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**Mark Your
Calendars for the
final concerts in
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2011-2012 Season**

Dear : f]YbX'cZH Y7 CH,

Our final two concerts of our 2011-2012 season are just around the corner. These Pops concerts are filled with lots of toe-tapping music and feature four winners of our 2012 Young Artists' Competition. These concerts aren't exactly the same, so you may want to come to both of them!

Our concert at Old Pueblo Grille, originally scheduled for April 22, has been postponed in favor of our presenting a bigger and better concert next season. Stay tuned!

Read the details of our concerts, the music we will play, and our talented young soloists below.

Pops at Quail Creek

Sunday, April 29

3:00

Tickets: \$15

Crystal Ballroom at
Madera Clubhouse at
Quail Creek
Green Valley, AZ

Pops in the Park Free Concert

Sunday, May 6

7:00

Musical Instrument
Petting Zoo at 6:00
DeMeester Outdoor
Performance Center
Reid Park, Tucson, AZ

Pops at Quail Creek - April 29

Our Pops Concert at Quail Creek is an event not to be missed! The concert features jazz classics, Big Band sounds, and show tunes. You'll be tapping your toes to some of your favorite composers--George Gershwin, Duke Ellington, Rodgers and Hammerstein--and many more. Plus, you will get to hear two winners of our recent Young Artists' Competition.

Date: Sunday, April 29

Where: Crystal Ballroom at Madera Clubhouse, Quail Creek

When: 1:45-2:45 pm: Larry Redhouse Trio plays in the Copper Lounge.

3:00 pm: Pops Concert

Tickets: \$15, available at the Concierge Office at the Madera Clubhouse

at Quail Creek and after April 9 at the Green Valley/Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce, 275 W. Continental Rd., Ste. #123, Green Valley.

Cash Bar: Opens at 1:45 pm.

Directions to Quail Creek

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Pops in the Park - May 6

This free concert features two different young winners of our 2012 Young Artists' Competition. In addition, we are holding a Musical Instrument

more years!
Thank you!

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Petting Zoo before the concert, a great experience for all family members.

Enter the park from S. Country Club, just north of E. 22nd Street, for free parking near the Performance Center. Some bench seating is available; feel free to bring your own lawn chairs, blankets, and picnic baskets.

Date: Sunday, May 6
Where: DeMeester Outdoor Performance Center at Reid Park
When: 6:00 pm: Musical Instrument Petting Zoo
7:00 pm: Pops Concert
Tickets: Free Concert!
Directions to the DeMeester Outdoor Performance Center at Reid Park

Meet the Young Soloists for these Concerts, Winners of our 2012 Young Artists' Competition

We are always excited to have the opportunity to play with some of Tucson's most talented young musicians. This spring we are featuring four of them at our Pops concerts. Follow the links to read their entire biographies, which are too long to include here!

Playing at the Quail Creek Pops Concert on April 29



Ly Pham, pianist

Ly Pham, age 16, is a junior at University High School in Tucson. She has practiced the piano for ten years, playing competitively since the age of nine. After a two-year hiatus from competing upon her move to Arizona, she was inspired by her new instructor, Dr. Svetlana Arakelova, to train competitively again. Last May she received sixth prize for her solo performances of Bach and Brahms, and this past February she received second prize at the Civic Orchestra of Tucson's Young Artists' Competition.

She is currently training for the Tucson Symphony Orchestra Young Artists' Competition, as well as for the Merit Scholarship this May. She loves to play for other people, and presents recitals with fellow pianists at local senior homes. [Read Ly's full biography.](#)



Ben Nead, cellist

Ben Nead, a 16-year-old Tucson native, is in the 10th grade at University High School. He has studied cello since the age of four with Tucson Symphony Orchestra's assistant principal cellist Mary Beth Tyndall. Ben is a member of Tucson Junior Strings, the Tucson Philharmonia Youth Orchestra and he has participated in the Southwest String Quartet summer workshops, Chamber Music in The Mountains, and the Rocky Ridge music camp in Colorado. In 2010, he performed in China as the youngest member of the Southern Arizona Symphony Orchestra. Ben has

placed both 1st and 2nd in several local young artist competitions. This summer, he will attend the Interlochen summer music camp as the Emerson scholar for Arizona. [Read Ben's full biography.](#)

Playing at the Pops in the Park Concert on May 6



Keoni Bolding, violinist

Keoni Bolding, age 14, is a 9th grader at Sonoran Science Academy. At age three, Keoni began violin lessons after seeing violinist Vanessa Mae on

television. He started with the Suzuki Method at the Music and Dance Academy of Tucson. In third grade, Keoni joined Tucson Junior Strings and is still a member. He has also played with the Tucson Philharmonia Youth Orchestra since 2010. [Read Keoni's full biography.](#)



Trevor Barroero, marimbist

Trevor Barroero, a senior at Ironwood Ridge High School, began studying percussion with Brian J. Harris at the age of ten. Trevor joined the Tucson Philharmonia Youth Orchestra in eighth grade as the youngest member of the orchestra and won the spot of principal percussionist. He has been the winner of many local competitions over the last five years. In

July of 2011 Trevor was chosen as one of sixteen high school percussionists in the world to attend the Juilliard Summer Percussion Seminar. He is in the top five percent of his graduating class and was recently named one of 25 Flinn Foundation Scholars in Arizona. For more about Trevor and to learn how he raised the funds to attend the Juilliard Percussion Seminar, [read his full biography.](#)

Our Pops Program

Below is a list of the pieces we plan to play at our 2012 Pops concerts. The program is always subject to change and the order of performance may vary from concert to concert.

Summertime, by George Gershwin
Gershwin in Concert, by George Gershwin
Piano Concerto, Mvt. 1 by Edward Grieg, featuring Ly Pham *
Embraceable You, by George Gershwin
Chaconne in g by Vitali, featuring violinist Keoni Bolding **
Cello Concerto #1, Mvt. 1 by Kabalevsky, featuring Ben Nead *
Granada, by Agustin Lara

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Spanish Dance No. 1 from La Vide Breve, by Manuel de Falla
Concertino for Marimba, Mvt. 3, by Zalupe, featuring Trevor. Barroero **
A Salute to the Big Bands, arranged by Calvin Custer
Stella by Starlight, by Ned Washington and Victor Young
Duke Ellington: A Medley for Orchestra
The Sound of Music, by Rodgers and Hammerstein

* *Performed only at the Quail Creek Pops Concert*

** *Performed only at the Reid Park Pops Concert*

We hope to see you at one of our Pops concerts this spring.

With your help, we can continue to perform free classical music concerts throughout the Tucson area for another 36 years. We couldn't do it without you.

Sincerely,

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