

'60s folk icon Donovan at Coach House

Tickets available for Friday's concert.

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Although legendary Scottish folk singer Donovan has been recording music since the mid-1960s, it wasn't until January 2007 that he got around to chronicling his song craft for a full-length DVD release.

Recorded in front of an enthusiastic audience at the Kodak Theater in Hollywood on Jan. 21, 2007, "The Donovan Concert: Live in L.A." (released by MVD Visual on Jan. 22, 2008) is the definitive keepsake for fans of the 61-year-old folk troubadour.

Well-known gems such as "There is a Mountain," "Jennifer Juniper," "Mellow Yellow," "Hurdy Gurdy Man" and "Sunshine Superman" are all featured on the superb 78-minute concert film. Other staples include "There is an Ocean" and "Colburs."

On Friday night, Donovan

will make a rare local appearance in celebration of the release of "The Donovan Concert: Live in L.A." when he performs at the Coach House in San Juan Capistrano.

Raised near London, Donovan Phillip Leitch recorded his first demo when he was 18 and while still in his teens was cast as a regular on the British pop television showcase "Ready, Steady, Go!"

Donovan quickly issued his debut single, "Catch the Wind," which reached the United Kingdom's Top 10. Throughout the rest of the '60s, Donovan scored a number of successful albums and singles, securing his legacy as one of that decade's most influential folk music artists.

Donovan will perform at the Coach House, 33157 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano, at 8 p.m. on Feb. 8.

Tickets are \$32.50.

Information: 949-496-8930

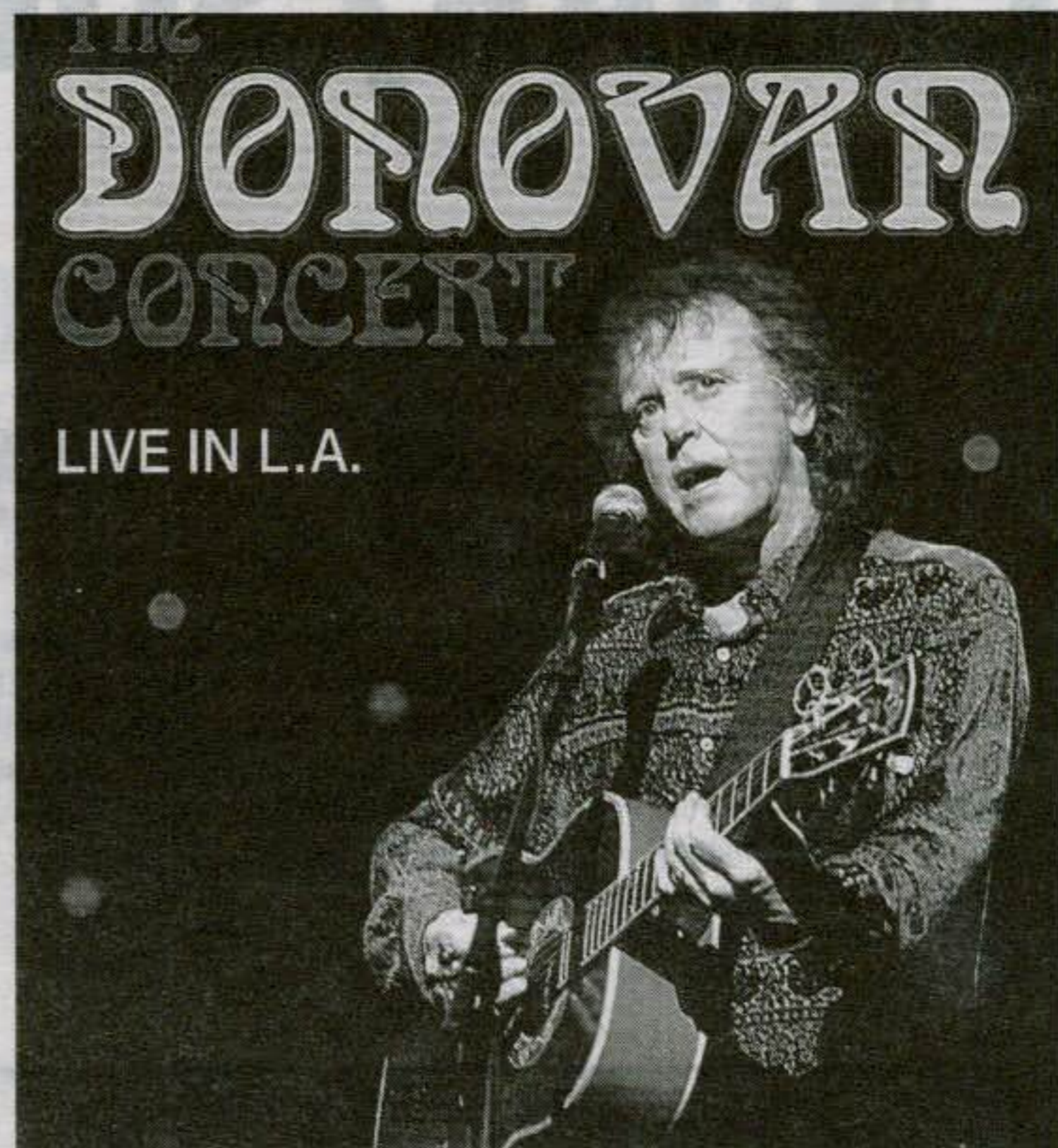


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Singer-songwriter Donovan will perform songs from his first-ever DVD, "The Donovan Concert: Live in L.A.," when he headlines at the Coach House in San Juan Capistrano on Friday night.