

Scenes from the 2000

HOUSTON WOMEN'S *Festival*



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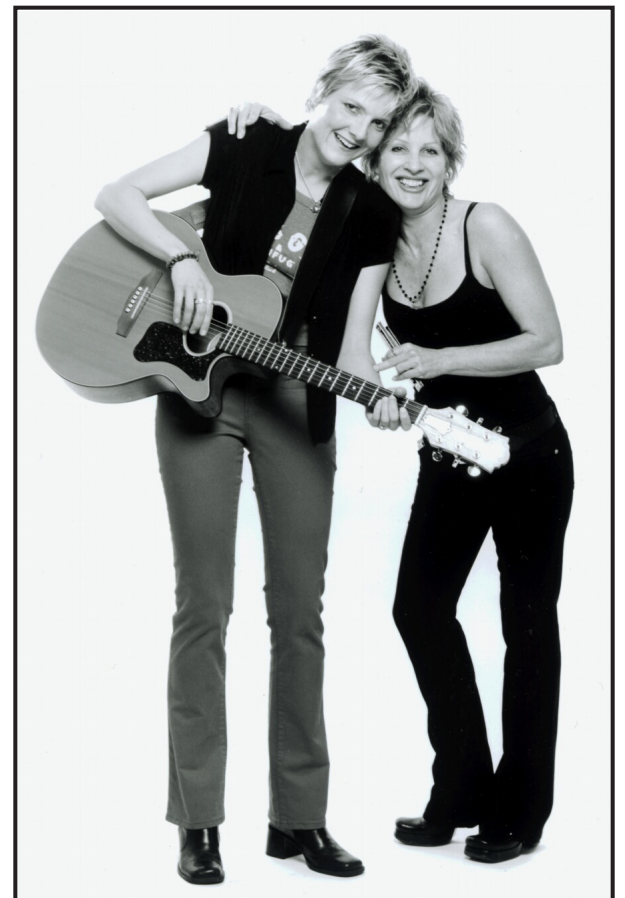
7th Annual

Houston Women's Festival

Saturday,
October 27, 2001
1 p.m. to Midnight
at the historic
Garden in the Heights



Susan Gibson



Sean Wiggins
& Linda Moss

Houston Women's Festival Expands in 2001

At the 2001 celebration of women, art and community, two stages of music will be offered. The Courtyard stage in the original section of Garden in the Heights will feature nationally known and emerging artists, while the Café Stage in the Marketplace will feature touring artists and local favorites.

In addition, the Art Stage indoors in the main hall will again provide a place where poets and performance artists share their work.

Courtyard Stage

Headliners for the 2001 festival include **Ann Reed**, **Patrice Pike**, **Susan Gibson** and **Cowboy's Nightmare**. **Ann Reed** is a singer, songwriter, humorist and storyteller whose music has been featured on national radio and television programs such as "A Prairie Home Companion" and "Good Morning America." She was born and raised in Minneapolis and has won every major music award there. A highlight of her career involved entertaining 75,000 Girl Scouts at an event attended by Vice President Al Gore.

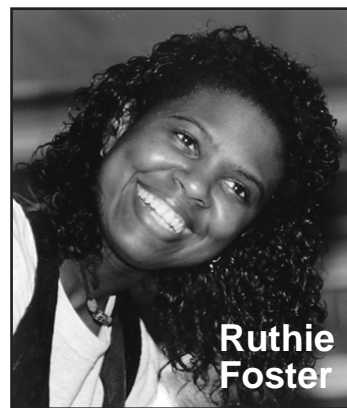


Ann Reed

Susan Gibson (formerly of the Groobeys) is best known for writing the song "Wide Open Spaces," which spent four weeks atop the country music chart after being released by the Dixie Chicks.

Gibson was honored by the Country Music Association for Single of the Year in 1999.

Nationally known artist **Patrice Pike** returns to the festival in 2001, this time with her new band, the Black Box Rebellion. Pike's soulful and wide-ranging voice led her to be named "one of the finest up-and-coming contemporary rock singers in America" by Billboard Magazine. In 1998,



Ruthie Foster

she shared the stage with **Sarah McLachlan**, **Natalie Merchant**, the Indigo Girls and others while touring with **Lilith Fair**. Also that year, her song "Know What You Mean" hit

the top 20. With her band **Sister 7**, she released two CDs for Arista Records.

Cowboy's Nightmare is a local band of six versatile and accomplished musicians who energize crowds with their signature brand of renegade country, rock, folk and blues. Since 1993 this band has gained a loyal following by performing in clubs and at special events. Highlights include opening for Willie Nelson at the Fort Bend County Fair and participating in Farm Aid 2000 in Virginia.

