular song.."** — *The New Yorker*



\$25 general, \$23 members  
\$12 students with ID, \$8 children

**Preview the show! Links to performer videos available at [soundingboardcoffeehouse.org](http://soundingboardcoffeehouse.org)**

## Feb 3, 2018 | Grass Routes

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**\$16 general, \$14 members  
\$10 students with ID, \$8 children**

## Coming Soon...

**Feb 17 RPR**

**Mar 3 Larry Kaplan with  
David Paton & Tom White**

**Mar 10 John Gorka**

**Mar 17 Rani Arbo and daisy mayhem**

**Mar 23 J. P. Cormier**

A Meeting House Presents concert in cooperation with The Sounding Board at The Unitarian Society of Hartford, 50 Bloomfield Ave, Hartford, CT.

**Mar 30 Susie Burke & David Surette**

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**Apr 14 Davy Sturtevent &  
Lisa and Lori Brigantino**



A new concert series presented in cooperation with The Sounding Board. These events will take place at The Unitarian Society of Hartford, 50 Bloomfield Ave, Hartford on Friday nights at 8 p.m.

## Nov 24, 2017 | David Massengill

Born in Tennessee, David Massengill emerged on the Greenwich Village folk scene in the mid-'70s, walking the same streets and playing the same storied coffee houses as Dylan and Van Ronk.

Thirty years later, he's still walking those streets, but now he's being recognized for his pivotal role in keeping the American folk music tradition alive. David continues to create beautiful and poignant "story songs" that are intimate, relevant and tug at your emotions. His songs have been covered and recorded by Joan Baez, The Roches, Lucy Kaplansky, Tom Russell, Nanci Griffith and his mentor, Dave Van Ronk, who called David "the man who took the dull out of the



## Jan 26, 2017 | New World Trio

The familiar faces and exquisite sounds of the New World Trio bring the excitement and intimacy of chamber music to Hartford concertgoers.

Founded in 1985 by violinist Anhared Stowe, New World provides a unique experience for music lovers with its mix of both standard repertoire and contemporary works. With each performance, New World brings new vitality to established masterworks; these are paired with contemporary pieces, with each complementing the other in depth and beauty.

The trio is comprised of Peter Zay, Cello; Anhared Stowe, Violin; and Pi-Hsun Shih, Piano



**All Meeting House Presents! concerts are  
\$20 General, \$18 Sounding Board members  
\$10 Students with ID  
Children under 12 free with a parent**

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and advance tickets at  
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<http://soundingboardcoffeehouse.org>

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