



## **South Florida Folk and Acoustic Music Club Newsletter**

**We play, sing, and listen to music.  
August 2025**

### **Save the Date! South Florida Folk and Acoustic Music Festival 2026**

**Jan 30 - Feb 1, 2026  
Bergeron Rodeo Grounds  
4261 NW 65th Way  
Davie, Florida**

**South Florida in the Winter, Why the FOLK NOT!!!**

#### **Festival NEWS:**

The Board is busy working on next year's festival! In addition to our National Singer-Songwriter competition, we are adding a *South Florida ONLY Singer-Songwriter Competition (Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach)* If you are a songwriter, or KNOW any local songwriters, please be sure to check on the website [sffolk.org](http://sffolk.org) on October 1st for applications to be open. There will be three applications: National & South Florida songwriters as well as Performers.



If you would like to volunteer to help on any festival committees, please email [sffamc@gmail.com](mailto:sffamc@gmail.com) to get in touch with us and share your ideas.

**We are looking for someone to help with social media (especially Instagram). Is that YOU???? Please email us if you can help.**

### **New Logo!**

Thanks to Randy McCafferty we have a NEW and IMPROVED Logo for the Club.



### **Music, Music, Music!**

So are you thinking it is summer and there is NOT a lot going on musically in town. Boy are you WRONG!! Be sure to go to the [sffolk.org](http://sffolk.org) calendar to see all of the events! Come out and support **LIVE, LOCAL, MUSIC!!**



Special thanks to Eric King and Bridgette McBrigh for hosting the July Song Swap and Potluck. There was a great turnout and some fabulous music!

### **Summer Song Swaps in Broward: Mark your calendars!**

We do not meet at Together We Stand in the summer due to the heat and weather. We will meet at different homes over the summer. Mark your calendars NOW:

- **Sunday, August 17 at the home of Arlene Boumel (Coral Springs)**  
**Time TBD**
- Sunday, September 21 at the home of Bill Wunderlich (Criterion Condo Pompano) 2-5 pm.
- We will return to Together We Stand in October 19, 2025 from 2-5 pm.

### **YouTube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/@SFFAMC>**

Did you know that we SFFAMC has a YouTube Channel? Please check it out and ***subscribe!*** There are 50 videos from this year and past festivals! If you are a local performer and would like to add YOUR video to our channel, please let me know. Send it to me so I can add it!

### **Join Us**

If you are not a member of the club, please consider joining. Your support makes us stronger! Click [here](#) to become a member of the South Florida Folk and Acoustic Music Club. Members receive discounts on concerts and other events. Membership runs from January to December 2025!

If you are not on the mailing list, be sure to email us at [sffamc@gmail.com](mailto:sffamc@gmail.com) so we can also add you to the [sf\\_folk@googlegroups.com](mailto:sf_folk@googlegroups.com) list. We do not share our mailing list with anyone and only email to announce special activities.

### **Did you miss it? Falcon Ridge Folk Festival**

Did you know that you could livestream (thanks to Dan and Faith Seine) the Main Stage performances at this great festival? Well, if you missed it, they are available on YouTube @ <https://www.youtube.com/@FalconRidgeFolkFestival>. Last year's headliner Joe Jencks as well as favorites The Kennedys were both featured this year. (As well as many others!) Check out the recordings!

### **A Sad Farewell**

I just saw the news yesterday the Bruce Hecksel (Terra Guitarra) from the duo Patchouli passed away yesterday. They performed at the SFFAMF several times



and were based in SW Fl all winter. Our hearts go out to Julie. Bruce was an INCREDIBLE guitarist and painter (artist in general) and will be missed by our community and by all he touched with his talents.

## Calendar of Events

If you are a performer or know of other events that you'd like to share on on calendar, be sure to email [sffamc@gmail.com](mailto:sffamc@gmail.com) before the beginning of the month!

