

A truly Homegrown talent

Patchogue resident releases live album recorded at Patchogue Theatre



Jay Scott performed at the BrickHouse Brewery during a CD release party. Photo courtesy of Jay Scott

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Jay Scott may seem like a typical Patchogue resident. He has a house in Patchogue, a family, and a job. But on June 22 he released his first full-length album titled Homegrown on Paradiddle Records.

The title of the album comes from that his music was developed locally in Patchogue and only expanded from there.

"I'm a big fan of where I live. It's a great town and it's come a long way," said Scott. "The partnership of where you live and what you do is really beneficial. It's nice that I have that support."

Scott has been playing publicly for the last seven years, and his first show was at a coffee shop on Main Street that has since become the Main Street Café. The music he plays is difficult to label, but Scott describes it as acoustic folk rock.

Scott was able to start making the album after he met Bill Herman, who runs Paradiddle Records.

"He talked about doing a full album but wanted to do it live which captures what I wanted to do, as opposed to doing it in a studio. It captures that raw quality," said Scott. "We decided to pick a venue to do it and naturally the Patchogue Theatre came up."

Albums normally take many hours to record, but by doing it live Scott was able to record it without sacrificing his responsibilities.

"I have a wife and a baby boy of about 10 months. If I record it live I don't have to tape 10 hours of songs. That combined with the fact that we are a live band, we prefer to be live and stick to that old school style," said Scott. "We recorded the album in three hours and we invited an audience that maxed the place out."

Scott wasn't expecting a large audience since live albums are usually recorded while an artist is on tour, but he had a very large turnout. Scott performed with his band *Grand Case Scenario*, which is made up of Christie DeFeo (drums), Jason

Tebaldi (bass), and Aaron Palmadessa (lead guitar).

Scott stressed that he and his band are normal Patchogue residents that love music. "We have jobs and families and keep something that we love alive and it's hard sometimes. My hardest thing is writing new stuff with the time that I have because it's hard to be creative when you have to change a diaper. My life is great but a little hectic."

Scott will be playing at Brown's Jeep Chrysler at 483 Route 112 on July 19 at 2 p.m. and at Patchogue's Alive After Five on Aug. 8 in front of the Patchogue Theatre at 6 p.m. Scott's *Homegrown* album can be purchased online at amazon.com or on cdbaby.com. More information on Jay Scott and his show schedule can also be found online at www.jayscotlive.com. ■

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