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CAROGA ARTS COLLECTIVE ANNOUNCES 2024 CAROGA LAKE MUSIC FESTIVAL PROGRAMMING

The 13th Annual Caroga Lake Music Festival will welcome over 150 world-class artists to the Southern Adirondacks for a season of concerts, community events, and music education offerings

CAROGA LAKE, NY (April 11, 2024) - Caroga Arts Collective today announced the lineup for Caroga Lake Music Festival (CLMF)'s 2024 summer season. This season, Caroga Arts will bring more than **150 artists from around the world to Caroga for 40 events** spanning genres from funk, rock, pop to jazz, americana, classical and even comedy -- **including notable artists** <u>Cory Wong</u>, <u>Sawyer Fredericks</u>, <u>Eddie</u> <u>Barbash</u>, <u>Alex Moffat</u>, <u>Henhouse Prowlers</u>, and rising superstar <u>Eddie Benjamin</u>. In addition, over 100 Resident Artists from 24 states and 5 countries will be in residence across six weeks and perform major orchestral pieces like Beethoven's Fifth Symphony and Copland's Appalachian Spring, as well as prominent solo and chamber works.

"Each summer, it's a joy to bring artists, audiences and communities together for concerts, events and memories along the lake. It's hard to believe we started this 13 seasons ago when we were only teenagers and now those same artists are going on to win the Grammys, playing in Carnegie Hall and touring across the world. CLMF resides at the core of Caroga Arts mission to reimagine the Adirondack Experience through the power of the arts," said Kyle Barrett Price, Founder, Executive and Artistic Director of the Caroga Arts Collective. "By showcasing a diverse group of artists ranging across genres, generations, and geographies, we are confident this year's lineup features something for everyone."

Performing at CLMF for the first time this year are '80s rock band <u>Generation Radio</u> (featuring former members of Chicago, Rascal Flatts, and Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers), Americana/country group <u>The Mallett Brothers Band</u>, and jazz vocalist <u>Shayna Steele</u>. Other highlights will include:

• "Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue at 100," performed by <u>Caroga Arts Ensemble</u> and conducted by Grammy winner <u>David Alan Miller</u>, with <u>Kevin Cole</u> on piano

- The return of the free **Kids Carousel Concert series** including a performance of Louie the Loon, back by popular demand
- Bridging art forms together, CLMF will feature special performances by <u>The</u> <u>Queen's Cartoonists</u> and collaborations with <u>Running Wild Media</u> and Utica Dance
- Multi-instrumentalist and musical prodigy **Eddie Benjamin**, who toured with superstar Justin Bieber, collaborates with **Caroga Arts Ensemble**
- "Tribute Night: Eagles meets AC/DC," with Live Wire AC/DC Tribute and Epic Eagles

The majority of CLMF concerts will once again be held at Sherman's Park, the historic and much-loved former amusement park in Caroga Lake, NY. With a lakeside pavilion and classic dance hall, Sherman's Park is an idyllic backdrop for the season's performances and community events. Caroga Arts is proud to welcome concert goers of all ages to ride the George and Ruth Abdella Carousel before every CLMF concert at Sherman's Park. Throughout the season, CLMF resident artists will also perform at partnering venues and festivals across the region as part of CLMF on Tour performances.

In Fall of 2023, Caroga Arts launched the String Project & Arts Collaborative Education (SPACE) program in Wheelerville and Johnstown schools. This groundbreaking initiative aims to deliver accessible music lessons and mentorship opportunities to students in schools where the offerings are not otherwise provided in their music programs. This summer marks another milestone for Caroga Arts as they introduce the SPACE Summer Camp, previously recognized as the CLMF Lessons & Ensemble Program. The camp is designed to continue the momentum of providing individual and small group lessons throughout the summer, offering students the opportunity to learn from the esteemed Resident Artists.

"We are thrilled to provide returning and new engaging workshops for all ages and levels through the SPACE Summer Camp. Each summer, our education programs have proven to be a rewarding experience for all involved -- the Resident Artist instructors, our community of music students, and all attendees of our annual showcase," said Stephanie Price-Wong, Caroga Arts' Director of Education and Community Engagement. "As we expand arts education offerings to support our youngest students to our senior amateur musicians, the summer program remains a beloved tradition that allows us to build on our year-round resources and provide opportunities for musicians of all ages to hone their musical talents." Discounted Season Passes are now available for purchase (as of 4/11/24) and tickets for individual performances will go on sale April 26, 2024.

All Caroga Arts presented events are **FREE** for children and students age 17 and below, excluding fundraising events. To learn more about Caroga Arts and reserve tickets, please visit <u>https://carogaarts.org/</u>.

