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B@B: After Dark Returns to the Stambaugh Auditorium Garden

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For Immediate Release:

Stambaugh Auditorium presents its summer concert series, Bands at the Baugh (B@B): After Dark. This Thursday night event takes place in the Garden at Stambaugh Auditorium and will feature local musicians, a cash bar, and local food vendors. The \$10 price of admission includes one free drink from the bar. The 2017 season is sponsored in part by 88.5 WYSU FM & The Summit FM.

On June 15th at 7pm, B@B: After Dark will kick-off with Demos Papadimas and The Angie Haze Project. Singersongwriter, Demos Papadimas, skillfully intertwines American roots music with Mediterranean influences. Discussing his influences, Papadimas cites Dylan-esque balladry, Leonard Cohen's most recent touring ensembles, and string-band revivalists such as Old Crow Medicine Show. Angie Haze, the Italian-American, singer-songwriting entertainer, showcases herself as a one-woman band playing multiple instruments simultaneously while also singing. The Indie/gypsy/blues/folk ensemble features a rotating roster of musicians. This event is sponsored in part by GPD Group.

On July 20th at 7pm, a B@B favorite, Howard and the Point Five Band returns. This will be the fourth year the group has played the summer concert series. The band is described as an R&B/jazz ensemble, and instrumentally includes keyboard, trumpet, saxophone, drums, and bass, as well as soulful vocals. This event is sponsored in part by *Metro Monthly*.

The B@B: After Dark season will conclude on August 17th with local favorites, Spirit of the Bear & Sam Goodwill. Spirit of the Bear provides a unique blend of indie rock and electronic influences. Rooted in thematic lyricism, the music of Sam Goodwill combines engaging songwriting with the drama and energy of Rock n' Roll. This event is sponsored in part by TR Party Centre.

Supporting sponsors for B@B: After Dark 2017 are: Boardman Printing, Duncan Press Inc., Fred Astaire Youngstown/Warren, and Sherman Creative Promotions. Tickets are available now through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium at 330-259-0555, online at Stambaughauditorium.com, as well as at the door the day of each event. The box office is open Monday-Friday, 9am-6pm.

For additional information on B@B: After Dark, or for future sponsorship opportunities, please contact the Administrative Office at Stambaugh Auditorium at 330-747-5175, send e-mail inquiries to jfleeson@stambaughauditorium.com, or visit stambaughauditorium.com.

About Stambaugh Auditorium:

Stambaugh Auditorium is a non-profit public auditorium which opened in 1926 through the generous gift of Youngstown area businessman Henry H. Stambaugh. The centerpiece of the complex is the Concert Hall which has a seating capacity of 2,553 and is renowned for its near perfect acoustics. The auditorium also features a 9,700-square-foot ballroom (Jeanne D. Tyler Grand Ballroom), a recital hall (Anne K. Christman Memorial Hall), and a formal garden at the southern end of the building, all of which can be rented for public, business, or private functions. The venue welcomes national and international performers on a regular basis while also hosting local and regional events many of which use the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office to sell and distribute tickets. Stambaugh Auditorium was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.