

Bill & Eli Perras

Americana Troubadours at Large



The many inspired lyrics given to and interpreted by Eli, combined with Bill's bluesy finger-style guitar playing create a very uniquely modern take on true Americana music in its purest form. Receiving much recognition for their tightly woven musical creativity, they humbly remain true to their personal values. They speak out with strong heartfelt lyrics, accompanied with a soulful genuine pentatonic voicing, against social injustices, corporate greed, and daily follies in everyday life.

They can grip your heart, search your soul, change a mindset, or softly strike a funny bone, all the while leaving the audience with a sentiment for the common good we desire in all mankind. Bill & Eli have opened or shared the stage with many nationally recognized entertainers and are regulars at many Florida folk music venues and festivals while frequently traveling beyond the Sunshine State with their songs and stories.

Their songs are sincere, well made and issue-oriented. Were Gamble Rogers and Will McLean still here, I'd feel confident saying to them, "Here's some folks along your vein that you'll appreciate." It's like sitting in a screened-in porch on a warm night and listening to real Florida people with something to say and a no-nonsense and loving way of presenting it. Thank God for such honest artists among us, and thank these folks for carrying the torch.

Michael Peter Smith (notorious Chicago based singer/songwriter)

Imagine George Burns and Gracie Allen as a couple of sweet old hippies, and you have a start on what to expect from our performers tonight--- this spunky, spirited duo just keeps rolling along as they always have, a combination blues-folk compendium and social-justice vanguard. While celebrating a hundred-year history of indigenous American music, Bill and Eli insist on tugging us onward with two lifetimes' perspective on how good people ought to behave. But they ain't no scolds-- the finger-wagging's reserved for marking time to a sassy swing number... **Keith Harrlson (Moonlight on the Mountain Listening Room)**

Bill & Eli are very soft-spoken, humble people. Musically the stuff they do is quite polished. It's about as close as anyone, here, comes to recalling, in our time, the authentic sound of traditional American Music. **Sir Charles Atkins(FSU Music Professor)**

Bill & Eli Perras charmed our audience with heartfelt delivery and compelling songs. Eli is a wonder to watch, and this lovely couple were a delightful addition to our inaugural Listening Room Festival. **Fran Snyder (Founder, Concerts in Your Home Network)**

Bill and Eli are available for house concerts, listening room and folk festival venues, with or without full band. For booking or general questions call (386) 747-9820 or email hearusout@yahoo.com

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