
THE COTTON PATCH RAG

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SECOND SATURDAY CONCERT

February 9, 2019 7:30 p.m.

Pierce Pettis



Pierce Pettis is one of America's pre-eminent singer-songwriters. His music is distinguished by his uncanny ability to capture universals in human experience by drawing on the humor and trials in daily life. Beautiful melodies, strong guitar work, and his rich vocals are a constant throughout his body of work.

Pettis has performed in 49 of 50 states as well as in Canada and Europe, appeared on American Public Radio's Mountain Stage, and has been featured on National Public Radio's E-town, Morning Edition and World Cafe ... appeared on VH-1, CBS News, and the Nashville Network.

During his long career Pettis has been a writer/artist at the legendary Muscle Shoals Sound Studios in Alabama and a staff songwriter for Polygram/Universal Music in Nashville. Artists covering his songs range from Garth Brooks, Art Garfunkel, and Dion to Clair Lynch, Tim O'Brien, and Joan Baez. After three critically acclaimed albums on Windham Hill/ High Street, Pettis joined Compass Records in Nashville, releasing five albums—including "That Kind of Love" (2009), which received rave reviews from XM/ Sirius Satellite Radio, Paste Magazine, Performing Songwriter, American Songwriter, The (London, UK) Sunday Express . . . to name a few. In 2014, he joined a co-effort with Kate Campbell and Tom Kimmel to release "New Agrarians —Songs and Stories of the Southland". "Father's Son", his new solo project for Compass Records Group was released in January of 2019.

Pierce last played for us in February, 2016, and it was a memorable show. February 2019 promises to equal that mark or surpass it. Pierce will be joined by keyboardist extraordinaire from Austin **David Webb**, who has played with Jimmy LaFave, Marcia Ball and many others. Join us for a great show..

Second Saturday Concert is presented by the **Houston Folklore and Music Society**, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of folklore and acoustic music. Coffee, tea and other refreshments are available. Tickets are sold at the door - adults \$18, senior citizens (65) \$15, and children under 12 free with adults. Concerts are held the second Saturdays of each month in the West University Community Building at 6104 Auden (intersection of Auden. and Rice Blvd.) Phone Paul Cooper at 713-204-1207 (cell) for more concert information. Visit our website at: www.houstonfolkmusic.org .

Upcoming Second Saturday Concerts:

March 9, 2019: Steve Fisher

April 13, 2019: Joe Jencks

May 11, 2019: Roy Book Binder

OTHER UPCOMING HFMS FEBRUARY EVENTS

*****HFMS MEETING/SONG CIRCLE—February 4, 7:30PM**

Our monthly song circle meeting is **Monday, February 4** from 7:30 to 10:00PM at the Jewish Community Center. The JCC is located at 5601 South Braeswood Boulevard, Houston, TX 77096-3999. Ask the front desk for the room number of the Houston Folklore and Music Society meeting.

Meetings consist of a "song circle", allowing each attendee an opportunity to share a song, story, announcement, or other item which he or she may wish to share with the group. Non-performers are just as welcome as performers. After all, musicians, singers, and storytellers all need an audience.

***FEBRUARY PICKIN' PARTY— PENDING - SEEKING HOST

Watch the Houston Folklore and Music Society web site for updates <http://www.houstonfolkmusic.org/#pknpty>. Contact carolynadavis@aol.com if you are able to host a Pickin' Party on either February 17 or February 24.



It's always fun to host a Pickin' Party at your home, church hall, community center, etc. You provide the space drinks, plates and utensils. You can invite other members to help you co-host, to share the fun (and the effort). Please contact Carolyn Davis at carolynadavis@aol.com to volunteer to host in the near future.



LAST MONTH'S HAPPENINGS***

*** **January's Song Circle** convened on Monday, January 6 to share songs, stories and friendship. Guitars, mandolins, octave mandolin and voices played songs celebrating winter as well as Pete Seeger. A special welcome to a first time visitor and guitarist, Penny. We hope you become a regular.

*** **January's Pickin' Party** was hosted by Reagan Miller at the new fellowship hall of Covenant Church. A large group of enthusiastic musicians and music lovers shared great food, delightful music and warm company.





