

Clark musical groups plan concerts

Clark College jazz ensembles and the college orchestra will perform in concerts set for early June.

The college's third annual Clark Jazz Night is set for Fri., June 5, 7:30 p.m., at Gaiser Hall, 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver.

The college's vocal jazz ensemble, directed by Janet Reiter, and the instrumental jazz ensemble, under the direction of Rich Inouye, will take the stage during the evening, performing together for a finale number.

Admission is free and the public is welcome, with donations invited to the Clark College Music Department.

Then on Sun., June 7, the Clark College orchestra will present its spring concert entitled "Catalonia" as the finale of its 2008-2009 season. The concert will take place at the Vancouver School of Arts and Academics, 3101 Main St., Vancouver.

Featured on the program will be Italian pianist Antonio DeCristofano in the U.S. premiere of a piano concerto by Bartolucci. The concert will be conducted by Josep Ferre, music director of an orchestra in Barcelona, Spain.

Cristofano has appeared with orchestras in Italy, Greece, Mexico, Albania, Romania, Turkey, Austria, Czech Republic and the United States. He has performed in Carnegie Hall in New York.

The second half of the concert will be devoted to music from Catalonia, an area in Spain with Barcelona as its capital city.

The concert is free and open to the public. Donations to the orchestra general fund are invited.

More information is available by calling Peggy Winston at the Clark College music department, 992-2662, or Don Appert, 992-2195.