



Houston Jones and Susie Glaze & the Hilonesome Band perform a very special concert at the Sutter Creek Theatre on Saturday January 16th.

This concert will be dedicated to the memory of our great friend, the late Dennis Friis, a longtime resident of Sutter Creek. It was Dennis and Karen Friis who got us hooked on the wonderful town of Sutter Creek many years ago, whose warm hospitality and love of music welcomed Houston Jones into their home as a house concert venue numerous times, and who encouraged the band to pursue a booking at this great venue, The Sutter Creek Theatre, years ago.

The concert will also be a going away celebration for Glenn Houston, who after almost 15 years with HJ will be moving on. This will be his penultimate performance with the band, and his last in this neck of the woods.

The concert will be broadcast live on KVMR-FM, hosted by our (and Dennis' and Karen's) long-time friend, John "Quincy" Adams.

At the concert, Glenn will be offering some opening remarks dedicating the show to Dennis.

About Houston Jones:

"A confluence of sublime talent." - San Francisco Chronicle

Houston Jones blends folk, bluegrass, blues and gospel into a tasty Americana mix.

Glenn Houston (lead guitars) has been voted Best Guitarist by the Northern California Bluegrass Society, is a past judge of the National Flatpicking Guitar Championship Competition in Winfield, Kansas, and was the founding lead guitarist of the Waybacks.

Travis Jones (lead vocals, guitar), began performing as a child accompanying his mother on gospel tours in the South. He honed his soulful delivery in his years as a child preacher in churches around his native Shreveport, only to throw down his bible when he saw the Beatles on Ed Sullivan.

Henry Salvia (keyboards, accordion) has performed with the Johnny Nocturne Band, Bo Diddley, Rickie Lee Jones and Big Jay McNeeley.

Peter Tucker (drums) has deep Americana roots, having performed and recorded with wide array of Americana musicians, including Tim Hardin, Richie Havens, the Beau Brummels, Warren Zevon and Skunk Baxter. Peter was also in the original rhythm section of The Waybacks.

Joshua Zucker (bass) has worked with the Rowan Brothers, Peter Rowan, Caren Armstrong, David Gans, Randy Clark, David Phillips, Garrin Benfield, Dore Coller, Tim Weed, Andrew Freeman and countless others.

Billboard.com praised their "Wonderful original tunes;" Dirty Linen said "No one delivers the goods quite like Houston Jones... Houston Jones remains one of the West Coast's most talented and entertaining bands." Bob

Brown, club owner and manager of Huey Lewis, says they are "as good as any singing and picking I've heard in my thirty years in the music business."

About Susie Glaze & the Hilonesome Band:

Susie Glaze & The Hilonesome Band has been likened to the classic British bands Pentangle and Fairport Convention in that they blend classic folk music with rough-edged stories of tragedy and fate, all with orchestral arrangements sounding like chamber music gone folk! A lush newgrass Americana folk fusion quintet presenting gorgeous eclectic blends of mountain folk and exciting new grassy and Celtic-inspired originals, all with the remarkable voice of Susie Glaze. Winner of the Just Plain Folks 2006 Music Award for Best Roots Album for their debut CD "Blue Eyed Darlin,'" The Hilonesome Band is Rob Carlson on lead guitar, Mark Indictor on fiddle, Susie Glaze on lead vocals, mountain dulcimer and guitar, Steve Rankin on mandolin and Fred Sanders on bass, showcasing the songwriting of lead guitarist Carlson. The band has appeared at many premier venues and festivals on the West Coast, including Berkeley's Freight & Salvage, McCabe's Guitar Shop, The Broad Stage, the Hollywood Bowl, Palms Playhouse, Don Quixote's Music Hall, Kuumbwa Jazz Center and CalTech Folk Music Society among others. Their studio CD "White Swan" was released in March of 2013 to critical acclaim from No Depression, FolkWorks, Pop Matters, M Magazine for Musicians, Music News Nashville and FolkWords UK among others, and it has been charting in the Top 50 on the Roots Music Report's Combined Internet and Terrestrial Folk Chart since its release.

Their new album "Not That Kind of Girl" produced by Herb Pedersen was released in June 2015 and is enjoying Americana radio airplay around the country. Bluegrass Unlimited states about the new album: "If there were a word to describe this fine band, it would be sophisticated. They draw influences from disparate sources to meld their sound. The level of musicianship is exemplary. Rob Carlson on guitar, Steve Rankin on mandolin, Fred Sanders on bass, and Mark Indictor on fiddle display a great range of prowess and work as a tight unit."

The band will make their first Merlefest appearance this year in April 2016.

Susie Glaze has been honored to be included on the newly-released Compass Records tribute album "Dear Jean - Artists Celebrate Jean Ritchie" alongside such artists as Judy Collins, Pete Seeger, Janis Ian, Tim O'Brien, John McCutcheon, Robin and Linda Williams and many more.