



Wed 9 **MARY COUGHLAN** 

£10adv £12door

Irish torch singer Mary Coughlan was born in Galway in 1956. Despite well-publicised bouts with drugs, alcohol and mental illness, she has endured to become a critical favourite throughout much of Europe and the US. With the release of her new record 'The House of Ill Repute', Coughlan has produced an album which will stand up as one of the very best of her stellar career to date. www.marycoughlanmusic.com



Cheeseweasel Promotions & Danny Mayo presents...

Thu 10

#### **ELECTRIC STRAWBS**

£13adv £15door - plus FAY BROTHERHOOD

The Electric Strawbs are Dave Cousins, Dave Lambert and Chas Cronk, the front-line of the classic 1970s line-up of Britain's most successful international folk-rock band, together with Rod Coombes and John Young. In the 1970s, Strawbs scored chart success in Britain with huge albums such as 'Grave New World', 'Bursting at the Seams' and 'Hero and Heroine'. More recently Dave Cousins has received a Lifetime Achievement award from the Classic Rock Society and the band have played everywhere from the Edinburgh Festival to London's South Bank.

www.strawbsweb.co.uk



Cheeseweasel Promotions presents...

Fri 11

### THE MICK RALPHS BLUES BAND

£12adv £14door - plus Dawson Smith & Martin Burch Legendary Mott the Hoople and Bad Company guitarist Mick Ralphs leads a band of dyed in the wool blues veterans, playing the music that inspired him to pick up the guitar in the first place. Music first made famous by the likes of BB King, Freddie King, Sonny Boy Williams and Rufus Thomas. Fresh from the recent Mott reunion and Bad Co. tour, expect a nod to these iconic bands too! www.unrulysun.net/mickralphs



# JIM LAUDERDALE

£10adv £12door - plus Danni Nicholls

Jim Lauderdale is a multi-talented performer and songwriter, with successes in both country and bluegrass music. His roots stem from the Carolinas, yet his career has taken him all over the United States and abroad, making him an international recording artist with an ever-growing fan base. As well as having written countless hits for the stars, he's toured with the likes of Lucinda Williams, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Rhonda Vincent and Elvis Costello, among others! www.jimlauderdale.com



# DANFEST: PROG ROCK ALL-DAYER

£20adv £22door - Feat. The Tangent, IO Earth, Paul Menel, Alan Reed, Grey Lady Down, Guy Manning & The Moscow Riley 12 noon til 12 midnight

The very first Danfest prog rock extravaganza is all set to kick off here at the Musician, headlined by The Tangent, with their classic prog sound reminiscent of bands such as Yes and King Crimson. Rising stars IO Earth, former IQ frontman Paul Menel, ex-Pallas singer Alan Reed, neo-prog outfit Grey Lady Down, multi-instrumentalist Guy Manning (Parallel/The Tangent) and alternative rockers The Moscow Riley complete a bill which should contain something for all connoisseurs of progressive rock! www.thetangent.org



Fri 30 SIMON MCBRIDE

£10adv £12door

As both a virtuoso guitarist and an Irishman (hailing from near Belfast, Northern Ireland) comparisons are often made with Rory Gallagher and Gary Moore, though he sounds like neither in particular. Along the way he has played with artists like TM Stevens, Charlie Morgan, Zorro, Hugh Burns, Slash and Steve Lukather, and visits the Musician at the end of a tour supporting Joe Satriani! www.simonmcbride.net





Greenbird Promotions presents.

Thu 1

## WRECKLESS ERIC & AMY RIGBY

£9

The Stiff legend, writer of 'Whole Wide World', 'Reconnez Cherie' and other classics, joins forces with a heroine of the New York pop scene who has been making distinctive and original music for decades. Described as "like golden honey poured over a battered old tube amp" by the Los Angeles Times, and with four star reviews from Mojo, Uncut and Rock'n'Reel, this show draws from the full length of their careers, all presented in their inimitable rock 'n' roll style. www.wrecklesseric.com

Cheeseweasel Promotions presents...



#### Sun 4 BONAFIDE

£7adv £9door - plus Silverjet & SKAM

Bonafide was formed by singer/guitarist (and drummer for Jason & The Scorchers) Pontus Snibb and bassist Michael Nilsson in Malmö, southern Sweden, in 2006. Having served their apprenticeship supporting the likes of Deep Purple, Status Quo, Y & T, The L.A. Guns and the Quireboys, they bring their blues and R'N'B based full throttle rock n' roll to the UK for the very first time. You will seldom hear guitars this beefy or vocals with this much pure attitude and bravado – it's no holds barred stuff. This is a show not to be missed! www.bonafiderocks.com



Greenbird Promotions presents.

