4th annual CAT SONGWRITERS FESTIVAL 30-31, 2009

two days of information & inspiration

with jonathan edwards andy pratt

("sunshine go away today")

("avenging annie")

lincoln mayorga sonny ochs jill colucci

(pianist, arranger for phil ochs & many others) (phil's sister!) (#1 songs for wynonna & travis tritt)

henry hirsch paul rapp linda lorence jeff zahn marc black

michael eck liv cummins larry chernicoff debra russell michael packard

panels & seminars with hit songwriters * Q & A with music business pros * song critiques by people who know what sells * network with other musicians & writers find potential collaborators * showcase your songs live * free tix to the phil ochs tribute concert (w/2 day tix) with sonny ochs lincoln mayorga jonathan edwards jill colucci andy pratt & other surprises!

goodie bags * free lunch both days * discounts for incredible local eateries *

two day ticket \$150 (includes saturday night concert ticket)

one day ticket \$100

band registration \$200 (includes one song critique per band)

get your tickets at www.columbiaartsteam.org or call 800 816-4802

what?

the 4th annual cat songwriters festival is expanding to two days, and we'll have more music industry guests, more time for you to shine with expanded song critiques and a special performance opportunity, the songwriters showcase. if you're in music, you need to be there!

where?

the conference will be held at the beautiful space 360 in the heart of warren street in hudson, ny. if you haven't been to hudson lately, you are missing the coolest town in the northeast.

when?

the fun starts friday night, may 29, with the *songfeast*. it's dinner & a house concert, with some great singer/songwriters up-close & personal (separate admission, \$30). the festival begins saturday, with panels, seminars & schmoozertunities. the phil ochs tribute concert, with sonny ochs & lots of surprise guests, is saturday night. sunday is filled with song critiques, more panels, and the songwriter showcase. then go home and write!

how?

hudson is easy to get to: amtrak from nyc or albany, or car by thruway, taconic or route 9. everything is a short, pleasant walk from the conference center. you can stay at any number of b&bs, in the country or right in town. and we'll get you a good deal.

why?

because you write songs, and no matter how good you are, there's always room for improvement. because you want to be heard by people who matter, people with insights about thec craft and the business. because you want to be inspired.

4th annual cat songwriters festival schedule

saturday may 30

10 am-11:30	show up	early to	register,	schmooze	&	drink coff	fee
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11:30-noon OPENING REMARKS, INTRODUCTIONS, ETC.

noon-1:30 PANELS & SEMINARS, SESSION #1 (topics tba)

1:30-2:30 LUNCH BREAK

2:30-4:00 PANELS & SEMINARS, SESSION #2 (topics tba)

4:00-5:00 SONG CRITIQUES

5:00-6:00 COCKTAIL HOUR, SCHMOOZE-A-THON

ALL DAY - WRITING ROOMS AVAILABLE

panelist profile paul rapp music lawyer, journalist, and drummer for the band blotto, will be appearing at the fest. he's based in great barrington, mass.



SATURDAY NIGHT 7:30PM PHIL OCHS



TRIBUTE CONCERT

WITH SONNY OCHS AND SPECIAL GUESTS FREE WITH 2-day tix, separate admission \$35

panelist profile henry hirsch



is a renowned recording engineer and producer, who has been a working partner with lenny kravitz for 25 years. he recently opened a studio in hudson sunday may 31

11-12:30 PANELS & SEMINARS,

SESSION #3 (topics tba)

12:30-2:00 SONG CRITIQUES

2:00-3:00 LUNCH BREAK

3:00-5:30 SONGWRITERS SHOWCASE

5:30-6:00 winding down, say goodbye ALL DAY – WRITING ROOMS AVAILABLE



panelist profile
michael eck is ubiquitous as a
songwriter, performer, critic and
broadcaster. based in albany, his latest
project is the ramblin jug stompers.

when you sign up, we'll give you a list of bed & breakfasts, motels, restaurants and shops that are offering discounts to festival attendees – visit them all and save enough to record your next cd!

<u>songwitters showcose</u>

the first 30 registrants for the cat songwriters festival will get to perform a song at the showcase. so sign up soon!

got product? all registrants are eligible to sell their merch at the festival. no product? we'll steer you to cd duplicators, studios, graphic artists and others who can get you all merched up!



panelist profile
jeff zahn does it all...he's a
music supervisor, composer,
producer, manager, and he
works with disney, pbs and
sony, among others. he also
played the entire run of 'cats' on
broadway! at least part of the
year, he lives in hillsdale, ny

panelist profile
linda lorence-critelli
is vp of writer/publisher
relations at sesac, a performing
rights organization. if you don't
know what a 'p.r.o.' does, talk
to her. she's based in nyc



if (no...when) you get inspired to write during the weekend, you can use our writing room, equipped with a piano or guitar. this is a great way to meet and work with new collaborators, or just get that amazing idea down before the moment passes.

visit our website for more information, or to sign up for the festival...

www.columbiaartsteam.org if you wait to register at the door, you'll need to bring cash or a check...and you could get shut out, so sign up early.

panelist profile

broadway bound? **liv cummins** is a musical theater lyricist as well as an acclaimed singer/songwriter. she's also a founder of the columbia arts team.



