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The City of Redwood City presents *Classical Series** A Series of Free Classical Music Concerts on Courthouse Square

For the classical music lover in everyone, Redwood City is launching a new Classical Music Series for 2010. The series launches at 6pm on June 26th with The West Bay Community Band, and then continues on July 31st with the Peninsula Symphony. The great classical music continues on September 19th with the innovative Redwood Symphony. You won't want to miss these free classical concerts, performed outdoors on beautiful Courthouse Square for your musical enjoyment.

West Bay Community Band - July 26, 2010, 6pm

The West Bay Community Band on the San Francisco Peninsula is a Symphonic Band that performs an eclectic variety of musical styles. It also facilitates chamber ensembles such as the West Bay Saxtet, to be featured in this concert. The group produces 6 to 10 performances per year at community events and dedicated concerts. Doug Miner (conductor, educator, recording artist and performer) leads the group. "The West Bay Community Band musicians are working very hard to get ready for this concert," says Miner. "We hope music lovers from everywhere in the Bay Area have a chance to make an evening of it and come to the Redwood City Courthouse Square to hear the West Bay Band in this historic setting." http://www.westbaycommunityband.org

Peninsula Symphony - July 31, 2010, 6pm

The Peninsula Symphony, a 90-member community orchestra led by Music Director and Conductor Mitchell Sardou Klein, celebrates its 62nd season of providing unique and first-class music to the Bay Area community. In addition, as part of its "Bridges to Music" outreach programs, the Symphony shares its passion for music by offering programs in schools, providing free or discounted tickets to students and their families, hosting two competitions for students, and presenting a free family concert and outdoor summer concert. This season the Orchestra performs concerts in venues from Cupertino to San Mateo, including this wonderful mid-summer performance at Courthouse Square. http://peninsulasymphony.org/

Redwood Symphony - September 19, 2010, 6pm

The Redwood Symphony is an innovative community orchestra known for exemplary musicianship and for introducing local audiences to edgier, more modern music as well as thoughtful presentation of the classics. Founded in 1985 as an all-volunteer orchestra devoted to an ambitious, contemporary repertoire, Redwood Symphony has performed works ranging from Mahler and Beethoven to Frank Zappa and Charles Ives in an informal and fun format.

The 21st season will include an ambitious, eclectic mix of beloved classics by composers such as Mahler, Tchaikovsky, Beethoven and Brahms, as well as the most innovative and entertaining music of our own time, sprinkled with pops, jazz, and film scores. This special season will feature a 20th birthday celebration for the orchestra, an exciting premiere, outstanding soloists, a special program of Jewish theater music and an afternoon Family Concert targeted at exposing young listeners to musical works that may change their lives forever. Don't miss this great opportunity to widen your appreciation for the great variety of symphonic music. http://www.redwoodsymphony.org.

Other Events at Downtown Redwood City's 2010 Summer Series

Along with our Classical Music series, other exciting FREE evening events include: Jazz on Main on Mondays, Dancing on the Square on Tuesdays, Movies on the Square on Thursdays, and Music on the Square on Fridays. Other ongoing events in the coming months include six special outdoor exhibits featuring Art on the Square, Monday and Wednesday afternoon performances with Lunchtime on the Square, as well as weekend Target Family Days, and Cultural Events.

Full details at www.redwoodcityevents.com

These free events, occurring throughout the summer, are sponsored by the City of Redwood City and its Redevelopment Agency, Civic Cultural Commission and Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department

The Redwood City Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department provides recreational facilities and activities for all ages and interests, and supplies building and custodial services for City buildings. Redwood City Parks also operates the Fair Oaks Community Center, providing social, educational, and cultural activities, as well as information, referral, and counseling services to persons living in Redwood City and neighboring communities. Redwood City Parks is more than you think! Its website is located at www.redwoodcity.org/parks.

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