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Watt to be guest on River City Folk

Local musician John Watt is going to have a busy weekend on the airwaves. The Council Bluffs resident takes to the national stage Sunday when he makes an appearance on the nationally syndicated radio show River City Folk. The show will air on 91.5 KIOS FM in Omaha at 2 p.m.

River City Folk is a mix of live performance, interview and recordings. Hosted by veteran singer-songwriter Tom May, each program features a folk artist or group who performs live in the studio. May also interviews the artist to give listeners a "unique perspective on the living tradition that is folk music," according to the River City Folk Web site, www.tom-mayfolk.com/rivercityfolk.

Before his appearance on River City Folk, Watt's song "Forevermore" will be featured by 1110 KFAB AM Radio host Scott Voorhees starting Friday. The song will be part of Voorhee's Web event called "Oma-how's This?" during which people can listen to the song and vote on whether they like it or not. Voorhees' Web site is www.kfab.com/pages/voorhees.html. Voorhees will also play a clip of the song on his radio show shortly after 9:30 a.m. Friday.

"Forevermore" is off Watt's latest album "Higher," released in 2005 but just now starting to garner attention.

Watt has been blind for more than 20 years. As a self-taught guitar player, Watt said in previous interviews that losing his sight had ironically helped him find his creative vision.

Watt has three CDs available through Derby Records, "Higher," "Big Studio Fears" and "Invisible Friends." They may be purchased online at www.cdbaby.com or by calling (800) buymycd (800-289-6923).

Fans of live music can catch Watts at Shubby's with the John Watt Band April 20-21 at 9 p.m. both nights. Shubby's is located at 2400 Ninth Ave.

For more information on Watt, go online to www.myspace.com/johnwat-trocks.

— Kim Bousquet