

Producers' Notes

Working as the Co-Producer for the 34th Annual Willamette Valley Folk Festival has been an amazing experience. It is a blessing to work with all of the gifted event producers, musicians and artists it takes to pull off this event. Without the talent and energy of my co-workers and friends at the UO Cultural Forum, the Folk Festival would be impossible. Therefore, I would like to thank WVFF Co-Producer William Reischman, Cultural Forum Office Manager Mandy Chong and the entire 2003-04 Cultural Forum staff for their hard work. Secondly, I would like to thank my family and close friends (you know who you are) for all their love and support in the past year while I have been working for the Cultural Forum and completing my B.A. degree: Mom, Dad, Alex, Daniel, David, Mary, Gloria, I love you. Thank you for everything. And finally, I would like to thank Eugene, Oregon and all of the people in my life here. Eugene has been a wonderful place to live, work and develop my talents. I hope you enjoy this year's Willamette Valley Folk Festival.



Ariel Zimmer

Welcome to the Willamette Valley Folk Festival. I hope you enjoy this great event. It is a tough task to please everyone involved in this 34-year tradition, but we tried our best. We sacrificed our blood, sweat, and tears in order to pull everything together, but we had fun during the process, too. I am thankful that I had the opportunity to take on such a huge task, and grateful for the friends I have made this year. Thanks to everyone who helped in any way; it wouldn't get done without your efforts. I am very excited about this year's lineup and I think that Eugene should be proud to showcase such a fun event that is still free. I hope to see everyone there.



Will Reischman

EMU BEN LINDER ROOM

Saturday May 22

12pm **New song contest** – Festival competitors line up!
2pm **New song contest final round** – And the winners are ...

Sunday May 23

1pm **Dakota's Groovalicious Poetry Slam** - Featuring the 2004 Eugene poetry slam team.

EUGENE FOLK ALLIANCE STAGE

EMU BUZZ COFFEEHOUSE

Saturday May 22

1pm **Chico Schwall** - New Songs, gnarly roots.
1:50pm **Michael & Aya Cochram** – Award-winning songwriter with his daughter on fiddle.
2:40pm **Rob Tobias & Friends** - Roots world folk that'll lift your spirits.
3:30pm **Paul Safar & Nancy Wood** – It's musical poetry, folks.
4:20pm **Vocal Tangent** – Heart and humor in five-voice a cappella harmony.
5:10pm **Red Pajamas** – Acoustic rock originals



CHICO SCHWALL
Saturday, 1pm, Buzz
Saturday, 3pm, EMU Fir Room
Sunday, 3pm, Amphitheatre

EUGENE FOLKLORE SOCIETY STAGE

EMU BUZZ COFFEEHOUSE

Sunday May 23

1pm **Children of the Gael** Kids sing traditional Celtic songs w/Debbie Diedrich.
1:40pm **The Ukulanees** Lane Co. Ukulele Club plays tin pan alley and more.
2:20pm **Eugene Harp Circle** Traditional tunes and airs.
3pm **Old Time News** Diane Dugaw, Will and Jean Marcotte play traditional and originals on banjo, guitar, autoharp and mandolin.
3:40pm **Eider** Tony Wright and friends fiddle their way through the British Isles.
4:20pm **Dennis Smith and Albert Wilkowski** perform folk classics and originals acoustically.
5pm **Dick Gunn and Rich Spence** Country classics and more with two guitars.

General Information

Hours:

Friday, May 21 4-10pm
Saturday, May 22 noon-10pm
Sunday, May 23 noon-6pm

Free Admission

Rain or Shine!

No drugs, no drugs,
no alcohol

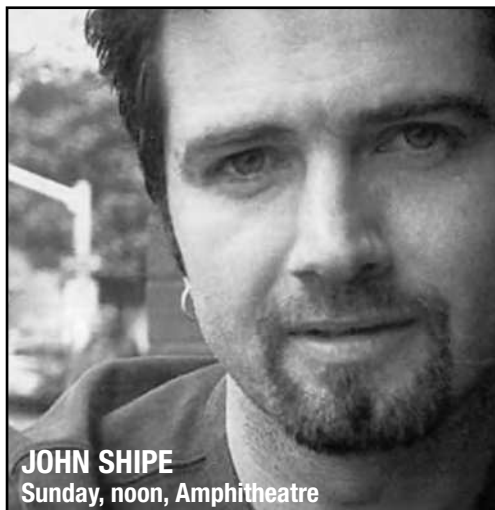
Wheelchair Accessible

No bike valet this year,
but plenty of bike racks
are available.

AMPHITHEATRE STAGE

Saturday May 22

12pm **The Hershhal Bloom Experience** – Annual Folk Fest poetic tradition.
1pm **Ballet Joli** – Local West African drum and dance troupe.
2pm **Funktifyno** – Local fusion of everything under the sun.
3pm **Moksha** - Soul, funk, hip-hop with Latin percussion influences.
4pm **Samba Ja** – Thirty-piece mobile percussion ensemble.
5pm **Samba Ja** - Dancin' till the crowd drops!



JOHN SHIPE
Sunday, noon, Amphitheatre

Sunday May 23

12pm **John Shipe and The Scapegoats** – High impact acoustic rock.
1pm **Nicole Sangsuree Barrett** – Be lulled by this bluesy and emotive folk/rock vocalist.
2pm **Americanistan** – Middle Eastern and Mediterranean bellydance music.
3pm **The Chico Schwall Band** – Rootsy songs and textured instrumentals.
4pm **Eleven Eyes** – A Eugene blend of jazz, funk, drum 'n' bass, electronica and more.