In addition to these headliners, the Courtyard Stage will also feature established artists such as **Sean Wiggins**, **Café Mocha** and **Ruthie Foster**.

Wiggins has been called a "centered and attention-grabbing blue-eyed soul diva" (Bam Magazine). She began her career in New York City, but now makes her home in Los Angeles. In the past year she has been featured in a number of showcases, pride events and festivals where she has shared the stage with **Sophie B. Hawkins**, **Melissa Ferrick**, **Michelle Malone** and others. She will be accompanied by the dynamic **Linda Moss** on harmonica.

Café Mocha is a salsa duo from New Mexico featuring "Albuquerque's first lady of Latin Music" **Ivon Ulibarri**, a six-time winner in the New Mexico Hispano Music Awards.

Ruthie Foster is a Texas treasure who performs at folk festivals across the country. For four years Foster was a member of the U.S. Navy Band. After that she was signed to a recording contract by Atlantic Records.

Opening acts on the Courtyard Stage include **Jennifer Marks** and **Elizabeth White**. **Marks** is a hip, young songwriter from New York City who has been compared to **Aimee Mann** and **Fionna Apple**. "Her lyrics are always poignant and engaging, and her arrangements are equally gorgeous and entrancing" (The CMJ New Music Journal). **Elizabeth White** is a local acoustic folk rocker who is featured on the 2001 **GoGirlsMusicFest** CD.



Café Mocha

Art Show

Also included in every Houston Women's Festival is a performing and visual art show featuring established and up-and-coming artists who work in a variety of mediums. The art show is held indoors in the Main Hall.

A number of performing artists will be featured on the Art Show stage including poet **Robin Reagler**, a graduate of the University of Houston Creative Writing Program. Her work has been published by some of the

nation's finest poetry journals.

Marketplace

Throughout the event, festival-goers can stroll through the community marketplace where craftswomen display their wares, entrepreneurs promote their businesses, and organizations

provide information. Jewelry, ceramics, textiles and candles are

just some of the items that will be offered.

Also in the Marketplace, the Athena Café will provide a place where festival goers can enjoy food and beverages.

The Café Stage in this area will feature up-and-coming musical artists such as **Jeanne Kauffman**, a

Lilith Fair talent search finalist who recently moved to Houston, **Edie Carey**, who was selected to appear on Ed McMahan's national TV show called "Next Big Star," **Yvonne Perea**, whose blues-influenced music has won her many fans in California, **Sarah Golden**, a young, emerging talent, **Hillary Arwen** who has toured both nationally and internationally, and **Miss Money**, a local artist who has been featured at events such as Empower Houston.

The festival takes place Saturday, October 27 from 1 p.m. to midnight at Garden in the Heights, 3926 Feagan. Founded in 1995, the event now averages over 1100 attendees each year.

The festival is produced by the Athena Art Project, a non-profit organization that supports the artistic endeavors of women. For more information, please see the following web site:

www.hwfestival.org



Patrice Pike

VENDOR BOOTHS

in the Marketplace are \$50. For more information, access: www.hwfestival.org/vendors.htm or call 713-861-3316.

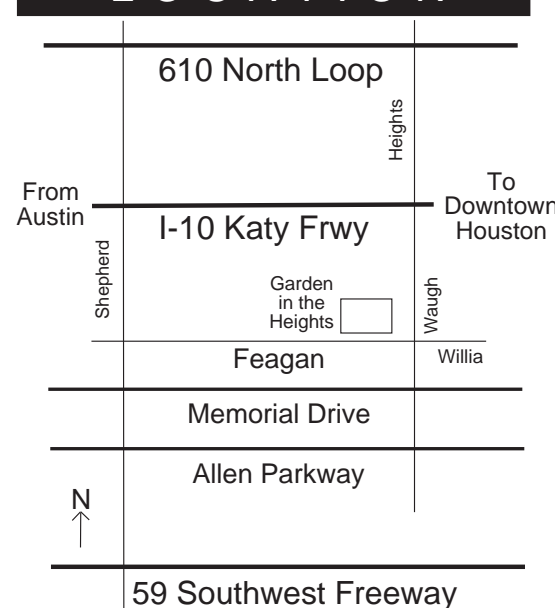
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please see the Volunteer page on our web site at: www.hwfestival.org or call 713-861-3316.

Open to All
Indoor/Outdoor
Rain or Shine

No pets
No coolers

LOCATION



www.garden-heights.com

TICKETS

\$10 from October 1 to October 26 at Tracy's Retreat, Lucia's Garden and the Lifeworks Center

\$12 at the door
Children 10 and under are admitted free.
Tickets for children ages 11 - 16 are \$5 at the door.

To order tickets by mail, send a check to:
HWF Tickets, P.O. Box 70102, Houston, TX 77270