

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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UMF Concert Band to perform spring concert

FARMINGTON — The UMF Concert Band, composed of UMF students and community members, will perform its spring concert at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 16, in Nordica Auditorium at University of Maine at Farmington's Merrill Hall.

The program, selected by band members and directed by Anita Jerosch, is a collection of film music including "Star Wars," "Pirates of the Caribbean," "Chicken Run" and "Somewhere in Time," among others.

Dustin Harrison, a first-year UMF music student, will be featured in the trumpet solo in the performance of music from "Schindler's List." Before coming to UMF, Harrison, from Greene, was active in his high school music program where he played in the concert band, jazz band and marching band. In 2007, Harrison was selected to play in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City.

Jerosch, a versatile bass trombonist and euphonium player, is a member of the Bangor Symphony Orchestra and directs the Edith Jones Project—a modern, big band jazz group. She has performed with the Portland Symphony Orchestra and Maine State Music Theater and has played for Carol Channing, Rita Moreno, Barry Manilow and The Manhattan Transfer and performed at both inaugural balls for President Clinton.

Tickets are available at the door the night of the performance and are priced at \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and are free to UMF students with University I.D.

For more information, contact the UMF Department of Visual and Performing Arts at 778-7072.

Mt. Blue Area Garden Club
John Black to speak

FARMINGTON — Master Gardener John Black, owner of Rocky Hill Landscaping, will be the featured speaker at the Mt. Blue Area Garden Club Meeting on April 21, 6 p.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church on the Farmington Falls Road.

Black's topic will be "Establishing a low maintenance flower garden."

Following his presentation, Black will gladly answer gardening questions.

President Judy Fuller will conduct the monthly meeting. Hostesses will be Lucy Henry, Louise Chabot and Nancy Crosby.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 645-2067.

New film festival premieres in Waterville

The documentary, "The Way We Get By," will be among the films shown

WATERVILLE — Recently released independent films set in India, Russia, the Philippines, Africa and Bangor will be shown during the inaugural Lumina Festival in partnership with the American Film Institute's Project 20/20 in Waterville April 17-19.

In addition to screenings, the event will offer post-film discussions with filmmakers, filmmakers' receptions at local restaurants, a concert by former Billboard chart-topping songwriter/producer Dennis Lambert, and the Maine Film Academy Awards Gala.

"We are thrilled to host AFI's Project 20/20 in Maine," said Shannon Haines, director of the Maine International Film Festival. "We look forward to sharing this rich program of films with visitors, and encouraging meaningful dialogue with visiting filmmakers."

Project 20/20 is an international initiative designed to enhance cultural exchange, understanding and collaboration through filmmakers and their films from the U.S. and abroad. Waterville, St. Louis, Honolulu, New Orleans, Dallas, and Santa Fe, New Mexico are the cities participating in the 2009 project.

The films are: "Of All The Things" —Documentary; "The Way We Get By" —Documentary; "Alone in Four Walls" —Documentary; "Amal" —Feature; and "Throw Down Your Heart" —Documentary.

All movies will be shown at Railroad Square Cinema in Waterville with supporting receptions, galas, and music events held at venues throughout the city. Tickets for individual films are available online at www.miff.org or

at the door 30 minutes before show time. Festival passes are also available. Contact the Maine Film Center at 207-861-8138 or www.maineilmcenter.org for more information.

The scheduled lineup of films:

"Of All The Things" —Documentary. Songwriter and producer Dennis Lambert topped the Billboard charts with hits like "Ain't No Woman Like The One I've Got," "Rhinestone Cowboy" and "Baby Come Back." Now selling real estate, Lambert journeys to the Philippines where his obscure 1972 solo album is huge.

"The Way We Get By" —Documentary. The inspirational story of three senior Mainers who have welcomed American soldiers arriving at Bangor International Airport since 2003.

"Alone in Four Walls" —Documentary. A film about the troubled pasts, and hopeful futures of Russian delinquent boys, all under the age of 14, living in a juvenile detention center. A poignant, truthful, sometimes funny documentary.

"Amal" —Feature. In chaotic New Delhi, India, a man cheats everyone he meets. When Amal, a poor bicycle taxi driver, generously allows him to dodge his fare, both are affected in a way that has far-reaching consequences.

"Throw Down Your Heart" —Documentary. American banjo player Bela Fleck travels to Africa to meet with local musicians and uncover the roots of the instrument that is now regarded as quintessentially American.

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