IMAGINE . . . that’s what we all do to break the boundaries of daily existence and stretch to reach places we hope to go. That’s what artists do every day. This year the Performing Arts at ABAC features the haunting, mysterious sounds of *The Red Violin* through the world-class talents of Tim Fain and the Albany Symphony Orchestra, Roman tragedy in Shakespeare’s *Julius Caesar*, and the stirring sounds of the Dallas Brass joined by both the ABAC and Tift County High School Concert Bands. Whether it is a professional artist or one of ABAC’s superb performing groups, this is a season to immerse in great performances and allow your imagination to run wild.

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ABAC Presents!
Performing Arts Series

This series, now in its fifth season, presents professional performing artists, chosen both to support ABAC and area students’ study of the arts and to present high quality arts experiences to general audiences in our area of Georgia.

ABAC Presents! is supported in part by Georgia Council for the Arts through the appropriations of the Georgia General Assembly. Georgia Council for the Arts also receives support from its partner agency - the National Endowment for the Arts.

Additionally this series is presented through the generous title sponsor

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This thrilling season-opening concert features the Albany Symphony Orchestra performing some of the most exciting pieces to be found. Included in the evening concert is John Corgliano’s Red Violin Suite, from the movie by the same name, played by the internationally-renowned violinist Tim Fain. Come enjoy this amazing and mysterious work to find out the secret of the red violin. Also featured on this concert is a performance of Edward Elgar’s Enigma Variations. Variation 9, “Nimrod,” has been featured in countless movies as well. These great pieces guarantee a stunning evening for anyone in our audience.

**Sunday, September 27, 2015 • 3 p.m.**

Tift County High School Performing Arts Center
“Beware the Ides of March” (Soothsayer, I.ii). The Romans venerate their leader, but Brutus sees that Julius Caesar may be too powerful for the good of the nation. Shakespeare’s masterful examination of conspiracy, assassination, and its fallout remains hauntingly timeless. What do you do when one person becomes greater than one’s nation? Don’t miss this stunning performance by Olney Theatre Center’s National Players in their 67th national tour!

Thursday, October 15, 2015 • 7 p.m.
Howard Auditorium, ABAC Campus
From Boston to Baghdad, Tampa to Toronto, The United States Army Field Band and Soldiers’ Chorus has been thrilling audiences of all ages for more than six decades. As the premier touring musical representative for the United States Army, this internationally-acclaimed organization travels thousands of miles each year presenting a variety of music to enthusiastic audiences throughout the nation and abroad.

Saturday, November 7, 2015 • 7 p.m.
Tift County High School Performing Arts Center

This concert is provided through the generous support of

Tift Regional Health System
Peach State Opera Company presents Mozart’s masterwork Don Giovanni, one of the greatest comic operas of all time. But there’s far more to Don Giovanni than just a series of big laughs, just as the notorious Don is more than just an unprincipled, single-minded ladies’ man. The opera’s comic element is driven by Giovanni’s devious schemes and hijinks. But both Lorenzo da Ponte’s libretto and Mozart’s matchless music ensure that the dire consequences of those schemes are as evident as their humor.

Thursday, February 11, 2016 • 7 p.m.
Howard Auditorium, ABAC Campus
Since its founding in 1983 by Michael Levine, the Dallas Brass has become one of America’s foremost musical ensembles. The group has established a unique blend of traditional brass instruments with a full complement of drums and percussion, which creates a performing entity of extraordinary range and musical challenges. The program for the evening is a musical travelogue through American history. From the time of George Washington to the present day – music will be selected from the masters – Copland, Bernstein, Gershwin, Berlin, John Williams, Sousa; from bands like the Tijuana Brass and Chicago; and styles from Dixieland, swing, Broadway, folk, patriotic, pop, and even hip-hop! There is definitely “something for everybody”. Don’t miss this exciting program which ends featuring not only the Dallas Brass, but also the ABAC Concert Band and the Tift County High School Band in a thrilling finale to a spectacular evening!

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 • 7 p.m.
Tift County High School Performing Arts Center

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Additionally, This concert is supported, in part through a generous grant from the Fox Theatre Institute and Georgia Presenters.
All About Jazz sums up saxophonist Greg Tardy saying, “Tardy already has his own voice and is on track to help write the next chapter in jazz history. This is exactly what more and more potential jazz listeners should be hearing.” That’s exactly what we invite you to do as Tardy is the featured soloist, backed by ABAC’s incomparable Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Thomas Heflin. Tardy is described by New York Magazine as having a “big sound, deep seated feel for the blues, and cerebral avant-garde chops.” This is a must-see season finale we invite you to enjoy and to bring your friends for a great evening out of some of America’s finest jazz.

