

western arts alliance

Affordable Excellence: Artists with Fees of \$5,000 or Less

Great works that speak to the child in all of us. Engage audiences of all ages with artists and shows that enrich lives, build community, and inspire creativity

GROUP 1

Alfredo Rolando Ortiz

WAA Exhibit #: 717

Artist Name Being Pitched: Alfredo Rolando Ortiz
- South American Harp

Project Name Pitched: My harp, my lands and my loves

Artist or Project Website: AlfredoHarp.com

Fee Range: Under \$5000

Description: Full of excitement and contrasts, from lively rhythms to romantic melodies, from traditional to classical, from Latin favorites to his acclaimed compositions, his unforgettable performances are enriched by fascinating commentaries about the music. World renown harpist, composer, award winner educator, he is also a Gold Record winner in South America.

Notes:

Andre Bouchard

Agency Name: Walrus Arts Management

Organization Website: www.walrusarts.com

WAA Exhibit #: 704

Artist Name Being Pitched: DDAT

Project Name Pitched: DDAT

Artist or Project Website: <https://ddatlive.com/>

Fee Range: 3000-5000

Description: Led by Navajo jazz trumpeter, Delbert Anderson, and vocalist Christopher Bidtah (DEF-I) and named by NPR as one of the top 10 in the 'Tiny Desk Concert' series by over 100,000 listeners - DDAT combines hip hop, jazz, funk and soul to their original southwestern Native southwestern fusion.

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Annick-Patricia Carriere

Agency Name: Agence Station Bleue

Organization Website: www.stationbleue.com

WAA Exhibit #: 421

Artist Name Being Pitched: Quartango and soprano Marie-Josée Lord

Project Name Pitched: Tangopera!

Artist or Project Website:

<http://www.quartango.com/en/boutique/tangopera-live>

Fee Range: 4000\$-5000\$

Description: Quartango's musicians combine their musical flights of fancy with the talents of the brilliant soprano Marie-Josée Lord to enrich their already varied repertoire. From Bizet to Piazzolla, Quartango revisits well-known tango songs and beloved arias and gives them its own special trademark. Audiences are enthralled by the exquisite voices, impressed by the elegant, impassioned playing and thrilled by the unusual pairing of great opera classics with tango's spell-binding rhythms. In Tangopera, the tango finds a new voice!

Barbara Collin

Agency Name: Collin Artists

Organization Website: www.collinartists.com

WAA Exhibit #: 102

Artist Name Being Pitched: Roberta Donnay

Project Name Pitched: Roberta Donnay

Artist or Project Website:

www.robertadonnay.com

Fee Range: \$2,000 - \$5,000

Description: Singer/Historian/Composer/Clinician Roberta Donnay celebrates 1920's women of swing, blues and jazz with her band, Roberta Donnay and The Prohibition Mob Band as well as participating in The HoT Licks - MUSIC BY DAN HICKS. The Hot Licks are his longtime backup band/singers paying tribute to his music.

The Hot Licks perform classic gems written by the Man himself as well as songs that Dan loved to cover in his own original style. A blend of Gypsy Jazz, Folk and Swing.

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GROUP 2

Charles Ray

Agency Name: Music City Artists, Inc
Organization Website: www.musiccityartists.com
WAA Exhibit #: 214
Artist Name Being Pitched: EmiSunshine
Project Name Pitched: Ragged Dreams Tour
Artist or Project Website:
www.theemisunshine.com
Fee Range: \$3500 - \$6,000

Description: EMISUNSHINE, a 13-year-old East Tennessee prodigy has captured the nation's attention as a singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist. Steeped in Appalachian music, Emi is a true vocal stylist. Emi will be touring in support of her fourth full length album release "Ragged Dreams" (Aug 25 2017.)

Notes:

Debbie Peters

Agency Name: Maverick Collective
Organization Website: caline.com
Artist Name Being Pitched: Lion Bear Fox
Project Name Pitched:
Artist or Project Website:
thelionthebearthefox.com
Fee Range: 5k

Description: Vancouver's Lion Bear Fox is three huge voices joined as one, telling the truth through compelling story, honest narrative and unbridled passion. Three men going to war onstage every night to share a message of hope, vulnerability and redemption. Lion Bear Fox is "a musical force of nature", an "emotional awakening" that's sure to "be around for a lifetime". (Nanaimo Daily News/ Songs in the Valley/Terry David Mulligan).

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Gregg Young

WAA Exhibit #: 215

Artist Name Being Pitched: Gregg Young & the 2nd Street Band

Project Name Pitched: Gregg Young & the 2nd Street Band

Artist or Project Website:

<http://www.greggyoung.com/>

Fee Range: 5K

Description: Exciting, Entertaining Music that's all about your Audience! Rearranged Hits, Award-Winning Original Works, brilliant musicianship, solos, and vocals get your audience up clapping, singing and dancing. "This is the kind of group that epitomizes what the Gallo Center's message is to the community-great musicians who love playing for an audience!"

Notes:

Isaac Bunch

Agency Name: Sciolino Artist Management

Organization Website: <http://www.samnyc.us/>

WAA Exhibit #: 411

Artist Name Being Pitched: Michael Brown

Project Name Pitched: Michael Brown
(pianist/composer)

Artist or Project Website:

<http://www.michaelbrownmusic.com/>

Fee Range: \$3,500-\$5,000

Description: Recipient of a 2015 Avery Fisher Career Grant, pianist/composer Michael Brown has been described as "one of the leading figures in the current renaissance of performer-composers" (The New York Times). Michael reflects his unique artistry through creative programming that often interweaves the classics with contemporary works and his own compositions.

