

Coming Events

June 15 - Monticello High School

The Physics of Sound is the Arts-in-Education topic this year, and students with WCM musicians will present the results of their work in performances at MHS. 7pm, 39 Breakey Ave., Monticello, NY.

June 20 - Music in the Barn, Bethel

WCM's second fundraiser of the year helps support the Artist Coaching Project & the school A-in-E projects. The annual event begins at 6pm at the country home of a WCM Patron, & includes an al fresco buffet supper with wine, & concert in the barn followed by dessert & coffee on the terrace. Flutist Judith Pearce, harpsichordist Ken Hamrick & violinist Sunghae Anna Lim perform a 'mostly' Mozart concert of solos, duos and trios.

Reservations are \$75 & are required in advance. Call 718-638-8962 or 845-932-8527 for directions & to reserve.

July 12 to 26 - The Russian Connection

WCM's 16th Summer Festival - Deals & Details Inside!

Festival Box Office Opens May 22

Memorial Day Weekend

TICKETS

July 12 - FREE

July 14 & 21 - \$60 per person, dinner & concert

July 16 & 23 - \$15, free for students 18 & under

July 17 & 24 - FREE

July 18 & 26 - \$25; free for students 18 & under

July 26 - \$10; free for students 18 & under

Tickets online with PayPal or credit card; tickets at the door, cash/check only. Non-refundable.

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From the Artistic Director



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Dear Friends,

IT'S SPRING – and I realize it's the last newsletter before the festival (July 12–26) so I must pack all my temptations and flattery into this **single vertical box. It isn't difficult,** however, because my head is full of various bits of music, a pre-festival soup - a lively, internal, endless concert. And this year there seems to be an **especially broad sweep of music from the late 1500's to 2008. For instance, we'll have a US premiere; music by some of Russia's greatest composers; a celebration of three "Sullivan County" composers, all well-known; early Italian music including Locatelli's "Harmonic Labyrinth,"** and a delightful piece, not JUST for children, about wind energy ... to name just a few ingredients audiences will savor during "The Russian Connection."

Recently I was dipping into Russell Sherman's book "Piano Pieces" and came across this unusual, and lovely thought: "When all is said and done the melody is still the queen bee. All the other voices must serve the colony by diligently supporting her. For without her health, well-being, and radiance, the colony—and the piece—will not survive."

Perhaps the word radiance can entice you to this year's *Music in the Barn*, our June 20th gala benefit. We've planned a program of Mozart sonatas (and other tidbits) for violin, flute and harpsichord. One doesn't hear Mozart very often on the harpsichord now, but it was a common performance practice during his lifetime. In fact the harpsichord is a wonderful partner in these sonatas, and the three of us are seriously excited!

It is our 16th season and sixteenth festival too, of course; last year several friends pronounced the 15th "the best ever!" Don't miss your chance to disagree with them this year.

Till we meet...

Judith Pearce

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WCM's 16th Summer Music Festival in the Catskills

The Russian Connection - July 12-26, 2009

Eddie Adams Farm, Presenting Sponsor - Jeffersonville, NY

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July 12 - Sunday *Downtown Arts Day Artisans' Fair 11 am-3 pm*; **WCM's Bicentennial Concert** is at 3pm on the Presbyterian Church lawn, & a meet-the-artists' reception follows at **Global Home** on Main Street. Singer Annie Hat brings her unique take on the music of Irving Berlin & **Harry Woods to the stage, and the WCM Festival Artists perform Lee Hoiby's "Diversions for Wind Quintet."** **FREE! Rain or shine** - inside the church if it rains.



July 14 & 21 - Tuesday *Café Concerts with Panache* **Elegant dinner concert evenings at 2 of the area's most popular destinations.** For a limited time, get a discount for a party of 4 with the coupon below right; or take advantage of combination deals with Forestburgh Playhouse at top right. Reservations are required; \$60 per person.

7/14 - Settlers Inn, Hawley PA - Sponsored by The River Reporter - *Thank you!*

Music by Mozart, Bach & Pergolesi. Harpsichordist Kenneth Hamrick, flutist Judith Pearce, violinist Sunghae Anna Lim, cellist Caroline Stinson.

7/21 - Villa Roma Clubhouse, Callicoon NY - Sponsored by The Delaware & Hudson CANVAS - *Thank you!*

Music by Tartini, Vivaldi, Pergolesi & Locatelli. Violinist Mark Rush joins Hamrick, Pearce & Stinson.