“Truly an awesome leader-performer and you’ll revel in his inventiveness and finesse” - Jazz & Blues Report

Thursday, April 21, 2016 • 7 p.m.
Howard Auditorium, ABAC Campus
The First Tuesday Performance Series, which debuted in 2002, begins its 14th season and features regional professional artists on the first Tuesday of every month. First Tuesday Concerts are free of charge, no ticket required. They are held in the Chapel of All Faiths at ABAC and begin at 7 p.m.

For more information call:
Dr. Susan Roe, First Tuesday Program Director, at 229.391.4943.

A Night of Jazz Music
October 6, 2015
Thomas and Friends

Hailed as “a fluent trumpeter with a bright tone and a forward-looking style” by jazz writer Scott Yanow, trumpeter Thomas Heflin and a few of his friends will present classic and contemporary jazz tunes to delight the audience. Heflin comes to ABAC from New York City and where he served as Program Manager and jazz faculty at the Manhattan School of Music Precollege Division for five years. He now lives in Tifton with his wife Danica and his daughter Anna Bree and is proud to serve as Assistant Professor of Jazz at ABAC.

A Night of Woodwinds
November 3, 2015
Pitches and Stilettos

The Tallahassee-based Pitches in Stilettos clarinet duo is a strong minded and vivacious ensemble that embarked on a musical adventure. Pitches in Stilettos is devoted to promoting awareness of women in the field of music by performing works by female composers. Originating at the Florida State University in Tallahassee, Pitches in Stilettos is comprised of clarinetists Sara Eastwood and Anastasia Christofakis.
A Night with Duo-Allant

February 2, 2016

Kathryn Thomas Umble, flute
Francois Fowler, classical guitar

Duo Allant is a world-class flute and guitar ensemble. Kathryn Thomas Umble (flute) and Francois Fowler (guitar) are recognized for the high level of musicianship and artistry that they bring to each performance. Duo Allant’s innovative repertoire spans over 400 years of music from Brazil, Japan, Canada, United States, Great Britain, Argentina, and France. In addition, they are enthusiastic exponents of new music and have premiered works composed for their duo.

A Night of Choral Music

March 1, 2016

Dr. Paul Neel and The Berry Singers

The Berry College Singers are an auditioned select group of vocalists who represent a wide variety of majors and interests at historic Berry College. This chamber choir has performed an astonishing variety of music over its long history to great acclaim on tours throughout the eastern United States and Europe. The Singers perform under the masterful baton of Dr. Paul Neal.

A Night of Broadway Music

April 5, 2016

This concert plays to a packed house for the past 13 years. Come and hear the sounds on Broadway. Featured artists this year will be Barbara and Blane Jacobs, Scott and Susan Spivey, Susan Roe, Wayne Jones, Brian Ray, Brian Marchant and ABAC Music Majors, both graduates and present.
The Virtuoso Chamber Music series is designed to promote an appreciation for the tremendous expressive capacity of fine piano and piano chamber music. The series features skilled artists drawn from outstanding regional and national professional artists.

These concerts are presented free of charge and are funded in their entirety by the Stafford Fine Arts Endowment.

Georgia Brass Quintet

The Georgia Brass Quintet is a premier ensemble made up of distinguished brass faculty from the University of Georgia Hugh Hodgson School of Music. The quintet champions a broad array of repertoire from Renaissance to contemporary music, as well as arrangements of familiar jazz and pop tunes. The quintet features the stellar talents of Phil Smith, trumpet, Brandon Craswell, trumpet, Jean Martin-Williams, horn, Joshua Bynum, trombone, and David Zerkel, tuba.

Tuesday, September 29, 2015 • 7 p.m.
Howard Auditorium, ABAC Campus
A charismatic and versatile pianist, Jasmin Arakawa has performed widely in North America, Central and South America, Europe and Japan. Described by critics as a “lyrical” pianist with “impeccable technique” (The Record), she has been heard in prestigious venues worldwide including Carnegie Hall, Salle Gaveau (Paris) and Victoria Hall (Geneva). Born in Japan, Jasmin is a graduate of Tokyo University of the Arts, where she studied with Shigeru Maruyama and Katsumi Ueda. She holds Doctor of Music and Master of Music degrees from Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, where she studied with Emile Naoumoff, the last protégé of Nadia Boulanger.