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GROUP 3

Joseph Blood

Agency Name: Light Organ Records

Organization Website:

<https://lightorganrecords.com/>

WAA Exhibit #:

Artist Name Being Pitched: Sarah Jane Scouten

Project Name Pitched: Sarah Jane Scouten

Artist or Project Website:

<https://www.sarahjanescouten.com/>

Fee Range: \$2000-\$5000

Description: Sarah Jane Scouten puts a contemporary turn on traditional folk and country music. As much at home performing solo as she is leading a 7 piece band Sarah Jane delivers a captivating set that appeals to a wide audience.

Lynn McConnell

Agency Name: World Artists

Organization Website:

<http://www.lynnmccconnell.com/pages/roster.html>

WAA Exhibit #: 206

Artist Name Being Pitched: Firebird Balalaika Quintet

Project Name Pitched: Music, Dance, and Song from Eastern Europe and Beyond

Artist or Project Website:

<http://www.lynnmccconnell.com/pages/Firebird.html>

Fee Range: \$3500-5000

Description: Firebird Balalaika Quintet has built a reputation as a unique and dynamic group, often adding vocalists and dancers to their program. Performing on the round-bodied domra, triangular-shaped balalaikas, and the bayan/accordion, Firebird's repertoire ranges from traditional Russian, Ukrainian, and Eastern European songs to well-known classics and original compositions.

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Karen Fischer

Agency Name: Pasifika Artists Network
Organization Website: <http://pasifika-artists.com/>
WAA Exhibit #: 510
Artist Name Being Pitched: Makana
Project Name Pitched: Makana
Artist or Project Website:
<http://makanamusic.com/>
Fee Range: \$5,000, or negotiable

Description: "Impressive stage presence, jewel box precision, sizzling showmanship." (Honolulu Advertiser) "A dynamic force" (NYT) recognized as one of the top guitarists by Guitar Player magazine, Makana's songs and heartfelt vocals share an exhilarating ride from Hawaiian slack key to his own high-octane "Slack Rock" with elements of bluegrass, rock, blues.

Marian Liebowitz

Agency Name: Marian Liebowitz Artist Management
Organization Website:
<https://www.marianliebowitz.com/>
WAA Exhibit #: 506
Artist Name Being Pitched: Quarteto Nuevo
Project Name Pitched: Concerts and Educational Residencies
Artist or Project Website:
<http://quartetounuevo.com/>
Fee Range: \$3,000-\$5,500

Description:
Beverly Hills National Audition winners, Quarteto Nuevo merges western classical, eastern European folk, and Latin styles into concerts that can fit anywhere, from an intimate chamber music venue to a large outdoor festival. The group's commitment to student education is evidenced by the hundreds of workshops given across the U.S!

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GROUP 4

Matt Greenhill

Agency Name: FLi Artists

Organization Website: www.fliartists.com

WAA Exhibit #: 308

Artist Name Being Pitched: Farah Siraj

Project Name Pitched: Jordan's musical
Ambassadors and an important Muslim woman's
voice for peace

Artist or Project Website: www.farahsiraj.com

Fee Range: 5K

Description: Named Jordan's Musical
Ambassadors, Farah Siraj balances a career that
spans the United States, Europe and the Middle
East. In recognition of her humanitarian efforts,
Farah was invited to perform at the United Nations
Humanitarian Awards. Her music was played
before the United Nations Security Council before
passing legislation regarding genocide in Darfur.

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Michael Grofsorean

Agency Name: Musica Extraordinaria

Organization Website: www.musica-extraordinaria.com

WAA Exhibit #: 911

Project Name Pitched: André Mehmani - pianist,
composer, improviser

Artist or Project Website:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/estudiomonteverdi>

Fee Range: Solo recital \$4,000 - \$5,000; duo or
trio subject to tour development.

Description: Blending classical music and the
Great American Songbook with the music of his
native Brazil, award-winning pianist and composer
André Mehmani forges recitals that surprise with
improvisational joy, charm with historical
connections and captivate with lyricism. In each
concert he draws listeners closer with improvised
suites fashioned from audience-suggested themes.

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Patricia Alberti

Agency Name: Patricia Alberti Performing Artists Mgt

Organization Website: palbertiartists.com

WAA Exhibit #: 412

Artist Name Being Pitched: William Florian

Project Name Pitched: Those Were the Days

Artist or Project Website: williamflorian.com

Fee Range: \$3,500-\$5000

Description: William Florian's love for the music of the 60s shines through as he mesmerizes his audiences with his amusing and heart-warming stories as a member of The New Christy Minstrels. William performs as a soloist, offers duo and trio programs. He travels throughout the country in his own RV.

Notes:

STEVEN SHAIMAN

Agency Name: Concert Artists Guild

Organization Website: www.concertartists.org

WAA Exhibit #: 612

Artist Name Being Pitched: Jiji (guitar); Yoonah Kim (clarinet); Sam Suggs (acoustic bass)

Project Name Pitched: 2016 Competition winners

Artist or Project Website: www.concertartists.org

Fee Range: \$5000 and under

Description: As I have done quite successfully in the past, because virtually my entire roster falls in this category, I use my time during the speed leads to acquaint presenters with a number of artists on our roster, particularly the newest winners (three soloists) from our 2016 competition, plus some other recent winners.

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