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Press Release

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**EMF BRASS & PERCUSSION ENSEMBLES TO PERFORM DURING THE  
FESTIVAL'S LAST WEEK**

*Greensboro, NC*- EMF is proud to present two bonus concerts featuring its brightest and most talented young artists over the festival's culminating week. The first of these will take place on **Wednesday, July 29, 2009** showcasing the dazzling abilities of the musicians in the **Brass Ensemble**. On **Saturday, August 1, 2009**, the concert will be in showcase the innovative and energetic **Percussion Ensemble** musicians. Both performances will be held at 4pm in **Dana Auditorium at Guilford College** (5800 West Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27410). Tickets may be purchased for \$9 by calling the EMF Box Office at Triad Stage at 336.272.0160 or 866-579-TIXX, or online at [www.EasternMusicFestival.org](http://www.EasternMusicFestival.org).

One of this country's foremost training programs for aspiring young musicians between the ages of 14 and 22, the competitive Eastern Music Festival and School attracts talented young performers from all over the world to Greensboro each summer for five weeks of intensive master classes, chamber music, performances, private studies and seminars. With a maximum enrollment of 200 students, the School's limited participation ensures students an "up close and personal" pedagogical and individual experience with faculty, visiting artists and artistic staff. Since 1962, the Eastern Music Festival and School has displayed a roster of illustrious faculty who aim to enhance the abilities of these aspiring pre-professional students through both instruction and example within a nurturing and friendly environment. EMF is proud to boast a roster of highly successful alumni, including three of the famous **Marsalis** family: jazz all-star trumpeter **Wynton**, trombonist **Delfeayo**, and **percussionist** Jason.

**More About Eastern Music Festival**

Now in its 48th year, the Eastern Music Festival & School is recognized for its prodigious contributions to the field of American music and its commitment to nurturing

talented American and international youth through a collaborative learning process. The program brings together a cross-section of America's most sought-after artists with pre-professional students in a five-week schedule of 100 concerts and music-related events. **Music Director Gerard Schwarz** heads a distinguished list of participating artists scheduled for 2009, including **Peter Serkin, Sarah Chang, Awadagin Pratt, Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, Xavier Phillips**, plus many others.

The Festival also produces a popular EMF*fringe* series of alternative programming, featuring everything from Americana to alt country, blues, jazz and gospel with artists such as **Mike Cross, The John Cowan Band, Laurelyn Dossett, Steep Canyon Rangers, Waybacks, The Chris Hicks Band**, blues artist **Larry McCray** and more. EMF*kids* offers camps and concerts with each uniquely designed to foster a love and knowledge for classical and non-classical music. This year's concerts are **Shana Banana** and **Dan Zanes**. EMF*jazz&blues* runs each spring and EMF Fringe in the Fall each autumn. Single tickets and FlexPasses on sale now. [www.EasternMusicFestival.org](http://www.EasternMusicFestival.org); Box Office 336.272.0160 or 866.579-TIXX.

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For more information about EMF or its programs, please visit [www.EasternMusicFestival.org](http://www.EasternMusicFestival.org), or call toll free: 1.877.833.6753

*The Eastern Music Festival's mission is to promote musical enrichment, excellence, professional collaboration, innovation and diversity through a nationally-recognized teaching program, music festival, concerts and other programs which will enhance the quality of life, health and vitality of our region.*

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