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SUMMER FESTIVAL SET TO OPEN

The Weekend of Chamber Music presents ***Summer Festival 2007: Beethoven, Schubert & the Americans July 8 to 22*** at the Eddie Adams Farm, Presenting Sponsor for a second year in Jeffersonville, NY. This summer WCM offers a veritable Musical Menagerie replete with musical clocks, warblers & blowfish; fiddlers, actors & stiltwalkers!

A free concert on the back lawn of the Presbyterian Church on Main Street kicks off the Festival at 3 pm opening day **July 8**. Audiences can expect to hear some wind pieces for big groups by Gounod and Beethoven, and The Blue Victorian Antiques & Gallery hosts a post-concert reception at the shop just down the street.

The Main Event Saturday concerts, *Beethoven & the Americans July 14* and *Schubert & the Americans July 21*, showcase some of the masterworks of chamber music alongside important music by contemporary American composers. Composer/pianist **Lee Hoiby** performs one of his own works, *Last Letter Home*, and pianist **Tannis Gibson** performs Charles Ives' *Celestial Railroad* July 14. Gibson performs a Martin Bresnick solo, and soprano **Szilvia Schranz** and flutist **Judith Pearce** and Alice Shields' *Wildcat Songs* are side-by-side with Schubert July 21.

WCM goes completely Baroque with harpsichordist **Kenneth Hamrick**, WCM's lively host for the Café Concerts with Panache, in Hawley, PA **July 10** and Callicoon Center, NY **July 17**. Bach, Scarlatti and Handel are among the bill of after-dinner fare in music for harpsichord, soprano, flute, violin and bassoon. Dubbed At Work & Play Behind the Notes, the public is invited to eavesdrop without cost as the artists rehearse on Fridays **July 13** and **20**, and a bit of fantasy lurks among the trees as **NACL Theatre** teams up with WCM to premiere a re-interpretation of Camille Saint-Saens' *Carnival of the Animals*, in a closing day family show outdoors at the Farm.

Admission is free on Sunday July 8, and Fridays July 13 and 20. Tickets are \$25 on Saturdays July 14 and 21; and \$10 for adults on Sunday July 22. Reservations are \$55 and required in advance for the Café concerts July 10 and 17.

Tickets for all events may be purchased with credit card or PayPal at WCMconcerts.org and all pre-paid tickets will be held at the Box Office. Admission to any concert is free for youth 18 and under.

To reserve or for information, call 845-887-5803 or 845-932-8527.