

Waggoner on the promise of utopia

Weekend of Chamber Music begins, includes world premiere

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Andrew Waggoner / Weekend of Chamber Music

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Last year, the Weekend of Chamber Music partnered with the Catskill Art Society for a project that lauded the existence of wallpaper murals found within the walls of Livingston Manor Central School. Designed in 1834 in France, the murals depicted life in America, and especially the Hudson Valley. The Catskill Art Society launched an exhibit, while the Weekend of Chamber Music commissioned composer Andrew Waggoner to create music that responded to the murals.

Waggoner's creation was "5 Singles," miniature movements that debuted in October 2010. But there were more panels from which to draw, and so Waggoner developed additional movements. Now it's "8 Singles," and that will receive its world premiere July 16 as part of the Weekend of Chamber Music's summer series.

And that series, "Classic to Cool!," begins Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church lawn in Jeffersonville. Weekend of Chamber Music Artistic Director and flutist Judith Pearce, oboist Matt Sullivan, clarinetist Pavel Vinnitsky, French hornist Adam Schommer and bassoonist Gina Cuffar will perform works by Bernstein, Joplin, Grant Still and the beloved local composer Lee Hoiby, who died in March.

IF YOU GO!

What: "8 Singles"

When: 4 p.m. July 16

Where: Eddie Adams Farm, North Branch Road, Jeffersonville

Price: \$25, children 18 and younger free

Call: 887-5803

Visit: www.wcmconcerts.org

Also:

What: "All-American Music for Winds"

When: 3 p.m. July 10

Where: First Presbyterian Church, 4907 Route 52, Jeffersonville

Price: \$10 suggested donation