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Bluegrass Talk Radio debuts on the Internet

While there are plenty of radio shows out there to listen to the latest cuts from your favorite bluegrass artists, Bluegrass Talk Radio is a new and fresh format, one that listeners are embracing whole-heartedly. Based around interviews and conversation-style recording with the musicians, promoters, producers, organizations and of course, the grass-roots fans, Bluegrass Talk Radio is a perfect match to the music that has been handed down through generations much the same way, orally, through gatherings, one-on-one sharing, nurturing, and example. Each week, new interviews with great stories, heartfelt emotions and passions about the world of bluegrass and wisdom are shared with the listeners, just like a friendly conversation out on the front porch on a pleasant summer day.

"People love to hear the stories, the tales of the music that they can relate to," Dave Russell, the show's host and producer, reflects on the unique format of this show. "It's a music genre that is made of stories, of people and Bluegrass Talk Radio is a wonderful way to enjoy the music further, as well as preserving our oral traditions for futures to come. We are bluegrass people as well, and ask the questions that bluegrass people want to hear. We dig deeper and ask the good questions about the music."

One of the unique features of this brand new show is the ability to be heard around the world, at anytime and any place. Listeners can tune in anytime to hear the latest show, or listen to archive shows from previous weeks. They can listen online, even with slower phone connections, or download the show as an Mp3 file to listen to on portable music players. No longer are you tied to a scheduled show at the wee hours of the day where most bluegrass programming may fall in commercial radio. And if you miss a show, you'll be sure to find it archived for up to 2 months after broadcast.

Another neat function of an internet radio broadcast is the ability to link personalities, businesses and resources on the website for extra listening enjoyment. If you hear about a new CD offered by a guest on the show, you could browse their website while still listening to the current show playing. It's a remarkable interactive site that is sure to please.

So far to date, there have been interviews with banjo player Jim Mills, singer/musician Ernie Thacker, radio marketing promoter Becky Brandenberger and experts such as renowned double-bass luthier Nick Lloyd and vintage instrument collector, Dave Beddingfield. Scheduled guests for upcoming shows include Dan Hayes, executive director of the IBMA, mandolinist Sam Bush; Ray Deaton from IIIrd Tyme Out; accomplished 14 year-old mandolinist, Soley Burton and Angie Sumpter, queen of the middle-aged newbie banjo players and website promoter of bluegrass.

Bluegrass Talk Radio.com is sure to prove there is a great need to hear and enjoy the stories and thoughts of the people who are creating, managing and promoting the bluegrass music that we all love and enjoy.

Westvon Publishing is the proud owner and creator of Bluegrass Talk Radio as well as providing bluegrass music media resources such as the Tri-State Bluegrass Journal; a quarterly newspaper dedicated to the Great Lakes region of Michigan, Ohio and Indiana; numerous music support websites such as BuckeyeBluegrass.com, MichiganBluegrass.com, IndianaBluegrass.com, BluegrassKids.com and BluegrassSongwriter.com. They offer marketing support, website design and other creative services to the bluegrass music market.

Sites of Interest:

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These include:

Brad and Greg Davis/Guitar/Banjo Guitarist Brad Davis in addition to being a Flatpick guitar magazine columnist has toured with Earl Scruggs, Marty Stuart, Sam Bush, Billy Bob Thornton, to name a few. Brad can teach and play guitar probably better than anyone. Brad's brother Greg Davis will be teaching banjo this year too. Greg is an awesome picker and has been playing professionally and teaching most of his life. He has worked with Sam Bush and a host of well-known country and bluegrass acts. He's also published several books on banjo and in addition to being one of the best pickers there are, he is a personable musician who can teach and relate his craft in an easy to understand manner. Both Brad and Greg are Texas natives and should be well known to those of you in that part of our land. Don't miss this opportunity to work so closely with these top pros there solely to help you progress.

Ross Nickerson/Banjo - author of Mel Bay Publishing's, "The Banjo Encyclopedia" is not only an excellent banjo teacher with 25 years experience in teaching beginners to advance students but an awesome picker and recording artist with Pinecastle Records.

Ned Luberecki/Banjo, an advanced player, fun person to be around, and a full time experienced and dedicated banjo teacher and is a member of top Bluegrass touring band, Chris Jones and the NightDrivers

Murphy and Casey Henry/Banjo bring both personality, experience, dedication, knowledge, and they will flat out be helpful to all of the students. Murphy and Casey have a lot of experience organizing jams for beginners to advance pickers, too.

