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**BRINGING  
EXCEPTIONAL MUSIC  
TO THE COMMUNITY**

Friday, October 4, 2019 - 7:00 PM  
Capital Focus Jazz Band  
Dave Robinson, Director



Cedar Lane members will recall the energetic music of **The Capital Focus Jazz Band** from past 4th of July worship services. Sponsored by the Potomac River Jazz Club, the Band provides a forum for promising young musicians to learn the fundamentals of jazz while receiving specialized training in the traditional New Orleans styles of American jazz greats such as Louis Armstrong Jelly Roll Morton, Bix Beiderbecke and Jack Teagarden.

As one observer from Preservation Hall in New Orleans remarked: *"Students from the Capital Focus Jazz Band from Washington, D.C. are tearing it up this late afternoon at Preservation Hall. These young musicians are the future!"*

Join us for a hopping evening of jazz, New Orleans style!

Sunday, November 17, 2019 – 4:00 PM  
Ronn McFarlane  
Renaissance lutenist



Concerts at Cedar lane is delighted to welcome back GRAMMY-nominated lutenist, **Ronn McFarlane**. Striving to bring the lute – the most popular instrument of the Renaissance, into today's musical mainstream, McFarlane has made his mark as founder of the crossover band Ayreheart and as a founding member of the Baltimore Consort with which he has toured the U.S., Canada and Europe. His performances have taken him to 49 states, Canada, England, Scotland, the Netherlands, Germany and Austria.

He has appeared as a guest artist with Apollo's Fire, the Bach Sinfonia, the Catacoustic Consort, the Folger Consort, the Houston Grand Opera and the Oregon Symphony. In 2019, he is celebrating his fortieth anniversary as a founder of the Baltimore Consort.

**Saturday Jan. 25, 2020, 7:30 PM**  
**Benefit Concert: AIM**  
**Dr. Henry Sgrecci**  
**Cedar Lane Choir and Chamber Players**  
**Dr. Jasmin Lee performs “Rhapsody in Blue”**



Cedar Lane's annual benefit concert has become one of the most anticipated and significant events of the year. Cedar Lane's Music Ministry and Social Justice Team are pleased to support the work of **AIM: Action in Montgomery**.

Action in Montgomery's mission is to develop local leadership and organized power to solve community and economic problems. It is an affiliate of the Industrial Areas Foundation, the nation's largest and longest-standing network of local faith and community-based organizations. Among its achievements AIM has secured high quality, free, afterschool programs for 1,200 black, brown and poor children in 10 of the country's high poverty public elementary schools. Aim has won over \$725 million to build more than 15,000 units of affordable housing for the county's seniors and low-income residents, and \$30 million to rebuild four community centers in historic African-American neighborhoods.  
*Join us for a night of exquisite music and charitable giving!*

**Sunday February 16, 2020, 4:00 PM**  
**Robin Fay Massie and Friends**  
**Music for viola, horn and piano by Black and female composers in honor of Black History and Women's History Months**



**Robin Fay Massie** is a professional violist in the Baltimore/DC area. Ms. Massie has performed with the Philadelphia Orchestra, as Assistant Principal Viola with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra, and is Principal Viola with the Black Pearl Chamber Orchestra. She has worked with such notable artists such as Jill Scott, Aretha Franklin and Stevie Wonder. Recent appearances include *The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon*, with Eminem at the 2018 Firefly Music Festival, *The Late Show with Stephen Colbert*, and with Mac Miller on NPR's Tiny Desk Concert Series.

Ms. Massie's performance will include works by Ahmed Alabaca, George Walker, Rebecca Clarke and Elaine Fine with collaborations from pianist Topher Ruggiero and hornist Joseph Lovinsky.

Make plans to be on hand for this delightful afternoon of chamber music with some of the area's finest musicians!

**Sunday, March 15, 2020, 4:00 PM**  
**Dong Xi**  
**Tom Teasley, percussion**  
**Chou Tian, Chinese dulcimer**



**Dong Xi** is a new collaboration between Washington based world percussionist, **Tom Teasley**, and world-renowned Chinese dulcimer artist and Strathmore Music Center Artist in Residence, **Chao Tian**. Tom and Chao's cultural backgrounds drive Dong Xi Music's uniqueness, and their intellectual musical creativity produces a refreshing new chemistry.

With the current trend of globalization between the U.S. and China, the collaboration of Dong Xi provides cultural exchange via an improvised musical dialogue. From musical performance, to the reception of audience, to the promotion of resonance and inner feelings, Dong Xi's collaboration has a greater power than simply presenting each country's culture. Both Tom and Chao are musical polyglots who have successfully broken the barriers and hurdles between cultures and art forms, in a never-ending quest to fascinate, inspire, and discover new sounds, meaning, and art.

We hope you'll join us for this unique artistic blend of Eastern and Western cultures.

**Saturday, May 16, 2020, 7:30 PM**  
**Six Degree Singers**  
**Dr. Rachel Carlson, Director**



Formed in 2009 by Dr. Rachel Carlson, **Six Degree Singers** holds as its mission the promotion of live choral music for its members and communities at large.

Comprised of young professionals and everyday people with both musical and non-musical backgrounds, SDS maintains a dedicated sense of community while maintaining a strong musical discipline. Ironically when the group first came together everyone seemed to know at least one other member or had heard of several of the others. This familiarity and emphasis on people and connections led to the name "Six Degree Singers" in reference to the Six Degrees of Separation. SDS sings both classical and contemporary repertoire, including works it has commissioned from local composers.

Make plans to attend this final concert of the season, an uplifting evening of song!