

Worthington performer's Goddess Show heads to Academy of Music

Singing her original songs of hope and wearing her trademark goddess dress, Mariam Massaro of Worthington will take the stage at the Academy of Music in Northampton on Oct. 12 with her Gaea Star Band. The show's highlights will include stilt dancers and elaborate costumes.

Just a few days after the second annual Gaea Star Goddess Show, Massaro will be in Yosemite, Calif., recording her songs at the Messenger Summit Conference II. The juried conference, from Oct. 18 through 21, promotes messages for healing humanity online.

"I feel good about uplifting lives through music and art. I'm really excited," said Massaro, speaking recently at her Worthington business, Wiseways Herbals. "I get to wear these beautiful dresses," she added, referring to the costumes she creates for her performances.

The Academy of Music show will feature stilt dancers Ana Wolf of Worthington, Maya Apfelbaum of Greenfield, Ezell Floranina of Shutesbury and Michael Henderson of Lowell, all wearing ornate costumes.

Gaea Star Band members who will perform include Diana Nobel of Worthington as backup vocal goddess, Robin Rooney of Worthington, also backup vocals, Dameron Midgett of Worthington on guitar, Jeff Hinrichs of Florence on drums, Robert Sherwood of Springfield on piano and Rudi Weeks of South Hadley on bass.

"It's a bigger and better show. We've had a whole year to work at it," Massaro said. The band has been performing monthly in locales such as Arts Night Out in Easthampton and the Three Sisters Sanctuary in Goshen.

"We feel inspired to sing beautiful songs that revere Gaea, an ancient name for Mother Earth," said Massaro, "for her natural elements and other beauty inherent in life, while expressing creativity in healing, peace and gratitude."

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Maya Apfelbaum of Greenfield will be one of four stilt dancers performing at the 2nd Annual Gaea Star Goddess Show at the Academy of Music on Oct. 12.

A sampling of Massaro's music can be heard on the Gaea Star Crystal Hour at dreamvisions7radio.com, on Revolution Boston 1510-AM radio, Thursdays and Fridays at 11 a.m. The show, hosted by Deborah Beauvais and recorded live at Massaro's Worthington home, reaches 5,000 listeners.

"It has songs for kids and themes appropriate for the day, for whatever cycle of life we're in," said Massaro. A recording prior to the 9/11 anniversary included peace songs, for example. August's blue moon prompted "Blue Moon" songs.

The Gaea Star Goddess Show will take place at the Academy of Music in Northampton on Friday, Oct. 12, at 7:15 p.m. Tickets are \$11 at the door.