

4th Fridays

with Rufus Harris



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Good Music, Good Coffee, Good Company

4thFridays is pleased to announce a new sponsor – The **Recording Institute of Detroit** (AKA, **R.I.D.**). R.I.D. is a fully state licensed educational facility which teaches the latest technology in regard to audio recording in a thoroughly professional environment. With 35 years of teaching experience; industry contacts; and instructors who care about the students learning R.I.D. offers not only training but internships which lead to real jobs. Their inexpensive tuition, real session experience, individual tutoring, flexible class schedules, and 10:1 ratio class size provide a very student friendly environment where a student can learn audio technology. Please visit RecordingInstitute.com for more information.

character and authority) of the Lord is to be praised. We are to be thankful for who he is and also for what he has done for the whole world. Then Rufus performed *No Compromise* on acoustic guitar. The lyrics say, “take a stand, do what’s right, no compromise, believe no lies.” In their last set, the band shared – *It’s Not About* reminding us that we need to be focused on God’s mission and not our own.



May Highlights

The show last month was awesome. We featured two very gifted Detroit area singer / songwriters:

- **Dan Mleczo** and
- **Chuck Tocco**.

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First up was Rufus and band¹. In their first set, the band shared...*Believe* – a song that speaks of the state of western church but how the gates of hell will not prevail against the church. Then they shared *2BePraised* - how the name (the



Dan Mleczo

Next Rufus interviewed Dan on stage. The two talked about how they first met years ago at a **Sweet Comfort Band**² concert and their time ministering together in a band called **Jubal**. Then Dan performed his set. It was his second time sharing at **4thFridays**. Calm and laid back would best describe his music. Someone commented on how soothing his music was to the ear.



The intimacy of his set drew the listeners in to every song. He shared songs from his latest release – *The Last Call*. His songs spoke of the Lord’s coming and who we need to be as believers in Christ as we await his return. Also, how we need to guard our heart from sin. Dan was clean on bass guitar and had tasty accompaniment tracks.



¹ Jeannine Gardner-Washington, James McGee, Rufus and Martin Stuart (from left to right)

² Kevin Thompson, Rick Thompson, Bryan Duncan, and Randy Thomas

Up Next: Chuck Tocco

Chuck shared songs from his two releases *Louder than Audible* and *I Know That You Hear Me*. Highlights of his set included the title cut off of *I Know That You Can Hear Me*. The song spoke of how he was raised in a Christian family but fell away and how God's grace leads us home. He also shared *Lift Me High* - a prayer for God to break down the walls and chains in our lives. Throughout his set he spoke of his personal journey with God and how God is always faithful to help us through our toughest times. Chuck was skilled on guitar and performed songs that were both melodic and personal. His passion to help people on their journey was evident. With honesty and clarity he shared from heart and encouraged us on our walk with Christ.



Here is what's comin' up this Friday

June 25th

Zamar

These 6 men have been together for over a decade writing, arranging and best of all, performing music. The members of Zamar, though not related, are brothers bonded by the love of music and the conviction to spread the good vibrations of love, joy and peace through their music. Zamar has shared the stage with Wayman Tisdale, Paul Taylor, Tim Bowman, Darren Rhan, Penny Wales. and have performed at venues such as Seldom Blues, Baker's Keyboard Loungs, Pontiac MI's Arts Beats and Eats, Ohio's Rids and Jazz Festival, Detroit's Java and Jazz, Grand Rapids Summer Celebration, Ann Arbor's African American Jazz Festival, The African World Festival, Campus Martius. They'll take you on both a spiritual and musical journey. Don't miss them this Friday! For more information about Zamar, visit:



www.myspace.com/zamarinstrumentsofpraise.



Tracy Price

Our resident poet – **Tracy Price** will share great poetry and devotion from the Rev. Billy Graham.

Coffee - The Coffee Brew mister invites you to stop by the coffee to enjoy this month's flavor of the month – **Bourbon Pecan Torte**.



Raffle - With admission, you'll receive a ticket for our raffle. The drawing is held near the end of the show. You can win music and coffee in a little tote bag.



Other News

Operation Starting Line

The CAMP was pleased to once again provide artists for Prison Fellowship's Operation Starting Line event. Sonnie Day, Rufus Harris and The Gideon Crew shared music and testimony at 3 Jackson prisons on June 11th and 12th. The artists along with a team of volunteers ministered to over 1200 men. Many received or rededicated their lives to Christ at this weekend event. The inmates, chaplains and officers shared how moved they were by the event and how they wished we could do it more often.

Hardship Program

We know that the economy has hit everyone hard. So **the CAMP** offers a special deal to those who would love to come to the show but can't afford to do so. If you are experiencing a hardship and need a break, simply email us and we'll tell you more: info@theCampOnline.org

3rd Mondays in Milan – 3mm

Prison Fellowship in conjunction with The CAMP continues its monthly event at Milan Federal Prison. The event, called Third Mondays in Milan, is a unique way to minister to those behind the walls. Every third Monday, we invite various artists to share with the men at Milan. Many artists have joined **the CAMP** and come onboard including **Rachanee, Therese Maynard, Mo Jones, Sonnie Day, The Gideon Crew, Debbie Brown**

(drama) and **David Ivey**. If you'd like to get involved, let us know.

ARTIST RESOURCES – CAMP Community!

The CAMP is pleased to introduce our new network – CAMP Community. Camp Community is a place where artists can network and share with other artists and fans. Join the community on Facebook, MySpace, YouTube and Twitter. Follow the links on the CAMP's website: www.theCampOnline.org to sign up.

Ways to Give... WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL HELP!!

You can give financially to **the CAMP**, via eBay, by giving flowers, or by donating your used vehicle. Please help today so that we can keep all of the programs going. Goto the **CAMP ONLINE** and see "Giving Opportunities". Thanks in advance!

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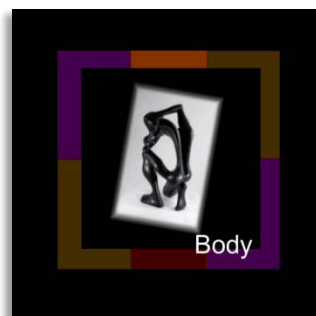
Jesus said where two or more are gathered in his name, he is in the midst. We took that scripture to heart and started a prayer conference call in the Fall of 2008. Since that time, we have seen God move in wonderful ways. The ministry is stronger, and most importantly we have been drawn closer to God. Every Tuesday night we pray for **the CAMP**. We pray for everything from **4thFridays** to the many independent artists in Michigan. If you have a prayer request, please, please email it to us at so we can pray for you:

info@theCampOnline.org

Red Letter Downloads

We are happy to announce that the Red Letter Records downloads website is up and running and the Body project is now available. Red Letter Records is the sponsor of the CAMP. Visit **Red Letter Records** and download **the Body project for FREE - 16 songs by 12 artists**. And watch the video featured on YouTube. Featured artists include: **Beth Stalker, David Ivey, Kelly Eldridge, William Reynolds, rufus harris, Dan Mieczko, Sarah Dalton, Therese Maynard, Rhonda Welsh, Kim Margerum, OC Tolbert and Larry Hover**. Feel free to peruse the site and purchase music downloads for only .99 cents. Thank you in advance for supporting these fine independent Christian Artists.

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**House band bassist:
James McGee**



**4F Crew member trainee:
Garret Brewer**

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This month in **Studio A**
At the *beautiful*

Ford Community & Performing Arts Center
15801 Michigan Ave. Dearborn, MI
between Southfield & Greenfield Roads

Doors open at 8pm/Show starts at 8:30pm

Admission: \$10 (checks and money orders accepted)

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