

Press Release: Announcing the 14th Season of “Concerts at Jewett”

The University of Maine at Augusta College of Arts and Sciences and UMA Senior College announce the 2016-2017 concert schedule for the 14th season of “Concerts at Jewett” held at Jewett Hall Auditorium. Tickets are \$10, students and ages 13-18, \$5, and children 12 and under free. Tickets are available at Pat’s Pizza of Augusta, Dave’s Appliance in Winthrop and at the door.

Subscriptions (7 or more concerts) at reduced rates are available by mail. Be a PATRON – contribute \$100 or more to the Community Presentations Fund and attend all concerts free. For further information call 621-3551, email umasc@maine.edu, or visit concertsatjewett.com.

The series, sponsored by local businesses and private contributions, features talented Maine performers representing a variety of musical forms. Profits will be used to subsidize present and future lectures and concerts to benefit the community.

The following artists will perform:

Sunday, October 16, 2016, 2PM – Fiddle-icious. A multi-generational orchestra from across Maine, preserving the cultural heritage of Maine, French and Canadian fiddle music and step-dancing; directed by legendary Don Roy. At Cony High School, 60 Pierce Drive, Augusta.

Sunday, November 6, 2016, 2PM – (snow date Nov.20) – Don Campbell Honors American Veterans. Don and his band join UMA/UMASC in honoring Veterans of all ages and branches of the military. Vets admitted free. Invite an American hero to join you for this very special concert.

Sunday, December 18, 2016, 2PM – A Christmas Concert with Downeast Brass and Jay Zoller, organist. This annual concert features a stellar brass quintet, an outstanding organist and a restored 1866 E.&G.G. Hook organ. At South Parish Congregational Church, 9 Church St., Augusta.

Sunday, January 8, 2017, 2PM – (snow date Jan.15) – Dave Rowe and The Squid Jiggers return to Jewett at our audience’s request. Dave presents his reflective originals and, when paired with Troy Bennett, great vocal and instrumental harmonies on robust Maine and Maritime songs.

Sunday, February 12, 2017, 2PM – (snow date Feb. 19) – The Plaid Dragonflies. Enthusiastically recommended by Senior College students, Tess Zardus and Val Bennett will present a medley of popular songs from the 40’s through today.

Sunday, March 5, 2017, 2PM - (no snow date) – Choro Louco, a Brazilian Choro band from Portland will present the unique rhythms and intricate harmonies of Brazil’s Choro music.

Sunday, April 9, 2017, 2PM – Sarah Geller, a young Farmington native who performs in NYC, will share her outstanding violin skills. “Ms. Geller’s talents shine through to audiences who thrill at her abundant musicality and probing interpretations.” Michael Shapiro, Music Dir. and Conductor, The Chappaqua Orchestra (NY).

Sunday, May 7, 2017, 2PM – Masanobu Ikemiya, a highly acclaimed concert pianist, peace activist and environmental steward. He is also a Concerts @ Jewett favorite, featuring intricate pieces by master composers, light-hearted ragtime rhythms and videos of places and projects that inspire him.

All concerts, except for Oct. 16th and Dec. 18th are at UMA Jewett Auditorium. Call 621-3551 for information and/or tickets. Website: www.concertsatjewett.com.

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