

BIRCH CREEK

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Birch Creek to Celebrate its Opening Night of the Season on Thursday, June 23rd

Egg Harbor, WI – Birch Creek Music Performance Center’s will celebrate the opening night of its 41st season on Thursday, June 23rd, with “Percussive Panoply: a Percussion & Steel Band Faculty Showcase.” The event will commence Birch Creek’s four-session concert season, starting with seven concerts of Percussion & Steel Band over the course of two weeks. Dan Moore, Professor of Percussion at University of Iowa, is the program director for the Percussion & Steel Band session.

“The Percussive Panoply is a unique opportunity to hear our Birch Creek percussion faculty performing the music that is most meaningful to them,” Professor Moore commented. “It gives them the chance to highlight their individual areas of expertise in an eclectic program of music inspired by everything from the tangos of Argentina to the Rocket ships of Ray Bradbury, and even the art of taxidermy.”

Percussion & Steel Band concerts at Birch Creek often feature a wide array of musical styles, including Caribbean steel pan, world percussion, rearrangements of popular contemporary pieces, and much more. Birch Creek students and faculty will both be featured as performers. All regular Percussion & Steel Band concerts, including opening night, will start at 7:30 pm in the Dutton Concert Barn, with 7:00 pm student prelude music in the gazebo, except for the Saturday, June 25th concert, “Caribbean Cruise: An Afternoon Delight,” which will be a 3:00 pm matinee.

Tickets are available for purchase online at birchcreek.org/tickets or by phone at 920-868-3763. Prices are \$29 for adults, \$10 for students, and \$6 for children (11 and under). Premium seating is also available in the front-center section of the barn, priced at \$34.

Birch Creek Music Performance Center in Egg Harbor, WI, is a residential summer music academy for advanced young musicians. With a performance emphasis,

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students are taught by nationally known performers and educators during the day, and perform alongside them in concerts at night. Four sessions focus on Percussion & Steel Band, Symphony, and Big Band Jazz. 2016 concert and session dates are posted at www.birchcreek.org/tickets.

2016 Concert Schedule

Percussion and Steel Band: June 23-25, 29-July 2

Symphony: July 4, 7-9, 13-16

Big Band Jazz (Two Sessions): July 20-23, 27-30 | August 3-6, 10-13

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