



PRESS RELEASE

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ARTIST: Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen

DESCRIPTION: Steve Gillette is best known as a songwriter, with songs recorded by artists from Ian & Sylvia to Garth Brooks, from Jiminy Cricket to John Denver. His song *Darcy Farrow* alone has been recorded by more than one hundred artists since 1966, most recently by Jimmy Dale Gilmore and Nanci Griffith. Quite literally, he wrote the book on songwriting: *Songwriting and the Creative Process* (Sing Out Press) is a standard text in songwriting classes across the country. Steve sings in a rich baritone and is a virtuoso on guitar, using a unique fingerpicking style with a flat-pick and two fingers.

Cindy Mangsen, who married Gillette in 1989, is also a songwriter, but her focus has been on songkeeping. Cindy is a master interpreter of traditional ballads, rich in myth and legend. She plays guitar, concertina, and banjo, and is renowned for her compelling voice, described by one critic as a voice that can warm a New England winter. As Steve comments, "Cindy has brought me back to my roots, and I think I've influenced her in terms of ensemble playing, rhythmic development, arrangement and performing. We're very fortunate to play for people who really listen and who come to a concert with a certain sense of history. There's a strong feeling of community about this music."

DATE(S)/TIME: Friday, November 9, 2007 at 8:00 pm (doors at 7:30pm)

NAME OF EVENT: Acoustic Concert Series

VENUE NAME: Long View Center, Freedoms Hall

VENUE CAPACITY: 450

VENUE LOCATION: corner of Hargett and Person Streets, next to Exploris/Marbles Museum

TICKETS: advance tickets \$10.00 via www.LongViewCenter.com; \$15.00 general admission

Steve and Cindy have been featured on National Public Radio's All Things Considered and Mountain Stage, and have delighted audiences across North America and Europe with their music, warmth, and humor. For more information, please contact information below for Kathleen Cleary, Director of the Long View Center.