



*"In here there are no strangers..."*

# Sisters Of The Road

*...just friends we've never met."*

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## **WINTERFOLK 22: A CELEBRATION OF MUSIC, COMMUNITY AND SERVICE**

**February 6th, 2010 Aladdin Theater, Portland, Oregon 7PM**

**A benefit for Sisters Of The Road**

**Portland, OR (December 1, 2009) - Winterfolk** brings a potpourri of some the most exciting local and national folk artists to the stage of the Aladdin Theater each February. This year, Peter Yarrow headlines Portland's largest annual folk music event, benefiting Sisters Of The Road and celebrating its 30 year anniversary. Sisters is the innovative organization in Portland's Old Town Chinatown that provides meals at low cost or in exchange for labor to the community and works towards systemic solutions to poverty and homelessness.

Winterfolk 22 tickets go on sale December 15th, and are \$28 in advance and \$30 at the door. They will be available at Music Millennium, 3158 E Burnside St; the Aladdin Theater Box Office, 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave; and Ticketmaster outlets.

This year, **Peter Yarrow** will headline Winterfolk 22. Peter Yarrow's name is one of the most recognizable in folk music, both for his solo career and as the principal arranger and mainstay of the platinum album-selling group "Peter, Paul and Mary." This is Peter's second Winterfolk appearance.

Also part of the event is a drawing for a **handmade Jay Dickenson Small Jumbo guitar** and a day of recording at **Billy Oskays's Big Red Studio** – two extraordinary prizes. Raffle Tickets are already on sale for \$10 each at Artichoke Music, 3130 SE Hawthorne; Portland Fretworks, 3039 NE Alberta; and Sisters' office, 618 NW Davis. The winner will be drawn the night of Winterfolk.

Winterfolk 22 will also feature:

- **Brian Cutean**, playful Eugene, Oregon wordsmith and musician who tours the country with offbeat, yet touching observations on the human condition.
- **The Wanderers, Bill Murlin and Carl Allen**, making their first Winterfolk performance, focusing on the music of Woody Guthrie.
- **Nancy Conescu**, an internationally respected guitarist and vocalist, who plays Irish music in Ireland, Japan and the USA, and performs regularly here in Portland. This will be Nancy's 2nd Winterfolk appearance.
- **"The Artichoke All-Stars"**: Long-time sponsors and supporters of Winterfolk, Artichoke Music's Richard Columbo, Dan'l McIlhenny, and Matt Meighan come together to play a lively set.

- **Tom May:** The Founder and Artistic Director of Winterfolk will again be joined by old friends Fuzzy Purcell and Donny Wright. This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his weekly national radio broadcast “River City Folk” on public radio and XM satellite radio.
- **David Rea** began his career as Gordon Lightfoot’s lead guitarist, then went on to work with Ian Tyson, Judy Collins, Fairport Convention, and many others, though he is probably best known for the 60s anthem “Mississippi Queen.” David will likely join his old friend, Peter Yarrow, on some songs.

**Winterfolk** is one of those rare expressions of giving which brings disparate parts of our area together, in the common cause of music and a sure knowledge that every dollar raised at the door goes to the people it is intended to help. With the challenges of the economy creating more need than in any time in recent years, Winterfolk is more important than ever.

*ABOUT SISTERS OF THE ROAD: Founded in 1979, Sisters Of The Road uses nonviolence to support community driven solutions to the calamities of homelessness and poverty. Sisters' cafe is open to everyone, serving low cost, hot, nutritious meals. Sisters also provides job training, support to parents and children, and innovative solutions to the issues surrounding poverty and homelessness through self and community advocacy.*

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