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A Ride on the **Bluerailroad**

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PAUL ZOLLO

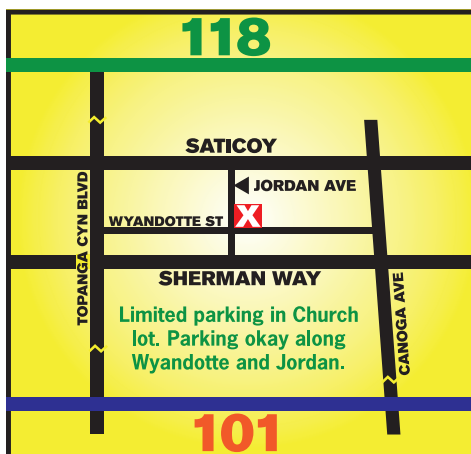
Singer, songwriter, author, journalist and photographer, he's been called "The Bard of Los Angeles." The former leader of the band The Ghosters, his first solo album was "Orange Avenue" which featured a duet with Art Garfunkel. A Trough Records artist, he's working on his first album for the label, to be called "Universal Cure." In addition to penning his own songs, Zollo has collaborated with many songwriters, including the late great Steve Allen, Darryl Purpose, Severin Browne, James Coberly Smith, Jeff Gold and Bob Malone. He's the author of several books, including "Songwriters On Songwriting," which has been called "the songwriters' bible," and features famously extensive interviews with Bob Dylan, Paul Simon, Randy Newman, Laura Nyro, Pete Seeger, Leonard Cohen, Neil Young, Frank Zappa and many others. Zollo lives in Los Angeles with his wife Leslie and son, Joshua.



ROBERT MORGAN FISHER

ROBERT MORGAN FISHER has two CD's: *Follow a Hunch* (1996) and *Built Myself a Greenhouse* (2005). His song "A Life in Music" was a Folk Finalist the 2005 International Songwriting Competition, and "Angel Within" won the 2006 International Narrative Songwriting Competition. "We'll Buy a Flag" and "Jester King" went #1 on the Neil Young's *Living With War: Songs of Our Time* website. He's co-written numerous songs with fellow neo-narrative singer-songwriter Darryl Purpose, and Robert's short fiction has appeared in many literary journals. Robert lives in Los Angeles with his wife and two sons.

Bluerailroad (www.bluerailroad.com) is an online magazine of the arts edited by Zollo, which features recent and archival interviews Paul has done, as well as other departments, including Switchyard: The Fiction of Robert Morgan Fisher. Robert is a celebrated author of short-stories as well as narrative songs, and this department publishes many of Robert's best stories. Bluerailroad also features poetry (edited by John Doe), departments about Dylan and Miles Davis, reviews of books and recordings and shows, photography and more. That Fisher and Zollo should work together makes sense as they consider themselves "brothers with Purpose" – in that each has written lyrics to many songs by the legendary singer-songwriter Darryl Purpose. Though they have never written a song together, Fisher and Zollo are forever connected on Darryl's albums and in his shows, and in the pages of Bluerailroad.



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