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Summer Entertainment Series Brings Free Fun to Parks

If the weather is feeling warmer and the end of school is nearly here, it must be time for the Summer Entertainment Series to get underway! The Fairfax County Park Authority, in partnership with the Fairfax County Park Foundation and with generous contributions from local businesses and corporations, presents a summer-long calendar of shows, concerts and movies appropriate for you and your family. These concerts held in local parks are the perfect place to bring a picnic dinner, blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the best local and regional entertainers.

Best of all, they are close to home and absolutely free! Performances range from children's puppet shows to big band, jazz, bluegrass, rock, classical and world music. For those who love a classic, enjoy a nostalgic return to the good old days and the drive-in theatre where you can view classic movies on a large, outdoor screen from the comfort of your car, these events are made for you!

This year offers very special performers at a wide array of outdoor venues. For example, those of you who love folk music will enjoy Eddie from Ohio scheduled to perform at Arrowbrook Centre Park in July. Tom Paxton, another folk legend, will perform at Mason District Park this summer.

The Park Authority celebrates diversity with the Cultural Heritage Series at Ossian Hall Park in Annandale. Enjoy Chinese Cultural Night in June, KanKouran Dance and Music in July and Korean dance and music in August!

Other highlights include Solas, the quintessential Irish American Band, at Lee District Amphitheater in June; the Quebe Sisters Band with Western Swing at Grist Mill Park and the United States Army Field Band The Volunteers at Nottoway Park in August.

Families with children will enjoy the Scalawag Singalong for Young Pirates, Fizzical Fairytales or the Starlight Drive-In Cinema featuring *Frozen* and *Paddington* to name just two of five summer films. You can find all the details about the ten different entertainment series online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/> For more information contact the Park Authority at 703-324-8700. Sign up for the concert e-news and receive one email per week with a list of upcoming concerts and best bets for the week.

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