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ABOUT CAROGA ARTS

The mission of Caroga Arts Collective is to reimagine the Adirondack experience through the power of the arts. Founded in 2012, Caroga Arts presents over 50 performances and community events each year, welcoming more than 150 artists from around the world to the Southern Adirondacks. Caroga Arts focuses on revitalizing the region through community outreach, partnerships with local businesses and non-profit organizations, and arts education programming for youth and adults. A 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, Caroga Arts is proud to call lakeside Sherman's Park--the beloved former amusement park in Caroga Lake, NY--its home. Learn more: https://carogaarts.org

DATE	TIME	EVENT
		Kids Carousel Concert: Reptiles & Friends
Sat, May 25, 2024	11:00 AM	Via Aquarium
Sat, May 25, 2024	7:00 PM	The Man in Black: A Tribute to Johnny Cash
Fri, Jul 5, 2024	7:30 PM	CLMF Resident Artists: Symphonic Sparks! A Fourth of July Concert & Fireworks
Sat, Jul 6, 2024	5:00 PM	Red, White, Blues & Bluegrass The Mallett Brothers Band; Quinn Sullivan; Geoff Saunders & The Nashville Bluegrass Buddies
		CLMF Resident Artists: Carousel Music Box
Wed, Jul 17, 2024	7:00 PM	An immersive experience with Caroga Arts & Utica Dance
		CLMF on Tour: Caroga Chapel
Fri, Jul 19, 2024	7:00 PM	Caroga Arts Ensemble performs the Holberg Suite
		Caroga Arts Gala: A Midsummer Night's Dream
Sat, Jul 20, 2024	5:00 PM	Cara Samantha & The Highline Band
Sun, Jul 21, 2024	3:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: Sacandaga Valley Arts Network
Wed, Jul 24, 2024	7:00 PM	The Queen's Cartoonists

2024 SEASON SCHEDULE

		Music from cartoons and animation, Live and synchronized to the big screen!
Thurs, Jul 25, 2024	7:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: <u>Cooperstown Summer Music Festival</u>
Fri, Jul 26, 2024	7:00 PM	CLMF Resident Artists: American Journeys A Musical Landscape of American composers, Tommy Mesa, cello
Sat, Jul 27, 2024	7:00 PM	Generation Radio Super Group featuring Jay Demarcus (Rascal Flatts) and Jason Scheff (Chicago)
Sun, Jul 28, 2024	6:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: Caroga Museum
Tue, Jul 30, 2024	7:00 PM	An Evening with Cory Wong & Strings A special acoustic performance and conversation
Wed, Jul 31, 2024	7:00 PM	Cory Wong & the Wongnotes with Caroga Arts Ensemble
Thurs, Aug 1, 2024	7:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: A Musical Exhibition at Arkell Pre-Concert with Lucy Durkin, Art History Professor at Eastman School of Music
Fri, Aug 2, 2024	7:00 PM	CLMF Resident Artists: Metamorphosis: Where Nature meets Music Immersive Visuals from Running Wild Media
Sat, Aug 3, 2024	11:00 AM	Kids Carousel Concert: Meet the Instruments! Featuring members of WindSync with CLMF Resident Artists
Sat, Aug 3, 2024	2:00 PM	SAUNDERSFEST Henhouse Prowlers, Saunders Family Band and more!
Sun, Aug 4, 2024	1:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: Peck Lake Marina
Sun, Aug 4, 2024	6:00 PM	Rich Saunders' Songwriter Circle with Caroga Arts Ensemble Rich Saunders, Belle-Skinner and more!
Mon, Aug 5, 2024	6:30 PM	CLMF on Tour: St. Johnsville Summer Concert Series
Wed, Aug 7, 2024	7:00 PM	Shayna Steele and Caroga Arts Ensemble
Thurs, Aug 8, 2024	6:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: Johnstown Midsummer Concert Series
Fri, Aug 9, 2024	7:00 PM	Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue at 100 Caroga Arts Ensemble; David Alan Miller, conductor; Kevin Cole, piano
Sat, Aug 10, 2024	11:00 AM	Caroga Cornhole Classic In Partnership with West Caroga Lake Association
Sat, Aug 10, 2024	7:00 PM	Eddie Benjamin with Caroga Arts Ensemble
Sun, Aug 11, 2024	9:00 AM	6th Annual Charity Golf Tournament

6:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: The Barge Concert at Canada Lake
7:00 PM	CLMF Resident Artists: An Evening of Encores (Part I)
6:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: Lorenzo State Historic Site
7:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: An Evening of Encores (Part II)
	CLMF Resident Artists: Festival Finale: Beethoven's Fifth Symphony
7:00 PM	Fabiola Kim, violin; Nate West, bass
11:00 AM	Kids Carousel Concert: Louie the Loon!
7:00 PM	A Night at the Symphony with Eddie Barbash
	CLMF Resident Artists: Festival Finale: Beethoven's Fifth
3:00 PM	Fabiola Kim, violin; Nate West, bass
11:00 AM	Kids Carousel Concert: Live Raptors! Herkimer's own Deb Saltis & Falcon Heart Rescue
7:00 PM	Tribute Night: Eagles meets AC/DC Live Wire AC/DC Tribute; Epic Eagles
7:00 PM	CLMF on Tour: A Musical Exhibition Kyle Price, solo cello
1:00 PM	10th Annual Woofstock: Peace, Love & Drool Sawyer Fredericks, Sean Rowe, Alex Torres & His Latin Orchestra, Girl Blue, Insolent Willies, Cleen Street
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