

The Marin Art & Garden Center
Announces the Fifth Annual **Summertime Family Concert Series**
Sponsored by **Wells Fargo**

**The first concert of the season features the Pamela Rose Band
On Tuesday, July 15 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM**

For Immediate Release

Ross, California (July 18) – **The Marin Art & Garden Center** presents a free Summertime Family Concert Series, scheduled for the third Tuesday of July and August, from 5:30-7:30PM. The Concert Series will culminate with a special **Centennial Concert Celebration** on Sunday, September 7th to commemorate the hundredth anniversary of Ross, California. That musical performance will be from 4-6PM, featuring the fabulous **Stardusters Jazz Orchestra**, an 18-piece Big Band who will play “**Jazz Music Through the Decades**” Centennial Concert.

During these outdoor concerts, picnic dinners, beverages and treats will be offered by **Good Earth Catering**. Guests are welcome to bring a blanket and picnic for the lawn or take advantage of the chairs provided for the performance.

Each Family Concert Series event will feature a special musical performance at the Center:

Tuesday, July 15 – *Pamela Rose Band with Jazz, R&B and Blues*

Tuesday, August 19 – *Ron Thompson and the Resistors with Roots Blues*

Sunday, September 7 – *The Stardusters Jazz Orchestra with Big-band Jazz*

The concert series is for adults and children to enjoy the live music and beautiful gardens at Marin Art & Garden Center. The series is made possible by the sponsorship of **Wells Fargo**. Graphic design by Art Director **Kevin Gammon**. Please call **415-455-5260** for information or visit: **www.magc.org**.

About Pamela Rose Group:

Pamela Rose is a San Francisco jazz and blues vocalist who has thrilled audiences locally and internationally with her swinging, soulful style. Rose is that rare breed of entertainer who connects solidly with her audience by always delivering a personal and unforgettable musical experience. Her rich, warm voice and easy rapport with excellent musicians moves jazz and blues audiences of all ages.

About Ron Thompson:

Not many living blues musicians can say they have performed with and recorded for legends like Big Mama Thornton, Sonny Rhodes, Luther Tucker, Jimmy McCracklin, Pee Wee Crayton, Carla Thomas, Booker T. Jones, Percy Mayfield, Etta James, B.B. King, and Jimmy Reed. Ron Thompson can, and that's just the beginning! Ron Thompson is a legendary rhythm and blues guitarist and master keyboardist whose career began in the rough and tumble world of East San Francisco Bay nightclubs and bars in the early '70s. During many years of touring coast to coast with John Lee Hooker, Hooker was quoted as saying, "Ron Thompson, he's my main man!"

About The Stardusters Jazz Orchestra:

Jazz, a truly American art-form, is among the greatest contributions to the music of the world to come from America and the Stardusters Jazz Orchestra honors that legacy by recreating the swinging jazz sounds of the big band era including classic compositions spanning a century and made famous by Duke Ellington, Glen Miller, Artie Shaw, Benny Goodman, Count Basie and the Dorseys. Their repertoire includes jumping jazz and swing standards as well as sweet memorable ballads all handily orchestrated to the delight of their audience.

About MAGC

Marin Art & Garden Center is a non-profit organization with the mission of being a supportive and enriching community resource, most specifically for the arts, horticulture, history and environmental conservation. The Center houses twelve non-profit organizations while sponsoring and co-sponsoring over 60 non-profit community and education organizations and programs that serve a wide range of interest. In addition, MAGC is considered the premier North Bay site for weddings and parties.

Directions:

MAGC is located at 30 Sir Francis Drake in the town of Ross.

From San Francisco:

From Highway 101 North, take the Sir Francis Drake Blvd./San Anselmo exit onto Sir Francis Drake Blvd. On Sir Francis Drake Blvd., drive west 2.5 miles. The Center entrance is located directly across from Lagunitas Blvd.

From North of San Rafael:

From Highway 101 South, take the Sir Francis Drake Blvd. exit. On Sir Francis Drake Blvd., drive west 2.5 miles. The Center entrance is located directly across from Lagunitas Blvd.

From the East Bay:

From Highway 580, take the San Quentin/Sir Francis Drake Blvd. exit. Drive 2 miles until you pass Highway 101. Continue west on Sir Francis Drake Blvd. for 2.5 miles. The Center entrance is located directly across from Lagunitas.

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