

Pistol River Concert Association



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THE QUITTERS

Come one, come all, to the Pistol River Friendship Hall on August 10, 2024 where we will be treated to the great sounds of not one, but two guitar specialists when The Quitters take the stage.

We all know that bands break up and members reform with others to create new groups all the time. When Stevie Coyle and Glenn Houston got together, they compared notes and decided that since they'd quit some of the best bands in the land, The Quitters was an apt name for their ensemble. They've been described as a right-side up finger picking, and upside down flat picking guitar duo. But whatever their playing style, count on some beautiful guitar work, that strums



through everything from classic blues, bluegrass, folk tunes, and maybe even an Irish jig. They also have a fun and laid back rapport with each other and their audiences, increasing the entertainment punch!

Houston credits Doc Watson and Michael Bloomfield as his musical influences. He plays a regularly strung guitar, but left handed - upside down for most of us - and has done so with great success for many years. Glenn was voted Best Guitarist by the Northern California Bluegrass Society, and has judged the National Flatpicking Guitar Championships. He was the lead guitarist for Johnny Paycheck, recorded with Ramblin' Jack Elliot and has shared billing with Emmylou Harris, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, and Willie Nelson to name a few.

Coyle's dad ran a radio station, his grandmother and mother were accomplished musicians, and a bluegrass band rehearsed next door to his childhood home. It's safe to say that Stevie was raised in a music rich environment! The right-side up finger-picker of the duo, Coyle first acted in commercials, soap operas and was even on an episode of *Cheers*, before returning to the music he always loved.

The two were cofounding members of The Waybacks in the late 90's. That group specialized in Americana, acoustic mayhem, and covers of classic albums, collaborating along the way with Michelle Shocked and Bob Weir.

Doors open at 6:30PM on Saturday, August 10 for the 7:30PM show at the Friendship Hall. Please come join us for two dueling guitar virtuosos. Whether the music is flat-picked upside down, or finger-picked and right-side up, it will be fantastic!

Next up: Fog Holler (Bluegrass) - September 14th

Tickets for all shows are \$20 at local outlets and at the door (if not sold out!)

- **First Chapter Coffee House 458-236-5135**

- **Wright's Custom Framing 541-469-7900**

Tickets can also be purchased on-line for \$21.

- **www.pistolriver.com/tickets**



Notes from the Board:

We are modernizing our ticket sales and member contact information! In addition to our usual local outlets and tickets at the door when not sold out, tickets may now be purchased on-line at our website. On-line tickets include an additional \$1 service fee per ticket. The newsletter and other correspondence will soon be sent to members via MailChimp, but should include “Pistol River Concert Association” in the address line, so check your spam files for before deleting!

We want to recognize and thank our new Gold Beach ticket seller, First Chapter Coffee House, as well as our old Brookings friend and ticket outlet, Wrights Custom Framing. Please give them a thank you for their PRCA and community support – and maybe buy a cup of coffee or art supplies while you're at it!

Lastly, like the Friendship Club who takes care of the Friendship Hall, the Pistol River Concert Association is a non-profit and community run and supported entity. Although we hold fundraising events from time to time, donations to either group at any time are always appreciated. PRCA has relied primarily on ticket sales and donations to bring the great music to Pistol River over the years, but as with all things, expenses rise! In an effort to continue drawing quality bands but at reasonable ticket prices, we have begun applying for grants to help keep the music coming.



Want to become a PRCA Member?

We welcome anyone to the Pistol River Concert Association that has an interest in supporting the concert series. To get a heads up on upcoming shows, donate a bit to the cause, or to renew your membership, please go to pistolriver.com/join. (It's tax deductible !!)