<p>August 1</p> <p>8 pm</p> <p>\$10-15 Cover</p> <p>\$15 minimum purchase (food/drink)</p> <p>ALL CASH</p> <p>establishment</p>	<p><b>Luna Star Presents Chris Phipps</b></p> <p>Chris Phipps founded the Euro synth pop meets Miami bass band London Exchange. He toured heavily and fronted the group and had a few breakbeat dance hits. The most far reaching "Memories of You", was licensed by Vision/Universal records and received widespread distribution and charted in Billboard's Top 50 Dance Charts.</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M23qIjrOWeQ&amp;t=1s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M23qIjrOWeQ&amp;t=1s</a></p> <p>Luna Star</p> <p>75 NE 125 ST. North Miami, FL</p>
<p>August 2</p> <p>8 pm</p> <p>\$8 members</p> <p>\$10 non-members</p> <p>\$15 minimum purchase</p> <p>ALL CASH</p> <p>establishment</p>	<p><b>SFFAMC Underground Concert Series at Luna Star Cafe</b></p> <p>Jamie Granger is a singer-songwriter from Florida whose soulful and endearing lyrics explore a wide range of topics from renaissance paintings to swimming pools to lost cowboys. He was raised on the island of Montserrat and worked for a time on a cattle ranch in Montana. His self-titled debut album was recorded and produced in Nashville, Tennessee, by Jack Shawde and Diane Ward. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HIIvs6rz_14&amp;t=15s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HIIvs6rz_14&amp;t=15s</a></p> <p>Our very own Lou Dominguez will be opening the show. Lou Dominguez – "Hanging at the Luna Star". You might be reminded of legends like Seeger, Springsteen or Ochs when spending time with Dominguez's music, and the inclusion of accordion, strings, sitar, dobro and mandolin only adds to the appeal. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GgQh5NAZ5Qo&amp;list=OLAK5uy_lkDxcaup1-jx-f3NiCuXgAWcIiJCTCI1k">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GgQh5NAZ5Qo&amp;list=OLAK5uy_lkDxcaup1-jx-f3NiCuXgAWcIiJCTCI1k</a></p> <p>775 NE 125 ST. North Miami, FL</p>
<p>August 3</p> <p>Greynolds Park</p> <p>Parking \$10 on the app only</p>	<p><b>Monthly Bluegrass Concert</b></p> <p><a href="https://southfloridabluegrass.org/index.php">https://southfloridabluegrass.org/index.php</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1pm: Jamie Granger</li> <li>• 2pm: Cliff &amp; Friends</li> <li>• 3pm: Pirates of the Four Winds</li> <li>• 4pm: Quiana Major</li> </ul> <p>Greynolds Park</p> <p>18501 NE 22nd Ave.</p> <p>North Miami Beach</p> <p>Miami-Dade parking \$10 with mobile app only</p>

<p>August 9</p> <p>8 pm</p> <p>Cover Charge PLUS \$15 minimum purchase (food/drink)</p> <p>ALL CASH establishment</p>	<p><b>Luna Star Presents Night Court Rock Band</b></p> <p>Night Court Rock Band has been Rocking the South Florida scene for over 15 years .The creators Mike Sr and Mike Jr initially formed the band , father and son with lead and bass guitars . Soon to come was on drums Mel Weinberg , then Sax Hal Glatzer and out fifth member Todd Narson on keyboard . Playing popular tunes from the Beatles , Rolling Stones .Doors, Allman Brothers and more !</p> <p>775 NE 125 ST. North Miami, FL</p>
<p>August 9</p> <p>1 pm</p> <p>Free</p>	<p><b>Hollywood Arts &amp; Cultural Center Presents Matthew Sabatella</b></p> <p>Matthew Sabatella performs solo at The Center Sessions, a series that features music and free art workshops on the 2nd Saturday of the month at the Hollywood Art and Culture Center. With vocals, guitar, banjo, and a wealth of historic American songs, Matthew Sabatella tells the story of the United States, including music from Colonial America, the Revolution, Westward Expansion, the Abolitionist Movement, the Civil War, the Industrial Revolution, the Women's Rights Movement, the World Wars, the Great Depression, the Civil Rights Movement, and more.</p> <p>Art and Culture Center/Hollywood, 1650 Harrison St, Hollywood, FL 33020, United States</p>
<p>August 14</p> <p>Veteran's Park</p> <p>6- 8 pm</p> <p>Free</p>	<p><b>Daam Jam: Delray Art &amp; Acoustic Music</b></p> <p>2nd Thursdays, 6 to 8 pm</p> <p>Veteran's Park Recreation Center</p> <p>802 NE 1st Street, Delray Beach, FL</p> <p>Intracoastal and Atlantic Ave</p>