## Wed 7

## THE DYLAN PROJECT

Take four of Britain's most talented folk-rock musicians and a unique singer, add the repertoire of a genius, and you've got the recipe for a dream band. PJ Wright, Gerry Conway, Phil Bond, Dave Pegg and Steve Gibbons present an exhilarating tribute to the work of arguably the greatest postwar songwriter in the English language. Their repertoire spans the whole of Dylan's oeuvre – everything from Highway 61 to Mississippi – and new material is frequently brought into the setlist. Whether you are a diehard Dylan fan or just enjoy great songs performed with flair and brio, The Dylan Project will take your breath away.

www.dylanproject.co.uk



### Thu 8

## THE URBAN VOODOO MACHINE

£10adv £12door - plus special guests

With their lurching sea shanties, debauched murder ballads, messed-up tangos and whiskey-soaked gypsy stomps, some reckon London collective The Urban Voodoo Machine hail from the same stable of stallions as Tom Waits and Nick Cave; others point out the last gang in town swagger of The Clash and the hellbound blues that John Lee Hooker first dragged out of the swamp. Whatever category you try and put them in, their unique brand of Bourbon Soaked Gypsy Blues Bop 'N' Stroll is not to be missed! www.theurbanvoodoomachine.co.uk



Xander Promotions presents..

#### Sun 18

## NINE BELOW ZERO

£12adv £14door

Now in their 4th decade, Nine Below Zero are the viable alternative to Alternative, a band that most definitely come to play, a band with their own genuine sound and deep understanding of their musical roots. Live, the combination of Dennis Greaves playing guitar and singing, Gerry McAvoy on bass, Brendan O'Neill on drums (both ex-Rory Gallagher band members) and Mark Feltham on harmonica is lethal, hammering and nailing the big R'N'B sound to the floor of many a famous stage. www.ninebelowzero.com



Mon 31

## **NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY**

£8adv £10door - feat. THE MOONLIGHT SINATRAS Dipping into six decades of rock and pop and with lashings of good humour thrown in, we are delighted to have 2011's most glamorous hedonists including David Wyatt, Carl 'Fanny' Dawson, Simon Gilroy and guests, to help us rock 'n' roll the New Year in, in style.

# ww.themusicianpub.co.uk

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#### **NOVEMBER**

Gary J Armstrong - £5adv £6door Tue 1 plus Phil Riley. Versatile acoustic folk rock.

The Musician Clyde St. Leicester

Wed 2 Closed

Willie Nile - £10adv £12door Thu 3 plus the Micky Kemp Band. Acclaimed NY singer/songwriter returns with his band.

Mick Ridgway's Mojo Hand - £5 Fri 4

plus D.J. Sharman. Harp-driven Leicester blues veterans.

**AB/CD** - £10 Sat 5

Top Bon Scott-era AC/DC tribute fronted by the superb Alan Moore.

The Outwoods County Riders - Free (1:30pm til 5pm) Sun 6 North Missississippi hill country blues - live recording party.

Bluebird Parade - £5 (8pm til midnight) Sun 6

plus Calder. Eclectic acoustic/electric six-piece with added brass.

Mon 7 Patrik Fitzgerald - £7adv £8door plus Ruth Po! and Kevin Hewick. The original punk poet returns.

**Britpop Tribute Night** - £5

feat. Wry Dogs, Solarise, Jack Whitney, Cosserat, Live Forever plus more.

Mary Coughlan - £10adv £12door Wed 9 Much heralded Irish torch singer

Thu 10 Strawbs (Electric) - £13adv £15door plus Fay Brotherhood. Progressive folk-rock legends with their full band show.

The Mick Ralphs Blues Band - £12adv £14door Fri 11

plus Dawson Smith & Martin Burch. Legendary Mott and Bad Company guitarist.

Sat 12 Private Party

Sun 13 Cashier No.9 - £7adv

plus Kowalski. "Ominous shuffle-beats and head-bending guitars" - Guardian.co.uk

The City Acoustic Club - Free Mon 14 Open mic session.

Tue 15 Kim Richey - £8adv £10door

Critically acclaimed country singer/songwriter.

Wed 16 Jim Lauderdale - £10adv £12door plus Danni Nicholls. Multi-talented country/bluegrass performer and songwriter.

Krissy Matthews - £8adv Thu 17 One of Europe's brightest blues rock players.

Fri 18 Larry Miller Band - £8

plus Sidewinder. "Fantastic, world class guitarist" - Bluesrockers, USA.

SKAM: Album Launch Party - £5 Sat 19 plus Black Smoke Saints and special guests. Classic good-time hard rock.

A Night Off With Peggy & PJ - £10 Sun 20 plus annA rydeR. Fairport Convention meets Little Johnny England.

The City Acoustic Club - Free Mon 21 Open mic session.

Emily Portman - £8adv £10door Tue 22 plus Lucy Ward. Award winning folk singer-songwriter.

Wed 23 Josh T. Pearson - £10adv plus We tHrEE aND tHe DeAtH rAttLe. "America's lost genius returns" - MOJO.

Robb Johnson & The Irregulars - £8 Thu 24

plus Grace Petrie. "Britain's finest songwriter since Richard Thompson" - Venue.

Funk Soul Brother - £5 Fri 25 One of the UK's top funk, soul and party bands.

