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**RE: BETHLEHEM FINE ARTS COMMISSION CONCERT SERIES**

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**BETHLEHEM FINE ARTS COMMISSION TO PRESENT ANNUAL FREE  
CONCERTS “FRIDAY EVENINGS IN THE SCULPTURE GARDEN”**

Music will once again be heard in Bethlehem’s lovely Sculpture Garden (just east of City Hall) this summer on the 2<sup>nd</sup> through last Friday evenings of June and July. The Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission presents its annual series of FREE live musical performances, including blues, jazz, celtic, salsa, and more. The concerts run from 6-8pm. “It’s a great way to unwind after a week at work,” says Tim Fox, co-chair of the Sculpture Garden Concert Series. The Fine Arts Commission works to bring the arts to the public in ways that enhance the quality of life in Bethlehem. This concert series also helps to support and promote local musicians.

“We’re also working this year to bring more groups in that you can dance to,” says Mary Wright, co-chair with Fox. “Last year when the 5 Amigos played there was some great meringue going on. We want that to continue!”

This year’s concert series line-up is:

**June 8<sup>th</sup>** – The 5 Amigos: authentic salsa and meringue music that will get your toes tapping and your body moving.

**June 15<sup>th</sup>** – Steve Brosky and Jimmy Meyer – this dynamic duo has been entertaining folks in the Valley for years. Great blues with guitar riffs that’ll take your breath away.

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>** – The Great Bear Trio – a highly acclaimed contra-dance band playing celtic and contra-dance music. Get ready to dance!

**June 29<sup>th</sup>** – Zen Lite – members of Zen for Primates bring their eclectic and exciting blend of musical styles.

**July 13<sup>th</sup>** – Stardust Cabaret – the music of Porter, Gershwin and tin-pan alley reminds us why the 30's and 40's were considered to be the golden years of song writing.

**July 20<sup>th</sup>** – Bev Conklin – great blues with a touch of R&B and side of sass.

**July 27<sup>th</sup>** – Jackie Tice – this local singer/songwriter is making a splash on the folk-music scene. Lucinda Williams loves her songs. You will too.

The concerts are held in Bethlehem's Sculpture Garden, a beautiful hide-away just to the east of City Hall. The concerts are held rain or shine. Rain location is in the Rotunda, next door. The 2007 series is supported in part by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency, through its regional arts funding partnership, Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (PPA). It is also sponsored in part by local businesses, organizations and individuals.

For more information about the concerts and other Fine Arts Commission activities, [www.bfac-lv.org](http://www.bfac-lv.org).

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The Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission is a volunteer, non-profit organization made up of community artists, art enthusiasts and others asked by the Mayor to serve as Commission Members. The Commission's goal is to bring arts to the community and help improve the quality of life.