



PRESS RELEASE: Ferris Community Summer Band Set to Kick Off Concert Season

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Here is a press release about the Ferris Community Summer Band's upcoming concert season. Questions can be addressed to Sandy Gholston, News Services and Social Media Manager, (231) 591-2021 or sandygholston@ferris.edu.



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BIG RAPIDS – The musical stylings of the Ferris Community Summer Band will fill the air once again, when its 48th concert season begins on Wednesday, June 12.

The community band, sponsored by Ferris State University as part of its “Music for Life” initiative, is open to area adults, college and high school students, and middle school students with advanced music experience.

“The Ferris Community Summer Band unites Ferris State University and greater Big Rapids area through music,” said director Richard Scott Cohen, a professor of Music at Ferris who also directs its Instrumental Concert Ensembles.

The band will perform music from a variety of genres, from jazz to pop to marches and Broadway tunes, during its six-concert season. The concerts, which are free and open to the public, begin at 7 p.m. at various locations through July 10.

“The Ferris Community Summer Band provides numerous opportunities for residents and visitors to experience live music in a variety of musical venues,” Cohen said. “It makes a significant impact on the lives of many people.”

The concerts support community efforts such as the Roof Replacement Project at the Old Jail, the Mecosta County Medical Center Auxiliary Community Block Party, Canadian Lakes Association and the City of Big Rapids’ annual Band Shell Concert Summer Series.

Following is the schedule of concert dates:

Wednesday, June 12 – The Old Jail

Wednesday, June 19 – Big Rapids Band Shell, Hemlock Park

Thursday, June 20 – Mecosta County Medical Center Auxiliary Community Block Party, Centennial Park

Wednesday, June 26 – Big Rapids Band Shell, Hemlock Park

Wednesday, July 3 – Big Rapids Band Shell, Hemlock Park

Wednesday, July 10 – Canadian Lakes Band Shell, Canadian Lakes

In case of rain, concerts scheduled at Hemlock Park and the Old Jail will be held at Big Rapids First United Methodist Church, 304 Elm St.

Band and orchestra musicians interested in participating should contact Cohen at (231) 591-2484 in advance or attend a rehearsal. Rehearsals are 7 p.m. Mondays (June 10, 17, 24 and July 1 and 8) at the Music Center, Room 108, on campus.

For additional information, visit

<http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/colleges/artsands/musicwebsite/summer/>

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