

Peter Frampton Comes Alive Again at the 'Brook

This year marks the 35th anniversary of one of the greatest live performances ever! Peter Frampton comes alive again at the Meadowbrook U.S. Cellular Pavilion this Saturday, July 2 as part of the Eastern Propane Concert Series.

The Grammy winner will perform the entire 180 minutes of his iconic, platinum-selling album, "Frampton Comes Alive," just as he did in 1976.

Frampton remains one of the most celebrated artists and guitarists in Rock history. Perhaps known best for his six time Platinum record "Frampton Comes Alive!" The double live album is one of the best selling live performances in the United States. It was so successful that in 2001, a 25th anniversary edition was released with these four additional tracks: "Just the Time of Year," "Nowhere's Too Far," "White Sugar" and "Day's Dawning / Closing."

"Frampton Comes Alive!" was voted Album of the Year in 1976. The most recognizable songs are "Show Me the Way," "Baby, I Love Your Way," "Shine On" and "Do You Feel Like We Do." Frampton has been rocking



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all over the world for the past 40 years, and has made significant impact not only for music but for pop culture. The album and Frampton's creativity has inspired many artists. His mass appeal has led to cameo appearances in several TV shows including "Family Guy," "King of the Hill," "Malcolm in the Middle" and Geico commercials.

Don't miss the chance to see Peter Frampton perform "Frampton Comes Alive!" at the Meadowbrook U.S. Cellular Pavilion this Saturday, July 2! Tickets on sale now! To charge by phone, call 293-4700 or online at www.meadowbrook.net. Tickets are also available at the Alton Circle Grocery, Steve's Stereo in Boscawen, the Tanger Outlets in Tilton and Spun Records in Dover.

Eric Grant Band Eyes National Title and \$100,000 Prize

GILFORD — As its members take to the main stage at Meadowbrook U.S. Cellular Pavilion to open for Trace Adkins and Uncle Kracker on July 3, Gilford's Eric Grant Band will have more on their minds than this important performance in front of a crowd of thousands. This will be the first time that they play live, the original songs they hope will bring them success in their quest to win the national Texaco Country Showdown and its \$100,000 grand prize. The Texaco Country Showdown, which bills itself as "America's largest country music talent search", is a series of local, state and regional competitions which culminate in a "showdown" of the best seven acts in the nation at Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, Ca where a champion is crowned. EGB is no stranger to the series of competitions that lead to national titles. In 2010, the band swept the New Hampshire Country Music Association and New England Country Music Organization competitions in the "new country" and "vocal group" categories to earn its spot at, and eventually win, the North American Country Music Associations, International titles in March of this year. Since then, the band has released its first CD, "Do It All Again", to public acclaim and enjoyed regional radio airplay of the single "Once Upon A Time."

However, bandleader Eric Grant knows that there's plenty of work ahead for them to have a chance at the



The members of Gilford's Eric Grant Band have their eye on another national title, its \$100,000 grand prize and important industry exposure. (l. to r.) Carlos Flores, Dan Haney, John Littlefield, Sherry Grant, Tim Kierstead, Bill Hayes, Paul DiBiasi, Eric Grant.

Texaco prize.

"A large component of these competitions is originality," he said. "So, we're going to pull ahead some of the songs that we've been working on for our next CD. We've learned a bunch since we tracked the songs on "Do It All Again" and it would be

crazy not to put that knowledge to work for us at the Texaco Country Showdown events. When there's a \$100,000 grand prize at stake you can bet the path to this title is going to be much more intense than last year's."

The first step in the Texaco Country Showdown for

EGB is the local round on July 14 at the Time Out Sports Bar & Grill in Claremont.

Eric Grant Band will be headlining at Laconia's July 4 festivities at Opechee Park. More information about Eric Grant Band can be found at its Web site, www.ericgrantband.com.

Just Love to Sing! Presents "Mary Magdalene"

CONCORD — Just Love to Sing! will perform the Massenet opera "Mary Magdalene" with chamber orchestra, on July 22 and 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Concord City Auditorium. This exciting production will feature winners from the past seasons of the NH Opera Idol Vocal Competition and is sponsored by WKXL 1450

and All Saints Anglican Church in Concord N.H. In the title role, Angela Szpak, Lyric Soprano, will perform the role of "Mary"; Nelson Ebo, Tenor, will perform the role of "Jesus"; Alison Messier, Mezzo Soprano, will sing "Martha" and Richard Yague, Baritone, will sing the role of "Judas."

Ms. Szpak was the 2009 NH Opera Idol winner and is currently a performer with the Martha Cardona Opera Theatre in NYC. She has performed leading roles in Rigoletto, Magic Flute, Hansel and Gretel, and Don Carlos and is a graduate of the Manhattan School of Music in NYC.

Nelson Ebo was recently featured in concert at Carnegie Hall as a winner in the Gerda Lisner Vocal Competition. Mr. Ebo will perform with tenor Marcello Giordani, in Sicily at an open-air concert the week following his professional opera debut as "Jesus" in "Mary Magdalene."

Tickets are available on line starting at www.justlovetosing.com or at Gibson's Book Store in Concord. Some tickets will be available at the door but they may be very limited. ?

Just Love to Sing! is an organization dedicated to educating, enlightening and entertaining the public in the realm of opera. Its mission is to assist young opera singers by offering performance opportunities while bringing quality operatic programming to audiences throughout New Hampshire. For more information, visit www.justlovetosing.com or call 781-5695.

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