

Skagit River Resort at Bullerville presents a

House Concert

featuring

Joni Laurence



In Joni Laurence's performances, the Midwestern roots of a woman born and raised in Illinois clearly show themselves. She tells a few stories, but mostly lets the music speak for itself, which happens effortlessly because of Joni's simple and accessible, while still captivating, performance style. Joni's early influences, audible in her music, include Mary Chapin Carpenter, the Indigo Girls and Nanci Griffith, although her earliest influences were likely her musical parents, who once sang duets on central Illinois' first television variety show, the Possum Holler Opry.

Whatever her influences, Joni has been drawing audiences into her world – and keeping them there – for over 10 years while performing in and around the Midwest at venues such as The Old Town School of Folk, Chicago, IL and the Blue Moon Coffee House, Bloomington, IL. Joni's current CD *Trashbag Birdie*, and two previous releases, *Short Time* (1998) and *Daphne Speaks* (2000) have received high praise. The creative songwriter has been a finalist in a number of song writing contests including the Songwriters Association of Washington Song Contest and the John Lennon Songwriting Contest, and she has opened for such artists as Carrie Newcomer, John Gorka and Lynn Miles, among others.

"Folk music with a modern twist delivered through exceptional guitar playing and her powerful, moving voice. A live performance by Joni is stunning." (-- Curt Tucker – Verde Gallery, Champaign, IL).

Now living in Portland, OR, we're happy to welcome this treasure to our corner of the Pacific Northwest.

Saturday October 13

Brookhaven Lodge at Skagit River Resort

7:30pm

Suggested contribution:

- \$8.00 in advance; \$10.00 at the door
- \$4.00 pre-teens
- Seating for 35, First-come First-served

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