

project home and watched the DVD on the computer while adding the guitar music with a digital recorder. His inspiration came in part as a result of his participation in different music seminars where people played the music of the environment. "The musician can sharpen his senses. I took my cues from the monks and the sounds - the pitch of the voices and the chainsaws that were going on in the background and the visual cues - a combination of movement and the sound with conscious and subconscious techniques. The sounds and the action of the movie affected me and I composed."

Interviewer: What is your interest in performing now?

Will: "I have played many different styles of music and I still come back to music that is American roots in nature. I like all kinds of music. And I would like to keep my avenues open to continue to play different music styles. But the difficulty in getting gigs makes every performance opportunity of high value. I continue to perform at the Potter Valley Café and the Himalayan Café in Ukiah and enjoy the flexibility of playing all styles."

At the beginning of his musical career, Will played cafes including the Inn of the Beginning in Cotati that became Cotati Cabaret but now is no longer.

In addition to Kate Wolfe, Will attributes his success to other great musicians in Sonoma County. His teacher at Sonoma State University, Red Thomas, influenced Will by weekly sharing creative, musical endeavors. Moreover, Will Siegel explained "I owe a big debt of gratitude to several additional musicians in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties. Due to Tony Napoli, a Santa Rosa guitar player, I scored a job in Ukiah because I learned finer details such as the flat pick technique, reading notes, chord progressions and voicing. These techniques are used by Russ Johnson and Dolores Carrick who owned The Band Box Music Store in Ukiah and hired me for teaching." Will attributed knowledge of these finer techniques used by Johnson and Carrick and their rapport with Napoli as important factors for his hire and career development.

In addition to providing private guitar lessons, Will teaches guitar in student groups through Mendocino Community College. He often performs in Northern California and typically enjoys how music benefits the community. He likes teaching and meeting diverse musicians and audiences in Northern California. Just as he was taught by famous musicians such as Kate Wolfe, he now enjoys teaching others the musical techniques he had learned from such masters. Simply put, he believes that music is integral to community and vice versa.

"Music is social. It is a universal language that is important in communication because it is a conduit."

Sudden Oak Death Info: California Oak Mortality Task Force

<http://nature.berkeley.edu/comtf/>

The California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF) focuses on the plant pathogen *Phytophthora ramorum*, which can have devastating effects in the wildlands it inhabits and has had substantial impacts on the nursery industry internationally. In 14 coastal California counties and Curry County, Oregon, *P. ramorum* has caused outbreaks of Sudden Oak Death, killing over a million native oak and tanoak trees. The pathogen also infects the leaves and twigs of common ornamental nursery plants, such as rhododendrons and camellias, which serve as vectors for pathogen dispersal.

The COMTF website has been reorganized and updated to make it easier than ever to find what you are looking for. Below are subjects for which you will find links on the above web site:

- Current Report - June 2007
- Updated Homeowners Guide
- The Sudden Oak Death Science Symposium III
- SOD Literature Summary
- New Regulations February 27, 2007
- A Field Guide to Insects & Diseases of California Oaks

Help for the Gardener:

This is an excellent Website created by the Sonoma County Master Gardeners. In conjunction with the University of California Agricultural and Natural Resources department. It includes:

- Help Desk
- Farmers' Markets
- County & Harvest Fairs
- Library Series
- Composting
- Demonstration garden
- Harvest for the Hungry
- Sonoma Garden Park
- P.U.R.E. (Pesticide Use Reduction Education)
- Bloomin' Backyards (garden tours)
- Calendar of Events
- Pest Notes
- Sudden Oak Death Resources
- Master Gardener Documents
- Newsletter
- Article Archives
- Statewide M.G. Websites
- How to become a Master Gardener
- <http://groups.ucanr.org/sonomamg/>
- This is a great resource to find drought and deer resistant plants that still flower and look lovely with little water.

Angela Ranaldi ("Angie")

April 5, 1944 ~ May 22, 2007.

A loving mother and a friend to many, Angela Renaldi has moved on from our lives, leaving behind her cherished daughter Reina, her brother Eugene, her mother Mary and a circle of friends too large to list. Angie had a vibrant personality and giving heart. She said her greatest moment in life was when she first held her daughter Reina, whom she loved and cherished beyond words. Reina was her world.

Those who were lucky enough to share in Angie's day-to-day life, whether at her home in Forestville, around the town of Guerneville, or in the hospitals where she lovingly cared for so many, are now feeling a great emptiness in their lives.

Angela was an RN at Palm Drive Hospital Operating Room in Sebastopol for 30+ years and recently at Kaiser Santa Rosa and San Rafael.

One thing everyone knew about Angela was that she loved her profession.

Always quick to go on about the political craziness of today's health care system, she nevertheless was relentlessly dedicated to her work. Nursing others was her second greatest joy.

The doctors, her co-workers, her extended family of friends will remember her for her feisty personality, the many laughs she provided both them and her patients, and her gentle way of nurturing her patients.

Angela's passing breaks our hearts, but our memories of her ^ of her laughter, her sharp tongue, her tenderness and unvarnished wisdom -- are strong. We take comfort in them. We hold her in our memories and will support the dreams she had for Reina.

Rest, our Angela, until we meet again. Know we keep you in our hearts. You are at peace now, making the angels laugh, Look out for all of us here who miss your nurse,s wings, your mother,s arms, your ever-willing hand of friendship.