UCSB Amplified, a performance series featuring UC Santa Barbara students, faculty, staff members and alumni, kicks off its fall season today with singer-songwriter Jake Goldman.

A third-year undergraduate, Goldman blends skillful acoustic guitar playing and soulful lyrics as he performs his original song “Walking.” Goldman also sings with Naked Voices, a campus a cappella group that will perform later in the season as part of UCSB Amplified.

Every week, a new live-recorded mini-concert will showcase UCSB’s exceptional talent and diverse music scene. Next up is a performance by Walter Lewin’s Dotted Line, a quintet featuring Robert Sanlis on guitar and vocals, guitarist Leland Polhemus, drummer Andres Montiel and Nathan Graves. All but Graves are third-year undergraduates at UCSB. The band, named for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s astrophysicist, plays acoustic indie folk-pop.

The world took notice of UCSB Amplified last season when a performance by flutist Azeem Ward, now a graduate of UCSB’s Department of Music, went viral. Since then, Ward’s professional career has taken off. He’s currently touring sold-out venues in the United Kingdom as Azeem X Underbelly with fellow Gaucho alum Timmy Linetsky.

Tune in to http://ucsbamplified.tumblr.com and experience what UCSB’s thriving music community has to offer.
To be considered for the next live recording on Saturday, Oct. 24, visit the UCSB Amplified Tumblr page above and click on the Sign Up link. Participation is limited to UCSB students, faculty, staff and alumni.

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