



In Appreciation

The Robert H. Wood Great Artists Series is the result of a planned gift by the late Robert H. Wood, who approached the College in the early 1990's. A life-long resident of Ilion, Robert H. Wood was a true gentleman with a kind and generous spirit. Mr. Wood played the cello with the Little Falls Symphony Orchestra and was an accomplished vocalist, performing with the Herkimer County Chorus, the Utica Civic Chorus, the Utica and Herkimer Maennerchor, and as a soloist with the Unitarian Universalist Church of Utica.

His appreciation for instrumental music was a passion he wanted to share with others, in particular, our youth. At each concert in the Robert H. Wood Great Artists Series, it is with great enthusiasm that students from the music appreciation program at Herkimer College join our audience as special guests of Mr. Wood whose goal it was to instill a deep appreciation for fine music from a young age. We are truly grateful for the generosity of Mr. Wood in making this series possible.

If you would like more information about planned giving opportunities, please contact the Herkimer County College Foundation at (315) 574-4015.



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The Modernistics

Friday, October 18, 2019 @ 7 p.m.

The group performs upbeat shows of Music and Dance from the Great American Songbook, with crowd-pleasing favorites by Duke Ellington, Cole Porter, Harold Arlen, Irving Berlin, Dorothy Fields, George Gershwin and other great American tunesmiths. The group has performed and taught extensively in the United States and abroad, including the Ocean Park Music Festival, Middletown Concert Association, Medallion Opera House, Tillotson Center, Concord City Auditorium, West Claremont Center for the Arts, Colby College, Nichols College, and other venues.



String Orchestra of NYC

Friday, December 13, 2019 @ 7 p.m.

Celebrate the season with traditional holiday music as performed by the String Orchestra of New York City. SONYC, founded in 1999, comprises some of this nation's extraordinary string players in a critically acclaimed tour de force ensemble. A conductorless chamber group, SONYC's members rehearse in a collaborative effort that allows each musician to have an impact on the artistic process. The flexibility and intimacy of a string quartet are thus fused with the power and scope of an orchestra.



ETHEL with specialguest Robert Mirabal

Friday, April 24, 2020
@ 7 p.m.

THE RIVER

Continuing a deeply successful six-year collaboration inspired by ceremonies dedicated to the Sun, *ETHEL* and Robert Mirabal, Native American musician, instrument builder, and three-time GRAMMY® Award winner, present their next evolution of the cross-cultural concert experience. The inspiration this time is Water as the embodiment of Spirit, and its essential role in Life on Earth. The audience is immersed in a flow of music, narrative, and ritual that evokes timeless Native American traditions through contemporary musical artistry. As delivered by these master performers, the effect is breathtaking, even ecstatic.

