

ENTERTAINMENT

James Gordon headlines Riverfest-Norval concert

Nationally known James Gordon tops a huge list of musical talent at Riverfest-Norval on Sunday, June 4 at the Willow Park Ecology Centre.

At 3 p.m., Gordon with more than a dozen CDs to his credit, will reprise many of his legendary original songs especially tied in with the Riverfest 2006 theme of w-a-t-e-r. His children's albums, *No Grownups Allowed* and *Bouncy, Bouncy* are well known to the younger generation.

Nonie Crete opens the musical entertainment for the festival at the pavilion in Willow Park (the down-stairs stage) at 12:30 p.m. She has a warm rich voice, plays guitar and harmonica and composes contemporary and traditional folk, Celtic, country and acoustic blues. She will surely include *Where the Credit River Flows*, especially dedicated to the Willow Park Ecology Centre.

Families will be especially interest-

ed in the children's entertainment provided by Chris McKhool, hailed as Canada's greatest eco-troubadour for young people, and Sheri and Jerry Tallon, international children's recording artists and family entertainers.

Neva Tesolin and Jeff Hale of Stewed Roots from St. Catharines, present a tasty blend of folk, blues, and old-time country with a pinch of cajun to liven things up.

To give the festival a funky, country and western sound, Washboard Hank, all the way from Peterborough, will play a truly amazing conglomeration of bells, license plates, duck calls, etc., and actually get music out of it.

Other styles and content will be provided by:

- Matthew Genovese, 17, singing his original rock and blues tunes
- Michael Kelly from Kitchener, who focuses on country and western,

Irish and Scottish music

- Brampton's Bruce Madole and Acton's Wendi Hunter, who conjure up stories and moods, ballads and love songs

- Local groups and bands such as Neil & Sean Cotton, Jim-Bob, the Thordykes and the No-Name Band round out the talent for the festival day.

More information is available at www.riverfest-norval.ca

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