



WEDNESDAY EVENING CONCERTS

Summer concerts are performed from 7 to 8 p.m. in Hubert Humphrey Park. If inclement weather, concerts will be held inside the community center in Huntley Hall. Before entering the auditorium, please turn off any cell phones or electronic devices. If you arrive after the concert has begun, please wait for a break in the performance before entering.

Wednesday, July 2—*Joy and Julian*—Poet, singer and storyteller Joy Julian and vocalist Julian Hipkins offer a unique night of poetry and jazz. Joy has received the Washington, D.C. Poet Laureate Award. Julian's rich baritone voice has drawn comparisons with the stylings of Billy Eckstine. For several years, he performed with Tom Cunningham's big band.

Wednesday, July 9—*Hui O Ka Pua 'Ilima*—Carol Leolani Takafuji leads this Hawaiian dance group in an evening of authentic dance and music straight from the Hawaiian Islands, New Zealand and Tahiti. The name means "the group of the Ilima," the official flower of the island of Oahu. In addition to dance and music, the evening will feature a little history of hula on Hawaii.

Wednesday, July 16—*Barbara Martin and Mac Walte*—Barbara Martin's music is a rich stew of earthy blues and folk peppered with sassy, swinging jazz. Her performances are rooted in a healthy respect for the traditions of American music from Josh White to Bessie Smith to Billie Holiday. Her sultry, soulful voice interwoven with the bending, sliding strings of guitar wizard Mac Walter create an experience that covers a full emotional palate, moving audiences from tears to laughter and back again.

Wednesday, July 23—*David McLaughlin and Friends*—Grammy-nominated musician and vocalist David McLaughlin brings a combination of traditional American folk music, country and bluegrass to the Village Center. A member of the famed Johnson Mountain Boys, he has appeared on the Grand Ole Opry, in Carnegie Hall, and various local clubs including Birchmere.

Wednesday, July 30—*The Greg Harrison Jazz Band*—This versatile group is known for its Southern Swing. Clarinetist Greg Harrison is a Pete Fountain protégé, so his style is reflective of that great New Orleans musician. This busy group appears regularly at jazz clubs and performing arts series, and includes "Way Down Yonder in New Orleans," "Chicago," and "It Had To Be You," among its repertoire.