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PS/21 Presents Rod Ferrone A One Man Tour De Force of Song, Dance and Schtick

[CHATHAM, NY] - What do you get when you combine the dance and voice stylings of Fred Astaire, the grace of James Cagney and the artistry of Charley Chaplin? The answer: Rod Ferrone. PS/21 welcomes this world-class tap dance and entertainer to its picturesque location at 2980 Route 66 in Chatham Sunday, June 28 at 5:00 pm.

“My philosophy has been a simple one - to carry on the tradition of this great art form with choreography that can be completely free-bodied and wild or elegant, subtle and highly refined,” explained Ferrone. “At each performance I want to share the joy of tap dance, have fun with the audience and let them know how much they are appreciated.”

Ferrone has performed to critical acclaim with a unique blend of tap, physical comedy, eccentric moves and dazzling hat tricks. “As a child, I would amuse myself by scuffling my feet in rhythm. I watched “American Band Stand” and “Soul Train”, but it wasn’t until I saw Fred Astaire on the big screen that I realized that dancing was what I wanted to do with my life,” he said.

Recently Ferrone has performed in NYC at Tap Extravaganza, Shanghai Mermaid and various night clubs. He performs and teaches at festivals throughout the world.

Dancing solo at PS/21, Ferrone will be supported musically by local jazz musicians. The 70 minute show will be followed by a Q&A session and hat workshop. “Oh, yes, and I might come up with a surprise or two,” he teased. Kids are encouraged to bring a brimmed hat.

“I’m excited to debut some new material I created while visiting my mom in Old Chatham,” he said. “The musicians I’ve been working with have been a big motivating factor for me.”

Tickets to Rod Ferrone are \$20 general admission, \$15 for PS/21 members, and \$7 for children under 14. For tickets or information about this event or any other at PS/21, please visit ps21chatham.org or call 518.392.6121. For more information about Ferrone, visit is website at www.rod ferrone.com.

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