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Carroll Arts Center Announces 22/23 Season of Live Performances

Featuring a dynamic lineup of music, dance, and more

The Carroll County Arts Council is thrilled to announce the Arts Center's upcoming season of dynamic live entertainment. Tickets are now on sale online at CarrollArtsCenter.org. Their 22/23 season features exciting new performance series that highlight local, regional, and national talent:

Sunday Classics Series – These monthly concerts on Sunday afternoons at 2pm feature acclaimed chamber musicians. Sunday Classics performers this season include nationally renowned pianist from the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, Lura Johnson, flute orchestra Flute Cocktail conducted by Linda Kirkpatrick, classical guitar from the Arabesque Duo, and more to be announced.

BrewHaHa Comedy Series – Every month, hilarious comedians take the stage in this new series on select Thursday nights at 8pm. Pipe the Side Brewing Company of Hampstead, MD will be hosting preshow happy hours before every show at 6:45pm. This series is for ages 21 and up only. Featured comedians this season include Justin Schlegel, Camille Roberts, Franqi French, and more to be announced.

Leister Jazz Series – Returning once again to the Arts Center is The Leister Jazz Series with the Leister Quartet. These monthly concerts feature local musician Monte Leister and his titular quartet as they play a diverse repertoire of jazz classics and originals. Every concert features a special guest musician and a portion of the proceeds benefit a local nonprofit.

Common Ground Downtown – The CCAC is excited to announce a formal partnership with local arts nonprofit, Common Ground on the Hill. Common Ground has rented the Arts Center for years to present concerts featuring acclaimed roots, bluegrass, and Americana musicians. With the formation of the Common Ground Downtown series, these fantastic concerts will be a part of the Carroll Arts Center's official live performance season!

The Carroll Arts Center's 22/23 Season live performance schedule is as follows:

September 2, 2022: **Justin Schlegel feat. Mike Aronin** (BrewHaHa Comedy Series)

September 10, 2022: Andy Bopp, Baltimore singer-songwriter

September 18, 2022: Lura Johnson, BSO pianist (Sunday Classics Series)

September 21, 2022: **The Leister Quartet feat. Ian Hoke** (Leister Jazz Series)

October 8, 2022: Alif Laila, classical sitar

October 9, 2022: **Trio d'anches, woodwind trio** (Sunday Classics Series)

October 12, 2022: The Leister Quartet feat. Jay Fenner (Leister Jazz Series)

October 13, 2022: **The Lily Show & The Matthew Presentation** (BrewHaHa Comedy Series)

November 5, 2022: **Danny Paisley and the Southern Grass, bluegrass** (Common Ground Downtown)

November 6, 2022: Flute Cocktail, flute choir (Sunday Classics Series)

November 16, 2022: The Leister Quartet feat. Dan Andrews (Leister Jazz Series)

November 17, 2022: Camille Roberts (BrewHaHa Comedy Series)

December 10, 2022: Walt Michael and Company, holiday concert (Common Ground Downtown)

December 17 - 18, 2022: A Charlie Brown Jazz Christmas

December 21, 2022: **Bob Cratchit and the Bookkeepers** (Leister Jazz Series)

February 4, 2023: Urban Artistry, hip hop dance

February 11, 2023: **The Seldom Scene, bluegrass** (Common Ground Downtown)

February 12, 2023: **Arabesque Duo, classical guitar** (Sunday Classics Series)

February 15, 2023: **The Leister Quartet, guest TBA** (Leister Jazz Series)

February 16, 2023: **Frangi French** (BrewHaHa Comedy Series)

February 27, 2023: Mad River Theater: Freedom Bound (Common Ground Downtown celebrates Black

History Month)

March 4, 2023: Teelin Irish Dance Company

March 10, 2023: Gaelic Mishap, Celtic rock

March 15, 2023: **The Leister Quartet, guest TBA** (Leister Jazz Series)

March 18, 2023: **Guy Davis, blues guitarist** (Common Ground Downtown)

April 22, 2023: **Jazz Spectacular!** (Leister Jazz Series)

May 5, 2023: **Andrew Balio, BSO trumpeter** (Sunday Classics Series – Special Friday night show)

May 17, 2023: **The Leister Quartet, guest TBA** (Leister Jazz Series)

"I'm incredibly excited and proud of our upcoming season," says CCAC Executive Director, Lynne Griffith, "Our goal was to curate a diverse and eclectic season with wide appeal. The varied new performance series this year ensure that there's always a great performance happening at the Carroll Arts Center."

Review all of the Carroll Arts Center's current COVID-19 policies at <u>CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org/covid-19-policies</u>.

Get event and ticket information for the 22/23 season online at CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org or call the Box Office at 410-848-7272. The Carroll Arts Center is in downtown Westminster, MD at 91 W. Main Street.

About the Carroll County Arts Council

The Carroll County Arts Council is located at 91 West Main Street in the magnificently renovated Carroll Arts Center, formerly the Carroll Theatre, in downtown Westminster, MD. The art deco building now houses a 263-seat theatre, galleries, a gift shop, classrooms, and offices. The CCAC's mission is to enrich our community, both culturally and economically, by presenting, promoting and supporting a wide variety of arts opportunities for our residents, visitors, and artists. For more information call 410-848-7272 or visit www.CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org.

PHOTOS:

Alif Laila Lura Johnson Justin Schlegel The Seldom Scene

Photos for all acts available upon request