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Newsletter

what's this guy up to?

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music

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Hello Darryl,

Welcome to all of you who have recently signed up for this newsletter. It's been great to meet you at my recent gigs and I hope to see you again in the near future. Let me know what you think of the newsletter, just drop me a line - I'd love to hear from you!

Peace -



**Gigs in April -
New London & NYC**

I'm thinking Spring already!!! I have two gigs coming up in April that I want to share with you now so you can put them on your



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Darryl Gregory is like Bruce Springsteen, with great story songs and aptitude for rockers as well as softer ballads.
~ Jamie Anderson,
Indie-Music.com

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calendars.

First up, on April 10 at 7:30PM, is a coffeehouse in New London, CT called The Bean & Leaf. I've heard great stuff and I'm very excited to get to check out the Northern end of the state.

Next, on April 30 at 7PM is the R-Bar in New York City. I will be back in the Big Apple after a 5 year absence. My good friend Kevin Orton has asked me to open the night for him and his band and I jumped at the opportunity to get back into NYC. The cover prices have gone up since I was gigging there last and the price for admission is \$15. Yikes! Well I'm going to do something about that and offer a special coupon that will get you into the show for \$5. Just stay tuned, but please put the date on your calendar now.

I've Been

Slow Drip from an Empty Head
~ darryl gregory's weekly drip of a creative sort...



Blogging...

Have you checked out my blog recently? Here are some recent posts you may find interesting. Please leave a comment!

- [Letting Go and Finding the Best Part of a Gig](#)
- [Personal Relevance](#)
- [Shirts and Boots](#)

What's On Darryl's iPod?

Did you ever come across an artist that you just dismiss out of hand? A singer whose voice, when you first hear it makes you say: Why is this person singing? Tom Waits has a voice like that. If you first hear his voice and dismiss him without really hearing his songs then you are missing a lot. But this isn't about Tom Waits, even though he is on my iPod.



I'm in the process of rediscovering [Lucinda Williams](#) and her amazing songwriting and interpretations. So why am I coming back to Lucinda? She doesn't have a bad voice, but initially there was something about it that rubbed me the wrong way. Was she singing out of tune or maybe her southern twang prickled my senses? I don't know, but I do know I didn't like it. But then I picked up a copy of "Car Wheels On A Gravel Road" recently and have been mesmerized by the stories and the way Lucinda weaves those stories with that quirky voice. I have also put "World Without Tears" and her latest "Little Honey" onto my iPod and now I can't seem to get enough of Lucinda and her odd-sounding voice. I love

proving myself wrong about artists and I'm so happy to have come full circle with Lucinda Williams. As a side note, Lucinda has a song, "Joy", in the Academy Award nominated film "Crazy Heart".

House Concerts

Tired of having to go out to hear live music? Well then why don't you bring the music to your house? The concept of house concerts is nothing new and harkens back to the 18th Century idea of the Salon where people would sit around and play music and discuss art and politics. Here are some links to informative articles and videos about how to host a house concert.

- [Concerts In Your Home](#)
- [House Concerts US](#)



If you're interested in having me come to play at your house, just email me at darryl@bluecavestudios.com and we'll get the ball rolling.

Songwriting Workshop

I won't be playing out in March. Instead, I've decided to take the month off to do some writing. I will be attending a songwriter's retreat towards the end of March and I really want to go there armed with some material to workshop and discuss. I'm going to be working with [Bill Pere](#) the author of the internationally acclaimed book, "Songwriters' Coloring Book". I've never taken a "songwriting" class (although I did study music composition in college) and it will be interesting to really home in on some of the things that I feel are my weaknesses and also to network. It's all about community!



Writing Songs With Tweens

As a middle school music teacher I am always trying to come up with new ways of engaging the adolescent mind and at the same time keep me interested in what I'm teaching. Three years ago a colleague of mine and I decided to put together a team of 8th grade students and write an original musical all about some aspect of middle school life. This year marks our third installment with a performance date of March 31. I will send out a more formal invite as performance time nears. I love songwriting!



Thanks for your support! I hope to see you soon so we can share some music together!

Music is the mediator between the spiritual and the sensual life. ~Ludwig

van Beethoven

Sincerely,



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