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THE POWER OF PROTEST: Songs of Resistance

Against the Wind Festival Offers “Greatest Hits of Protest!”

The Power of Protest: Songs of Resistance is the opening event for the *Against the Wind Festival*, a week-long festival created by local volunteers to draw attention to the nuclear threat to life on earth and to fuel a new voyage of the first “peace boat,” the *Golden Rule*. The concert on Sunday, October 14, at 7 p.m. is at the Arcata Playhouse.

Protest music has been around for centuries. Because music styles, human emotions, and social issues are so wide-ranging, protest songs are too.

Organized by Patrick Cleary, the show features a line-up of local talent helping to raise funds for the Golden Rule voyage. A partial list of musicians appearing includes: Patrick Cleary, Jeff Kelley, Cat Koshkin, Siena Nelson, Chris Parreira, Leslie Quinn, Joanne Rand, Joel Sonneshein & the Sway Sisters, Naomi Steinberg and Sarah Torres.

Musical selections will range from the traditional to the contemporary and will showcase the wide range of topics and moods the genre has evoked - quiet and haunting, boisterous and biting, or simple and catchy. From the popular “Yankee Doodle” to Billie Holiday’s “Strange Fruit,” protest music captures people’s passions and social concerns. Many artists, from Pete Seeger to Lady Gaga have found music a dynamic way to express their fears and concerns.

The Power of Protest: Songs of Resistance concert offers music lovers an evening that spans decades and promises a wide perspective, plus some of Humboldt County’s most popular and creative musicians.

Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. Advance sale tickets are at Wildberries and www.againstthewindfestival.org. All proceeds support the fall voyage of the first “peace boat,” the *Golden Rule*. For more information: www.againstthewindfestival.org and www.vfpgoldenruleproject.org

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The *Against the Wind Festival*, October 14-October 21, 2018, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation #77-0596127, created by local volunteers to draw attention to the nuclear threat to life on earth and to fuel a new voyage of the first “peace boat,” the *Golden Rule*.