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Tompkins Corners Presents Happy Traum on March 11th

On Saturday, March 11th at 7:30 pm, Tompkins Corners Cultural Center will host Happy Traum in his presentation of “Coming of Age in the Greenwich Village Folk Revival and the Woodstock Scene (1954-1971).”

With colorful anecdotes and incisive memories, and the aid of vintage photos and music clips, Happy Traum relates some of his adventures as an active member of the New York folk revival; his arrest for civil disobedience; his participation in what has become known as the “Great Folk Singer’s Riot” in Washington Square; and his friendships with some of the leading folk artists of the day.

Happy was a regular in the Washington Square Park jam sessions, studied blues guitar with Brownie McGhee, and met, among many others, a young Bob Dylan. His group, the New World Singers, were the first to perform and record “Blowin’ in the Wind” and “Don’t Think Twice,” and Dylan wrote the liner notes for their Atlantic Records album. Happy recounts his later friendship with Bob and the Dylan family in Woodstock, as well as his association with Allen Ginsberg, George Harrison, Pete Seeger, Dave Van Ronk and many other notables on the scene.

Happy punctuates his remembrances with powerful renditions of songs and guitar solos from the “folk era” and beyond.

Tompkins Corners Cultural Center (TCCC) is located at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road in Putnam Valley, NY. Tickets are a suggested donation of \$15 and are available at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2882859>, or through our website at www.tompkinscorners.org/reservations.html. Email info@tompkinscorners.org or call [845 528-7280](tel:845-528-7280) for directions and more information.

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