

PRESS RELEASE Stambaugh Auditorium Announces Line-up for Outdoor Concert

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B@B (Bands at the Baugh): After Dark returns to the Stambaugh Auditorium Garden for three dates this summer. The Thursday night event will feature local music favorites, a cash bar, and food selections provided by Lib's Market from Salem, OH. Tickets are on sale now at the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office, the \$10 price of admission includes one free drink from the bar. The 2018 season is sponsored in part by 88.5 FM WYSU and Eastern Gateway Community College.

Headlining the series opener will be Youngstown's own, The Vindy's. Their unique blend of pop, jazz, and rock has landed The Vindy's gigs ranging from YSU's Federal Frenzy to opening at the House of Blues in Cleveland. They have been described as "a vibrant slice of vintage pop theatre," incorporating multiple genres into one cohesive sound gives the band the ability to appeal to a wide audience. Opening for the Vindy's will be JD Eicher. Hailing from Canfield, Eicher with his band, The Goodnights, has been compared to Coldplay, Keane, The Script, The Killers, and Death Cab for Cutie. Sponsored in part by GPD Group the first night of the series will take place on Thursday evening, June 21st at 7:00 pm.

B@B alum, Howard and the Point Five Band, will return with the funk on July 19th at 7:00 pm. The band is a R&B/jazz ensemble including keyboard, trumpet, saxophone, drums, bass, as well as soulful vocals. This event is sponsored in part by *Metro Monthly*.

Demos Papadimas will headline for the third year in a row closing out the B@B season on August 23rd at 7:00 pm. Discussing his influences, Papadimas cites Dylanesque balladry, Leonard Cohen's most recent touring ensembles, and string-band revivalists such as Old Crow Medicine Show as well as Greek Rembetiko—the "Greek blues." Lyrically, this self-described "cynical optimist" infuses glimmers of hope in his often world-weary lyrics. Leo D'Angelo will make his first B@B appearance opening the August date. D'Angelo's music is described as blues fueled Americana. This event is sponsored in part by TR Party Centre.

Supporting sponsors for B@B: After Dark 2018 are: Sherman Creative Promotions and Youngstown Live. 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 and giving opportunities, please contact the Administrative Office at Stambaugh Auditorium at 330-747-5175, send e-mail inquiries to mmcgiffin@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.