

Annette Conlon's Folk U Series Brings Local Folk Music to the Vampire Lounge in Beverly Hills

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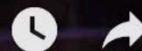


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Folk singer/songwriter and musician Annette Conlon is as principled about her music as she is about veganism and Americana. Now she is allowing others to experience her musical feelings as well as that of other folk artists at her new residency, **Folk U**, a monthly series that she will be hosting at the Vampire Lounge and Tasting Room in Beverly Hills. “I’ll be bringing in my favorite folk artists to perform in one of Beverly’s Hill’s most unique venues... a Vampire Bar,” says Conlon, who is set to embark on her second *Compassionette* U.S. Tour beginning September 1. “Where better to play traditional and rural music passed through the ages in oral tradition? From contemporary to roots revival and American folk music, we hope to explore it all,” concludes Conlon.

The **Folk U** residency featuring some of Los Angeles’ best folk artists will be held every fourth Tuesday. The first show will be held August 22, with Conlon’s guest artists Olivia Brownlee, The Fruit Flies and Little Lonely. Subsequent shows will be held September 26, October 24 and November 28. Husband Doug Conlon will accompany Annette, playing mandolin, banjo, and guitar, while providing background harmonies.

Annette Conlon’s musical journey has taken her through many places, as evidence by the songs on her critically acclaimed debut solo album *Life, Death and the Spaces Between*. Part sweet, part dark, the songs show a view deep into Annette Conlon’s soul. Her songs about compassion, social consciousness, human interaction and animals are intended to make people think and make a social statement. “I am so excited to share my love for animals and vegan-ism with folks across the country, to show them how easy it is to live more compassionately, from what you eat, to what you wear, and to help folks make the connection that our animal friends are not food,” says Conlon.



Annette will be performing songs from *Life, Death and the Spaces Between* at the **Folk U** shows. She will also be performing songs from her upcoming album that will be released in 2018. Currently working with three-time Grammy winner Alf Rodenas on her second album, Conlon promises a “sweeter, happier, Ameri-Folk/Rock” effort that “delves ever deeper into my human heart.”

Annette’s concern for animals and her attempt to raise vegan awareness doesn’t just extend to her singing. Annette will be playing her Bedell Blackbird Vegan Parlor guitar and her Seagull Artist Studio Concert Hall guitar. Both instruments are made from sustainably-sourced woods and found tone-woods, and the Bedell is 100% vegan, containing no animal products. (Annette is endorsed by both Bedell and Seagull).

Folk U hosted by Annette Conlon

The Vampire Lounge and Tasting Room

9865 Santa Monica Blvd

Beverly Hills, CA 90212

Doors open 7pm. No cover. 21 and over. Appearing on August 22: Olivia Brownlee; The Fruit Flies; Annette Conlon; and Little Lonely.

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Ed is a native of Los Angeles who loves food and food cultures. Whether he's looking for the best ceviche in Colombia, the best poke in Hawaii, the best tequila in Jalisco or the best Taiwanese Beef Roll in Los Angeles, it's all good food! He also loves a good drink. He's had Mai Tais in Hawaii, Bourbon in Kentucky, Tequila in Mexico and Rum in Jamaica. His wine escapades have taken him to Napa, Sonoma, the Willamette Valley and the Santa Ynez Valley. And he's had beer all over the world! Music is another of Ed's passion, writing and interviewing many classic rock, rock and blues musicians. Getting the great stories of road experiences from them is a particular delight. Traveling also fits in with Ed's writing, exploring all over to find the most interesting places to visit, even in out of the way areas.

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