

# Patti DeRosa

*Contemporary acoustic folk peppered with rhythm and spice*



Looking for contemporary acoustic folk music peppered with rhythm and spice? Patti DeRosa is a folk alchemist conjuring up an eclectic mix of musical magic...it's a soft finger-picking ballad and a jazzy groove, an island rhythm and an edgy rocker, a political commentary and a humorous rhyme...You never know what you're going to get and DeRosa likes it that way. She revels in diversity, both personally and musically (when she's not making music, she's the President of ChangeWorks Consulting, which focuses on workplace and community diversity - [www.changeworksconsulting.org](http://www.changeworksconsulting.org)). Her music is a treat that is delivered with a stage presence that draws the audience in and warms the heart.

Her new CD, *Secrets and Stories*, was released in Sept. 2007 and is bursting with the flavors of jazz, R&B, rock, and funk, all grounded in a folk sensibility. Patti's smooth vocals and crisp guitar playing are supported by a stellar cast of musicians including Vance Gilbert, John Curtis, Tom Eaton, Lorne Entress, Tara Greenblatt, Paul Kochanski, Kristen Miller, Billy Novick, and Pablo Picker. And then there is the songwriting – lyrics and melodies overflowing with passion, insight, and attitude. Though this CD features a full band, Patti's percussive guitar style carries on the groove in her live performances.

Her 1st CD, *Paradise*, was released in Jan. 2005 and was nominated for "Best Local CD" by Motif Magazine, and is played on radio stations across the country. Patti has opened for artists such as Vance Gilbert, Vicki Genfan, Emma's Revolution, Terence Martin, Lisa Moscatiello, Kevin So, and will open for Antje Duvekot in March 2008. She has performed at the 2007 Boston Folk Festival, 2006 Folk Alliance Martin Guitar Showcase, and the 2006 Snapple Newport Sunset Music Festival. Patti DeRosa is a powerful presence, equally fun, funky, and sizzling.

*"A honey-warm voice, clear and adventurous guitar work, and incisive lyrics are all hallmarks of Patti's work, and they are still only the tip of her talent iceberg. See this musician soon wherever you can and tell a friend, like I am doing now. It'll be the best 'I told you so' that you've ever told".* Vance Gilbert, performer

*"A must-see artist with a unique talent that is becoming increasingly rare: she has something to say and a powerful way to say it."* Motif Magazine

*"Patti DeRosa is a gem that stands out in the vast sea of singer/songwriters."* Madalyn Sklar, GoGirlsMusic.com

*"A stellar guitarist and a dynamic performer."* Terence Martin, performer

*"She breaks out of her straight folk box and lets herself swing with smooth vocals made for the blues, easing naturally into the groove like melted butter...a cool drink on a hot summer's night..."* Kevan Breitingner, Indie-Music.com

*"Patti DeRosa is a pro with a strong following who always brings out a bunch of fans. The real watchword in my mind is "connection", and not every performer has it, but Patti connects big time. Her songwriting and lyrics focus on the human condition in a way that few can. I'm thinking of Bob Dylan here..."* . George LeBlanc, The Nameless Coffeehouse, Cambridge, MA

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