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The Bergonzi Trio practicing the "Archduke Trio"



President's Note

After a long winter, we look forward with great anticipation to summer and a great Pine Mountain Music Festival. The 2019 Festival (June 17-30) has been created with an amazing line-up of musicians.

We have a new model, producing a season in all of our geographical areas with exciting musicians, that we can afford. As we shared with you in our last mailing, we are debt free, our office is minimal, our director, Doug Day, is on a contract basis, and our Board has been expanded, allowing us to dedicate your donations to produce a quality Festival. With the success of the Family Pass last season, we are offering that again this year to encourage young families to become future patrons.

Look at the 2019 Season's line-up on our website, PMMF.org, and watch for your ticket brochure in the mail soon. We appreciate each one of you for your consistent support at the start of the season and attendance during the Festival.

In Your Service,
Diane Eshbach, Board President

■ Pine Mountain Music Festival lost a long-time supporter and friend, Patricia Van Pelt, this past week. We extend our condolences to Peter and their family from all of us.

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UPstarts with Giovanni Perez, Miles Massicotte and Hristina Blagoeva



A-list classical group, pianist Miles Massicotte, his wife, flutist Hristina Blagoeva and flutist Giovanni Perez (pictured, left) are mentoring/touring with the Best and the Brightest of the U.P. young musicians, the UPstarts. This year's lineup includes: Mezzo-Soprano Karen Albert, Pianist Eric Banitt, Pianist Kalee Hernandez, Trombonist Benjamin Zindler and Bassist Ben Merte (pictured, right). Special guest is one of last year's UPstarts, soprano Liz Grugin, who will perform a duet with Karen: Delibes' *Duo des fleurs / Sous le dôme épais* from *Lakmé*. Arias from Rossini and Bizet echoing twenty-nine years of Pine Mountain's presentation of opera. We also welcome back our resident accompanist, Susie Bykkonen. This is going to be a wicked fun show with jazz flute, classical pieces, an avant garde piano and bass piece, and an original commissioned work from Miles Massicotte for all those instruments and singers. A single show will open as the finale of Marquette's Artweek celebrations, in the Presque Isle Bandshell, Friday, June 28th. It will be a free event, thanks to Travel Marquette and the Arts and Culture Office of Marquette. The group will travel to Iron Mountain and Houghton on June 29 and 30th. Miles, Hristina and Giovanni will do a separate show at the Calumet Theatre on Wednesday, June 26th. You won't want to miss it!

You can also join Giovanni and Hristina for a Flute Masterclass on Sunday, June 30th at 1:30 at the Portage Lake United Church in Houghton.



Call for Volunteers!

Pine Mountain needs your help! Are you interested in helping with one of our shows? Do you have a spare bedroom a performer can use for a night? We are also in need of a good-quality keyboard our pianist, Lindsay Garritson, can use for the Bergonzi's free children's concert at the Dickinson Library. Can you help us out?

Please contact us at 906-482-1542 or email execdir@pmmf.org and we will be happy to put you to work and get you plugged in!

The Family Pass Returns to Involve
Young Families in Celebrating Classical Music

Our Family Pass is back! For \$129, you and a significant other as well as dependent children or grandchildren can get access to all of our shows! Please consider buying a pass for a family who might not have the opportunity to attend.

Advertise with us

We are putting together the program for all our concerts, and we would love to have your business show their support by placing an ad! Great discounts for new businesses and a wide audience. Contact ads@pmmf.org for more information.

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The Pine Mountain Music Festival is proud to announce an exciting season. This year's Festival marks the twenty-ninth year of bringing Classical and World Music to the communities of Marquette, Iron Mountain, Crystal Falls, Houghton/Hancock and Calumet.

The classical foundation of PMMF for years has been the Bergonzi String Quartet. This year Scott Flavin and Ross Harbaugh are joined by the young piano virtuoso, Lindsay Garritson. The new group is guaranteed to delight! Beethoven's Archduke Trio is being prepared for this season by special request. In addition to offering concerts in Iron Mountain, Marquette and at the Rozsa Center in Houghton, The Bergonzi Trio will be presenting Free Family Concerts in libraries in all three towns in the afternoon.



Pianist Lindsay Garritson of the Bergonzi Trio



Moira Smiley

Making a big statement in Traditional and World Music circles is Moira Smiley who will also offer choral workshops as part of The Pine Mountain Music Festival. "Wow!" said Erin Colwitz, Head of Choral music at N.M.U. "I've been trying to get her here for years!" Erin's Community Chorus will join Moira and Jefferson Hamer in the Reynolds Recital Hall at N.M.U. on Tuesday, June 18th.

PMMF Director Doug Day, says Jefferson Hamer, like Moira Smiley, is the performer other performers want to be beside onstage. His sensitive guitar accompaniment may be part of the reason Moira Smiley agreed to put Pine Mountain on her busy summer schedule and Jefferson is a monster in his own right! Jefferson astounds as singer/songwriter and as an interpreter of Child ballads and when he plugs in, as a dynamic rocker. The highlight of the festival Day attended last summer was Jefferson's version of the Kinks', Victoria. He brought down the house. We expect that the combination of Jefferson Hamer with Moira Smiley will bring down all the houses on their U.P. tour as part of the Pine Mountain Music Festival.

Find the full schedule and more information at PMMF.org