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**MARIN ART AND GARDEN CENTER ANNOUNCES  
2011 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AND FARMERS MARKET**

*Lineup of 13 bands will offer family fun this summer alongside fresh food from farmers.*

The Summer Concert Series at the Marin Art and Garden Center (MAGC) has been a popular community event for years. The 2011 series will begin on Thursday, June 2, and will continue every Thursday until August 25. Live music from local bands will take place at the outdoor gazebo from 5 to 7 p.m. From bluegrass to jazz to rock n' roll, visitors of all ages will enjoy listening and dancing to the festive tunes.

The MAGC/Ross farmers market will run from 3 to 7 p.m. on Thursdays as well, in both the main parking lot and in the smaller lot by the gazebo. Guests may purchase a picnic at the market and then enjoy the meal on the lawn near the music. Visitors are advised to bring a picnic blanket, as seating will be limited.

Admission is by donation in support of Marin Art and Garden Center educational programs. Beer, wine and other beverages may be purchased at the events, along with food at the farmers market. Proceeds from beer and wine sales benefit MAGC, a 501(c) 3 non-profit. Attendees may sign up to become members of MAGC and receive beverage discounts at the concerts.

The band schedule is as follows:

- June 2 – Grupo Falso Baiano** (Brazilian Jazz, [www.grupofalsobaiano.com](http://www.grupofalsobaiano.com))
- June 9 – The Funny Farmers** (Americana, [www.myspace.com/vikkileepinecones](http://www.myspace.com/vikkileepinecones))
- June 16 – Sony Holland** (Jazz Vocalist, <http://www.sonyholland.com>)
- June 23 – Grandpa Banana Band** (Bluegrass/Folk, [www.grandpabanana.com](http://www.grandpabanana.com))
- June 30 – John Allair** (Rock & Roll, [www.johnallair.com](http://www.johnallair.com))
- July 7 – Miracle Mule** (Country/Zydeco, [www.miraclemule.com](http://www.miraclemule.com))
- July 14 – The Continentals** (Rockabilly)
- July 21 – Solid Air** (Folk-Rock, [www.solidairmusic.com](http://www.solidairmusic.com))
- July 28 – House Party Boogie** (Jump Rhythm & Blues, [www.housepartyboogie.com](http://www.housepartyboogie.com))
- August 4 – Swing Fever** (Swing, [www.swingfever.com](http://www.swingfever.com))
- August 11 – The Keepers** (Rock)
- August 18 – The Wronglers** (Bluegrass)
- August 25 – Jef Labes Trio** (Rock/Showtunes, [www.jeflabes.com](http://www.jeflabes.com))

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**About the Marin Art and Garden Center**

Established in 1945, the Marin Art & Garden Center serves thousands of children and adults each year with education programs focused on environmental conservation, green gardening and horticulture, performing and visual arts and history. The Center features award-winning gardens home to the Moya Library/Ross Historical Society, Laurel House Antiques, the Marin Society of Artists gallery, both indoor and outdoor performing arts facilities home to Ross Valley Players community theatre, Porchlight Theatre Company and Marin Shakespeare's children's programs, Pixie Park playground and the Ross Recreation Garden School pre-school. In addition, MAGC partners with the Marin Master Gardeners, the Garden Society of Marin, Marin Garden Club, the Marin Rose Society, Marin Bonsai Club, Ross Historical Society, Ross Recreation and others to provide a variety of public programs. MAGC also offers social events for both adults and children, and rents its space out for weddings, memorials and other events. For more information or to become a member, visit [www.magc.org](http://www.magc.org) or call 415-454-5081.