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SUNRIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL BRINGS LIVE AND VIRTUAL MUSICAL EVENTS BACK TO SUNRIVER

SUNRIVER, ORE – It’s time for music and fun to return! Two August events from Sunriver Music Festival will make it easy to support the Festival and enjoy some live classical music again.

The first event will be a brand-new virtual Festival Faire online auction and video premiere August 6-11, celebrating the 250th birthday of Ludwig van Beethoven without leaving your home.

Following this online event, the Festival is celebrating the 25th Anniversary of its Young Artist Scholarship (YAS) program when multi-year YAS recipient Hunter Noack returns to Sunriver for his unique outdoor classical music concert series: “IN A LANDSCAPE: Classical Music in the Wild.”

AUGUST 6-11 – FESTIVAL FAIRE ONLINE - Operations Director Meagan Iverson outlined three easy ways you can be part of this year’s Festival Faire celebration:

1. SPECIAL VIP RECEPTION – Did you attend last year’s Festival Faire? Would you like to meet the final candidates to become the Festival’s new Artistic Director? You can do both by donating the cost of one ticket ($100). Everyone donating receives an invite to attend a special reception to meet one of the two maestro finalists during the 2021 Summer Festival. To donate and receive your VIP reception invite, go to www.sunrivermusic.org or call the office at 541-593-1084.

2. ONLINE AUCTION (AUGUST 6-11) – To honor the local businesses and individuals who continue to support the Festival, an online auction will run August 6-11. You can pre-register and preview all the exciting auction items at www.sunrivermusic.org.

3. VIRTUAL BIRTHDAY PARTY (AUGUST 8, 7:00 pm) – Relax at home or with friends and join the fun, again at www.sunrivermusic.org, for a video premiere and online chats. You’ll have the opportunity to ‘Raise a Paddle’ for the Young
Artists Scholarship program, see some new and familiar faces, and enjoy performances from this year’s virtuosic scholarship recipients, all while continuing to bid on your favorite items in the online auction.

**AUGUST 22 – OUTDOOR CONCERT IN SUNRIVER** – Traveling with a 9-foot Steinway, classical pianist and YAS alumnus Hunter Noack is bringing his immensely popular outdoor concert series: *IN A LANDSCAPE: Classical Music in the Wild* to Sunriver August 21-22. The August 22nd performance, featuring Hunter and guest artist John Fawcett (violin) a current YAS recipient, will honor the 25-year history of the Festival’s scholarship program. The performance will be in the beautiful and spacious Besson Commons at Sunriver Resort. Tickets are now on sale and 10% of all ticket sales will benefit the Young Artist Scholarship fund.

To meet the social distancing requirements of the COVID-19 era and also for the best outdoor acoustic experience, music will be heard via sanitized headsets or using a companion mobile app to audience members’ personal headphones.

Your generous support of these events will help ensure that the Sunriver Music Festival remains strong for future seasons and can continue awarding scholarships for the next generation of classical musicians. Again, all details can be found at [www.sunrivermusic.org](http://www.sunrivermusic.org) or phone the Festival at 541-593-1084.

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