## Free Summer Concerts – Fine Arts Connection of Thomaston, Inc.

The Fine Arts Connection of Thomaston's 20<sup>th</sup> season of free summer concerts opens on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, with the corporate sponsorship of the Thomaston Savings Bank Foundation. The series will be held this year at Reeves Field, located on North Main St., behind JDT's Restaurant. Concerts run 7 pm - 8:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair; leave alcohol at home. In case of inclement weather, concerts move to the Thomaston Opera House, 158 Main St., with the exception of the two concerts noted with \*, which are scheduled at a later date, as indicated. Visit the website for weather information: www.thomastonfinearts.com.



<u>June 19<sup>th</sup></u>: **The Tradesmen** - a 4-piece rock, blues, oldies, and country band that performs a deep catalog of well-known material and classics. The band promises a program of favorite covers and crowd-pleasers that will get you clapping and wanting to dance!



June 26<sup>th</sup>: The Elderly Brothers - Long-time popular solo artists,

T-Bone Stankus and Brian Gillie have teamed up as the Elderly Brothers, serving up mint-condition "oldies" rock 'n' roll with pitch-perfect harmonies and soulful improvisations as fresh as the originals. Sh *BOOM*!



**COUNTRY STEEL** July 3<sup>rd</sup>: **Country Steel** - a modern country band consisting of 5 musicians who pack a powerful punch of country!! Playing all of your favorites, Country Steel delivers good times, great fun, awesome music!!



**July 10<sup>th\*\*</sup>:** Jeff Fuller and Friends –building on classic jazz, they perform a uniquely arranged mixture of original compositions and jazz standards.



<u>July 17<sup>th</sup></u>: **Deni Bonet** - a US-born singer-songwriter, electric violinist, and multi-instrumentalist, she has toured and recorded with many performers including Cyndi Lauper, R.E.M., Sarah McLachlan, Richard Barone, and Robyn Hitchcock, and has released several CDs of her own original music.



<u>July 24<sup>th</sup></u>: **Cold Chocolate** – is a genre-bending Americana band that fuses folk, funk and bluegrass to create a unique sound all their own. Punctuated by tight harmonies and skillful musicianship, Ethan Robbins and Ariel Bernstein have quickly gained recognition for their original music and high-energy shows.



<u>July 31<sup>st</sup></u>: *Nancy Tucker* – is a gifted musician who "inhabits an offbeat alternative universe that inspires music to tumble into riotous abandon" says the Los Angeles Times. Whether she is playing her heart-felt melodic finger-style compositions or her inventive percussion-isms, her engaging approach to acoustic guitar shines with personality. In addition, she is a lyricist, humorist and performer. Her music centers around a passion for life and laughter.



August 7<sup>th</sup>: Jukebox 45 – play the most memorable tunes from the 50's and 60's including famous songs from such artists as: The Duprees, The Rays, Bill Haley & The Comets, The Marcels, Monkeys, Larry Chance & The Earls, Little Anthony & The Imperials, Chuck Berry, Elvis, The Drifters, The Rascals, Johnny Cash, Roy Orbison, Del Shannon, The 5 Satins, Danny & The Juniors, Dion & The Belmonts, The O'Kaysons, The Del-Vikings, Ritchie Valens, Jay & The Americans, Don & Juan, and many more...



<u>August 14<sup>th\*</sup>:</u> **Grayson Ty** – This Western Massachusetts-based singer-songwriter has mastered the art of vulnerability. Entirely unpretentious, his stage presence is easy, genuine, and unguarded. In an era of so much disconnection and artifice, Grayson brings audiences together with his honest, heartfelt lyrics, and soulful, soothing voice, from R&B crooning and folk-inspired storytelling to masterful pop riffs and earnest lyrics. He believes deeply in the connective power of music, working as a music therapist by day, and collaborating as co-writer with other songwriters.

\*If there is inclement weather, this performance is rescheduled to August 21<sup>st</sup>. \*\*If there is inclement weather, this performance is rescheduled to August 28<sup>th</sup>.

Reeves Field is handicap-accessible, and parking is available in the JDT's lot, around Reeves Field, and in the rear of Adams. Bring all your friends for free, great music on a summer evening! Thanks to the Thomaston Savings Bank Foundation, and our generous friends who make this series possible each year.