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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Musician Jim Scott brings his songs and images in "The Year to Save the Earth" to Chatham**

Composer, guitarist and singer Jim Scott takes to the stage in Chatham for a multimedia presentation called "The Year to Save the Earth" on Sunday, September 1, 2024 at 1 pm at the UU Meeting House. Mixing powerful songs and beautiful projected images, "The Year to Save the Earth" takes us from grieving to celebration and from protest to positive vision for the planet – along with some fun.

Scott's lyrical melodies and outspoken poetry celebrate what's beautiful, amazing, and fragile about our Earth. Facing the urgency of the environmental crisis, this musical and visual experience challenges us to feel, to learn, and to act.

Formerly a member of the Grammy winning Paul Winter consort, Scott composed their celebrated *Missa Gaia/Earth Mass* and sang their anthem song *Common Ground*. He was awarded a National Endowment for the Arts grant to create and present this multimedia concert, combining hard reality with a note of optimism, including many invitations to join in the singing.

A longtime friend of folk icon Pete Seeger, Scott credits Seeger with influencing his musical career choices. Seeger in turn called Scott "Some kind of a magician." Paul Winter said of his colleague: "His music sings of the life spirit."

Scott has toured the world, recorded nine CDs of original music, and published a growing line of choral works. Jim also compiled the *Earth and Spirit Songbook*, an anthology of 110 songs of Earth by many contemporary composers. To learn more about Jim Scott go to <https://www.youtube.com/jimscottmusic> or <https://jimscottmusic.com/about/>

The UU Meeting House is located at 819 Main Street Chatham. A donation of \$20 is suggested. For more information go to [www.uumh.net](http://www.uumh.net).

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