

Sunday Blues Jam & Goodtimes with the Clint Marris Band

For the April Jam & Goodtimes, the Sierra Blues Society heads over to the historical Holbrooke Hotel in Grass Valley — a shrine of the Sierras. All the commotion will commence at 1 p.m. and go 'til 6 p.m.

For further information call the Holbrooke Hotel at (530) 273-1353; contact the Sierra Blues Society at (530) 268-9166 or visit our website at www.sierrabluesociety.org



Submitted photo

Clint Marris.

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WHAT: Sierra Blues Society's Sunday Jam & Goodtimes
WHEN: 1 to 6 p.m., Sunday, April 17
WHERE: The Holbrooke Hotel, 212 West Main Street, Grass Valley
HOST BAND: Clint Marris Band
COST: No Cover. But donations gratefully accepted/
INFO: Sierra Blues Society: (530) 268-9166

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MIM launches Classical Season Sunday



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Gregory Vajda, Music in the Mountains' artistic director, will lead the 30th anniversary season of the classical musical organization. SpringFest starts the season April 15-17 at St. Joseph's Cultural Center in Grass Valley.

Music in the Mountains (MIM) presents its first chamber orchestra concert of the organization's 30th anniversary year on Sunday evening, April 17 at St. Joseph's Cultural Center in Grass Valley. The 7:30 p.m. concert, under the direction of MIM Artistic Director Gregory Vajda, will feature the orchestra's principal players.

Local actor Bob Rossman will narrate Stravinsky's "The Soldier's Tale" — a Russian take on the Faustian dilemma.

"It's very exciting to mix art forms," says Vajda. "Rossman has received rave reviews in Sierra Stages' performances and many others. He adds another layer of art to this concert."

The April 17 concert programs also includes Prokofiev's "Overture on Hebrew Themes," based on a group of Jewish folk songs, featuring Vajda on clarinet. The two other pieces will be Janacek's "Mladi" (translation: Youth), which he wrote to celebrate his 17th birthday, and Martinu's "La Revue du Cuisine" (trans-

lation: The Kitchen Review), originally written as a humorous jazz ballet.

To celebrate the opening of the 30th season, a complimentary champagne, coffee and dessert reception follows the concert.

Tickets are \$21 (\$5 for youth) and may be purchased online at www.MusicInTheMountains.org or by calling the box office at (530) 265-6124.

Music in the Mountains, founded in 1982, is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in Nevada County by presenting outstanding performances of predominantly classical music and by offering educational opportunities for youth and adults in music appreciation, performance and composition.

Fueled by hundreds of volunteers and donors, the organization includes the Festival Orchestra, with 55 professional players from around the country, and the 85-voice Festival Chorale, a highly acclaimed, auditioned vocal group.

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Saturday, April 16, 2011 - 7:30p

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Sunday, April 17, 2011 - 7:30p

MAESTRO GREGORY VAJDA AND THE MIM PRINCIPAL PLAYERS

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Stravinsky's highly entertaining "The Soldier's Tale," narrated by Sierra Stages' Robert Rossman. Plus some fun, toe-tapping classics by Prokofiev and others.

Celebrate our 30th anniversary with free champagne and cake after the concerts.

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