Danfest: All-day Prog Rock Extravaganza - £20adv £22door Sat 26 feat. The Tangent, IO Earth, Paul Menel, Alan Reed, Grey Lady Down, Guy Manning & The Moscow Riley. 12noon til 12midnight.

Aynsley Lister - £10adv £12door Sun 27 plus Clare Free. Homegrown, hard-hitting blues infused rock.

Mon 28 The City Acoustic Club - Free Open mic session.

Simon McBride - £10adv £12door Tue 29 Stunning virtuoso guitarist and 2011 tour support for Joe Satriani.

Jimi Hendrix Night - £2 (free for contributors) Wed 30 feat. Rock Billy George & the Experience. Contributors are welcome. **DECEMBER** 

Wreckless Eric & Amy Rigby - £9 Thu 1 The Stiff legend joins forces with New York pop scene heroine.

Fri 2 Guns 2 Roses - £10

plus Hell's Addiction. The UK's number one G N' R tribute.

The Small Fakers: Ogdens' Nut Gone Flake Live - £10adv Sat 3 plus Des Horsfall's Kuschty Rye. A tribute to the sensational Small Faces.

Bonafide - £7adv £9door Sun 4

plus Silverjet and SKAM. High octane hard rock from rising Swedish stars.

The City Acoustic Club - Free Mon 5 Open mic session

Wildfire Sessions Xmas Party - £5 (all money goes to SHELTER) Tue 6 feat. Stevie Jones & Mark Gill, Ferris, Hannah Faulkner & more TBC.

The Dylan Project - £12 Wed 7 Folk rock supergroup perform the songs of Bob Dylan.

The Urban Voodoo Machine - £10adv £12door plus special guests. Bourbon soaked, gypsy blues bop 'n' stroll.

Dan Baird & Homemade Sin - £13adv £15door Fri 9 plus Dawson Smith & The Dissenters. World class bar-room rock 'n' roll.

Simon 'Honeyboy' Hickling - £7 Sat 10 Internationally renowned blues harmonica ace with his band.

Ragefest - details TBC Metal fest consisting of signed and unsigned underground bands.

Mon 12 The City Acoustic Club - Free Open mic session

**Gateway College Christmas Event** 

Wed 14 Boo Hewerdine - £8adv plus Jennifer Crook. Cult folk-pop singer/songwriter.

Thu 15 An Evening With Chris Conway - f6adv f8door plus support. One of the most versatile and gifted musicians on the local scene.

Fri 16 Fred Zeppelin - £6adv £8door Robert Plant-endorsed Led Zeppelin tribute.

The KiteRunners - £5 (2pm til 5pm) Sat 17

plus support. Arctic Monkeys-influenced indie from local youngsters.

The Big Xmas Gig For LOROS - £7adv (7:30pm til 1am) Sat 17 feat. Blurred Vision, Rock Of Ages, No Way Back and The Silver Threetles.

Nine Below Zero - £12adv £14door Sun 18 One of British rock 'n' roll's most enduring and respected R'N'B combos.

Mon 19 The Pipettes - £10adv plus Produkty. Two-girl fronted power pop from the rejuvenated Brighton group.

Blues Harp Heroes - £4adv £5door Tue 20 feat. Mick Ridgway, Tristram Hooley, Alan Shotter and more, backed by Mojo Hand.

Wed 21 **Echolocation** - £5 plus Gestalt, Jesuscarfish and Courtney Askey. An alternative Christmas show.

The Ann Duggan Band: Hoot'n'Annie! - £5adv Thu 22 Special Christmas show from the queen of roadhouse blues.

**Diesel Park West** - £10 Fri 23 Alternative rock from veteran Leicester favourites.

Closed Sat 24

**Closed - Merry Christmas!** Sun 25

Closed Mon 26

El Pussycat and Kingsize - £7 Tue 27 Part one of our big Christmas SKA double-header...

Wed 28 Kingsize and El Pussycat - £7 ...and the second installment. Buy in advance to avoid disappointment!

Joel Owen & The Antoine Band - £4adv £5door Thu 29 plus support. Original rhythm n' blues and big-band boogie.

Talulah Blue's New Year Burlesque - £8adv £10door Fri 30 starring Emmanuelle Claire, Anna Davies, Talulah Blue, Rose Desire-Belle and live music from The Dead Rock Stars.

Mon 31 New Year's Eve Party - £8adv £10door feat. The Moonlight Sinatras. Come and see in 2012 with us in style!

To book tickets visit - www.wegottickets.com

20th Dawson Smith & The Dissenters • 25th The Toy Hearts • 28th The Jamm • 29th Daughter **JANUARY** 4th Mitch Benn • 7th Andrew O'Neill • 11th James Sherwood & Paul Sweeney • 12th Pippa Evans **FEBRUARY** 16<sup>th</sup> Kathryn Roberts & Sean Lakeman ● 17<sup>th</sup> Talon Acoustic ● 18<sup>th</sup> The Hamsters ● 25<sup>th</sup> Slash-UK

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