<p>August 16</p> <p>4 pm</p> <p>Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center @ Novasouth-eastern University</p>	<p><b>Chris MacDonald's Memories of Elvis Concert</b></p> <p>Celebrate the Life and Music of Elvis Presley! Gone but never forgotten, Elvis' music, movies and memories live on as a testament to his true effect and influence on his generation and future generations to come. Chris MacDonald, with his dynamic eight-piece band and dancers, draws his audience in with the look, sounds, and nuances that made Elvis the King in a heartfelt tribute to music and memories of the legendary performer. Adding to the authenticity of his tribute, Chris has the ultimate honor of being the "Only Tribute Artist hired by Elvis Presley Enterprises to perform at Graceland's Heartbreak Hotel." With this newly updated production, the show will include costume changes, songs, and video clips telling the story of the different stages of Elvis's incredible career including the 1950's, the Movies, the 1968 Comeback, and the 1970's White Fringe Vegas Concerts. It's all a part of this loving tribute to one of the greatest entertainers of all time. An accomplished and experienced entertainer, Chris has performed in Vegas, Branson and with the famous Legends in Concert stage productions. He has also headlined with Elvis' own original back up group, the Jordanares and D.J Fontana at the famous Hard Rock Live Concert Arena. His full production show has consistently sold out venues throughout the country. "Chris MacDonald's performances stand on their own. The show is not a parody or an overdone impersonation. It is a natural, heartfelt tribute to an American Icon and his music."</p> <p>Tickets:  <a href="https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0D00628AA0482013?brand=miniacipac&amp;camefrom=cfc_miniaci_web">https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0D00628AA0482013?brand=miniacipac&amp;camefrom=cfc_miniaci_web</a></p>
<p>August 10</p> <p>5-9 pm</p> <p>Free</p>	<p><b>SFFAMC Song Swap: Miami-Dade County</b></p> <p>Potluck and song swap- contact Jim Teas @ <a href="mailto:jamesdteas@gmail.com">jamesdteas@gmail.com</a> for address and details.</p>
<p>August 11</p> <p>6-7:30 pm</p> <p>Free</p> <p>Broward Library</p>	<p><b>FUN- Florida Ukulele Network and the Broward Library</b></p> <p><b>Theme: Rock and Roll Revue: Songs of the 50's-60's-70's-80's</b></p> <p>Ukelele FUN and Friends- Play and Sing Along Hour at the Main Library - 6th floor. We project the chords and lyrics as we play and sing together. Bring your use or other acoustic instrument, as well as your friends, to play and sing along with us...or just listen to your favorite songs. There is ample parking in the adjoining City Garage in downtown Ft. Lauderdale. Main Library is open until 8 PM on Monday evening. This program is presented on the 2nd Monday of every month, co-sponsored by FUN (Florida Ukulele Network) and The Friends of Ft. Lauderdale Libraries.</p>



<p>August 14</p> <p>8 pm</p> <p>Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center @ Novasouth-eastern University</p>	<p><b>Harlem After Dark, an Uptown Jazz Party</b></p> <p>This event is at the Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center, an affiliated venue of the Broward Center for the Performing Arts on the Nova Southeastern University Campus.</p> <p>We invite you to step into the golden era of Harlem with ‘Harlem After Dark: An Uptown Jazz Party,’ a thrilling celebration of the music, artistry, and vibrant culture that defined the heartbeat of uptown Manhattan. Featuring world class musicians, electrifying vocals, and the rhythmic brilliance of tap, this unforgettable evening pays homage to Harlem’s legendary jazz legacy while embracing the vibrant, creative energy of modern-day Harlem, where tradition and innovation come alive.</p> <p>Vocalist and blues guitarist, Allan Harris, the dynamic vocals of Maya Azucena, tap dancer and vocalist A.C. Lincoln, and a swinging quartet, the evening celebrates Harlem’s rich jazz heritage.</p> <p>Tickets: <a href="https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0D006288CF7C2DEF?brand=miniacipac&amp;camefrom=cfc_miniaci_web&amp;webview=1">https://www.ticketmaster.com/event/0D006288CF7C2DEF?brand=miniacipac&amp;camefrom=cfc_miniaci_web&amp;webview=1</a></p>
<p>August 15</p> <p>8 pm</p> <p>Cover Charge PLUS \$15 minimum purchase (food/drink)</p> <p>ALL CASH establishment</p>	<p><b>Luna Star Presents Sarah McCulloch</b></p> <p>Sarah McCulloch is a Country/Americana Singer-Songwriter whose sweet, yet sultry, voice pierces right through the lush traditional country production on her latest album, Sawmiller’s Daughter. The songwriter’s emotive and nostalgic lyrics showcase her knack for timeless storytelling that transports the listener right into the center of the narrative. Renowned journal of roots music, <i>No Depression</i> cited McCulloch as being, “one of the most memorable debuts in recent Americana music history,” and her sound as, “genuine and sparkl[ing] with palpable emotion.” McCulloch’s style has also been described as being, “immensely human and emotive, bringing fine lyrical content to even more vivid life.</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=96-CrvBB73c&amp;t=1s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=96-CrvBB73c&amp;t=1s</a></p> <p>775 NE 125 ST. North Miami, FL</p>

