

AREA ARTS UPDATE

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2008-2009 PREMIER CONCERT SERIES ANNOUNCED!

North Metro Arts Alliance is pleased to announce our line-up for the 2008-2009 Premier Concert Series

Stars on Parade:

Saturday—Oct. 4, 2008
7:30 pm Ranum High School
FREE

Come enjoy the wonderful talent we can claim locally! See below for more info.

A North Metro Arts Alliance Christmas with The Colorado Children's Chorale:

Thursday, Dec. 18, 2004
7:30 pm Ranum High School
Adults: \$15 Sen./Stu \$10

Join us for this North Metro Holiday tradition—celebrating the sounds of the season with the Colorado Children's Chorale.



The Colorado Children's Chorale

A Country Celebration featuring Jon Chandler & Dakota Blonde:

Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009
7:30 pm Ranum High School
Adults \$15 Sen./Stu \$10

In honor of the Stock Show, we welcome local country artists Jon Chandler—known nationally for his story telling and as a singer/songwriter and the “highly addictive and absolutely contagious” Da-

kota Blonde. Put on your boots for this concert!

Colcannon:

Sat, Feb. 28, 2009
7:30 pm Ranum High School
Adults \$20 Sen./Stu \$15

Start you St. Patrick's Day celebra-

tion a couple of weeks early with this nationally known Irish group.

Michael and Amy—Music & Comedy Dueling Pianos:

Saturday, April 25, 2009
7:30 pm Ranum High School
Adults \$30 Sen./Stu. \$25
This husband and wife team of talented musicians and comedic entertainers are sure to please.

STARS ON PARADE

Once again, North Metro Arts Alliance is proud to showcase the areas best and brightest amateur talent.

This event is open to any and all who wish to perform for a live audience! America's Got Talent—

Westminster style! In past years, we've had dancers, singers, piano soloists, monologues and more—so don't be shy!

Tryouts are Saturday, Sept. 20th from 10 am—2 pm

Complete the audition appli-

cation located inside—or on our website: www.nmarts.net and return it no later than Sept. 12th.

If selected, the Dress Rehearsal will be Friday, Oct. 3rd with the performance Saturday, Oct. 4th at 7 pm.

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Visit Our Website nmarts.net for more info on:

- Stars on Parade—Oct. 4, 2008
- Free Concerts in area Parks
- Free Concerts at the MAC once a month
- School Grants available for cultural assemblies
- Membership / Sponsorship Opportunities

JON CHANDLER & DAKOTA BLONDE SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2009—7:30 PM



Jon Chandler is widely regarded as one of Americana Music's premier singer-songwriters and one of the country's best western authors. Just ask national publications like

American Cowboy, No Depression, Dirty Linen, Persimmon Hill, Cowboy Magazine and *True West*.

Or newspapers ranging from the *Los*

Angeles Daily News to the *Denver Post*.

A seventh generation Coloradan, Jon's western novels, songs and poems serve to keep the frontier ethic passed down from his ancestors alive.

www.jonchandler.com

Dakota Blonde "Soulful, delicate, powerful, insightful... all that and more," are the words Michael Johnson (*International recording artist/song-writer*) uses to describe Dakota Blonde.

"Highly addictive & absolutely conta-

gious" is how their loyal & captivated audiences describe them! Any way you put it, Dakota Blonde, made up of Mary Huckins, Don Pinnella & Tony Raddell have certainly played and sung their way into countless hearts & souls around the globe!



www.Dakotablond.com

COLCANNON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2009—7:30 PM

Colcannon has developed a distinctive, inventive, and contemporary musical style while still keeping in firm touch with the heart and essence of traditional Irish music.

Colcannon's concerts are reknowned for their energy, for singer Mick Bolger's irrepressible sense of humor and sly wit, and of course, for the music; music that expresses flights of joy, deep sorrows, and an unquenchable zest for life.



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Colcannon's appeal crosses lines of age, gender and ethnic background. For while the musical focus is on the beautiful wealth of traditional Irish music - all acoustic instrumentation, traditional as well as original tunes and songs, with some of the songs in Mick's native Irish language -- Colcannon's true message is the story of the resilient and joyous human spirit.

WWW.COLCANNON.COM

MICHAEL AND AMY SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009—7:30 PM

Michael and Amy—Headline Music & Comedy Dueling Pianos Show



The recipe? Start with two multi-talented, musical and comedic entertainers who also happen to be husband and wife. Next, mix in an eclectic blend of musical genres ranging from Beetho-

ven to Billy Joel, Gershwin to Garth, Andrew Lloyd Weber to AC/DC. Add a substantial dollop of stand-up and improvisational comedy topped off with a heaping helping of audience interaction and participation.

Dish it all up on two unsuspecting grand pianos for one hilarious and unforgettable serving of what we like to call—Quirkish Delight! People are eating it up all over the world!

The audience is as much a part of the performance as are Michael and Amy. Once moment you're singing at the top of your lungs, the next doubled over in

laughter. Always fun. Always exciting. Completely entertaining.

There is quite literally something for everyone during Michael and Amy's show. Their diverse range of popular and familiar music, some of which should never have been attempted on one piano much less two, across-the-board humor, and complete disregard for the fourth wall instantly bring a diverse audience together in song and laughter.

We welcome this dynamic duo to our Premier Concert Series

www.MichaelandAmy.com

ADAMS COUNTY HONOR BAND/CHOIR/ ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL! A HUGE SUCCESS!



