

MUSIC LISTINGS

THURSDAY 5/8

AXE & FIDDLE Black Beast Revival, Mike Surber & The Long Con—8:30pm; Americana, rock, \$5

BLACK FOREST Austin Farrell—10pm; n/c

THE COOLER Karaoke—10pm

COWFISH DJ Sipp—9pm; Hip hop, club rock

CUSH Band Brunch Acoustic Thursday—11am; Open mic, n/c

EL TAPATIO CANTINA Karaoke—8pm; n/c

ESAP Todd Barton, Adam Scramstad, Juice Machine—7:30pm; Electronic, \$5 don.

FIRST NATIONAL TAPHOUSE Whiskey Chasers—8pm; n/c

GRANARY Deep House Dance w/ Benny—10pm; Sug. don.

HAPPY HOURS Karaoke—8pm

HOP VALLEY TASTING ROOM Lea Jones—7pm; Folk, rock, n/c

JAZZ STATION Roberta Donnay & The Prohibition Mob Band—7:30pm; Don.

JERSEY'S Karaoke—7pm; n/c

LUCKEY'S Open Funk Jam—9:30pm; \$2

MAC'S Hi-Tone Thursday—7pm; n/c

MAX'S DJ Plays Requests—9pm; n/c

OAKSHIRE Will Brown—5pm; Fingerstyle guitar, n/c

THE OLD PAD Karaoke—9pm

OVERTIME TAVERN West Side Blues Jam—8:30pm; Open jam, n/c

RESTOBAR Steven McVay—5pm

SPIRITS Karaoke w/Shannon—9pm

TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS Manouch Noir—7pm; Jazz, n/c

TINY TAVERN Irish Jam—7:30pm; n/c

VILLAGE GREEN Cowboy Cadillac—7pm; n/c

WANDERING GOAT Tummy, Martian Manhunter—8pm; Don.

WHISKEY RIVER RANCH Hank Shreve Band—6pm; Blues, n/c

EL TAPATIO CANTINA Karaoke w/ KJ Rick—9pm; n/c

EMBERS Coupe de Ville—8:30pm; n/c

GRANARY Jen Sennett—7pm; n/c; Edewaard & Insomnia Project—10pm; \$3-\$5

THE GREEN ROOM Electric Weekends w/DJ Stephen Rose—9pm; Electro house, dub-step, n/c

HAPPY HOURS Fungi—8:30pm; Rock, n/c

HARLEYS & HORSES Karaoke—9pm

HILTON HOTEL Aftermath—7pm; Jazz, n/c

HULT CENTER Steve Martin w/ The Steep Canyon Rangers—7:30pm; Bluegrass, \$49-\$79

J. SCOTT CELLARS John Baumann—5:30pm; n/c

JAZZ STATION Eugene Composers' Big Band—8pm; \$10, \$8 mem., \$5 stu.

THE KEG Karaoke—9pm

LEVEL UP DJ food stamp—9pm; Rap, breaks, soul, n/c

LUCKEY'S The Great Cover Up—10pm; Rock, benefit, \$3-\$5 don.

MAC'S Kenny Blue Ray—8pm; Blues, \$?

MCDONALD THEATRE Richard Thompson—8pm; \$34

MOHAWK TAVERN Satellite Jack—9:30pm; n/c

MULLIGAN'S The Dennis Smith Project—8:30pm; Folk rock, n/c; Daddy Rabbit—10pm; n/c

O BAR Karaoke—9:30pm

O'DONNELL'S Karaoke—9pm

OAKSHIRE Glassroots Band—5pm; n/c

OFF THE WAFFLE DOWNTOWN Live music w/Willie Gone Solo—6pm, n/c

OREGON WINE LAB Henry Cooper—6pm; Blues, n/c

PIZZA RESEARCH INSTITUTE Zac Wolfe Duo—6:30pm; n/c

PLANK TOWN BREWING Mood Area 52—9:30pm; Jazz, swing, n/c

PORKY'S PALACE Karaoke—8pm

RAVEN A PUB Karaoke—9pm

RAGOZZINO PERFORMANCE HALL William Chapman Nyaho—7:30pm; Piano, n/c

SAGINAW VINEYARD The Barkemeyer Brothers—6pm; Country, n/c

SAM BOND'S Lewi Longmire & The Left Coast Roasters, The Stagger & Sway—9:30pm; \$5

SIDE BAR Karaoke—9pm

TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS Sun Bossa—7pm; Latin, n/c

TRACKSTIRS Karaoke—9pm; n/c

VILLAGE GREEN Neil Johnson—9pm; n/c

WANDERING GOAT Jedi Scum, Under 15 Seconds, Venkman—8pm; Punk, don.

WHIRLED PIES Lonesome Randall—6pm; n/c

WHISKEY RIVER RANCH DJ Top Timmy—9pm; \$5

WHITE HORSE SALOON Karaoke—9pm; n/c

WILDISH THEATER Swing Shift Jazz Orchestra w/Mike Wofford & Holly Hofmann—7:30pm; \$15

SATURDAY 5/10

5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA The Killer Bs—9:30pm; n/c

THE ATRIUM In Accord—2pm; A cappella, n/c

AXE & FIDDLE Hot Club Eugene—8:30pm; Swing, \$5

BLACK FOREST Jobe Himself, Animal Mother—10pm; Rock, blues, n/c

BUGS'S Most Wanted—9pm; Country rock, n/c

THE CANNERY Open Mic Night—9pm; Acoustic, n/c

COWFISH Michael Human—9:30pm; EDM, top 40, hip hop

DEXTER LAKE CLUB DLC Roadhouse Band—9pm; Rock, blues, \$5

DOC'S PAD Evolve Saturdays—9pm; EDM, hip hop, n/c

DUCK INN Karaoke—10pm

DUSK DJ Drama & DJ Crown—9pm; Hip hop, \$20

EL TAPATIO CANTINA DJ & Dance Music—9pm; n/c

EMBERS Coupe de Ville—8:30pm; n/c

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH Misty River—7:30pm; Americana, \$18 adv., \$20 door

GRANARY Ariella Hubbard—7pm; n/c; Electronic Music w/ Michael Friedman—10pm; Sug. don.

