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daniel pearl world music days - a music city roots dedication

Daniel Pearl's story resonates with me on a lot of levels. His instrument, the violin, was my first instrument. He was a journalist who embraced the entire world and who used music as a way to get to know new places and cultures. He worked for the Wall St Journal, which will always hold a special place in my life because I got my



music writing career off the ground working with them, an experience through which I met my wife. When Pearl was kidnapped and murdered by terrorists in 2002, it was certainly not on the scale of 9/11, but it cut at my soul in the same way. It was a shockingly pure massacre of everything I hold dear: truth, tolerance, communication and, yes, music.

During the month of October, artists and promoters and venues are invited to dedicate a performance to Pearl as a way of participating in <u>Daniel Pearl</u> <u>World Music Days</u>. And I'll be making an announcement at this week's <u>Music</u> <u>City Roots</u> tipping our hat to Pearl and the work of the <u>foundation</u> set up by his family "promote cross-cultural understanding through journalism, music, and innovative communications." That is my kind of mission. <u>Here's our event</u> <u>on the DPWMD website</u>, where you can search for the hundreds of other DP events taking place this month. Here's the official backgrounder from the DPWMD web site:

Background

Since Daniel Pearl World Music Days' inception in 2002, more than 4,900 events in 103 countries have participated by dedicating their performances to our common humanity inspired by the legacy of journalist/musician <u>Daniel Pearl</u>, the *Wall Street Journal* South Asia Bureau Chief, who was kidnapped and murdered by terrorists in Pakistan shortly after 9/11. Danny was a talented musician who joined musical groups in every community he visited, leaving behind a long trail of musician friends that spans the globe. He firmly believed in the power of music to unite people. Centered around Danny's October birthday, participating musicians commemorate his life and work through the power of music to spread a message of hope and bring people together in a united stand against the culture of violence.

The Daniel Pearl World Music Days <u>Honorary Committee</u> includes Sir Elton John, Itzhak Perlman, Herbie Hancock, R.E.M., Zubin Meta, Alison Krauss, Matisyahu, Steve Reich, Ravi Shankar and Mark O'Connor among many other distinguished musicians.

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