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Deb Pasternak to perform at Acoustic Celebrations in Ridgefield, CT on Thursday, January 27, 2005

Singer-songwriter Deb Pasternak will be performing at the Acoustic Celebrations Concert Series in Ridgefield on Thursday, January 27 at 8 pm. Pasternak is an award winning performer who is celebrated for her writing talent as well as her performance style.

Combine nuanced and smart songwriting, resonant nightingale vocals, accomplished and original guitar stylings, and a fresh, stunning stage presence; and you get Deb Pasternak.

Artistically, Deb is defined only by her instruments – guitar and voice. Her music itself is a micro-encyclopedia of styles; reflecting an intelligence infused with a range of traditions. And while the traditions on which she bases her music are familiar to us all, Pasternak is her own musician – trademarked by her own sound.

Deb's writing conveys a truth that many of us already know, but haven't heard before. One finds oneself identifying with the various personas of her songs - a homeless woman with a drug addiction, a sailor ready to face the storm, or a survivor giving testimony to life. Deb's performance appears to give these characters life, and in turn, these characters give an insight to a universality of feeling. Deb's performance is defined by this refreshing authenticity.

Pasternak, who hails from Boston, has released four cds to much acclaim (awards and critical) but has eschewed the major label world for the more varied and down-to-earth independent music industry. Quotes about Deb Pasternak:

"Deb Pasternak is an original....has her own point of view and a sure-fire way to express it. Her songwriting is wry and confident, her singing is blistering, and her band is a tight as a taut rubberband....["Home" is] a highly enjoyable effort by a talented songwriter who knows how to speak her mind." - Dirty Linen

"Deb's original lyrics -- by turns edgy, poetic and wry -- thoroughly engaged our discerning audience. Her music, while wonderfully inventive, evoked familiar traditions - the warmth, sadness and redemption of the blues, the assertion of rock 'n' roll, the narrative threads of folk. We look forward to her return to the Sunken Garden Poetry Festival!" Alison Meyers, Farmington, CT

"Always invigorating..." -Steve Morse, The Boston Globe

Independently, Pasternak has been able to produce a live band and recordings which feature world class sidemen, who work with the likes of Suzanne Vega, Patty Griffin, Mary Chapin Carpenter and others. Yet, she will be performing solo on this night. An accomplished guitarist, Pasternak will play many different styles over the course of the evening. Her repertoire, though primarily original tunes, also includes covers from Randy Newman, Rogers and Hart and Al Green.

Pasternak has a website that features mp3's from her current release, "Home" and also from live solo performances and recordings. If you seek downloadable photos or press materials, please visit <http://www.debpasternak.com/pressroom.html>

Acoustic Celebrations is located at 46 Peacable Street in Ridgefield. Tickets are \$13.

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