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Litchfield musician launches PatriotMusic.com

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LITCHFIELD — Matt Fitzgibbons is taking some of the oldest documents in American history and tying them in with his biggest passion.

Fitzsimmons began his musical career, drumming at twoyears-old, following with piano at 15, guitar at 16, bass and harmonica soon after that. Now, he's taking those same talents and combining them with his non-partisan style of writing, releasing some new patriotic-themed music just in time for Memorial Day.



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His new website, PatriotMusic.com, is celebrating "the principles of individual liberty and the men and women who fight for them," he writes. "People from all walks of life are making a difference in helping secure their rights."

Fitzgibbons, a Litchfield resident, believes his website is a way to engage citizens and get them inspired. No matter the political belief, Fitzgibbons said if a person feels this country is headed in the wrong direction, music such as his can encourage an answer.

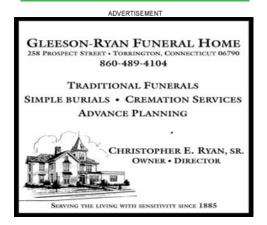
"I had these really great opportunities to speak to people from all over the country," he said. "I found that while we're all composed of these different cultures, what distinguishes us is what's laid out in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights."

Fitzgibbons, who has released two previous albums, will release his third sometime this summer. His website features a free download entitled, "They Can't Take That Away From You," along with two other singles aimed to keep American pride through Memorial Day and beyond with "Remember the Americans" and "I'll See You Again."

The artist said he is trying his best to reach out to a younger, less-politically aware crowd.

"I try to write lyrics that inspire people to think," he said. "Also, I'm trying to get younger people inspired...to look at liberty, and expand it."





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If Fitzgibbons can breakthrough, into different cultures and generations, his "thank yous" to patriotism and those who serve can go a long way. His aim is to stay positive and become a part of the solution.

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