

Catch Larry Stevens at NJPAC June 23

Larry Stevens, a Pascack Valley singer-songwriter, is honored to be opening solo for New Jersey icon Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes at New Jersey Performing Arts Center, NJPAC, 1 Center St., Newark on Friday, June 23.

Stevens has opened for more than 30 national acts from America to The Doobie Brothers and Night Ranger.

He says on his website, larrystevensband.com, that he's spent the better portion of his life on stage.

"Through dynamic, energetic performances and a gift for connecting with his audiences, Stevens has found himself on stage at many of the most sought-after venues from the legendary Bluebird Cafe in Nashville to the Bitter End, Kenny's Castaways, and The Iridium in New York City.

"He is frequently seen at noteworthy venues across New York and New Jersey including the PNC Bank Arts Center, Giants (MetLife) Stadium, New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC), Bergen Performing Arts Center, Paramount Hudson Valley Theater, Tarrytown Music Hall, Surfflight Theatre, and the New Jersey Festival of Ballooning.

"Stevens has enjoyed sharing the stage with many top national acts including Kenny Loggins, Huey Lewis and the News, Gin Blossoms, America, The Doobie



Larry Stevens, a Pascack Valley singer-songwriter, in action.

Brothers, The Yardbirds, Blood Sweat and Tears, Todd Rundgren, Foreigner, Peter Frampton, and many others.

"Critics have compared the quality of his original melodies to those of Jack Johnson, Plain White T's and the Beatles.

"During the years he lived in Nashville, Stevens studied, wrote, recorded and performed with many of the most prominent figures in music. It was during this

process that he created his signature blend of rock, pop, folk and country.

"Since returning to New Jersey he has continued to write and record, releasing five highly-acclaimed CDs and keeping a busy performance schedule. Stevens' CD *Heart on Fire* follows in the legacy of his popular albums *Mercer Street*, *Downstairs at Mayo's*, *Heart of a Fighter* and *Our Country*.