<p>August 16</p> <p>\$10 admission</p> <p>\$5 18 and under, college students, and those facing financial hardships</p>	<p><b>Contra Dance</b></p> <p>Caller: Mandy Albert</p> <p>Band: Lost City String Band</p> <p>Doors open: 6:30pm. Lesson/Mixer: 7:00pm. Dancing: 7:30pm</p> <p><u>Unitarian Universalist</u></p> <p><u>2601 St Andrews Blvd</u></p> <p><u>Boca Raton, FL 33434</u></p>
<p>August 16</p> <p>8 pm</p> <p>Cover Charge PLUS \$15 minimum purchase (food/drink)</p> <p>ALL CASH establishment</p>	<p><b>Luna Star Presents Slim Glasses with the Brother's King</b></p> <p>Slim Glasses is a Miami-based band formed in September 2015 by Patricio Acevedo, Erik Anderson, Jose Ballon, and Christopher Myers. The band incorporates elements from its members' diverse musical backgrounds – including pop, rock, folk, jazz, and classical music – and places a special emphasis on tight and engaging vocal harmonies. Above all, Slim Glasses aims to share a love for music with every crowd that they perform for.</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_gGRTLcIVsg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_gGRTLcIVsg</a></p> <p>775 NE 125 ST. North Miami, FL</p>
<p>August 17</p> <p>4-9 pm</p> <p>Free</p>	<p><b>SFFAMC Song Swap and Potluck</b></p> <p>Hosted by Arlene and Rob Boumel</p> <p>Coral Springs (see website for address and details)</p> <p>Email <a href="mailto:sffamc@gmail.com">sffamc@gmail.com</a> for any questions.</p>
<p>August 21</p> <p>7 pm</p> <p>Cover Charge PLUS \$15 minimum purchase (food/drink)</p> <p>ALL CASH establishment</p>	<p><b>Luna Star Presents The Cricket Theater North: Pablo Cono and his Musical Marionettes (something totally different!!!)</b></p> <p>Come and escape to a bygone age of marionette theater inspired by Vaudeville with Pablo Cano and his dancing and singing Musical Marionettes.</p> <p>775 NE 125 ST. North Miami, FL</p>



August 23  
10 am -1 pm

### **Nova Singers Sumer Sing**

<https://tinyurl.com/SummerSing25>

Use this to sign up to audition for the group.

Christ Lutheran Church

1921 E Oakland Park Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306-1103, United States

August 24  
7 pm  
\$20  
Food and refreshments are available or purchase.  
Parking on the street or in the nearby garage.

### **Songwriters in the Round at the Vintage on Harrison Street**



STARTS AT 7PM SUNDAY AUGUST 24 ENTRANCE 20\$

HOSTS & PERFORMERS  
**ALEXA LASH & ROMAN WILLIAMS**

INTRODUCING SONGWRITERS  
**APRIL NICOLE  
CLAIRE LIPARULO  
JEFF JACOB**

THE LISTENING ROOM AT  
THE VINTAGE ON HARRISON

**SONGWRITERS IN THE ROUND**

1955 HARRISON ST, HOLLYWOOD, FL 33020

TICKETS ON EVENTBRITE

September 6 8 pm \$8 members \$10 non-members \$15 minimum purchase ALL CASH establishment	<b>SFFAMC Underground Concert Series at Luna Star Cafe</b>  Performer TBA
Upcoming Shows at the Marta-Beth Friedman Stirling Road Library FREE 2-4 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SAVE THE DATES!!!</b></p> <p><b>The Music Club of Hollywood and The SFFAMC with the Friends of the Marta-Beth Friedman Stirling Library will be bringing you a series of FREE Concerts in the Fall and Winter!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Oct. 12 - Sarah McCulloch  Nov. 16 - Darrell Arnold  Dec 7 - Violetta de la Guardia  Jan. 25 - Cecilia St. King</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3151 Stirling Road,  Hollywood, FL 33312</p> <p><b>There will also be shows at Anne Kolb Nature Center and TY Park. Stay tuned for all of the details!</b></p>

**For more events, go to [sffolk.org/events](https://sffolk.org/events)**

If you are looking for a place to play, perform, or just go listen, there are LOTS of venues to explore! Check out our webpage for a list of local open mics and jams. [sffolk.org/event](https://sffolk.org/event)

Every Saturday there is a Bluegrass Jam from 2-4 @ Together We Stand in Hollywood. The 1st Sunday is a Bluegrass Festival at Greynolds Park. Check out their website for details. <https://southfloridabluegrass.org/>

For more events, check out: <https://weekendbroward.com/live-music/>. If you are hosting a show, you can add your events to this list as well.

If you are hosting an open mic and want us to help promote your event, send details to [sffamc@gmail.com](mailto:sffamc@gmail.com). We want to expand our listing of open mics and other opportunities for members and friends to get together and play. We would especially like to add events in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Counties (and additional locations in Broward of course).

### **Michael Stock on WLRN**

Don't forget to listen to the Folk and Acoustic Music show every Sunday from 3 - 5 pm on WLRN-FM with Michael Stock! The show is broadcast on Facebook Live from 3 - 4 pm weekly. <https://www.wlrn.org/show/folk-acoustic-music>