

# MUSIC LISTINGS

## THURSDAY 2/22

**755 RIVER RD** The T Sisters—7:30pm; \$15-\$20

**AXE & FIDDLE** Kaitlin Sevy, Cigarettes and Milk—8:30pm; n/c

**B&B LOUNGE** Karaoke—9:30pm; n/c

**THE BARNLIGHT** Karaoke w/ Breezy Bee—9pm; n/c

**BEERGARDEN** Grand Ronde String Band—7:30pm; n/c

**COTTAGE THEATER** Rhythm and Blues Revue—7pm; \$10-\$15

**COWFISH** '90s Night!—9pm; n/c

**CUSH CAFE** San Francisco Sound Test Psychedelic Improvisation Music Jam—7pm; \$2-\$3 don.

**DEXTER LAKE CLUB** Karaoke w/ Jared—9pm; n/c

**THE DRAKE** '80s Night—10pm; live DJ, n/c

**HAPPY HOURS** Crystal Harmony Karaoke—8pm; n/c

**HI-FI LOUNGE** Magic Beans—10pm; jam band, \$10-\$12

**HI-FI MAIN HALL** Burger A Go Go w/Dengue Fever, Winter, Summer Twins, Patsy's Rats—8pm; \$20-\$22

**JAZZ STATION** Javon Jackson—7:30pm; jazz, \$30

**LUCKEY'S** Grateful Dead Family Jam—10pm; dead covers, open jam, \$3

**MAC'S** Piano Bar Sing Along w/ Skip Jones & Hank Shreve—7pm; variety, n/c

### MAX'S

DJ Victor—10pm; hits, old standards, requests, n/c

**MCSHANE'S** Acoustic Underground Open Mic—7:30pm; n/c

**MULLIGAN'S PUB** Karaoke—9pm; n/c

**OLD NICK'S** Femme Night: Magic Happy Hour with Jack Barbata-6-8:30pm; n/c. Flaw, Blacklight District, The Crowned-9pm; hard rock, alternative, Nu-Metal, \$12

