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Appalachian Chamber Music Festival Announces 2023 Season

ACMF returns for their third summer festival with another spectacular line-up of concerts

Harpers Ferry, W.Va. – The Appalachian Chamber Music Festival has announced the schedule for their 2023 season, to be held August 14 - 27 with events in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia and the surrounding region.

Programming will reflect this year's theme, "Places That Inspire", and will feature works inspired by places of natural and historic beauty. Highlights of the 2023 season include performances of Igor Stravinsky's "Dumbarton Oaks" inspired by the historic D.C. home of the same name, Schubert's "Trout Quintet" inspired allegorically by rivers and waterways, and Tchaikovsky's "Souvenir de Florence" a nod to the city's historic importance in Renaissance art.

Audiences will be treated to enthralling and intimate performances by world-class musicians who are dedicated to playing music written for small ensembles including string quartets, trios with piano and strings, and larger works with strings, brass and winds. Programs will include a range of repertoire from classical favorites to arrangements based on traditional music, folk tunes, and fiddle music. ACMF will present two world premiere performances this summer: a piece featuring classical banjoist John Bullard written by Steven Snowden and a commissioned work by composer Mark Boden.

The festival will conclude with a free concert event, hosted in partnership with the National Park Service and Harpers Ferry National Historical Park. This event will be free and open to the public, and will feature the old-time fiddler Earl White and his String Band, a reflection on Harpers Ferry as a "Place That Inspires" by Nancy Cook who was a recent participant in the National Park Service's Artist in Residence program at Harpers Ferry. The event will conclude with a final concert featuring festival musicians.

The two week festival will include 12 unique performances and educational programming. Tickets go on sale June first. For the full schedule of events, visit www.AppalachianChamber.org.

The Appalachian Chamber Music Festival is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit performing arts organization serving communities in Jefferson County, West Virginia, and the surrounding region. ACMF melds world-class chamber music performances, collaboration and outreach, with the rich and inspiring history, nature and culture of Harpers Ferry, Charles Town, Jefferson County and surrounding areas. We are all about bringing music to audiences in new, meaningful and accessible ways!