

Friends of the Braumart
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AUGUST 2016

MOSTRA D'ARTE

Be sure to visit the fourth annual Mostra d'Arte! "Mostra d'Arte" (Italian for art exhibition) is a juried gallery exhibition put on by the Friends of the Braumart. Accepted artwork will be eligible to win jury awards, cash prizes, and a People's Choice award. Original two-and three dimensional work completed within two years of the entry deadline is eligible. Artists - deadline for entry is JULY 14. Please see our website for details!

BRAUMART BLACK AND WHITE GALA

Thursday, August 25

Our Annual Gala to support Iron Mountain's new cultural arts center. Dress in black and white to get a special gift, enjoy delicious local fare and enjoy the bluegrass/folk sounds of hometown favorite and international touring musician Lindsay Lou & the Flatbellys!

6pm - Social Hour

7pm - Concert



Mostra D'Arte 2015 First Prize winner "Flat Irons and Ice Caves", mixed media by Joan Game

ALL THIS IS MADE POSSIBLE THANKS TO PEOPLE LIKE YOU! THE WORK IS NOT OVER, THOUGH. WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THE BRAUMART INTO A THRIVING ARTS DESTINATION. YOU CAN SUPPORT US BY MAKING A DONATION AT FRIENDSOFTHEBRAUMART.ORG OR... BY ATTENDING OUR EVENTS! EVERY TIME YOU BUY A TICKET TO ONE OF THE EVENTS LISTED HERE, YOU ARE MAKING AN INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE OF OUR COMMUNITY. SO COME ON DOWN, ENJOY THE SHOW AND WE'LL SEE YOU AT THE BRAUMART!



THE BRAUMART IS UNDERGOING A TRANSFORMATION

The Braumart has an accessible restroom on the ground floor! We are thrilled that we can now offer modern levels of comfort to all our patrons. The downstairs restrooms have been updated, too. They look spiffy and will still be available to use. The stage and dressing rooms have a new coat of paint and, by the time we reopen, the auditorium seats will have been thoroughly and professionally cleaned.

The Braumart lobby has a whole new look! You will have to see it. The concession area is totally new and fully functional; the walls were patched and painted with a fresh new color scheme, even the doors work correctly now.

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HERE'S A TINY PART OF THE NEW BRAUMART LOBBY!

Major changes are happening on the exterior as well. Every spring for the past several years the Braumart suffered from roof leaks, which caused damage to the interior walls. Problem solved! A new roof membrane was added over the entire building this spring. At the



VIEW FROM THE ROOF OF THE BRAUMART

same time, workers rebuilt the interior structure and roof of the marquee – no more drips! The outside light fixtures have been converted to LED and the marquee will get a new coat of paint as soon as the weather cooperates.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We’ve got loads of events this summer! Pine Mountain Music Festival, now in its 26th year, will hold five stellar events at the Braumart starting June 18th!

Hot on the heels of PMMF, Friends of the Braumart presents The Persuasions, a quintet from Brooklyn who has been touring the world and singing sweet, sweet a cappella music since the 60’s!

For the children, a theater workshop: Missoula Children’s Theatre will guide kids through auditions, rehearsals and two performances of the musical Pinocchio from July 25 through July 30.

In August, it’s the fourth annual Mostra D’Arte, a juried exhibition of fine art – please see our website for details.

On August 25, we’re holding our Annual Gala to support the Braumart, our area’s new cultural arts center. It’s called the Braumart Black and White and will feature local favorites, turned international touring artists Lindsay Lou & the Flatbellies!



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Tickets are available online at pmmf.org and at the Iron Mountain Chamber, as well as at the door. All tickets are general admission.

LAKE EFFECT JAZZ QUINTET

Saturday, June 18 - 7:30 pm
Fiddler Glenn Basham (of the Bergonzi String Quartet) joins local legends, Mike Irish and Mike Christianson, in a celebration of jazz from the 1930s to today. Completing the quintet are world-class jazz artists Karyn Quinn and Klaus Suonsaari.
Adults \$31, Students \$11

ULTIMI: THREE TENORS

Sunday, June 19 - 3:00 pm
This trio of charming operatic tenors from Utah makes its debut with the festival this summer. With over 100 roles to its credit, Ultimi combines the vocal and instrumental talents of three professional opera singers: Isaac Hurtado, Nathan Northrup, and Brian Stucki. Recalling the nostalgia of the “original” three tenors (Pavarotti, Domingo, Carreras), Ultimi presents riveting performances of operatic arias, duets, and trios.
Adults \$31, Students \$11

UPSTARTS!

