



CAJUN ROCK BAND SWAMP GUMBO TO PERFORM AT ARTS ON THE LAKE

The locally-grown and NYC-bred band *Swamp Gumbo* will close the Summer Concert Series at Arts on the Lake, 640 Route 52, Lake Carmel, Friday, July 26, at 7 pm.

Led by keyboardist Jon Cobert, singer/songwriter Kati Mac and trumpeter Tim Ouimette, *Swamp Gumbo* has a New York following from its performances at *78 Below* in Manhattan and a local following from performances at the *Mohansic Grill* in Yorktown Heights and *North Star* in Pound Ridge.

As current residents of the Hudson Valley, the performers bring a background of international experience to the music of *Swamp Gumbo*.

Ms. Mac was the female lead with Meat Loaf, sang with Sting on a world tour and has five songs nominated for Emmys.

Mr. Ouimette has played trumpet for The Count Basie Orchestra, Keith Richard and They Might Be Giants and is an active arranger/composer/conductor for movies and TV.

Mr. Cobert has played with John Lennon (you can see him in "Imagine"), John Denver, Bruce Springsteen, Jackson Browne, Richie Havens and appeared most recently at Arts on the Lake with Tom Chapin.

They will be joined at Friday's concert by bassist Steve Count, singer/songwriter Sherryl Marshall and drummer Denny McDermott.

Swamp Gumbo, says Ms. Mac, includes Cajun classics from Prof. Longhair, Allen Toussaint, Dr John, The Neville Brothers and Delany & Bonnie. "Gumbo has many different ingredients and a real swampy rhythm," she adds.

The summer concerts are scheduled for the lawn at the Lake Carmel Arts Center, but will move indoors in the event of rain.

Admission to the concert is pay-what-you-wish at the entrance.

Offering major support for the series are the Putnam Hospital Center, the Friends of the Kent Library, Radovich & Dean Music, Kent Wine and Liquors, Macaroni Kid and Joan Iacono Law.

The concerts are also made possible, in part, by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Cuomo and the NY State Legislature and with public funds from Putnam County. These grant programs are managed and monitored by the Putnam Arts Council.

Local vendors will be on site at 6:30 to offer picnic-type food and beverages to enjoy before or during the concert.

Arts on the Lake asks spectators to bring a folding chair or blanket for the lawn.

More information on all events at Arts on the Lake is available at www.artsonthelake.org or (845) 228-2685.

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