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### LOCAL SINGER/SONGWRITER JOHN COPPESS TO PERFORM AT GALLERY WITH KATE FRITZ AND JEFF ARRIGO

Local singer/songwriter John Coppess will be performing at indi go Artist Co-Op with fellow musicians Kate Fritz and Jeff Arrigo on March 16<sup>th</sup> from 7-10pm. John and Kate will perform from 7-8:30pm, with Kate performing solo fiddle numbers of her own. Jeff will perform from 8:30-10pm. \$5 admission cost at the door.

John's interest in music began at birth. His father sang and played the guitar, and John grew up singing with his dad after supper around the kitchen table. When he was 8 years old, John lost his father to a farm accident, and at 15 began teaching himself to play the guitar so he could sing the songs he and his father had sung. John began singing in public when he opened his leatherwork booth at the farmers' market. He has since gone on to play many venues in Champaign/Urbana as well as in his home town of Sheridan, Indiana. Three years ago he began composing his own songs, and he now has an original repertoire of over 30 country, folk, and cowboy songs.

Kate Fritz grew up in the San Francisco Bay Area playing Scottish fiddle music with the San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers under music director Alasdair Fraser. Her music draws primarily from Scottish, Cape Breton and Appalachian inspirations. She currently works, travels and performs with Patch Adams and the Gesundheit Institute. In the past year she traveled with her fiddle and music recorder in Appalachia, Canada, the UK, Russia, China, and South East Asia exploring the connection between environmental health and regional music.

Jeff Arrigo is a songwriter and performer who has been playing his music at bars, restaurants, and festivals for over 15 years. He is a recent transplant to Champaign, having moved to the area from Columbia, Missouri. A great many of Jeff's songs are about misadventures on the trails and streams of the Missouri Ozarks. His most recent CD "Gideon" is primarily an autobiographical roadmap of his recent past, but newer songs have become more narrative and include odes to ancient plant life, bank robbery, confessions of a subpar soul, and all night murderous drinking binges.

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indi go Artist Co-Op was opened in April 2009 under the belief that "Visual Space Has Essentially No Owner". It operates as a gallery, music venue, and performance space for artists, musicians, and performers in the Champaign-Urbana area. For more information please visit [indi-go-art.com](http://indi-go-art.com).