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Dido	 "Safe Trip Home"	Tori Amos, Sophie B. Hawkins	Highly anticipated third album from the UK singer.
Alaska in Winter	 "Holiday"	Vampire Weekend, Arcade Fire	Electronic pop musician Brandon Bethancourt releases sophomore album.
Ricky Martin	 "17"	Enrique Iglesias, Backstreet Boys	Greatest hits album represents 17 hits from the singer's 17-year career.

Folk duo reaches out to community with music

MUSIC FOR THE MASSES LOCAL AND POP MUSIC

By JULIE DANIEL
Valley Press Staff Writer

Folk music duo Emith aspires to make music a popular community event wherever they play.

"I grew up in a time when music meant something to the community and I hope that music gets back to that place ... where music is everywhere and people support it," guitarist Stevie Gurr said.

Valley Village-based Emith will perform from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at Crosstown Records and Collectibles, 1032 East Ave. K, Lancaster. The show is put on by Antelope Valley-based Desert Song Productions.

Gurr and vocalist-guitarist Carol Ann Ives compare themselves to such artists as Fleetwood Mac and Aimee Mann. Emith's music also incorporates melodic influences from rock, folk, country, blues and Celtic genres.

Founded in 2003, Emith has traveled the world performing and writing music. They will perform original music from their yet-to-be released CD "13 Seasons," which is scheduled to make its debut in January.

Songs include "High Sierra," "Empty Your Pockets," "One Step Away" and "Let's Live For Today."

"The song 'Empty Your Pockets' is about getting rid of stuff that is weighing you down and things that you don't need," Ives said.

Ives explained that much of Emith's music encompasses humor and sadness.

"We have not been fearful to venture into any musical territory," Ives said. "We always try to keep it authentic and really our own."

Following the performance, an open mike will be available for audience members who want to share their music, poetry, drama, readings or other entertainment.

The performance and open mike are free. For more details about Emith, visit www.emith.com.

For more details about Desert Song Productions, call (661) 339-2655 or visit www.desertsongfest.org.

More music

► Pollstar.com, widely used by the music industry to announce concert tour schedules, added to its site a performance by the Spanish



Carol Ann Ives and Stevie Gurr

Harlem Orchestra, which is slated for Sunday, April 26, during the California Poppy Festival, Lancaster City Park, 43011 10th St. West.

The Grammy Award-winning orchestra incorporates Latin dance music into its performances. The orchestra released its debut album "Un Gran Dia En El Barrio" in 2002.

For more details about the orchestra, visit www.spanishharlemorchestra.net. For more details about the Poppy Festival, visit www.poppyfestival.com.

► Acoustic rock artist Vince Marconette and Pete Richard with Julia Audrey will perform at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at Butler's Coffee, 40125 10th St. West, Palmdale.

Marconette's music incorporates influences from country-folk singer Townes Van Zandt and alternative rock band The Replacements.

Originally from Boston, Pete Richard with Julia Audrey perform acoustic folk and country music with influences from country music legend Johnny Cash, singer-songwriter June Carter and rock band Radiohead.

There is no cover charge. For more details, call (661) 272-9530 or visit www.butlerscoffee.com.

► Antelope Valley rock 'n' roll band Boys' Nite Out is set to perform at 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at the Longhorn Inn, 1147 East Ave. I, Lancaster.

The popular AV band, which performs more than 100 shows a year, will play such cover songs as

Los Lonely Boys' "Heaven" and Eric Clapton's "After Midnight."

For more details about the Longhorn Inn, call (661) 948-9535. For more details about the band, visit www.bnweb.com.

► Bakersfield-based female trio Banshee in the Kitchen will perform at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at Mama HillyBeans, 426 East Tehachapi Blvd., Tehachapi.

Touring and recording since 2001, the group performs traditional Celtic music with influences of jazz and rock.

Tickets cost \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. For more details about Banshee, visit www.myspace.com/bansheethethekitchen.

Also at HillyBeans, country duo The Cross Town Cowboys will perform original and cover country tunes at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15.

There is no cover charge for Crosstown's performance. For more details, visit www.crosstowncowboys.com.

Closing out the week at HillyBeans, singer-songwriter Rachel Sedacca will perform at 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 15.

Sedacca's songs tell stories of love and hope during her time on the road.

Tickets cost \$10. For more details about Sedacca, visit www.myspace.com/rachelsedacca.

For details about HillyBeans, visit www.hillybeans.com.

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SITES & SOUNDS MUSIC DOWNLOADS

THE BAND: Harry Connick Jr.

THE SITE: music.aol.com

THE SONG: "Winter Wonderland"

THE SOUND: If you're looking for some old-fashioned holiday cheer, Harry's your guy. AOL is playing this on Full-CD Listening Party.

THE BAND: The Smiths

THE SITE: youtube.com

THE SONG: "Please, Please, Please Let Me Get What I Want"

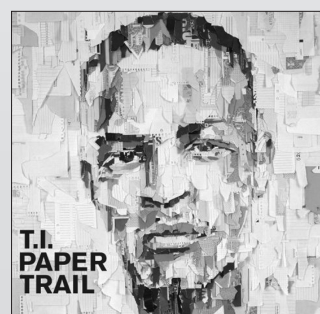
THE SOUND: This beautiful and oft-covered tune is accompanied here by depressing old black and white photos and Spanish subtitles. Check it out — if you're in a brooding sort of mood.

HIGH FIVE

Songs

1. "Whatever You Like," T.I. Grand Hustle/Atlantic.
2. "Live Your Life," T.I. feat. Rihanna. Def Jam/Grand Hustle/IDJMG/Atlantic.
3. "If I Were a Boy," Beyonce. Music World/Columbia.
4. "So What," Pink. LaFace/Zomba.
5. "Womanizer," Britney Spears. Jive/Zomba.

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Albums

1. "Black Ice," AC/DC. Columbia/Sony Music.
2. "High School Musical 3: Senior Year," Soundtrack. Walt Disney.
3. "Paper Trail," T.I. Grand Hustle/Atlantic/AG.
4. "Lucky Old Sun," Kenny Chesney. Blue Chair/BNA/SBN.
5. "Death Magnetic," Metallica. Warner Bros.

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