

# THE Willits News

Friday, September 30, 1994

## *Ancient Future* to perform at Ukiah Playhouse

The world fusion sound of *Ancient Future* will fill the Ukiah Playhouse one night only tonight (Friday) at 8 p.m.

*Ancient Future* is a popular four-piece ensemble known to weave a musical tapestry of global rhythms in a world fusion performance.

The performance will be followed on Saturday by a World Rhythm Workshop led by *Ancient Future* guitarist Matthew Montfort. The workshop is presented by the Ukiah School of Music and the Ukiah Civic Light Opera, and will be held at the Mendocino College Performing Arts Center from 10 a.m. to noon.

The workshop will feature the intricacies of music from Africa, Bali and India in an easy to follow, entertaining and educational format.

### **Environmental Center open mike**

The Willits Environmental Center will be open to storytellers of all ages on Saturday, October 15, during an Open Mike Storytelling to benefit the Center.

Master storyteller Donna d'Terra is organizing the event, which will be open to storytellers from all over Mendocino County.

"Come enjoy the stories or tell one of your own," d'Terra announced. "First time storytellers are welcome."



This training is useful to anyone with a desire to improve their rhythmic skills, as well as musicians and percussionists.

Space for the workshop may be reserved by calling Paula Samonte at 462-4094.

Tickets to tonight's (Friday's)

*Ancient Future* 8 p.m. performance are available at the Playhouse Box Office. For more information call 462-9226.

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Friday, September 16, 1994

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*Ancient Future* the trendsetting group that performs what has become known as world fusion music, will exhibit their multicultural blend of exotic sounds onstage at Ukiah Playhouse at 8 p.m. on Friday, September 30.

The group combines African, Balinese, Indian, Middle Eastern and South American percussion with European harmonies, Eastern and Western melodies and jazz-rock improvisations. They have performed their compositions at New York City's Carnegie Recital Hall and San Francisco's Great American Music Hall.

Their music is representative of the cultural confluence that exists today. It attempts to stay one step ahead of what is already happening in the philosophical parallel between global consonance and world peace.

The group, which was formed in 1978, has released five CDs. It is led by guitarist Matthew Monfort, recipient of the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award and named Colorado Outstanding Young Guitarist in 1976.

Tickets are available at Coffee, Tea 'N Spice and Mendocino Book Company in Ukiah or at the Ukiah

Players Theatre box office at 1041 Low Gap Road. For reservations call 462-9226.

Monfort is scheduled to conduct a workshop for musicians the day after the performance. For information call 462-4094.