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The Dix Hills Performing Arts Center presents
A Tribute to Eric Clapton with Chronicles
April 30 at 7:30 p.m.

Five-man veteran band recreates ‘Slow Hand’ hits from his early discovery by Jon Mayall through his brilliant solo career
— and everything in between

April 7, 2010, DIX HILLS, NY –The Dix Hills Performing Arts center will present *Chronicles* in an authentic tribute to the career of blues/rock guitar legend Eric Clapton, April 30 at 7:30 p.m. here. Tickets are \$25.

Chronicles is a band intent on re-creating the music of Eric Clapton – from his early days with John Mayall and the Bluesbusters, the Yardbirds and Cream to later stints with Blind Faith, Derek & the Dominos, up through his Grammy-winning solo and acoustic careers.

Aptly named for EC’s 1999 “Clapton Chronicles” anthology album, the band features veteran Long Island musicians George Clinton, Donny Waller, Bobby Simmons, Ricky Panzica and Steve Stewart.

Chronicles presents a note-perfect re-creation of every era in Eric Clapton’s musical career from the early days in England to taking his place in the pantheon of modern guitarists, a friend of the Beatles, and a statesman for authentic blues music. It follows through his innovations in hard rock, blues, R & B and pop, and the many styles and incarnations he took as a musician building on blues roots.

The only artist inducted into the Rock’n’Roll Hall of Fame as both a band member (both Yardbirds and Cream) and as a solo guitarist, Clapton continues to mesmerize audiences with his hypnotic blues phrasings which earned him the nickname “slow hand.”

Now *Chronicles* brings it all to Dix Hills in an evening of music that will delight fans of Clapton and the many styles of music he helped popularize. The group will go back to the beginning and take the audience through every facet of the long and stellar career of Eric Clapton. *Chronicles* is a group of accomplished



musicians who play the Clapton catalog with style, respect and attention to the smallest of musical details.

Chronicles takes the stage at every show with one goal in mind – to give the audience a night of music as memorable and unique as the career of Clapton, who performed with The Beatles, B.B. King, The Allman Brothers, Roger Waters, Steve Winwood, and just about any other major artist of his era.

George Cintron (vocals and lead guitar) is best known for playing for *The Music of Led Zeppelin* symphony touring shows, and appeared in the Las Vegas production of Queen's musical "We Will Rock You" in addition to touring globally with Enrique Iglesias.

Donny Waller (electric guitar, pedal steel and vocals) has appeared in venues throughout the Northeast, and was signed to Giant Records as part of the band Snakeyed Su in the early Nineties, and was featured in Big Sky, 20FTWide, Hysteria, Snakebite and his own cover band Nurse Diesel.

Bobby Simons (keyboards and vocals) traded in his classical training and early progressive leanings to become a fixture in the New York rock and R&B scene, where he is best known for his long tenure with both the Stanton Anderson Band and the Jim Small Band and has toured with numerous big-name acts in addition to his solo work.

Ricky Pazica (bass guitar and vocals) is a long time veteran of the Long Island club scene, as a member of Swift Kick and Scarecrow. He has played with George Cintron for a number of years. He also worked with Long Island legends The Good Rats, and spent time on the road touring with Aerosmith. He currently plays the LI club circuit in the band Soulmove.

Steve Stewart (drums and vocals) has worked all over the country for over 30 years, touring for years with the band Salty Dog and doing extensive club and show work in Las Vegas. Steve also played with the Stevie Ray Vaughn tribute band Cold Shot.

The Dix Hills Performing Arts Center

The Dix Hills Performing Arts Center is located at Five Towns College, 305 North Service Road, Dix Hills, New York, 11746-5857. For more information and ticket sales, please contact the Dix Hills Performing Arts Center box office at (631) 656-2148 or visit online at www.DHPAC.org. Become a fan on Facebook! (Dix Hills Performing Arts Center).

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