

Folk Festival

Connie Kaldor to showcase her crossover style, vibrance

Known for her legendary live performances and crossover musical style, Connie Kaldor will perform as the Willamette Valley Folk Festival's Friday night headliner.

Considered Canada's most vibrant and entertaining live performer, Kaldor plays piano and guitar to tie together blues, folk and adult contemporary music.

Her voice has been compared to Jennifer Warnes and Carly Simon. Her songwriting is similar to that of Mary Chapin Carpenter and James Taylor. And her spontaneous wit and irreverent humor make her live performances a unique experience and have helped her build a broad, loyal following throughout Canada, the United States and Europe.

Kaldor began writing the day she picked up a guitar, and she played her first concert while she was in high school. She then earned a drama degree and joined Theatre Passe Muraille, an avant-garde theater company that shook up Canadian drama.

But the call of music took her away from drama and put her back on the stage. Determined to be a concert act and perform her own material, Kaldor joined the only scene where that was possible — the folk circuit.

At a time when there were few Canadian, and almost no solo women, performers, Kaldor began changing the standards. Her songwriting and courageous energy brought her immediate success.

Within two years she was headlining festivals and building her fan base. Fourteen years



Considered one of Canada's best performers, Connie Kaldor will bring her unique sound to the Willamette Valley Folk Festival's main stage Friday at 8:30 p.m. Kaldor will perform as the Friday's headliner.

Connie Kaldor

Performance: Friday, May 19
8:30 p.m. on the main stage

Kaldor ties together blues, folk and contemporary music

after she began singing, Kaldor is one of the last performers from that are who are still working, building and growing. In the last

four years, her audience and her profile have begun to snowball.

She has licensed her albums internationally and has performed on national U.S. radio and on television and radio in Europe.

As an independent performer without major label support, Kaldor has been able to sell more than 20,000 copies of each of her albums.

Kaldor will perform on the Willamette Valley Folk Festival main stage Friday at 8:30 p.m.

Vendors another reason to go to festival

Not only is attending the Willamette Valley Folk Festival this weekend a chance to hear some of the best music in the area, it is also a time to enjoy the local food and craft vendors who set up shop near the festival.

Many of the usual attendees will return this year along with some new faces.

A listing of planned food vendors

- Senor Frog's
- Edible Improv
- Cart de Frisco
- Lulu's Smoothies
- Bangkok Grill
- The Whole Enchilada
- Tofu Palace
- Renaissance Pizza
- Ritta's Burritos
- Dana's Cheesecake
- Family Homesteader
- India House
- Rusty's Handbuilt Ice Cream Sandwiches

- Rising Moon
- Pie in the Sky
- Afghani Cuisine
- Sara's Fruit Salad
- Chez Ray's
- Fiesta Foods
- Chef Sheilagh's

A listing of some of the planned crafts vendors:

- The Bodacious Box Company
- Crest Massage Center
- Hammocks by Theodore Hamill
- The Moccasin Company
- Lu Trading Company
- Yucatan Hammocks
- Hungry Bear Seed Trees
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4:00 *Flower Essences*

5:00 *Crystal Healing*

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