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## **BERNIE PETTAWAY JAZZ QUARTET AT MUSIC BY THE LAKE**



The May Music by the Lake concert at Blue Ridge Community College will present Bernie Pettaway Jazz Quartet on Sunday, May 15 from 5 to 7 p.m. This free concert is sponsored by Community Enrichment in the Continuing Education Division.

This entertaining and incredibly talented quartet plays jazz standards, original compositions, and their interpretation of tunes

from the songbooks of Pat Metheny, Patsy Cline, Charlie Haden, or even the Bee Gees. The members of this quartet have an association of more than 20 years that is evident in their collective enjoyment of improvising and creating music together.

Bernie Pettaway, guitar, a veteran of many R&B ensembles, shares his many guitar playing talents with musicians and groups as diverse as the North Carolina Symphony, the contra dance group Contrazz, the eclectic acoustic string band Stringfellows, and the 'alt-Americana' Crooked Mile Band. He has provided guitar accompaniment for numerous North Carolina Theater and national touring theater productions.

For the past 17 years Bernie has been the guitarist and band contractor for Ira David Wood's "A Christmas Carol", a most successful annual theater production. Also he has composed music for television programs nationally syndicated by PBS.

Jim Crew, keyboards, studied music at UNC-Chapel Hill and the University of North Texas, and privately with world renowned pianist Joanne Brackeen. He has performed at major jazz festivals and in clubs nationwide and has composition credits ranging from modern dance to musical theater to film trailers and computer games. Among his awards and honors are a 2002 United Arts Regional Artist Grant, "Best Musician in the Triangle" and national finalist in the 1991 Dewar's Jazz Piano Competition.

Robbie Link on bass, performer and teacher on the double bass, cello, electric bass, viola da gamba, and violone, is instructor of double bass and cello at the Duke University Pre-Collegiate String School and Instructor of Double Bass for Duke University. Link performs and records with many period instruments, chamber, jazz, and folk music ensembles and enjoys performing everything from Baroque to Bluegrass. He has performed with The Bach Sinfonia, North Carolina Symphony, Richmond Symphony, Louisville Symphony, and Ensemble Vermillion as well as with many jazz notables including Mose Allison, Carol Sloane, Margaret Whiting, Bobby Enriquez, and Scott Hamilton.

Ed Butler, drums, has performed in many venues across the United States and throughout Europe and Northern Africa in a variety of styles from Neo-Country to pop with Grammy Award winner Michelle Shocked. He also has collaborated with dance and theater companies including productions of "Purlie", "Always Patsy Cline", and Ira David Wood's "A Christmas Carol." He has appeared in "Kudzu-A Southern Musical" by Pulitzer Prize winner Doug Marlette and The Red Clay Ramblers. For four years Ed was the primary composer and performer for Jelly Educational Theatre, a Chapel Hill children's theater company, which won the 2000 Indie Award for Excellence.

The public is invited to bring a picnic and lawn chairs to enjoy an evening of music with friends and family beside the College lake. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will take place in the Thomas Auditorium in the Sink Building.

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