Thank you, Reagan, for hosting an awesome Pickin' Party in your wonderful new fellowship hall.



*** Featured Song

Paul Cooper

NO ONE EVER ASKED ABOUT IT

Pierce says he carried the idea for this song and his memories of Mr. Zeidman around for many years before he finally wrote it. The newspaper article that you can find here: http://www.houstonfolkmusic.org/audio_files/jma11-029.pdf tells the story better than I could. He uses a very original chord progression in the song, but just about all the chords are quite accessible. For the **A9** chord in line 2, just fret the third and fourth strings both at the second fret, and that will work fine in this song. This song is on Pierce's new CD, ***Father's Son***, just released in January of this year, or you can listen to it on the HFMS Audio Archive page at http://www.houstonfolkmusic.org/HFS_Audio_Archive.html. To play along with the recording, capo at the first fret.

MR. ZEIDMAN

By Pierce Pettis

Em **Bm** **Am** **G** **B7**

Well, Mr. Zeidman wore long sleeves, to keep an ugly thing from view.

Em **A9** **D** **B**
Not a birthmark on his arm, or a circus tattoo.

C **B** **Em** **B** **Em** **A** **Am**
No one ever asked about it, no one ever knew

B **Em**
The terrible secrets of our one and only Jew.

A tailor shop in a small town – that's where he lived and worked.
Used to go there with my mother, and I hid behind her skirt.
But he had a smile for every child, and a piece of candy too.

B **E(major)**
There was kindness in the hand of our one and only Jew.

E **C#m**
It was a beautiful world, it was a beautiful time.

B **B7** **E**
For a boy and a girl in the prime of their lives.

E **C#m**
David, look, the baby smiles – he looks so much like you.

B **B7** **Em**
In the spring of 'thirty-nine – how the apple blossoms bloomed.

Well, Mr. Zeidman sold his store, when his work was finally done.
For a condo in Miami, to enjoy the setting sun.
Then came rumors of a fatal jump – I prayed they're not true.
The memories I carry are the memories I choose.
And tonight I'll light a candle for our one and only Jew.

It was a beautiful world, it was a beautiful time.
For a boy and a girl in the prime of their lives.
David, look, the baby smile – he looks so much like you.
In the spring of '39 – how the apple blossoms bloomed.

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Houston Folklore Online Audio Archive Review

Eric Johnson

During the course of last month's meeting, I mentioned that I had listened to all of the selections on the Audio Archive section of the online website of the Cotton Patch Rag. Paul Cooper (the archive's creator) and Carolyn Davis promptly requested that I do a review of this section. I have agreed to do so.

When Paul and Andy Longo helped put my original song "Garfield" and "Where The Water Lillies Grow" (not written by me) on the archive, I felt very honored, but had not listened to the majority of songs contained therein. I spent two days listening to it, and it is a remarkable selection of songs done by a wide variety of national and local artists: Dave Van Ronk, Pete Seeger, Jack Hardy, Paul Cooper, Lloyd Ernstes. Jorge Palomarez, Gayle Fallon, Gaylee Malone, Bill and Kate Isles, Steve Goodchild, and Tony Paotti, just to name a few.

My favorite song in the Archive is Van Ronk's "Another Time, Another Place." It is a gentle love song, and shows his softer side. I hope I have learned it by the time of the February song session. Van Ronk never considered himself a songwriter, but he does a remarkable rendition of it on the archive.

Jorge's performance of "No me dejes aqui" is perhaps the most passionate and moving experience on the archive. It will leave you with goosebumps and a sense of empathy as well.

Paul does some original material, such as "Willie Will Sing At My Service," and "When Everybody's Home," a lovely song about Christmas customs and family get togethers.

Andy has a picture of a homemade banjo which is very interesting to hear.

"Hobos In The Roundhouse" contains a video of Bill and Kate Isles singing with several members of the Folklore Society at a Second Saturday performance. It was great to be invited on stage to sing it with them/

Steve Goodchild dedicates an original composition "There's A Hole In The Heart of Texas Tonight." to the memory of Lucy Nell Andrews. We miss her dearly.

Ken Gaines is also featured with a nice rendition of "Way Out Here."

These are just a few of the fine artists contained in the Archive. If you want to hear some of the other ones, I highly recommend it. Thank you, Paul, for putting it together.

