

GUALALA ARTS JAZZ & GLOBAL HARMONY SERIES PRESENT



El Vucko's 75th Balkan Birthday Bash

Saturday, September 29, 7:30 p.m.

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El Vucko's 75th Balkan Birthday Bash, Saturday, September 29 at 7:30 p.m., will be a phenomenal evening of Russian, Gypsy and Slavic music in combination with American jazz. Delicious Eastern European pierogi, borscht and other traditional delicacies will be served in addition to the famous drink, the Moscow Mule.

The Gualala Arts Jazz Series and the Global Harmony Series proudly combine forces for this unique concert, in association with Fred Adler, KTDE 100.5 FM.

Heralded musicians, Yugoslavian born Larry Vuckovich, piano; Russia and New York's Ilya Lushtak, guitar; Russian / Greek Orthodox deacon, Nat Johnson, upright bass; and tenor sax man Francis Vanek, will perform ethnically rich and beloved instrumental pieces such as Dark Eyes (Ochi Chornaya), Belgrade Blues and Blue Bohemia. Special guest vocalist, Jeff Oster, one of Larry's favorites, will join the group for a brief interlude.

As an unusual birthday treat, Vuckovich will sing and play "Moonlight in Vermont," bassist Nat Johnson will sing and play his stellar version of "Sweet Lorraine" and Francis Vanek's horn will shine on "Body and Soul." Sterling guitarist Ilya Lushtak will sing a classic in his native Russian language. An updated version of Vuckovich's composition, "Adler's Allegro and Adagio," which originally premiered in 2010 at Gualala Arts Center, will be performed as a concert highlight.

Join us for a warm birthday
toast to the one and only El Vucko!

Tickets: \$28 adults, \$14 youth (7-17), \$5 more
day of; includes Eastern European delicacies.

