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## Greg Sover Band to return to Steel City *Lucky Friday the 13th show also features Anna Spackman*

Friday, April 13 ▪ 8:00 pm ▪ Steel City Coffeehouse ▪ all ages  
203 Bridge Street ▪ Phoenixville, PA 19460  
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The Greg Sover Band is returning to one of their favorite venues, Steel City Coffeehouse in Phoenixville, PA. It will be their first show in Phoenixville since winning the Steel City Blues Society's Battle of the Bands Competition last September. The band won the competition and represented Phoenixville and the blues society at the International Blues Challenge in Memphis in January, making it all the way into the semifinals.

In January Sover also released the EP *Jubilee* and has received airplay locally, nationally and internationally. *Jubilee* peaked at #2 on *The Roots Music Report's* Top 50 Blues Rock Album Chart for the Week of February 3. *The Roots Music Report's* Top 50 Blues Rock Song Chart for the same week featured "Emotional" all the way up at #1 plus "As the Years Go Passing By" at #23 and "Jubilee" at #38.

The song "Temptation" from *Jubilee* is the only live track on the EP. It was recorded at Steel City last year. The quality of the recording is a testament to the great sound at the venue and showcases the band's dynamic energy when performing live.

WXPB, Philadelphia's influential public radio station, has long supported Sover and has aired four songs from *Jubilee*: "Jubilee," "Emotional," "Hand on My Heart" and "As the Years Go Passing By" – a selection that showcases Sover's diversity.

In addition, John Vettese, curator of the Key Studio Sessions on WXPB, invited the Greg Sover Band to record a session in February. The session included five songs. Videos of "Jubilee" and "Hand on My Heart," both from *Jubilee*, and audio recordings of "Emotional," also from *Jubilee*, as well as "Preacher" and "(Make Me) Say Yeah" from Sover's debut *Songs of a Renegade*, can be accessed at <http://thekey.xpb.org/2018/03/01/kss-greg-sover/>.

In addition to widespread airplay, **Jubilee** is also getting great reviews. This is some of what's being said:

"Sover's new E.P. is a follow-up to his awesome 2016 debut, *Songs of a Renegade*. This is an extremely well-played gaggle of tunes, blues and otherwise, a true celebration... Greg Sover is a solid singer, emotional without giving in to histrionics, and he's a really freakin' good guitar player... Sover and his guys pack a lot of emotional oomph into the 7 tracks that make up **Jubilee**. Great songs that really touch you where it counts... ★★★★★"

- *The Rock Doctor* by John Kereiff - January 26, 2018

"The Blues comes in many, many variants and we will each have our favourite format; but the slick voiced singer and red hot guitarist easily straddles the Soulful Rhythm and Blues style that I've loved for 40+ years. Think a pumped up George Benson or Robert Cray..."

- *The Rocking Magpie* - January 15, 2018

**Jubilee** is once again produced by Greg Sover Band bassist **Garry Lee** along with Sover. Sover's band of Philly heavyweights with extensive resumes also includes guitarist **Allen James** and drummer **Tom Walling**. The three are best known as Deb Callahan's solid backing band. In addition **Jubilee** features cameos by **Wally Smith** (In the Pocket, Smash Palace, Crosstown Traffic) on keyboards, **Mikey Junior** on harmonica, **Yoni Draiblate** on cello, **Joseph Arnold** on violin and **Francois Zayas** on percussion.

Starting the night off at Steel City will be **Anna Spackman**. Spackman saved the day last year when she agreed to open the Greg Sover Band's show at Steel City with only a few hours notice. This led to a camaraderie between the artists and a desire to share the stage again.

Spackman has been a long-time performer at Steel City, starting at their open mic and becoming a featured artist at ticketed shows. She will be accompanied at this show by former Steel City Open Mic host Shawn Cephas on bass and Crystal Murphy on percussion.

Spackman's soaring vocals and complex musical landscapes pay tribute to folk giants such as Joni Mitchell and Shawn Colvin, with an approach to the songwriting craft that is all her own. Onstage, she is both tender and fierce, with the ability to take her audience to the height of her infectious energy or deep into the heart of a wound. She has shared the stage with Chris Pureka, Amy Correia, and Lucy Kaplansky, and has been featured at regional poetry slams, local benefit concerts, and variety shows. Sharing stories with intimate warmth and genuine gratitude to her audience, Spackman gives generously of herself in every performance, and the result is uplifting, soulful, and utterly riveting.

Spackman has independently released 3 albums. The most recent, "House on the Sea" (2015), was recorded at Great Time Studios in Chester Springs, PA. It was produced by her brother and fellow musician Donnie Spackman. Visit [annaspackman.com](http://annaspackman.com) for more information.

Find Greg Sover on **Spotify**.

**Greg Sover Artist Page:** <https://goo.gl/kQMufp>

Link to **Jubilee:** <https://goo.gl/jghXtR>

In celebration of the release of **Jubilee**, Sover has launched his own playlist on Spotify, where you can learn more about his influences and musical heroes. Visit <https://goo.gl/yCyW9P>.

You can stream or download **Jubilee** and see the band's one-sheet at [www.gregsover.com/epk](http://www.gregsover.com/epk).

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