July 16 & 23 - Thursday *MusicTalks!* Illustrated music & lecture demos. Admission \$15, cash/check at the door.

7/16 - Musicologist Nate Randall has an illustrated lecture on Russian music. Janice Center, Jeffersonville

7/23 - Violinist Mark Rush presents the romantic virtuoso music of Eugène Ysaÿe. Adams Farm, Jeffersonville

July 17 & 24 - Friday *At Work & Play Behind the Notes* Free workshops give audiences a behind-the-scenes look at what goes into putting the music together for Saturday main event concerts. Questions encouraged! Adams Farm.

7/17 - American composer Andrew Waggoner will be on hand to discuss his work & the WCM artists will rehearse some of the music for the July 18 concert.

7/24 - Applaud our MHS Festival Interns as they demonstrate a coaching session with WCM Artists & perform a chamber piece, then stay for a rehearsal of Russian music for the final Saturday concert.

July 18 & 25 - *Gala Saturdays* focus on a Russian theme with a slice of romance & a dash of new American music at the Adams Farm. Meet-the-Artist Receptions & refreshments. General admission \$25; free for students 18 & under.

7/18 - Shostakovich E minor *Piano Trio* / Arensky D minor *Piano Trio* / Waggoner - *Catena di cuori* - a U.S.

Premiere with the composer present! Pianist Tannis Gibson joins Pearce, Lim & Stinson. Reception generously sponsored & hosted by Delaware Highlands Conservancy - *Thank you!*

7/25 - Prokofiev Quintet & D major Sonata; Rimsky-Korsakov Quintet; Rachmaninoff Prelude & Vocalise, & Tchaikovsky short instrumental works. Pianist Marija Stroke, violist Tawnya Popoff, oboist Matt Sullivan, clarinetist Maureen Hurd, hornist Daniel Grabojs, bassoonist Leonard Hindell & double bassist Roger Wagner join Pearce & Rush.

July 26 - *Family Concert at the Farm* **It's a FAMILY AFFAIR** - bring the kids! Whether it's about a fugitive turkey, a mysterious message from the moon or a Sarcastic Fringehead Fish, *Bruce Adolphe's* music for families & schools

captures the hearts & minds of audiences of all ages. The composer & musical tour guide extraordinaire takes the stage as narrator, with his 10-year-old daughter Katja as Flutter, in a fantastical tale of wind & energy on Zephyronia. Things come to a head when, during a lavish birthday party for the Emperor, the planet runs **out of resources & is plunged into darkness!** **Louise Gikow's** humorous story (with a serious message) is set to Adolphe's wind quintet, *Zephyronia*, performed by the Festival Artists. Hands-on wind exploration encouraged!



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FB PLAYHOUSE & WCM TEAM UP FOR DISCOUNTS!

Weekend Of Chamber Music & Forestburgh Playhouse
bring you the best deal of the summer on concerts, musicals & family events!

Get a *Package of Pleasure* at 10% off for...

Event Title	Events Included	Dates	Discount	Total Package
Midweek Français et Fantastique	Café Concert with Panache (Settlers Inn, Hawley) <i>Plus</i> Les Miserables (Forestburgh Playhouse)	Tues. July 14 at 6 PM <i>and</i> Wed. July 15 at 8 PM	10% Includes dinner, concert & Playhouse musical	\$87.00
Weekend Français et Russe	Gala Concert (Adams Farm, Jeffersonville) <i>Plus</i> Les Miserables (Forestburgh)	Sat. July 18 at 8 PM <i>and</i> Sun. July 19 at 3 PM	10% Includes concert, gala reception & Playhouse musical	\$51.00
Midweek Dixie & Delicious	Café Concert with Panache (Villa Roma, Callicoon) <i>Plus</i> Showboat (Forestburgh)	Tues. July 21 at 6 PM <i>and</i> Wed. July 22 at 8 PM	10% Includes dinner, concert & Playhouse musical	\$87.00
Young at Heart	Family Concert at the Farm (Adams Farm, Jeffersonville) <i>Plus</i> High School Musical (Forestburgh)	Sun. July 26 at 3 PM <i>and</i> Thurs./Sat. July 16, 18, 23 or 25 at 11 AM	10% Includes WCM concert with free admission 18 & under, & Playhouse musical	\$20

May not be combined with any other subscriptions, offers or other discounts.

Tickets available ONLY through Forestburgh Playhouse Box Office beginning May 23.

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Café Concert with Panache - LIMITED TIME 10% Off

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**** Hurry! Offer expires Midnight June 20 ****