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 • 7 p.m.
Howard Auditorium, ABAC Campus
An Evening for ABAC

featuring

The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra

Located in Savannah, this group is one of the hottest new Jazz orchestras available. Jeremy Davis and Clay Johnson, lead this fiery hot 17-piece big band. Fashioned in the style and swagger of the legendary entertainers lead by Frank Sinatra, Davis & Johnson are putting their own stamp on the Great American songbook, graced with a touch of Motown, Ray Charles, Johnny Cash, Elvis and more.

Friday, March 4, 2016 · 6 p.m.
Cocktail Reception and Silent Auction
Dinner and Entertainment
Tifton Campus Conference Center
An Evening for ABAC began in 1972 as a special one-time benefit for the building of the Chapel of All Faiths. In Forty-three years since, this annual scholarship benefit continues to give students an opportunity to pursue their educational dreams through the scholarships it provides. Through generous sponsorships of this program, you can assure students that opportunity. Below is a listing of the generous sponsors who have already committed to the 2016 event.

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The Skin of Our Teeth

This Pulitzer Prize winning comedy takes a long look at what it means to be a human being. Mankind has spent all of history surviving climate change, natural disasters, and war. Horrible things happen, but mankind picks up, dusts off, and carries on. In this epic romp about the Antrobus family spans all of human history from the dawn of the Ice Age to the not-so-distant future. Thornton Wilder gets us to laugh at our strengths and our weaknesses as a species. In this play that takes place in a theatrical world (as the audience is constantly reminded throughout the play) mankind faces the end of the world – three times(!) – and still goes on, hanging on by the Skin of Our Teeth.

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October 29-31, 2015 • 7 p.m. • Howard Auditorium

The Skin of Our Teeth

By Thornton Wilder

March 31- April 2, 2016 • 7 p.m. & April 3 • 3 p.m.
Howard Auditorium

NunSence (The Musical)

By Dan Goggins

For tickets, visit www.purplepass.com/abac or call 229.391.4895

The Baldwin Players are ABAC’s theatre performance organization which provides an opportunity for students, faculty, staff, and community members to experience and enjoy live theatre. Contact Director, Dr. Brian Ray, at bray@abac.edu for more information.
ABAC’s Music Program consists of a faculty of 12 artist teachers and over 40 music majors. Many musical performances are presented on campus for the public each year. In addition, several ensembles travel throughout Georgia, the Southeast, and abroad, performing for schools.

These events are presented free of charge, no ticket required.

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Since 2007, the ABAC Choral Program has hosted internationally known conductors, composers, educators, and performers as clinicians for an all-day clinic for area high school choral students and their directors. These students have the privilege to interact with the composer/conductor throughout the day as well as singing with the auditioned choral group, the ABAC Chamber Singers.

Past ABAC Choral Days have included such composers/conductors as Mark Butler, Rod Eichenburger, James Mulholland, and Dan Forrest.

Rosephanye Dunn-Powell, Composer

Thursday, November 12, 2015
Howard Auditorium, ABAC Campus

Registration • 9 a.m.
Workshop • 10-2 p.m.
Performance • 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Rosephanye Dunn Powell has been hailed as one of America’s premier women composers of choral music. Her compositions include sacred and secular works for mixed chorus, women’s chorus, men’s chorus, and children’s voices. She serves as Professor of Voice at Auburn University. She holds degrees from The Florida State University (D.M. in vocal performance, University Fellow), Westminster Choir College (M.M. in vocal performance and pedagogy, with distinction), and Alabama State University (B.M.E., summa cum laude).

For more information, contact:
Dr. Susan Roe, at 229.391.4943 or sroe@abac.edu
Each year, the ABAC Jazz Ensemble sponsors an all-day jazz festival on the ABAC campus featuring performances by high school jazz bands from throughout Georgia. Designed to promote jazz performance and education in South Georgia, the festival provides an opportunity for students from across the region to meet and showcase their talents in a non-competitive atmosphere.

Past festivals have showcased such jazz greats as Nat Adderley, Bobby Shew, Victor Goines, Bill Watrous and Kevin Mahogany, as well as the ensembles of Branford Marsalis, Steve Turre, Joe Lovano, Maynard Ferguson and Count Basie to name a few.

The festival also includes a jazz clinic with a well-known jazz educator and performing artist. This artist is featured in an evening concert, often backed by the Abraham Baldwin Jazz Ensemble. This year’s artist, Greg Tardy, is a protégé of the legendary Ellis Marsalis and has played with Nicholas Payton, Brian Blade, Bill Frisell, Mark Turner, Delfeayo, the Neville Brothers, Wynton Marsalis and far too many others to mention.

For more information, contact:
Dr. Thomas Heflin, at 229.391.5253 or theflin@abac.edu
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