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HELP SUPPORT HFMS AT NO EXPENSE TO YOURSELF! Amazon shoppers can help support HFMS in the mission to continue to promote folk and acoustic music and similar folklore traditions in the greater Houston area. Please help Houston Folklore and Music Society continue to bring excellent performers to Houston for our Second Saturday Concerts. You can help at no cost if you ever make purchases from Amazon. Simply go to smile.amazon.com, sign into your Amazon account and select "Houston Folklore and Music Society" as your charitable organization. After that, go to smile.amazon.com each time you shop at Amazon, and Amazon will automatically donate 0.5% of the amount of your purchase to HFMS. Every little bit helps! These funds will help us continue the long tradition of HFMS activities, particularly Second Saturday Concerts. Please send this information to anyone you know who might help support our organization in this way. It just takes a minute and will help us continue the HFMS tradition.

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UPCOMING CONCERTS AT "NOT FOR PROFIT" VENUES

Grace Pettis, Sunday, February 24, 4:30PM at Fulshear House Concerts. Reservations and information: www.fulshearhouseconcerts.org or (713) 417-2904

Ben Bedford, Saturday, March 2, 3:00PM at Carolyn's Cottonwood House Concerts, Sugar Land. Reservations and information: carolynscottonwoodconcerts@aol.com

The above venues provide opportunities for artists to perform for appreciative audiences, and all profits go to the artists. Thank you for supporting these endeavors.

Thank you for supporting live music!

*****CALENDAR FOR February 2019*****

Compiled by Carolyn Davis

Confirm with venue for details and updates.

<<HFMS EVENTS>>

Monday, 2/4 _____

- HFMS Meeting/Song Circle (7:30PM) JCCr, 5601 S Braeswood Blvd, Houston www.houstonfolkmusic.org

Sunday, ???? pending _____

- HFMS Pickin' Party, (2:00PM to 6:00PM) TBA if volunteer host is obtained. Watch for update: www.houstonfolkmusic.org

Saturday, 2/9 _____

Second Saturday Concert— Peirce Pettis. (7:30PM)

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<<<EVENTS AROUND TOWN>>>

Friday, 2/1 _____

- Albert and Gage (8:30PM) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Guitars in the Round (9:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Saturday, 2/2 _____

- John Egan (8:30PM) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Selkie Girls. (7:30PM) Unitunes Coffeehouse. <https://www.unitunescoffeehouse.org>

- Constant Billy (6:30PM) EQ Heights. <http://eqheights.com>

Sunday, 2/3 _____

- Open Mic. (6:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>
- Lisa Morales (5:15) Fulshear House Concerts. www.fulshearhouseconcerts.org

Monday, 2/4 _____

- Open mic (6:30PM) Mucky Duck, <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Woodlands. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Tuesday, 2/5 _____

- Austin Lounge Lizards (7:30 PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Heights. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Wednesday, 2/6 _____

- The Hard Times Soup and Music Kitchen (7:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>
- Open Mic Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>

Thursday, 2/7 _____

- Wayne Wilkerson and Brian Kalenic host Songwriters in the Round (8:00) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Darrell Scott (7:00PM & 9:30PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Open Mic (7:00-9:00PM) Friends Uncorked Wine Bar. 111 South Friendswood Drive (FM518) Friendswood, TX. 281-648-1707
- Open Mic. Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>

Friday, 2/8 _____

- Bruce Robison & James Seinle (8:30PM) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Rebecca Loebbe (7:00PM) Mucky Duck.
- Andrew Duhon Trio (9:30PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>

- Texas Songwriters Showcase. (9:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Saturday, 2/9 _____

- Pierce Pettis (7:30PM) Second Saturday Concert, www.houstonfolkmusic.org
- Curtis McMurtry (8:30PM) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- (6:30PM) EQ Heights. <http://eqheights.com>
- Piper Jones (7:00PM) Mucky Duck
- Clandestine (9:30PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Shake Russell (9:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Sunday, 2/10 _____

- Open Mic. (6:00PM) JP Hops House. 2317 S. Hwy 6. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Monday, 2/11 _____

- Open mic (6:30PM) Mucky Duck, <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Woodlands. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Tuesday, 2/12 _____

