

4th Fridays

with Rufus Harris



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Good Music, Good Coffee, Good Company

First, *thank you; thank you; thank you* to those of you who have been supporting the CAMP faithfully! You are helping us continue this very important service to artists.

4th Fridays in August was

terrific. We had as our featured guests: the very talented **David Ivey** and **Damon Terrell**.



August Highlights

Damon Terrell

Damon was great. He started his set with a beautiful Latin styled song entitled *Spanish Horizon* off of his CD *In My Life*. As he strummed the guitar, **Flair** his guitarist / wife



gracefully came onto the stage adorned in a very stylish shawl and she began to accompany Damon on her beautiful bright blue acoustic guitar – in the middle of the song. It was surprising; artistic; very dramatic and a great effect. On other songs Damon played guitar; keyboard and at times played both at the same time! Damon opened up to the crowd and shared freely things that were on his heart. We had seen Damon share his music numerous times but never heard his testimony. He shared how he dabbled in satanic worship and negative music thinking those



things could fill the emptiness in his heart – and how only Christ was able to fill the void. As he continued his set, he encouraged attendees to keep their eyes on Jesus. He performed with great skill and ease and discussed some of his art that was on display that evening.

David Ivey



David shared songs from his two CDs – *The Bottom Line* and *Your Today*. He brought along a gifted jazz style vocalist (**Jiana Hunter**); keyboardist (**Eddie Moore**); and

drummer (**Larry Tucker**) giving his set a full rich sound. David was sincere down to earth and showed a genuine love for Christ in song and with his story. One of the highlights of his set included a great song called *Mr. Independent* – a song about stopping to talk to God every day. He also performed a great rendition of the popular



song - *Oh Happy Day*. His vocalist **Jiana** blended flawlessly with David's smooth vocals. David encouraged the audience not to forget to spend time with the Heavenly Father and to keep their hearts and minds focused on worshipping God.



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Rufus and band were great – As host, he kept the show moving and they performed well opening and closing out the show. They performed Sting's *If I Ever Lose My Faith* and Rufus' *Not Black or White* and *Its Not About...* These were songs about: how precious our faith is; a prayer about race relations in the universal church; and our service to the Lord, respectively. (Pictured above: L to R Rufus and Martin Stuart's back. Picture below: L to R Jeannine Gardner-Washington and Mo Jones)



Here's what's coming up this Friday Sept 26th



In 2005, Beth exploded onto the Detroit Music scene winning 6 Detroit Music Awards for her independently produced contemporary Christian CD *Here With You* - including the Best Limited Budget Music Video *probably the best limited budge music video ever created* and "The People's Choice" awards. One of the songs from the critically acclaimed project also went on to win the Grand Prize for

Peavey's 40th anniversary song writing contest. A life-long fan of Jazz, Beth recorded a CD of Jazz standard called *Hallelujah, I Love Him So* in 2006. In 2008 she competed on *American Idol* earning the gifted songstress even more well-deserved attention. Beth is currently un-signed but working on her latest album scheduled to be released in 2008. Visit:

www.bethstalker.com

Dan Mleczo

Dan is a new artist to the 4thFridays stage but is in no way a new artist. His soft, airy and mellow voice blended with a jazzy laid back sound is balm for the soul and soothes listeners of all ages. He has been performing and writing songs for over 30 years. His vocal influences include Dan Fogelberg, Kenny Loggins and Peter Cetera. Formerly a member of the Christian band - **Jubal**, Dan is a seasoned songwriter and musician. He has just released a brand new CD entitled - *The Last Call*. These 10 songs take listeners on a spiritual journey with the goal of keeping their eyes fixed on Christ and not losing sight of the vision. Check him out at this month's show and visit his website: www.spiritabidesmusic.com



rufus harris – of course will also share some tunes opening and closing out the show.

Coffee – The Coffee Brewmeister (Lawrence Strong) invites you to stop by the coffee table and enjoy this month's featured flavor – **Black Forest**.

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 blue jean tote



OTHER CAMP NEWS



3rd Mondays in Milan (3MIM)

3MIM is a unique opportunity for [the CAMP](#) in conjunction with [Prison Fellowship](#) doing Prison Ministry at the only Federal Prison in Michigan. Every third Monday of the month from 6-8:30pm, the CAMP brings in gifted musicians, poets, comedians and speakers to this Milan facility. If you would like more information or **to join us**, contact the CAMP at: 248-872-1197 or Prison Fellowship at 248-886-0881. You will be required to take an orientation and pass a background check in order to participate in this event.

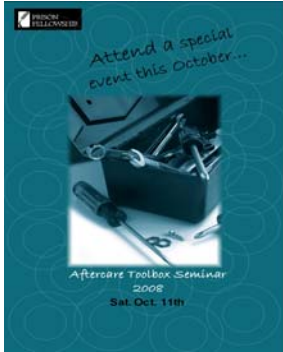
Thanks to all who prayed for the outdoor event on the

grounds of Milan August 23rd. It was a great outreach for the Lord Jesus.

www.thecamponline.org. See link "Giving Opportunities". Thanks in advance!

PF Aftercare Toolbox Seminar

Also, Rufus will be performing at Prison Fellowship's **Aftercare Toolbox Seminar** - an educational event that gives information about helping ex-prisoners returning home. The event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 11th from 8:30-4pm at the Gerry Kulick Community Center at 1201 Livernois in Ferndale, Michigan. Suggested Registration Donation: \$30. Call 248-886-0881 to register



and for more information.

Festivals Storytellers 2008

Storytellers 2008 was held at The Lafayette Grande in Pontiac the weekend of Arts Beats and Eats on Sunday, August 31st. This annual event was presented by the Bridge Church and The CAMP. We featured a great lineup of local artists under the shade in Downtown Pontiac including: Rachanee, Brion Riborn, William Reynolds, Paul Dozier and Rufus Harris. Attendees enjoyed donuts, cider and great music. Next month we should have pictures and video from *Storytellers 2008!*



Red Letter Records – Many of you know that Red Letter Records is the co-sponsor of 4thFridays. The site features many of the talented artists which are featured at 4thFridays. Visit www.redletterrecords.com and support these **independent artists** and **4F** by purchasing music downloads for only.99 cents and complete albums for \$9.50. Coming soon – an exciting offer you're going to love!

Ways to Give...

You can give financially to the CAMP, via eBay, by giving flowers, or by donating your used vehicle. We know that there are tough economic times in Michigan and throughout the rest of the country, but **we need your assistance. Please help us (no gift is too small) so that we can continue what we do.** Visit:



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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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