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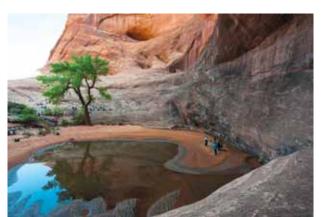
## Outdoor Music Happenings

# Music in Concert with the Landscape® 28th Moab Music Festival -- reimagined!! -- an all Outdoor Experience

The reimagined 2020 Moab Music Festival kicks off on August 31st with a season chock full of its trademark world-class artists, extraordinary music, and the breathtaking wide-open spaces of red rock country. Moab Music Festival Board, staff and Co-Directors Leslie Tomkins and Michael Barrett are excited to be one of the only Festivals in the US to present a live event. Concertgoers will be treated to Grotto, Ranch, and Red Cliffs Lodge concerts, and the much-anticipated Music Hikes. Strictly adhering to State, local and CDC protocols, concerts are all outdoors this summer, highlighting the Moab Music Festival's signature *music in concert with the landscape* ®.

Moab Music Festival joins the world-wide celebration of Beethoven's 250th birthday, weaving his compositions throughout the season's programs. Kick off the musical adventure with the first of three trips, via exhilarating jet-boat, down the Colorado to the pristine, acoustically-perfect wilderness Grotto carved from the towering red rocks. On September 3, two sides of Beethoven's musical imagination are heard, from the mystery and drama of the famous "Moonlight" Sonata, to the gentle lyricism and melodic beauty of his last Sonata for violin and piano. Mozart's charming Sonata for piano 4-hands precedes the two masterpieces.

On four invigorating Music Hikes explorers discover Moab's natural wonders, as patrons meet bright and early and are transported to stunning, surprise locations for a hike to an hour-long concert. Musical variety is the ticket for these programs from the classics to the Moab debut of the much-buzzed-about JACK Quartet, offering a brand new work by Pulitzer-Prize winning composer John Luther Adams. On Saturday, September 5 at Red Cliffs Lodge, The New World Trio- Master Scottish fiddler Alasdair

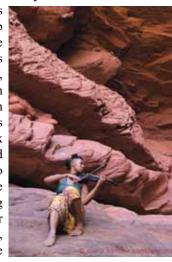


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Fraser, his longtime duo partner cellist Natalie Haas and her sister Brittany-deliver cutting-edge fiddle and cello explorations. Enchanting audiences for over 20 years, the combination of Alasdair's Scottish heritage, Brittany's American old-time roots and dance energy, and Natalie's agile, percussive cello adds up to exuberant joy for lucky listeners. This year's free annual Labor Day extravaganza, on Monday, September 7, will take place at Red Cliffs Lodge at 7pm. The entire family is welcome as the Moab

Music Festival celebrates the resilience of the Moab community with this free concert, which includes the music of Beethoven, Stravinsky, the American Songbook, and Scottish folk music. Audiences will find an eclectic mix of jazz, classical, and original music from two of the most versatile and electrifying young musicians of their generation on Tuesday, September 8 at a private ranch on the banks of the



Colorado River. Festival favorite Charles Yang on violin and vocals, joins the new host of NPR's popular From the Top, pianist Peter Dugan, for sizzling musical fireworks likely to rival the pyrotechnics that close out this Benefit evening.

Moab Music Festival will adhere to state and CDC safety guidelines including masks and physical distancing and asks audiences to do the same. Concerts will be held without intermissions, pre-concert talks, or post-concert receptions. Advance ticketing required. For more information, contact the Moab Music Festival office at 435.259.7003 or www.moabmusicfest.org.

### MOAB MUSIC FESTIVAL CONCERT SCHEDULE\*

www.moabmusicfest.org

### Westwater Canyon Musical Raft Trip

Monday, August 31- Wednesday, September 2, 2020 Ruby, Horsethief and Westwater Canyons

#### Grotto Concert I

Thursday, September 3, 2020 - 11:30am Colorado River Wilderness Grotto

### **Music Hike I: Classical Strings**

Saturday, September 5, 2020 - 8:00am Wilderness Area

### **Alasdair Fraser, Brittany and Natalie Haas** Saturday, September 5, 2020 - 7:00pm Red Cliffs Lodge

### Music Hike II: Everything That Rises Sunday Sentember 6, 2020 - 8:00am

Sunday, September 6, 2020 - 8:00am Wilderness Area

### Virtuosos Then & Now

Sunday, September 6, 2020 - 7:00pm Red Cliffs Lodge

### **Free Community Concert**

Monday, September 7, 2020 - 7:00pm Red Cliffs Lodge

### **Ranch Benefit Concert**

Tuesday, September 8, 2020 - 5:30pm Private Ranch

### **Grotto II: Hammerklavier**

Wednesday, September 9, 2020 - 11:30am Colorado River Wilderness Grotto

Music Hike III: Curated by Jay Campbell Saturday, September 12, 2020 - 8:00am

Saturday, September 12, 2020 - 8:00am Wilderness Area

### Music Hike IV: String Theory Curated

by Kristin Lee

Sunday, September 13, 2020 - 8:00am Wilderness Area

### Grotto III: Music of Faith & Belief

Monday, September 14, 2020 - 11:30am Colorado River Wilderness Grotto

\*Programming and schedule subject to change

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