Monday, June 20 - 7:30pm
Now in its fifth season with the festival, the inspiring UPstarts! concert series features incredibly talented emerging young musicians native to the Upper Peninsula. This summer’s

UPstarts! include bassist Jeanette Adams (Marquette), violinist Sonja Prychitko (Marquette), soprano Leah Hungerford (Hancock), and soprano/guitarist Courtney Clisch (Alston). Accompanying the group is local superstar pianist, Susie Byykkonen.
All tickets \$10

BERGONZI STRING QUARTET

Friday, June 24 - 7:30pm
The Pine Mountain Music Festival’s newly minted “Permanent Quartet-in Residence” returns for its record-breaking 22nd year. As the festival’s longest tenured musical act, Glenn Basham, Scott Flavin, Pamela McConnell, and Ross Harbaugh continue to thrill audiences with their nuanced, virtuosic, and supremely expressive artistry.
Adults \$31, Students \$11

PATTY LARKIN

Sunday, June 26 - 3:00pm
With 13 original albums to her credit, Patty redefines the boundaries of folk-urban pop music with her inventive guitar wizardry and uncompromising vocals and lyrics. Rolling Stone praises her “evocative and sonic shading,” while the Boston Globe calls her “an uncommonly articulate guitarist.” She has also been described as “riveting” (Chicago Tribune) and “hypnotic” (Entertainment Weekly). The city of Boston even celebrates Patty Larkin Appreciation Day each year.
Adults \$31, Students \$11

JULY 2016

THE PERSUASIONS

Saturday, July 2 – 7:00 pm

The Persuasions: “A living American Musical Treasure,” are celebrating 53 years in the Art of A Cappella Singing.

From their humble beginning of singing on the streets of Brooklyn, New York in 1962 the Persuasions earthy gospel-infused voices have soared through the echo chambers of New York City Subways to the dizzying heights of the Carnegie Hall stage in Manhattan. The Persuasions are known for their unique interpretations of iconic music over a broad spectrum of genres including songs by artists ranging from Frank Sinatra to Sam Cooke to Bob Dylan, from Lennon and McCartney to Rogers and Hammerstein, and from Roger Waters to Bob Dylan.

They have recorded with the likes of Paul Simon, Stevie Wonder, folk great Joni Mitchell to rock’s legendary Jerry Garcia and The Grateful Dead. The list goes on to include Ray Charles, Aretha Franklin and along the way they’ve earned the respect of countless fellow artists such as the Temptations, the late Curtis Mayfield, Four Tops and on and on.



Now in what some may call the “twilight” of their illustrious career, The Persuasions are showing no signs of slowing down, with a recent appearance on ABC’s The View and “back by popular demand” three years running at The Cotton Club in Tokyo, Japan, The Persuasions can be heard on the 2015 hit recording by British DJ and recording Artist, Jamie XX.

Tickets are available on the FOTB website, at the Dickinson Area Chamber, and at the door.
Adults \$30, Students \$15



AUDITIONS

Monday, July 25 @ 10am to 12pm

REHEARSAL

Monday, July 25 @ 12:30pm to 2:30pm

REHEARSALS

Tues-Wed-Thurs-Fri, July 26-27-28-29 @ 10am to 2:30pm

PERFORMANCES

Saturday, July 30 @ 3pm & 5:30pm

MISSOULA CHILDREN’S THEATRE

PINOCCHIO, a musical – All youth, grades 1 through 12, are welcomed to audition! The Missoula Children’s Theatre (MCT), the nation’s largest touring children’s theatre, has been touring extensively for more than 40 years now from Montana to Japan, and will visit nearly 1,200 communities this year with up to 44 teams of Tour Actor/Directors.

A tour team arrives in a given town with a set, lights, costumes, props and make-up, everything it takes to put on a play...except the cast. The team holds an open audition and casts 50-60 local students to perform in the production. The show is rehearsed throughout the week and two public performances are presented on Saturday.

All MCT shows are original adaptations of classic children’s stories and fairytales . . . a twist on the classic stories that you know and love. Also included in the residency are three enrichment workshops presented by the Tour Actor/Directors. Creativity, social skills, goal achievement, communication skills and self-esteem are all characteristics that are attained through the participation in this unique, educational project. MCT’s mission is the development of life skills in children through participation in the performing arts.
A week of theatre for \$30 per student. Please see friendsofthebraumart.org or mctinc.org for more information.