

BIRCH CREEK

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Jazz Concerts at Birch Creek will run Through August 13

Egg Harbor, WI – Classic Big Band Jazz will return to Birch Creek starting on July 20, with four weeks of Jazz concerts running through August 13.

Birch Creek's Jazz Faculty comes from across the country to educate promising young musicians and perform in the Dutton Concert Barn, a century-old barn turned concert hall. Many of the faculty are nationally recognized musicians, having performed with the Count Basie Orchestra, Frank Sinatra Jr., Jerry Lewis, Dizzy Gillespie, and the big bands of the Dorsey Brothers. Professor Jeff Campbell, Associate Professor and Chair of Jazz Studies & Contemporary Media at Eastman School of Music, will celebrate his 20th year directing Birch Creek's Jazz Program this year.

Students and faculty will perform 16 concerts at Birch Creek this summer, including, "Swing Into Summer," "Ellington, Basie & Miller," "The Great American Big Band," and more. In addition to these nightly concerts, the student jazz bands will hold free outreach concerts at the Sister Bay Pavilion on July 27 and August 10, from 3-5 pm. Also on July 27, the Door Peninsula Astronomical Society will return to Birch Creek for its annual Night Sky Viewing, taking place after that night's concert (July 28 rain date). For a full concert schedule, visit www.birchcreek.org/tickets.

Birch Creek Music Performance Center in Egg Harbor, WI, is a residential summer music academy for advanced young musicians. With a performance emphasis, students are taught by nationally known performers and educators during the day, and perform alongside them in concerts at night. Four sessions focus on Percussion & Steel Band, Symphony, and Big Band Jazz. 2016 concert and session dates are posted at www.birchcreek.org/tickets.

2016 Concert Schedule

Symphony: July 4, 7-9, 13-16

Big Band Jazz (Two Sessions): July 20-23, 27-30 | August 3-6, 10-13

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