As one of our newest projects—North Metro Arts Alliance held the first ever Adams County Honor Band/Choir/Orchestra Festival. This two day event was held February 22nd & 23rd. The Festival featured approx. 160 students selected from High Schools all across Adams County.

Under the direction of Dr. Russell Guyver, Professor of Orchestras at the University of Northern Colorado; Ms. Alexa Doebele, doctoral candidate and graduate teaching assistant at the University of Colorado/Boulder and Dr. Richard Mayne, Band Director at the University of Northern Colorado; the students

rehearsed for two days ending in a FREE Saturday evening performance.

This event was met with great enthusiasm from area High School Music teachers and students alike. Students were “wowed” by the impact of performing with larger groups of talented individu-

als. Comments from students included “this was GREAT”, “I’ve never heard us sound this good!” and “can we do this every month?”. Teacher feedback was so positive, that the date for next year’s event has already been set.

North Metro Arts Alliance is extremely grateful to Ranum High School and Adams County School District 50 for providing the facilities for this event and to Mr. Greg Haan—Band Director at Prairie View High School for coordinating all the details of this event. Thanks also go to the Adams County Scientific and Cultural Facilities District for providing partial funding.

Thanks to all our members and sponsors for your contributions. You have helped make events like this possible—we couldn’t do it without you!



SUMMER FREE CONCERTS IN THE PARK!

**Friday, July 4th—City Park
10455 Sheridan Blvd
NACHO MEN**

This event begins at 6:00 pm with food vendors, a jumping castle, face painting and more. A free concert featuring The Nacho Men will begin at 7:00 pm followed by fireworks at 9:15 pm. Food and beverage vendors will be available throughout the evening or bring your own picnic dinner. Sponsored by the City of Westminster, Hyland Hills Park & Rec. District, NMAA and the SCFD. For your safety, glass containers, alcohol, pets, grills, fireworks & sparklers are not allowed. For information regarding park-

ing and shuttles, go to:
www.ci.westminster.co.us

**Thursday, July 10th—City Park at 7 pm
THE TRAMPOLINES & ROB DRABKIN:**

The Trampolines are an acoustic pop/rock band who have shared the stage with the likes of James Taylor, the Fray, Big Head Todd and more! Their tunes “1963” & “Dried Flowers” aired on MTV’s “Real World Denver,” “Real World Sydney” and “The Inferno 3.” Opening for the Trampolines is singer, song writer Rob Drabkin who is sure to impress with his unique voice, incredible acoustic guitar style, and original tunes.

**Thursday, July 24th—City Park at 7 pm
THE FAB FOUR:**

Colorado’s premiere Beatles tribute band will take you back to a time when four lads from Liverpool ruled the world of music. They will dazzle you with their fabulous live show complete with colorful costumes, vintage guitars and incredible vocals that will make you want to scream!

**Thursday, July 31st—Irving Street Library
QUEEN CITY JAZZ BAND:**

For 50 years the Queen City Jazz Band has performed the great sounds of New Orleans-style Dixieland Jazz and has been honored for its cultural contributions. Join us at Irving Street Library Park, 7392 Irving Street. Presented by the Denver Jazz Club, NMAA, and the SCFD.

NEW FACES AT NORTH METRO ARTS ALLIANCE

NEW MEMBER - MICHAEL ZEKONIS

Newly appointed to represent the Front Range Community College is Michael Zekonis. Michael replaces Dr. Kevin Garry—who is stepping into an at-large position temporarily.

Michael currently serves as the Dean of the Institute for Community and Professional Development. We welcome Michael to the North Metro Arts Alliance!

NMAA ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR AT-LARGE MEMBERS TO OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NMAA currently has openings for one AT-LARGE MEMBER with a second position opening up before the end of this year.

Appointment to this position is by application. Forms may be downloaded from our website:



www.nmarts.net. To request a form, call 303-429-1999 or e-mail Vicky Marshall at VickyLMKPB@msn.com

As a member of our Board of Directors, you should plan to serve as a member of one of our sub-committees and attend one meeting a month—held on the first Thursday of each month at 4pm.

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THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN NMAA

You can become a member of NMAA!

Support the arts in the North Metro area by becoming a supporting member of the North Metro Arts Alliance! We are a non-profit organization and while we partner with many local organizations including the City of Westminster, Hyland Hills Park and Rec. District and Adams County School District 50—we welcome individual and corporate support as well.

Our mission is *to serve the Westminster and North-Metro communities in the areas of performance and visual arts, including cultural entertainment. Ultimately, NMAA strives to enrich awareness, education and access to the arts for North Metro residents throughout the calendar year.*

Supporting members are not required to attend meetings, but are listed in all our concert programs. At all levels of membership, you will be able to purchase unlimited tickets to our premier

concert series at the reduced Senior/Student rate. You will automatically receive future issues of this newsletter. Best of all, you will help our organization to grow and we will be able to bring more cultural opportunities to the north metro community.

Season Tickets for the 2008-2009 Premier Concert Series— \$50 ea. (\$80 value)

Call 303-429-1999 to Order Season Tickets. Individual Concert tickets will be available at www.ticketswest.com or at the door.

2008 –2009 Board of Directors:

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Executive Director—Vicky Marshall

\$25—Individual membership
\$35—Group (family, business, etc.)
\$50—Patron (= one season pass)
\$100—249—Benefactor (= two season passes)

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