THE GREEN ROOM Electric Weekends w/DJ Stephen Rose—9pm; Electro house, dub-step, n/c

GOODFELLAS Christie & McCallum—7pm; Americana, n/c

HAPPY HOURS Code Red—8pm; Classic rock, country, n/c

HULT CENTER Bohemian Dub Ball w/RJD2, Medium Troy, Devin the Dude & more—7pm; Hip hop, \$15 adv., \$18 door

JAZZ STATION Rebecca Kilgore—7pm & 9pm; Jazz, \$13-\$18, \$10-\$15 mem.

LEVEL UP DJ Rock 'n' Roll Damnation—9pm; '70s & '80s rock, heavy metal; n/c

LUCKEY'S Robert Meade, Candy Cigarettes, Frances Cone—10pm; \$5

MAC'S Brian Chevalier & Heavy Chevy—8pm; Americana, blues, \$5

MCDONALD THEATRE Orgone, Monophonics—8pm; Funk, rock, \$15 adv., \$20 door

MOHAWK TAVERN Satellite Jack—9:30pm; n/c

NOBLE ESTATE Peter Giri & Lloyd Tolbert—5pm; Acoustic, n/c

OAKSHIRE Rob Tobias—3pm; Folk, roots, n/c; Lea Jones & Friends—5:30pm; American folk, n/c

PLANK TOWN BREWING Cascade Drifters—9:30pm; Roots, n/c

PORKY'S PALACE Karaoke—8pm

POUR HOUSE Karaoke—9pm

QUACKER'S Ladies Night & DeeJay—9pm; n/c

RAVEN A PUB Karaoke—9pm

SAM BOND'S Inner Limits, The Klezmonauts—9pm; \$5

SONNY'S TAVERN Karaoke—9pm

SPRINGFIELD VFW Mckenzie Express—7pm; n/c

STEEP COMPANY

How can you tell if there's a banjo player at your door?

They can't find the key, the knocking speeds up and they don't know when to come in (ba-dum ching!).

Kids may not know it these days, with its welcome place at the table of popular alt- and indie-rock outfits like The Avett Brothers, Thao and The Get Down Stay Down and Beck, but the banjo was once the butt of the joke in bluegrass circles.

Graham Sharpe, banjoist for Grammy-winning bluegrass phenom the **Steep Canyon Rangers**, says the negative connotations are fading away.

"You hear a banjo, and it's authentic, no matter what setting you hear it in," Sharpe tells *EW* from a tour stop in Spokane. "It's a very American thing — of course it came from Africa, but not applied in the way it is now." He tosses up the term gestalt, adding "you can put it behind almost everything."

Perhaps the most percussive of the string instruments, Sharpe's banjo had to make room for percussion, i.e. drums, on the Rangers' latest album, *Tell The Ones I Love*, a first for the band.

"When playing with the drummer the trick is to find out what to leave in and what to leave out, not to repeat what the drummer is doing, give each instrument its own space," Sharpe says. He notes that the nature of the songs on the album called for a drummer — Jeff Sipe, who's played with Leftover Salmon and Susan Tedeschi.

Sharpe wrote eight of the album's 12 songs including the title track, a melodic and driving valentine to the friends and family a band must leave when on the road. "As far as the travel and leaving people behind — for me it really resonated," he says. "I wasn't even sure what it meant until after we had been doing it for a while. I had a death in the family; that gave a new meaning to the song. I like songs like that, that can gain meaning."

Once again, the Rangers bring their old music buddy, banjo funnyman **Steve Martin**, on tour to Eugene, but this time there's a new face: singer-songwriter **Edie Brickell**, who first gained fame in the '80s alt-rock band Edie Brickell & New Bohemians; most recently, she released *Love Has Come For You* (2013), a collaboration with Martin, and this May she debuted a love duet, "Like to Get to Know You," with husband Paul Simon.

The Steep Canyon Rangers play with Steve Martin and Edie Brickell 7:30 pm Friday, May 9, at the Hult; \$49-\$79. — *Alex Notman*



FRIDAY 5/9

5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA Goshwood—9:30pm; n/c

AXE & FIDDLE Breakers Yard, Rattletrap Ruckus—8:30pm; Blues, \$5

BLACK FOREST The Shifts, Bubble Cats, Pluto the Planet—10pm; Pop, rock, n/c

BLAIRALLY ARCADE '80s Night w/Chris, Jen & John—9pm; '80s vinyl, \$3

THE BLIND PIG Karaoke w/Jim Jim—9pm

CRESWELL COFFEE Dreamdog—7pm; Acoustic, \$3

COWFISH The Audio Schizophrenic—9pm; Electro-house, booty bass

COZMIC Poor Old Shine—8pm; Roots, \$12 adv., \$15 door

CUTHBERT Childish Gambino—7pm; Rap, \$35 adv., \$40 door

D'S DINER Karaoke—9pm; n/c

DAVIS DJ Crown—11pm; Hip hop, \$3

DEXTER LAKE CLUB Cee Cee James—9pm; Blues, rock, \$5

DOMAINE MERIWETHER Bailee Jordyn—6pm; n/c



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