Spouses and family member are welcome! Only students pay for the workshop registration. This is a win-win chance to get away, have fun, and enjoying an enriching learning experience working so closely with instructors.

There's a downloadable booklet for the 2006 Banjo & Guitar Workshop Cruise at <http://www.angies-banjo.com> This booklet has FAQ's regarding the cruise along with photos from last years Cruise and all pertinent information on registering for the 2006 Banjo & Guitar Workshops Cruise. You can also receive all the necessary details at BanjoTeacher.com or FlatPickteacher.com.

If you don't have computer access and would like more information regarding the Cruise or to register for the workshops, contact Angie Sumpter at 1-877-450-4641 or Banjoteacher.com at 1-866-322-6567.

Upcomig Steve Kaufman Concert

Steve Kaufman Guitar Workshop and Concert

Friday (7:00 – 9:00 PM) and Saturday (9:30 AM – 3:30 PM), January 20th and 21st, 2006.

Three-time National Flatpick Champion, Steve Kaufman, who has published over 60 instruction books and videos, will bring his two-day, 8-hour flatpicking guitar workshop to Austin. It will be held at Artz Ribhouse, 2330 S. Lamar. Material and topics covered is tailored to meet the level and needs of those attending. Space is limited. The past two workshops (2001 and 2003) sold out. The cost of the workshop, is \$80. A \$40 deposit reserves your spot. Contact host Eddie Collins to sign up or with further questions: tun-eman@texas.net. 512-836-8255.



Saturday, January 21st, 2006, 7:00 – 9:30 P.M.).

Steve Kaufman in concert at the Live Oak Coffeehouse Concert Series. Live Oak Unitarian Universalist Church, 3315 El Salido Parkway (.2 miles east of Anderson Mill and RR 620 in NW Austin and 2 miles west of US 183. CTBA member band, Cooper's Uncle, a great traditional bluegrass band, will open the show. After Steve's amazing feature set, Cooper's Uncle will join Kaufman for a couple of blazing impromptu numbers. Eddie Collins emcees the show. \$10 at the door or \$8 in advance through CTBA. Contact Steve Zimmet at thegarage@swbell.net for advance tickets.

Friday, December 9th, 7:30 – 10:00 P.M. **The Ausin Lounge Lizards** play at the Live Oak Coffeehouse Concert series, a great non-smoking, non-alcohol concert environment. Live Oak Unitarian Church, 3315 El Salido, in North Austin (.2 miles east of Anderson Mill). Tickets: \$15 at the door. 25% of proceeds to go to charity. <http://www.liveoakuu.org/coffee/index.htm>

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 4, Twangzilla, Manchaca All Stars, Artz Ribhouse, 6:30
 Sat 4, HTML, Luling Bluegrass Show - Longerg Park, 6 pm
 Thu 10, HTML , The Triple Crown - San Marcos, TX, 6 pm
 Fri 11, The Siekers, 7.30 pm, ArtZ Rib House
 Sat, 12, Twangzilla, Austin Farmers Market, 10:00am
 Sat 12, HTML Palace Theatre - Georgetown, TX, 7:30 pm
 Wed., 16, Twangzilla, Ventana Del Sol, 7:00
 Fri 18 Manchaca All Stars, WST Bluegrass at the Manchaca Firehall (on FM 1626 just west of where Manchaca Rd. dead-ends into FM 1626) - 7:00
 Sat 20, HTML, Austin Farmers' Market - 4th & Guadalupe, 10 am
 21, HTML, Austin Fall Fling (Trebuchet) - Circle Dr & Hwy 290, 1 - 2 PM
 Fri 25 The Siekers 7.30 pm Manchaca Fire Hall Manchaca, Tx
 Artz Rib House, 512/442-8283, www.artzribhouse.com

FESTIVALS & EVENTS

November

Nov 24-37, Duncan, OK, Duncan Fall Bluegrass Festival, 580-255-7042

 The 2004 Woodland Veterans Day Bluegrass Festival, November 12th, 13th and 14th, 2004.

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and

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Chrisman Community Center

Don Cook 979-567-0573

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\$3 www.geocities.com/ntbbbluegrass

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Ronald Medart 254-865-6013

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Jam

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4th Sat: 5pm-jam, 7pm-show

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Southeast Tx BG Music Assn

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Edy Mathews 409-755-0622

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