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Cheekwood’s Winter Concert Series Ushers in 2023 with Captivating Music

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Ring in the new year with big band jazz, Brazilian grooves, and classical music at Cheekwood’s Winter Concert Series. Set in Cheekwood’s Massey Auditorium, the trio of intimate concerts aims to expand perspectives and delight music lovers. The performances take place on January 28, February 10, and February 23 at 7:00 PM.

“We are thrilled to welcome this stellar lineup of world-class musicians and offer a way for guests to escape the winter blues in the bright and airy setting of Cheekwood’s newly renovated Massey Auditorium,” says Director of Music & Public Programs Mark Mason.

The 12-piece Nashville Jazz Orchestra’s Big Band will kick off the first installment of the concert series on January 28. Swinging with saxophones, trumpets, trombones, and a robust rhythm section, the group channels the big band heyday that defined the 1910s through the 1940s.

On February 10, nine-piece super group Tudo Bem brings their sublime interpretations of Brazilian music. With a name that means “everything’s good” in Portuguese, Tudo Bem moves through samba, baião, forró, bossa nova, and choro with grace and joy. Grammy winners Will Barrow—piano, accordion, and vocals—and Giovanni Rodriguez—bass and percussion—are joined by guitarist Jerome Degey, vocalist Crystal Miller, and percussionist Bryan Brock.

In the third and final installment on February 23, contemporary classical music ensemble Intersection will present Aaron Copland’s Appalachian Spring. Founded by Kelly Corcoran in 2014, Intersection uses music to elevate new and unique voices, build community, and engage in an ongoing dialogue. The program will feature additional musical repertoire and original choreography from the Ensworth School of Dance.

Concert tickets are $35 for Cheekwood members and $45 for non-members. Guests can purchase admission online at https://cheekwood.org/calendar/winter-concert-series/.

About Cheekwood
With its intact and picturesque vistas, Cheekwood is distinguished as one of the leading Country Place Era estates in the nation. Formerly the family home of Mabel and Leslie Cheek, the 1930s estate, with its 30,000-square-foot Mansion and 55-acres of gardens, today serves the public as a botanical garden, arboretum, and art museum with furnished period rooms and galleries devoted to American art from
the 18th to mid-20th centuries. The property includes 13 distinct gardens including the Blevins Japanese Garden and the Bracken Foundation Children’s Garden, as well as a 1.5-mile woodland trail featuring outdoor monumental sculpture. Each year, Cheekwood hosts seasonal festivals including Cheekwood in Bloom, Summertime at Cheekwood, Cheekwood Harvest and Holiday LIGHTS. Cheekwood is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and nationally as a Level II Arboretum. It is a three-time voted USA Today Top 10 Botanical Garden and in 2021 was recognized by Fodors as one of the 12 Most Beautiful Gardens in the American South. Cheekwood is located eight miles southwest of downtown Nashville at 1200 Forrest Park Drive. It is open Tuesday through Sunday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., with extended days and hours of operation depending on the season. Visit cheekwood.org for current hours and to purchase advance tickets required for admission.

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