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WCM GEARS UP FOR 14TH SEASON

The Weekend of Chamber Music presents "Summer Festival 2007: Beethoven, Schubert & the Americans" from **July 8 to 22**, at the Eddie Adams Farm, Presenting Sponsor for a second year. Five of the eight festival events are in the large, restored barn on the Jeffersonville, NY property. The farm is also home of "Barnstorm: The Eddie Adams Workshop," founded in 1988 by its namesake, the acclaimed late photographer.

With a musical range from the Baroque era right through 2006, a special highlight this summer is a performance by noted American composer/pianist **Lee Hoiby** of his own work, "Last Letter Home" at the **July 14** concert, "Beethoven & the Americans." Baritone **David Trombley**, a fellow Sullivan County resident, joins Hoiby to sing the lyrics. On the same program, pianist **Tannis Gibson**, founding member of the Monticello Trio, performs "Celestial Railroad," a rarely played piece by another American composer, Charles Ives. The following Saturday **July 21** WCM offers "Schubert & the Americans," placing the Americans Bresnick & Shields side-by-side with Schubert's Piano Trio in B-flat and some of his songs.

WCM's plucky harpsichordist, **Kenneth Hamrick** hosts "WCM goes Baroque!" in Hawley, PA and Roscoe, NY, with the return of last year's Tuesday dinner concert evenings, **July 10 and 17**. A free concert for winds **July 8** in downtown Jeffersonville kicks off the 14th season, and two open workshop evenings with the musicians, dubbed "At Work & Play Behind the Notes," are **July 13 and 20**, also free. Saturday nights are the main Festival events, with gala meet-the-artists receptions after the concerts. Fantasy is the bill of fare when WCM teams up with **NACL Theatre Company** to premiere a new interpretation of Camille Saint-Saens' "Carnival of the Animals," for a closing day family show at the Adams Farm.

"What we have is an exceptional group of musicians who love playing chamber music together, a great space (inside and out!) at the Eddie Adams Barn," says WCM's artistic director and flutist **Judith Pearce**, "and five different concert programs: from outdoor wind serenades and a children's concert, to evening programs which include the great masterpieces by Beethoven and Schubert. And we have Baroque dinner concerts... in other words something for everyone!"

Admission is free on Sunday July 8, and Fridays July 13 and 20; \$25 on Saturdays July 14 and 21; and \$10 for adults on closing day, Sunday July 22. Concert admission is always free for youth 18 and under.

Reservations are required in advance for the Café concerts July 10 and 17. Admission is \$55, which includes dinner and concert. To reserve, call 845-887-5803 or 845-932-8527, or purchase tickets online at WCMconcerts.org.

Tickets are available with PayPal or credit card at WCM's recently renovated new web site, WCMconcerts.org. Tickets may also be purchased by cash or check only at the door. Additional information is available by calling 845-887-5803, or 845-932-8527. If you reach a recording, please leave your name and telephone number.