



NH songbird brings sweet sound to PPAF stage

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PORTSMOUTH | Prescott Park Arts Festival's (PPAF) Sunday Brunch Concert Series features New Hampshire's own singer/songwriter, Carri Coltrane, on Sunday, July 17, beginning at 12 noon.

Coltrane has written music for performers Gene McDaniels, Roberta Flack, Nancy Wilson Phyllis Hyman and Kimiko Ito and recorded numerous CDs with excellent national reviews. The singer established the Carri Coltrane Conservatory and the Carri Coltrane Performance Workshop Series for Music and Theater for the benefit of aspiring musicians and singers in the Seacoast.

The beautifully landscaped waterfront Prescott



Carri Coltrane

Park at 105 Marcy Street in Portsmouth is the perfect backdrop for the sweet sounds of Carri Coltrane and all of this summer's performers. Upcoming Sunday Brunch Series event will feature the eighth annual PPAF Folk Festival on July 24,

Even Steven on July 31, Portsmouth Music and Arts Center Faculty Band on August 7, the Country Music Festival on August 14, Brendan Carey Block on August 21, and Salt River Trio on August 28. All the concerts start at 12 p.m.

Since 1974, the non-profit Prescott Park Arts Festival has collaborated with local artists and organizations to present music, theater, dance, art, children's shows, and educational opportunities to millions of Seacoast residents and visitors. A \$5 donation is requested at the gate to support PPAF programming. For more information, call (603) 436-2848 or visit www.prescottpark.org.

Pastels on display at SAA Gallery

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EXETER | The Seacoast Artist Association has announced that Barbara Ann Scott of Londonderry is their featured Artist of the

month for July. A public reception will be held on Saturday, July 16 from 2-4 p.m. at the SAA Gallery, located at 121 Water Street in Exeter. The public is invited, and refreshments will be served.

As a child Barbara was constantly drawing and considered herself a "doodler." Her first experience in painting occurred in the late 1970s when she took oil painting classes in Conway, from local artist Woody Merrill. Despite

a hectic work and parenting schedule, she also managed to take classes at the NH Art Institute in Manchester. She especially enjoyed working in pastel and figure drawing.

Two years ago, Barbara enrolled in classes given by Londonderry artist Elaine Farmer. She recently resumed her work in oils and began studying with Manchester artist Jeanne La Chance. Barbara is a member of the NH Plein Air Group. In the SAA Winter Awards Show held recently at Drake Farm, she was one of the award winners.

For more information on this and other Seacoast Artist Association events, call (603) 778-8856.



PRETTY PASTELS — "Reflections" (pictured) is one of Londonderry artist Barbara Ann Scott's pastel paintings which is currently on display in the Seacoast Artist Association Gallery, located 121 Water Street in Exeter.
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