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## SEMINAR: "MEET THE SONGWRITERS"

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4 Sessions / 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM / Thursdays \*\*\*\*ONLY \$20 PER SESSION FOR NON- MEMBERS AND \$15 FOR MEMBERS\*\*\*\* October 25, Nov. 8 at Shetler Studios, 244 West 54<sup>th</sup> St., 12<sup>th</sup>fl Penthouse (Bdwy & 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.) November 15 at Shetler Annex, 939 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue (btwn 55<sup>th</sup> & 56<sup>th</sup> St.)

## Join us for 4 very special evenings ...

...as we hear from songwriters who make NYC their home and contribute to the vital force that is contemporary song today! There is a story behind every song and a career path that led each of them to success. What was their first big break? How did they make it happen? How do they approach their songwriting? Who are the songwriters they admire? We will play their songs and discover their process and songcraft. We will reserve time at the end of each session for a question and answer period.

\*Julie Gold captivated the audience October 18<sup>th</sup>.\* She is a New York City Songwriter best known for Bette Midler's version of her song "From A Distance," which won the Grammy Award for Song of the Year in 1991. She has also written songs for Patti LaBelle, Patti LuPone (who used Gold's song "Heaven" as her grand finale in her one woman show on Broadway), Kathy Mattea, The Byrds, Judy Collins, James Galway, Lea Salonga, Cliff Richard, Frances Black and many others. Nanci Griffith has also recorded Gold's songs "Heaven," "Southbound Train," and "Good Night."

Peter Zizzo is a songwriter/producer/musician whose A&R instincts have led him to discover and develop Avril Lavigne, Vanessa Carlton and Toby Lightman. Most recently, Peter is developing 2 new acts, one of which, Pixie, has been signed to Island Records by LA Reid. Peter's writing credits include Celine Dion, J Lo, Toby Lightman, Avril Lavigne, Jason Mraz, M2M and Howie Day. 10/25/07

Makeba Riddick boasts a portfolio of writing credits that includes Beyonce, Jennifer Lopez, Rihanna, Tony Braxton and Janet Jackson. Whether its Beyonce's female anthem, "Upgrade You" or Jennifer Lopez's musical career defining number one single "All I have", Makeba has quietly churned out hits at a blistering pace. Her intense work ethic and efficiency has made her a favorite to work with among top rated producers such as Swizz Beatz, Rodney Jerkins and Scott Storch. 11/8/07

Andy Marvel is a New York City based Songwriter/Producer. He has had his songs on albums that have sold over 70 million copies. Credits include Celine Dion (Grammy Album of the Year), Diana King (#1 song "Shy Guy" in 14 countries), Jessica Simpson ("With You," #1 billboard Pop and R&R, ASCAP Pop Award), Brian McKnight (singing his song "When We Were Kings" for Oscar winning Documentary of the same name.), Jon Secada, Maxi Priest, Dream, Jessica Andrews, Eternal, and Patti Austin. 11/15/07

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