**OVERTIME BAR & GRILL** Blues Jam w/Dave Roberts ft. Howlin Dogma—7pm; n/c

**SAM BOND'S BREWING** jen Sennett—6:30pm; n/c

**SAM BOND'S GARAGE** Whopner County, John Shipe & Jerry Groove, Norman Baker—9pm; rock, blues, \$5

**SEASON'S BAR & GRILL** Karaoke w/Sassy Patty—8pm; n/c

**STARLIGHT LOUNGE** Disney Sing Along Night—9pm; n/c

**TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS TASTING ROOM** Lonesome Randall—7pm; campy fun, n/c

**WHIRLED PIES** Similar Fashion, Sen Wisher—6pm; jazz, rock, n/c

## FRIDAY 2/23

**5TH STREET CORNUCOPIA** Yard Dogs—9:30pm; n/c

**AXE & FIDDLE** Neil Young the Tribute—8:30pm; n/c

**BEERGARDEN** Better than a Bucket—5pm; n/c. Breakers

Yard—7:30pm; n/c

**BLAIRALLY** Church of the '80s Night w/Chris, Jen & John—9pm; DJ, \$3

**BREWSTATION** Humble George—7:30pm; bluegrass, n/c

**BRONCO SALOON** Karaoke w/ Lindsey—9pm; n/c

**COTTAGE THEATER** Rhythm and Blues Revue—7pm; \$10-\$15

**COWFISH** Freck-Nite w/SPOC-3PO—9pm; underground, pop, remix, \$3

**CRESWELL COFFEE** Corwin Bolt—7pm; \$4

**DOC'S PAD** Karaoke w/KJ Power—9pm; n/c

**DRIFTWOOD BAR** Karaoke w/ Slick Nick—9pm; n/c

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

**THE EMBERS** The Survivors—9pm; '50s-'90s rock, n/c

**HI-FI MAIN HALL** Prezident Brown and Chezidek—8pm; \$23-\$28

**JAZZ STATION** Idit Shner and Josh Hanlon—7:30pm; jazz, \$12

**JERSEY'S** Karaoke w/Sassy Patty—9pm; n/c

**LUCKEY'S** ChestFest w/ Partners, Buddies & Pals, Grand Rojo—10pm; indie rock, hard rock, n/c

**MAC'S** Redneck Mother—8pm; Southern rock, country, \$6

**MCDONALD THEATRE** Mat Kearney & Andrew Belle—7pm; \$22-\$202

**MOE'S JAZZ** Comedown ft. Barbara Dzuro w/poetry—6pm; n/c

**MOHAWK TAVERN** Rock n Rewind—9pm; n/c

**NOBLE ESTATE URBAN** Scott Austin—6pm; n/c

**NOBLE ESTATE WINERY** Peter Giri and Lloyd Tolbert—7:30; acoustic, electric, n/c

**O BAR** Karaoke w/Jared—9pm; n/c

**OLD NICK'S** Lodus featuring Andrea Campbell—9pm; dance, \$10

**RIVER STOP RESTAURANT** 8pm, Haywire, n/c

**SAGINAW VINEYARD** Richie G and MA Beat—6pm; American, country, rock n/c

**SAM BOND'S GARAGE** Sequel, Left On Wilson—9:30pm; rock, jam, \$5

**THE SHEDD** Honey Whiskey Trio—7:30pm; \$18-\$26

**SPFD ELKS** BTM Karaoke—8pm; everyone welcome, n/c

**TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS** Geo4—7pm; original jazz, funk, n/c

**VALLEY RIVER INN** Descarga 54—10:30pm; Salsa, \$15-\$20

**WHITE HORSE SALOON** Karaoke w/KJ Mike—9pm; n/c

**WOW HALL** YOB and Maestus—9pm; metal, \$8-\$10

## SATURDAY 2/24

**5TH STREET CORNUCOPIA** Dark Buffalo—9:30pm; n/c

**THE ATRIUM** Byrdsong Renaissance Consort—2pm; n/c

**AXE & FIDDLE** A View of Earth from the Moon—8pm; n/c

**BEERGARDEN** Goshwood—5pm; n/c. Etouffe fiddle band—7:30pm; original cajun, n/c

**BREW & CUE** Sassy Patty, BTM Karaoke—9pm; n/c

**BREWSTATION** Richie G & MA Beat—7:30pm; contemporary & Hawaiian, n/c

**COTTAGE THEATER** Rhythm and Blues Revue—7pm; \$10-\$15

**COWFISH** Sup! w/Michael Human—9pm; hip hop, electro, top 40, \$5

**CUSH CAFE** Open Mic—2pm; n/c

**DOC'S PAD** Karaoke w/KJ Power—9pm; n/c

**THE DRAKE** Dancing & music—10pm; n/c

**DRIFTWOOD BAR** Karaoke w/ Slick Nick—9pm; n/c

**THE EMBERS** The Survivors—9pm; '50s-'90s rock, n/c

**HAPPY HOURS** Crystal Harmony Karaoke—7pm; n/c. Hard Drive—8pm; classic oldies & rock, n/c

**HI-FI LOUNGE** Bully w/ Melkbelly—10pm; rock, \$12-\$15

**HI-FI MAIN HALL** Candy Apple Bleu—9pm; yacht rock; \$10

**JAZZ STATION** Gerry Rempel's Jazz Syndicate—7:30pm; jazz, \$12

**KEG TAVERN** Dance Music w/J'Lynn—9pm; n/c

**LUCKEY'S** ISCEE—7pm; n/c. Jargon, Creep Creep Janga, The Critical Shakes—10pm; rock, n/c

**MAC'S** Karen Lovely—8pm; blues, \$8

**MOHAWK TAVERN** Viper Cats—9pm; rock-a-billy, n/c

**MULLIGAN'S** The Johnny Wilde Band—9pm; classic rock, n/c

**NOBLE ESTATE URBAN** Cullen Vance—6pm; live looping, n/c

**OLD NICK'S** Dead Fucking Serious, Ice Kream Social, Tonight We Launch—9pm; punk, sludge, gameboy metal, \$5

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

