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Don Watson Performs After Libraries' "Pre-Sale" Sale

Wednesday, July 3 at 7 PM

Press release

Don Watson is a singer/songwriter from Gilford, New Hampshire, whose music has been compared to John Denver, Jim Croce and Dan Fogelberg. His songs are upbeat, inspiring and easy on the ears. Don's newest project "Welcome Home New Hampshire" is a collection of songs based on people, places and events of the Granite State.

Don will be giving a free performance on Wednesday, July 3 at 7 PM in the Stone Chapel at Proctor Academy after the Andover Libraries' Pre-Fourth of July Book Sale, which runs from 4 PM to 7 PM. Andover residents are welcome to a first chance at the books and videos ready for sale to the general public on the Fourth of July, and everyone is welcome to the special performance by Don Watson, who will entertain the crowd until 8 PM. Kids welcome!

Here is what folks are saying about Don's music: "A treasure for anyone who loves New Hampshire." "The grand folk tradition of the Shaw Brothers is alive and well in the music of Don Watson." "The best independent album I've heard in several years. This is my new favorite CD." "I listen to your CD on the way to work and on the way home. It picks me up." "Wonderful, wonderful CD. You're such an inspiration!" It is very uplifting and so is Don." "Wow, very easy to listen to, I love the guitar!" "You are next to my all time favorite, John Denver."

Although considered a solo artist, Don often performs with several talented Lakes Region musicians to form the "Don Watson and Friends Band." Don has performed at several larger New Hampshire venues including Meadowbrook, Franklin Opera House, the Hopkinton Fair, and many cafes, restaurants, farmers markets and festivals.

Don is also an outdoor enthusiast who loves hiking, canoeing, skiing and all that the great outdoors has to offer with the exception of mosquitoes and black flies. He coordinates the Belknap Range Hiking Patch program and tries to promote awareness and respect for nature through this and his music.

We hope you'll join us for this fun evening of story and song!

On June 11, the Bachelder Library in East Andover hosted a very special story time: Daisy and Charlie Spear, children of former Andover resident Jennifer (Hill) Spear and grandchildren to our very own Gail Fitzpatrick, were guest storytellers – and did a fantastic job! The children from the East Andover Village Preschool were in attendance, as they are each Tuesday morning. Storyteller Charlie, up first, read a book called *The Important Book* by Margaret Wise Brown, and then Storyteller Daisy read two books by New Hampshire's own Tomie DePaola. Afterward, everyone got a sticker for being such good listeners! Would you or someone you know like to be a guest Storyteller, too? We'd love to have you!

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