

## First Friday for Folk Music August 3, 2018 7:30 to 9:30pm

\$5 suggested donation at the door

## **FEATURING**



Jim McGaw Multi-talented musical veteran and longtime member of the Savannah Folk Music Society, Jim McGaw plays numerous instruments extremely well, including guitar, hammer dulcimer, and autoharp, among others, as well as being a fine vocalist. As a performing musician, he is totally conversant with his audience regardless of the venue, sharing the history of his instruments in addition to spinning yarns and quipping with his audience. Jim has been a regular performer at Augusta, Georgia's prestigious '326' Restaurant at the Telfair Inn and the Partridge Inn on Walton Way. He has given highly acclaimed performances in the Appleby Library performance series in Augusta and performed to large audiences at Augusta Mall. He now resides in Savannah, Georgia with his wife, Dr. Myrtle (Sam) McGaw. He continues an active life – teaching, composing and performing.

Robbie Cooper and Ben Wells are two experienced and talented Savannah musicians dedicated to bringing authentic and energetic Americana style music to local audiences. Robbie and Ben, both Savannah boys, met about four years ago at a weekly jam session at CoffeeDeli. It didn't take long for them to recognize their shared love of the guitar-centric music of their home state specifically and of the South more generally. You can hear the moss-laden themes in their music in their personal original tunes and their thoughtfully-chosen covers. Of course their influences extend beyond the confines of the South, think Dylan, Robert Earl Keen, Darrell Scott, to name just a few, but you will notice a leitmotif that continues through their performance.



Their sets are like a freight train rolling through the south Georgia pines flying over the flat lands and powering through the sharp turns. Robbie and Ben perform together more or less regularly in and around Savannah. This will be their debut performance at our First Friday concert where they'll play their favorite songs ranging from rock classics to country to Americana and a little bit of everything nice thrown in.

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