**RIVERSTOP RESTAURANT** Steve Benavides & Haywire—8pm; country, rock, n/c

**SAM BOND'S GARAGE** Sam Kogon, Doug Tuttle, Ferns—9:30pm; n/c

**SARVER WINERY** Martin Headman pianist/vocalist—4pm; jazz, blues, n/c

**THE SHEDD** A Night of Vocal Arts—7:30pm; \$9-\$18

**TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL** Klezmer Concert w/Stefanie Brendler & Mai Li Pittard—7:30pm; \$5-\$10

**TSUNAMI BOOKS** Golden Bough—7:30pm; celtic magic, \$15

**VALLEY RIVER INN** Salsa Nova—10:30pm; Salsa, \$20-\$25

**WHIRLED PIES** Maya Love: George Harrison tribute—7pm; \$10-\$20 don.

**WHITE HORSE SALOON** Karaoke w/Sarah—9pm; n/c

## SUNDAY 2/25

**AGATE ALLEY BISTRO** Karaoke w/Breezy Bee—9pm; n/c

**BEER GARDEN** bluegrass jam—4pm; n/c

**COTTAGE THEATER** Rhythm & Blues Revue—3pm; \$10-\$15

**COWFISH** Sun Daze w/Aaron Jackson—9pm; bass, house, club, n/c

**CUSH CAFE** Open Mic—2pm; n/c

**THE DRAKE** Karaoke—9pm; n/c

## KID KREATIVES

An underrated little indie rock gem from last year was *Nothing Valley* from Chicago's **Melkbelly**. Like the best of '80s and '90s, like The Pixies and Hole, as well as like Throwing Muses and their myriad offshoots, Melkbelly is scrappy yet precocious. They're rough and rowdy, balancing melody, artfully molded yet dangerous guitar noise and some simply great rock songs.

But drummer James Wetzel tells me via email he saves his recklessness for the stage. "If I were as noisy and unhinged when hanging out as I am when playing music," he says, "I probably wouldn't have any friends."

Wetzel explains a lot of his band's on-the-verge energy comes from Melkbelly vocalist Miranda Winters. "Miranda is loud and noisy and likes to get rowdy," he says.

On album tracks like "Cawthra," Winters lets her voice become a force of nature over loud-quiet-loud power chords and a rhythm section finding jagged pockets in dark places. Just as the song reaches its climax, it cuts off abruptly and you'll find yourself catching your breath.

Elsewhere on the record, Winters repeats "I'm a Kid Kreative," over the music's slow yet frenetic crescendo. "We were all doing art and music as kids," Wentzel says. "When I was a kid, I played the cello and took piano lessons, but neither were loud or physical enough for me."

As a child, Winters found her inspiration in an unlikely place, Wetzel says. "Miranda found a cassette recorder and an air organ in the church basement when she was nine."

Joining Melkbelly in Eugene is fellow '90s grunge revivalists **Bully**. The band is touring behind its latest release, *Losing*, out now on SUB POP, and the record's squelchy guitar chords and guttural bass lines recall the early grunge heyday of that legendary record label.

Vocalist Alicia Bognanno delivers I'm-a-loser-baby lines like "Cut my hair / I feel the same / Masturbate / I feel the same." Elsewhere she allows her voice to explode into a pock-marked yelp worthy of Courtney Love.

Melkbelly and Bully perform with Eugene's **VCR** 10 pm Saturday, Feb. 24, at Hi-Fi Music Hall Lounge; \$12 advance, \$15 door, 21-plus. — *Will Kennedy*

"How much better is silence;  
the coffee cup, the table. How  
much better to sit by myself  
like the solitary sea-bird that  
opens its wings on the stake."

~Virginia Woolf

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