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Spring Band Performances April 13-14 at ABAC

TIFTON - The Concert Band at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College will present its spring concert on April 13 & 14 at 7 p.m. in Howard Auditorium. A concert primarily for ABAC students and prospective high school recruits will be held on April 13 after the band’s dress rehearsal. The performance for the community will be held on April 14.

Director Johnny Folsom encourages community members to come on April 14, but if conflicts prevent, they are certainly welcome to come to the April 13 performance. These performances are free of charge but space is limited. Those interested in the performances are encouraged to arrive early.

The concert begins with the dramatic concert opener entitled “Go.” Composer Samuel Hazo said, “Go was written to be an impact-filled opener that would truly set the concert hall on notice.” Then the ABAC Band will perform Quincy Hilliard’s monumental work “Requiem”, which portrays an earthquake that buried a city in Cyprus in the year 493 AD.
Guest conductors will be retired Valdosta High Band Director Frank Butenschon on April 13, and retired Tift County High Band Director Bill Belcher on April 14. They will conduct John Philip Sousa’s “Riders For the Flag” march.

The ABAC Concert Band will also perform German composer Otto Schwarz’s “Roller Coaster” and follow up with a beautiful romantic composition, “Mountain Thyme”, by Samuel Hazo. Next will be Robert Longfield’s “Italian Holiday” featuring selections from all of the great Italian operas and folk music.

Closing out the spring concert will be an impressive history of our country through music entitled “An American Spectacular” by composer Chris Sharp.

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