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Songwriters Original Showcase **Brings Performers** to Ambler

Some of the region's best songwriters/recording artists will be featured at the second Songwriters Original Showcase on Sunday, March 18, 7-10 pm, at Act II Playhouse, 56 East Butler

Pike, Ambler, PA.

S.O.S. is a new, monthly acoustic performance venu for original music that features 6-8 songwriters-performing-recording artists each month, from the Philadelphia area and also nationally, performing their original music at the Act II Playhouse.

Songwriters performing on March 18 include: Rick Denzien - Ambler recording and Grammy Nominated artist; Rick will feature local artist Debra Lee, whose rich voice and inspiring lyrics captivate audiences; Marina

Philadelphia Vittoria recording artist whose beautiful acoustic tunes, high energy dancing rock tunes, as well as blues numbers combine spiritual essence music: pop Philadelphia artist Aaron Snow-an inspiring and passionate acoustic guitarist and singer in the John Hiatt/Tom Petty mold; Philadelphia artist Jon Dichter, whose quick fingers, rich voice and harmonica have thrilled audiences at the Mann Music Center, Philadelphia Folk Festival, and other venues with the popular "Appalachian Swing'band Jive Five Minus Two; Jon will feature blues singer Debby Callahan; Leigh Goldstein - Philadelphia area artist whose powerful folkpop songs touch the heart;; and SIMPLYd-a trio from the Harrisburg, PA, area, SIMPLYD incorporates their original acoustic adult-rock with an eclectic repertoire of

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looking to the community to come to the shows to ensure the continued success of SOS," he said.

Admission is \$8 in advance, which can be on-line ordered http://www.slot-l.com/sos; or by calling the Act II Playhouse box office at 215-654-0200.

More information on showcase artists, and also dates for upcoming shows can be found on the website.

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creatively and upbeat arranged songs ranging from classic rock, R&B, blues & jazz, and modern rock.

Act II Playhouse partners Alan Blumenthal and Steve Blumenthal teamed up with Slot One to offer diversity in performing arts programs presented at the theater. The theater is across the street from the former Ambler Cabaret, a once popular national touring stop for bands, artists, and top regional acts.

"Songwriters' Original Showcase, is a new, one-ofa-kind acoustic performance venue in the Philadelphia area for original music," said Rick Denzien of Slot One Studio, the Ambler based recording studio and independent label sponsoring SOS. "SOS will feature the regions' best songwriters, and also songwriters from around the country,' he said. "We're also booking touring songwriters from as far away as Washington state, " he said. "Our hope for this venue is to make it the equivalent of 'Mountain Stage' for original AAA music, and give songwriters the opportunity to be heard in a listening smoke-free, venue," he said. "It's also a great opportunity for fans of original music to see and hear the best new artists first right here in Ambler. We're