

## ADA DYER SINGS ARETHA FRANKLIN AT ARTS ON THE LAKE

Ada Dyer, performer of R&B and soul music, is set to perform the songs of Aretha Franklin on Friday, July 20, at 7 pm at Arts on the Lake, 640 Route 52, Lake Carmel.

The second in AotL's outdoor Summer Concert Series, Dyer comes to Lake Carmel from recent appearances at B. B. King's in New York City.

Joining Ms. Dyer will be Etienne Lytle (keyboards), Kahlil Kwame Bell (drums), Billy Grant (bass/vocals), Kaspar Galli (guitar), Marty Kersich (sax) and Dennis Collins and Emily Surtees (vocals).

Singer/Songwriter Kati Mac, who seeks out talent for Arts on the Lake, calls Ms. Dyer and these performers "the most amazing group ever."

Starting her career in high school singing with bands anywhere she could, Chicago-born Ms. Dyer made her Broadway debut in *The Wiz*. She went on to work with Sting, Roberta Flack, Lenny Kravitz, Cher, the J. Geils Band, Boz Scaggs, Michael Bolton and Luther Vandross.

The fourth year of outdoor summer concerts at Arts on the Lake, local vendors Carmel Bagel, Johnny Gelato Ice Cream and Johnny's Fire Dogs are on site at 6:15 to offer picnic-type food and beverages to enjoy before or during the concert.

The concerts move indoors, if there is rain.

Because of support from the Friends of the Kent Library, Radovich & Dean Music, Kent Liquors and Joan Iacono Law, the concerts are free or by a pay-what-you-wish donation.

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Cobert Operations, a funky, bluesy, horn-based rock band that includes, in addition to singer/vocalist Jon Cobert, Tim Ouimette, Peter Calo, Stu Woods, Rob Wallis, Mark Fineberg and Kati Mac is the third concert of the series, scheduled for Friday, July 27.

More information on upcoming Arts on the Lake activities and concerts is available at www.artsonthelake.org or (845) 228-2685.

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