Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival

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Director's Note

The Holiday Season is usually quiet and uneventful for the Festival. That is not the case this year. We are putting together the final logistics for our Winter Edition (2/17-23) featuring Gospel Choir and Marimba workshops. We are booking Guest Artists and planning out FSAF 2020 (July 12-26). We also have our final performance of 2019 coming up. November 22nd in New York City's Federal Hall will see the world premiere of 8 different pieces of music by Composing in the Wilderness participants. These men and women from around the world spent a week kayaking through Prince William Sound this summer and have written works that reflect their experiences and inspirations. The music will be played by FSAF's new music ensemble, Corvus, led by the Interior's own Katie Cox and Andie Springer. It will be an amazing performance and an incredible way to highlight all that is unique about our state and this Festival.

As always, thanks for your support. *James*

What's Next?



GivingTuesday was created in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. Over the past seven years, it has grown into a global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity. Whether it's making someone smile, helping a neighbor or stranger out, showing up for an issue or people we care about, or giving some of what we have to those who

need our help, every act of generosity counts and everyone has something to give. We would love for you to think of Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival on this Giving Tuesday, December 3rd, 2019.

What Can You Give? You can make a monetary donation to support festival. Visit our website http://www.fsaf.org and click on "Support". You can host a visiting artist. We are always in need of rooms and cars for our Summer Guest Artists. You can sponsor an event. Donate airline miles for guest artists. You can also link your Fred Meyer reward cards and Amazon Smile to support FSAF. A portion of every purchase gets donated to supporting the festival. If you receive a PFD, you can also choose "Pick, Click, Give." We always welcome your ideas for supporting festival. If you have something that you feel would meet your "Giving Goal", let us know. We can't make festival a success without each of you! Check out our Facebook page for more on #givingtuesday.

Artist Spotlight Bobby Lewis



If you don't know Bobby Lewis, you are missing out. His heart is larger than life, personality to match and a soul that resonates through his music. (If you can't tell, we are fans.) Bobby Lewis is the Senior Pastor of the New Light Baptist Church in Harlem, New York. He also travels the world sharing the hope of God through singing and teaching music. Some of his greatest achievements; seeing his choir sing with Barbara Streisand at Madison Square Gardens, and writing the opening song for one of Oprah Winfrey's birthday Celebration. Bobby's Ensemble was feature on PBS with Norm Lewis at Lincoln Center in his cabaret, Who Am I. They were also a featured ensemble in "The

Odessy" at the Delecorte Theater in Central Park, singing the music of Todd Almond as part of the Public Theater's Shakespeare in the Park Series. It was so successful, Todd Almond invited Bobby's Ensemble to join him at the Lincoln Center to be featured in his cabaret. Bobby is proud to be returning to the FSAF for the 15th year directing this amazing Gospel Workshop. Bobby will be here in February as a key part of our Winter Festival. We look forward to welcoming him back.



As Always, we want to say <u>THANK YOU</u> to all of you. We hope you have a wonderful holiday season.

"It is not some abstract thing to support the arts, It's a very vital part of our lives." Liz Thompson

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