Director's Corner

# PENTANGLE IT AUS Celebrating 48 Years!

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# VSO Returns to Suicide Six Ski Area

fter a two-year hiatus we are pleased to present the TD Bank Summer Festival Tour in collaboration with the VSO and the Woodstock Inn and Resort. This beloved statewide summer concert tour features conductor and Music Director candidate Julian Pellicano. Alongside perennial Pops favorite music by John Williams (Liberty and Olympic Fanfares) and John Philip Sousa (the rousing Stars and Stripes Forever), will be strains of Bernstein's West Side Story, Copland's feisty Rodeo, Rossini's William Tell Overture, Quinn Mason's sparkling A Joyous Fanfare (described by the composer as "very embodiment of happiness and cheerfulness, an accessible work that would put any listener in a good mood and more. VSO Principal Trombonist Matt Wright is the concert soloist, which closes this year with a festive light display in lieu of fireworks

The event once again takes place at the iconic Suicide Six Ski Area – 247 Stage Rd, South Pomfret. The gates open at 5:30 pm for picnicking and the concert begins at 7:30 pm. The rain site is the Woodstock Union High School at 100 Amsden Way, Woodstock.

Bring your picnic blanket or folding chairs, picnic and whatever you need to comfortably enjoy the outdoors. Dogs (except assistance and service animals) are not permitted at any VSO show.

For tickets and more information please go to <u>www.</u> <u>pentanglearts.org</u>.

Astral Projections and Pentangle Arts

And for something completely different let me introduce a new Pentangle partner, Astral Projections. Astral Projections was conjured up from a shared love of film and music. As described in their press release, "it's the shared pop culture cabinet of Abracadabra Coffee CO., Beer Mountain and La Pizza Lupo. A hivemind of nostablgia, film reverence and music appreciation swirling about in the ethereal projector light of a century old theatre."

Pentangle welcomes this new programming initiative in the historic Woodstock Town Hall theatre!

On July 7<sup>th</sup> Astral Projections will present a screening of John Carpenter's cult examination of Reagan era consumerism, "They Live". Doors open at 7:00 with music, beer, wine and food and the screening begins at 8:00 pm. The screening is free and open to the public with donations to Pentangle gratefully accepted.

On August 13<sup>th</sup> Astral Projections presents a concert with headliner Bonnie Prince Billy (Drag Records), Empath (Fat Possum Records) and Footings (Feeding Tube Records). This event will also feature the best local beers, wine and tasty food.

Doors to the beer garden open at 4:00 pm, theatre doors open at 6:00 pm, followed by Empath at 6:30, Footings at 7:30 pm and Bonnie Prince Billy at 8:30 pm. Tickets for the live show are on sale at - <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bonnie-prince-billy-tick-ets-354723887697">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bonnie-prince-billy-tick-ets-354723887697</a>.

About the Bands:

Will Oldham "Bonnie Prince Billy"

Bonnie 'Prince' Billy has been Will Oldham's singing dummy since 1998. Oldham lives in Louisville, KY with

wife and daughter. Over the course of 2020 Bill Callahan and Bonny Billy released, 'virtually', Blind Date Party, ultimately 20 songs with accompanying visualizations, in an effort to bridge newly revealed distances in space, time and emotion. Matt Sweeney & Bonny Billy's SU-PERWOLVES came out in 2021; this was a group of rock poems. In 2022 there's been the live singalong cycle Old Hard and Marvelous and the cassette-only hard-dreamcycle release High and High and MIghty, on Ha Ha Institute.

### **Footings**

Rock band Footings formed in Peterborough, New Hampshire, in 2012. Footings founder Eric Gagne, is a long-time champion of the local arts and experimental folk scene in New England

The band is a vehicle for Eric's songs, often in performance with Elisabeth Fuchsia on viola; the band also featured members of Pile, Bunny's a Swine, Dweller on the Threshold, and Rick Rude

Original trio member Elisabeth Fuchsia (frequent Pile collaborator) is on viola and long-time collaborator Candace Clement provides guitar, synth and vocals. Jordan Holtz (from Rick Rude) supplies vocals. Ben Rogers (Eric's bandmate from Death to Tyrants) adds drums where needed. Will Killingsworth (Ampere/Bucket Full of Teeth) adds pedals and tambourine as required.

# **Empath**

Empath is an American noise punk band from Philadelphia. The current lineup is Catherine Elicson, Jem Shanahan, Randall Coon, and Garrett Koloski. They have released one album and several EPs, and are currently signed to Fat Possum Records.

### On the Big Screen: Jurassic World: Dominion

Jurassic World: Dominion is the epic conclusion to the Jurassic era as two generations unite for the first time. Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard are joined by Oscar®-winner Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum and Sam Neill in Jurassic World Dominion, a bold, timely and breathtaking new adventure that spans the globe. From Jurassic World architect and director Colin Trevorrow, Dominion takes place four years after Isla Nublar has been destroyed. Dinosaurs now live—and hunt—alongside humans all over the world. This fragile balance will reshape the future and determine, once and for all, whether human beings are to remain the apex predators on a planet they now share with history's most fearsome creatures.

Show times:

Friday, July 1 at 7:30 pm Saturday, July 2 at 7:30 pm Sunday, July 3 at 7:30 pm

Up next: Thor: Love and Thunder

## MOVIE SCHEDULE NOTE:

Starting on July 8<sup>th</sup> weekend movies will screen, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Every Friday until September 2<sup>nd</sup> join us at the East End park for our free *Music By the River* concert series.