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News & Events - October 2016



Andy John's Instrument Petting Zoo at AMS Open House, Sept. 2016

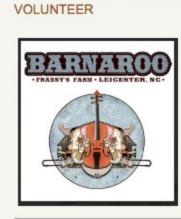
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Barnaroo Music Festival 9/30-10/2

We're thrilled to be continuing our partnership with Barnaroo Asheville. The festival takes place Sept. 30-Oct. 2 at Franny's Farm in Leicester, NC. AMS Rock Band (aka Minør) performs on Sat. Oct. 1 at 12:00pm. Barnaroo features performances by numerous local & regional bands, including Andrew Scotchie & The River Rats, Yarn, Pierce Edens, Shake It Like A Caveman, Porch 40, Travers Brothership, and more.

A portion of festival proceeds, plus 100% of the silent auction proceeds, go to benefit AMS programs.

The festival is all ages, and if you'd like to volunteer you can get in FREE! Here's the link: BARNAROO



Tony Grey's Conceptual Blueprint Approach Workshop & Performance 10/4



Bassist Tony Grey is putting on a workshop and performance at AMS on Tues. Oct. 4 at 6:00pm. Tony Grey is a multi-instrumentalist, master bassist, composer, producer, published author and award-winning music educator. He has performed with some huge names in the music world, including John McLaughlin, Hiromi, Herbie Hancock, Wayne Shorter, Bill Evans, Reeves Gabrels & Jason Cooper (The Cure), Zakir Hussain, and more.

Tony encourages students to bring their instruments (all instruments welcome), without amps or anything extra. He guides the workshop to focus around his personal teaching philosophy, which is based in creative learning. For example: If you're learning a scale, instead of just learning it - learn how to make melodies with it, how to create bass lines with it, how to compose with it, how to improvise with it, and most importantly learn how to hear and feel it all over your instrument so that the only thing holding you back is the limitation of your own imagination. He'll apply this to various topics, such as technique, bass line building, soloing concepts, composition, learning to play jazz standards, and navigating around the instrument freely. The intention behind his approach is to provide students with a conceptual blueprint that can be applied, regardless of what level they are at.

The workshop is followed by a performance by Tony Grey's Galactic Duo

More info on the FB event page HERE.

AMS Ensembles at LEAF 10/23

One of our many fantastic music festivals in Western NC, Lake Eden Arts Festival takes place Oct. 20-23 in Black Mtn. Two of our students ensembles will be performing on Sun. Oct. 23 at 12pm on the Roots Family Stage -Gabrielle Tee's pop/rock group Vinyl Crossroads, and Andy John's classic rock group.



New Adult Ensemble Forming Now

For intermediate to advanced adult students, "Eight Days" will reinterpret music of The Beatles utilizing the strengths of its band members. Instrumentalists and vocalists with at least one year of private lesson experience are welcome. Tuition for the Fall semester (10 one-hour weekly classes culminating in a performance) is \$160. Rehearsals will begin the first week in October. Tentative class times are Thursdays, 11am - 12pm or Sundays 1pm - 2pm. Led by guitarist Patrick Walters. Click HERE for more info.

Contact Gabrielle Tee at gabrielle@ashevillemusicschool.org to inquire.



Thank You, Twisted Laurel

Our wonderful neighbors helped us out with our Open House back in early September. Now, we're helping them with some free live music. A number of our students and teachers will be performing there throughout October. All shows at 5pm

- Patrick Walters, Oct. 4 & 11
- Christina Thompson & Abbie Earley, Oct. 25 Up Next Duo- Haylie Fehl & Eva Peterson, tba
- · Kylie Brown, tba

Recital Dates Announced

Save the dates! Dec. 2- Ensemble Performances & Adult Open Mic at Block Off Biltmore Dec. 3 & 4- Student Recitals at Altamont Theatre, downtown Asheville.

What will you play?

HAPPY MUSIC MAKING!!

Student Spotlight: Valerie & Mark Noble



Mark and Valerie have been students at AMS for about 4 years. They got into music fairly late in life, with Mark having some previous experience as a youngster. Valerie says, "I had no experience with music whatsoever and was inspired to learn to play the cello after seeing a video of a favorite song done for a BBC production."

Val began cello lessons with Ryan Reardon about 4 years ago, and then Mark began violin lessons with Ryan so they could play duets. "I also began taking electric bass lessons; I found that to be easier and much less frustrating!," she says with a laugh. Yes, being an adult student can be challenging, but Val and Mark have made great strides, especially in the past year.

The couple also played in our first adult ensemble, The Hip Replacements for about 2 years. "We need to say 'thanks' to Ryan Kijanka for his instruction and leadership with the ensemble. We look forward to playing with another ensemble in the future, as it is so gratifying to play music and learn along with other musicians who challenge us and teach us so much."

"We thank Asheville Music School and all of our wonderful and talented teachers for broadening our horizons and enhancing our lives, and for persevering and pushing us forward in our musical journey."

And we thank YOU. Keep up the good work!

Upcoming Outreach Events

Steve Loew's Clarinet Choir Nov. 4, 6pm

Ryan Kijanka Guitar Class Weekly Series VRQ

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Upcoming Performances

Bob Strain (jazz piano) Tues., Oct. 4, 11, 18, & 25, 7-9 pm Lex 18

Alec Fehl (guitar), Andy John (bass) Carolina Rex (blues rock) Fri., Oct 8, 7pm Winding Creek Brewery

Paul Stroebel (violin) Hendersonville Symphony Oct. 8, 7:30pm Blue Ridge Community College

Andy John Bandana Klezmer Oct 16, 3pm Hard Lox Festival

Dave Dribbon (gtr, vox) Sidecar Honey Fri, Oct 21, 7:30pm Highland Brewing Co.

Alec Fehl & Andy John Carolina Rex Sat., Oct 22, 7pm & Sat, Nov 5, 7pm Greenhouse Moto Cafe

Mariya Potapova & Paul Stroebel Asheville Symphony Oct. 22, 8pm Thomas Wolfe Auditorium

Darlyne Cain & Andy John October 23, 2-7 Biltmore Estate

Paul Stroebel, Michael Luchtan, Ryan Kijanka Los Abrojitos (tango) Oct. 23, 7pm 5 Walnut Wine Bar

Minør (AMS Rock Band) Alec Fehl (instructor) Wednesday, Nov 2, 8pm Give Local! kick-off event

Ryan Reardon w/Royal Suits Thur, Nov. 10, 7pm Cold Mountain Release Party Highland Brewing

Highland Brewing

Alec Fehl The Bill Mattocks Band (blues) Saturday, Nov 12, 7pm

Winding Creek Brewery

Ryan Reardon w/Les Amis Every Wednesday, 8pm-10pm 5 Walnut Wine Bar

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