- Kym Warner (7:30PM) Mucky Duck, <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Heights. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Wednesday, 2/13 _____

- Bluegrass jam (6:30 PM) Hickory Hollow (Heights)
- Open Mic. Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>
- The Hard Times Soup and Music Kitchen (7:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Thursday, 2/14 _____

- Ken and Wayne host Songwriters in the Round (8:00) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Kelly Willis. Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Open Mic (7:00-9:00PM) Friends Uncorked Wine Bar. 111 South Friendswood Drive (FM518) Friendswood, TX. 281-648-1707

- Open Mic. Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>

Friday, 2/15 _____

- Lynn Langham and Doug Gill (8:30PM) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Great Lake Swimmers (7:00PM) Mucky Duck
- Ian Moore (9:30PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>

Saturday, 2/16 _____

- Terri Hendrix (7:00 PM) Mucky Duck
- South Austin Moonlighters (9:30PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Glynace Eastham. (7:00PM) <http://www.jphopshouse.com>
- N. Harris County Dulcimer Society meeting/jam. <https://houstondulcimer.com>

Sunday, 2/17 _____

- Roberta Morales Benefit. Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Open Mic (6:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>
- Open Mic. (6:00PM) JP Hops House. 2317 S. Hwy 6. 281-496-0623. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Monday 2/18 _____

- Open mic (6:30PM) Mucky Duck, <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Woodlands. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Tuesday, 2/19 _____

- Staehely Brothers (7:30PM) Mucky Duck,
- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Heights. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Wednesday, 2/20 _____

- Elizabeth Cook. (7:00PM & 9:30PM) Mucky Duck, <http://mcgonigels.com>
- The Hard Times Soup and Music Kitchen (7:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>
- Open mic. Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>

Thursday, 2/21 _____

- Ken and Wayne host Songwriters in the Round (8:30) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- An Evening with Jackson Emmer, alex Coba, and Jordi Baizan (7:00PM) Mucky Duck.
- Adam Hood (9:30P.M.) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Open Mic (7:00-9:00PM) Friends Uncorked Wine Bar. 111 South Friendswood Drive (FM518) Friendswood, TX. 281-648-1707
- Open Mic. Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>

Friday, 2/22 _____

- Matt Harlan (8:30PM) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Libby Koch 7:00PM) Mucky Duck.
- Amy Lavere & Will Sexton (9:30PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Tom Tranchilla and Buddy Allen (9:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Saturday, 2/23 _____

- Drew Kennedy(8:30PM) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Sarah Grace & The Soul. (7:00PM) Mucky Duck
- Mike Stinson (9:30PM) Mucky Duck <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Leslie Waugh and Wayne Wilkerson (9:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Sunday, 2/24 _____

- Open Mic. (6:00PM) JP Hops House. 2317 S. Hwy 6. 281-496-0623. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>

Monday 2/25 _____

- Open mic (6:30PM) Mucky Duck, <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Woodlands. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Tuesday, 2/26 _____

- Houston Storytellers Guild August Meeting (7:00 - 8:30PM) Temple Emanuel 1500 Sunset Boulevard. <http://www.houstonstorytellers.org>
- Folk Uke (7:30PM) Mucky Duck, <http://mcgonigels.com>

- Scottish Country Dance class (7:30PM) Heights. see <http://www.houstonrscds.org/classes/4566882616>

Wednesday, 2/27 _____

- The Hard Times Soup and Music Kitchen (7:00PM) JP Hops House. <http://www.jphopshouse.com>
- Bluegrass jam (6:30 PM) Hickory Hollow (Heights) <http://hickoryhollow.com/index.php/live-music>
- Open mic. Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>

Thursday, 2/28 _____

- Ken and Wayne host Songwriters in the Round (8:00) Anderson Fair. <http://andersonfair.net>
- Radney Foster (7:00PM) Mucky Duck.
- Clark Beckham (9:30PM) Mucky Duck. <http://mcgonigels.com>
- Open Mic (7:00-9:00PM) Friends Uncorked Wine Bar. 111 South Friendswood Drive (FM518) Friendswood, TX. 281-648-1707
- Open Mic. Old Quarter, Galveston. <http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com>



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