

# Entertainers in attendance 2010

## Babe Gurr

[www.babegurr.com](http://www.babegurr.com)

**Fri @ 1 PM and Sat @ 2 PM**

Born on Vancouver Island, Babe's love of music began at a very young age but it wasn't until she reached the age of twenty five that she joined her first band and never looked back! One of the best-selling Indie recording artists around, Babe's music has been described as honest, rootsy and real, fitting powerful stories to thoughtful music with craftsmanlike precision. The Vancouver based singer, songwriter and guitarist has drawn comparisons to such diverse talents as Bonnie Raitt, John Hiatt, Shawn Colvin and Sheryl Crow but she always manages to retain her own unique acoustic roots sound and style. Babe has been the support act for various artists throughout the past years, and has headlined at numerous festivals. Her tunes have been licensed for various shows including the U.S. FOX series *Higher Ground* which has brought her music to worldwide audiences. Babe appeared on the television show *Big Sound* as an actress, playing an avant-garde lounge singer and has been a guest on many national shows such as *Canada AM* and *The Jim Byrnes Show*. Playing some of the most popular and prestigious concert halls in Canada, spanning from Vancouver Island to The Maritimes as well as throughout the United States, the name Babe Gurr is becoming familiar to many more fans each day, people who appreciate finely crafted songs performed with sincerity.



## David Sinclair

[www.davidsinclairmusic.com/home.php](http://www.davidsinclairmusic.com/home.php)

**Fri @ 2 PM and @ 2:30 PM**

David was first exposed to the world of professional music as a teenager, playing regularly, refining his guitar skills and performance. At the expense of his academic courses at the UBC's School of Music, he would often spend hours in the music library listening to a wide variety of guitar music from Delta blues, to Django and to classical. Over the next few years he released his first solo album and went on tour with a succession of major Canadian artists. From 1992 to 1995, David toured with K.d. lang and from 1993 to 2003 with Sarah McLachlan's ensemble, traveling extensively in North America, Europe, and Japan. During that period he appeared on television shows including Jay Leno, David Letterman, Conan O'Brien, Arsenio Hall, Saturday Night Live, Larry Sanders, Good Morning America, Rosie O'Donnell, MTV Unplugged, VH1 Storytellers, The Grammy Awards Show, and Juno Awards. As a studio guitarist, David has worked with many Canadian artists including Sarah McLachlan, Michael Bublé, Daniel Powter, Bachman Turner Overdrive, Amy Sky, Rita MacNeil, Paul Janz, Valdy, Susan Jacks, Terry Jacks, Barry Greenfield, Prism, Irish Rovers, Matthew Lien, Gary Fjellgaard and many more. David has played on, and composed music for, many TV series and films, appeared on numerous occasions with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and a variety of musical theatre productions and has also produced CDs for a number of artists.



## Connie Kaldor

[www.conniekaldor.com](http://www.conniekaldor.com)

**Sat @ 5 PM @ 6 PM**

In 1979 Connie decided to pursue a musical career full time, setting out to blaze a trail on the Canadian folk scene. She packed her suitcase, threw her guitar into the back seat of an old Ford and she's been on the road ever since. Female singer songwriters were somewhat unusual in those bygone days, but nonetheless Connie sang solo and played guitar and piano herself. She broke with tradition even further by talking and joking with her audience, breaking down the wall that often separates spectator from performer. Her seamless combination of musical skill and engaging repartee still sets her apart today. Connie has toured extensively, bringing her music to fans all over North America and to India, China and Europe as well. In 2003, Connie hosted *Connie Kaldor @ Wood River Hall*, a thirteen part television series showcasing Canada's finest folk and roots music performers. In 2005 she received the Queen's Golden Jubilee medal, in recognition of her outstanding contribution to the arts in Canada. In recognition of her contributions to Canadian culture Connie received the Order of Canada in October 2006. Her new album, *Postcards from the Road*, has just been completed and is sure to be a favourite with fans new and old.



## Euphorics

[www.euphorics.com](http://www.euphorics.com)

**Sun @ 6 PM and Mon @ 2 PM**

The Euphorics are a joyful, energetic, powerful, seasoned a cappella quartet. Each member of the group is a powerful lead singer so together they create a rich and soulful blend. Their repertoire of top-notch originals and innovative arrangements of covers includes gospel, jazz, classical, and rock. The Euphorics passion for music comes through in performances that feature plenty of humour and audience interaction. They have been performing internationally since 1983. The Euphorics includes Joani Bye (alto) whose voice has graced the albums of Jon Bon Jovi, David Bowie, Rita McNeil and Cher; Helen Davis (soprano) who has been a backup singer for groups such as Doug and the Slugs, Kathi McDonald, and Johnny Ferreira's Swing Machine; Bing Jensen (bass) is a long time Vancouver performer who has won awards for his children's albums; and Nathan Aswell (tenor) is a veteran of Montreal and Vancouver's rhythm and blues and rock scenes.



## Four Chords of Wood

[www.fcow.net](http://www.fcow.net)

**Sat @ 3 PM and Sun @ 1:30 PM**

Four Chords of Wood are an energetic group of talented performers based on Vancouver Island. Known for their love of hard driving bluegrass music, Four Chords of Wood's music comprises rich vocal harmonies and strong instrumental accompaniment. The members are all experienced performers grounded in stage presence and audience rapport. Four Chords of Wood is an emerging powerhouse bluegrass band that appreciates the roots and traditions of bluegrass both from the performer and audience's perspective. They gather around a single microphone, lay down solid rhythm and dress it up with passionate lead vocals, tight harmonies and exciting instrumental solos. Count on hearing waltzes, blues, sentimental numbers, fiddle tunes, gospel and some foot to the floor ravers. Expect to see some fancy footwork as each soloist steps up to the microphone and then makes way for the next.

## Four Men and A Dog

[www.fourmenandadog.com](http://www.fourmenandadog.com)

**Fri @ 5 PM @ 6 PM**

Four Men and a Dog are a gathering of stellar traditional Irish musicians who controversially fuse boogie and blues music with a pure drop of the traditional instrumental. It's rare to see them as a group because they all ply such busy solo careers. Every five years or so the call of the wild produces an album, that excites and frustrates the status quo in equal measure. Members of the group include: Gino Lupari (Bodhran, vocals, big heart) who has recorded and performed with, Sinead Ó Connor and Shane McGowan and the Popes. Gino could have a career as a comedian; Gerry O'Connor (known in Ireland simply as Gerry Banjo) who has recorded and played with The Band, Chris Rea, The Dubliners, Rita Coolidge, Bela Fleck and Earl Scruggs; Cathal Hayden (fiddle, banjo) who is the traditional heart of The Dogs. He has been a guest of the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in Washington, USA and has toured China as a guest with the Dónal Lunny Band; Kevin Doherty (guitar, vocals) is the songwriter of the bunch, having been covered by The Band, Mary Black and many others. He is in demand as a co-writer with the likes of Paul Brady and the great Henry McCullough; and Donal Murphy (the box) rounds off the band's traditional credentials, All-Ireland winner in accordion competition multiple times he met Cathal in 1990 and formed The Dogs. Dónal has performed with the world famous dancer Michael Flatley in his global production *Feet of Flames*. The Edmonton Folk Festival has proclaimed Four Men and A Dog as one of the best live shows they have ever seen.

