

The Eaton Bell

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Summer is in full Swing!

Though it has been quiet through the winter, the Board of Directors has been busy planning a concert series and taking care of the church upkeep. The furnace was replaced and all building systems tweaked. The 1908 Steinway Grand piano spent its first winter at a studio in Freedom so that it could settle in to its rebuild and stay at a steady moderate temperature and humidity. Now it is ready to show its magnificence!

To that end, much work was done to develop this



Painting by Karen Brisbois, photo by Debra Callis

season's concert series of gifted and exciting performances. More events will be scheduled for the holidays, so stay tuned. Make your plans

to attend any or all of these events. They will be thrilling!

Laura Kargul has performed to critical acclaim in venues across Europe and the United States for 35 years

Ronald Lantz performs with a violin and bow made in Paris in the 1850s

Laura Kargul and Ronnie Lantz “Love and Nostalgia” Concert June 12 @ 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm \$25.00

The Little White Church is pleased to present a Sunday afternoon concert featuring world-renowned pianist Laura Kargul and Portland String Quartet founding member and violinist Ronald Lantz. Together they will perform a program of beloved romantic works composed between 1878 and 1970, whose themes reflect love,



longing, passion and nostalgia.

The program will open with the majestic Sonata No. 1 in

G Major Op. 78 by Johannes Brahms, written by the great Romantic composer to comfort the love of his life, Clara Schumann. The second half of the program will feature works by European, Argentinean and American composers, equally echoing themes of love and remembrance.

Tickets are available on our website or they can be purchased at the Eaton Village Store or White Birch Books in North Conway.

Akwaaba African Drum and Dance Ensemble Led by Theo Martey

July 24 @ 4:00 - 6:00 pm

\$25.00



The Akwaaba Ensemble

brings West African drumming and dance to vivid life, holding sway with the rich and subtle rhythmic patterns and styles specific to different tribal groups

of West Africa. The ensemble is led by master percussionist and teacher, Theophilus Nii Martey, who began studying traditional African music during his childhood in Ghana. The Akwaaba Ensemble’s energetic and engaging performances are a reflection of their name, which means ‘**Welcome**’

in the Akan language of Ghana. Experience this authentic, traditional music and dance for yourself right here in Eaton!

“Akwaaba was high energy, colorful, inspiring, and dynamic!”

Dan Perkins, Music Director: Manchester Choral Society, NH Master Chorale, Plymouth St. Univ Choirs

Village Harmony

July 12 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Join us in welcoming back Village Harmony to the Little White Church. The group of teenagers and their international leaders will delight with music we know and music we don’t know from all over the world.

Admission is by donation at the door.

An Appeal to Our Friends for Help to Maintain Our Historical Church

It was over two years ago that the Little White Church began a fundraising effort to rebuild the church steeple. We were amazed and humbled by all who contributed, creating a beautiful success. With your help, the steeple is shining brilliantly again and other things became possible too. Land for a potential parking lot was placed under contract, the stage was refinished, the lower entrance was upgraded, the furnace was replaced, trees obstructing the view of the church were removed, and the diamond window

above the front door was repaired, among many other things. Additionally, recent changes in Internal Revenue Service rules regarding churches, and in light of the successful capital campaign, it became necessary that the church pursue its own non-profit designation (501c3) which required legal and accounting assistance to accomplish. The application has been filed and we’re now waiting for the IRS response. In the meantime, we have partnered with the Eaton Village Preservation

Society so that donations remain tax deductible while we await our designation.

It is time to appeal to your generosity and love of this community icon for funds to address upcoming costs. The completed purchase of the land for parking is funded, but not the construction of the lot. There are also needed building repairs. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 to address these concerns. **Please donate to the Little White Church to help us preserve this historical treasure.**

See the next page for how to donate.

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Drone's Eye View

Aerial view of the Little White Church

Photographer, Josh McPhail of Tilton NH

A stunning photo of the Little White Church taken by our own Debra Callis and made into beautiful blank note cards is available for purchase from the Eaton Village Store. Packets are \$15.00, and proceeds benefit the LWC.

Schedule Your Event

Are you planning a special event such as a wedding or vow renewal or other family occasion for which you need space? The Little White Church is a lovely venue that offers a comfortable and beautiful setting for such things. It is also the perfect setting for Memorials and Celebrations of Life to honor loved ones who have departed.

In addition to the striking sanctuary, the downstairs has a kitchen, a sitting room, bathrooms/dressing rooms, and ample tables and chairs for events that feature food. Go to our website for pricing info (www.littlewhitechurch.com). Then just give us a call to arrange a tour to determine if the setting will work for your occasion.

Ways to Donate

As we embark upon a new capital campaign, it is our fervent hope that you will help us by giving to the Little White Church.

The easiest way to donate is by check sent to PO Box 31, Eaton NH 03832. Because we are operating under the umbrella of the Eaton Village Preservation Society, checks should be

made out to EVPS/Little White Church (or made out to EVPS with LWC in the memo section.) This will ensure that your donation is tax deductible.

We also have the ability to accept stock transfers, for those who might have the interest. Just contact Treasurer, Joyce Blue (603 447 8472), for information on

how that is done.

At the present time we do not have the ability to accept credit cards.

Our "Kayaks and Casseroles" event, postponed from an earlier date, is to be held in the Fall. Stay tuned to our website for the details on how to participate.

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A White Mountains and New Hampshire treasure!



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www.littlewhitechurch.com

Upcoming Events

The Little White Church Concert Series

Sunday, June 12th, 4:00 p.m.
LAURA KARGUL, pianist, and RONNIE LANTZ, violinist
present "Love and Nostalgia,"
a concert of Romantic composers.

Tuesday, July 12th, 7:00 p.m.
VILLAGE HARMONY
talented teenagers and international directors
sing world music

Sunday, July 24th, 4:00 p.m.
AKWAABA TRADITIONAL
AFRICAN DRUM & DANCE ENSEMBLE
led by master percussionist THEO MARTEY
perform West African tribal music

Sunday, October 23rd, 4:00 p.m.
ARTEÚL NOISE STRING QUARTET
violinists Margaret Hopkins and Lynne White McMahon,
violist Sally Wituszyński and cellist Gary Hodges

Sunday, December 11th, 4:00 p.m.
DANA CUNNINGHAM
composer and pianist
performs "Christmas at The Little White Church."

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Tickets, information and more events
at www.littlewhitechurch.com

Volunteers Needed

We could sure use your help. Even if becoming a voting board member is not for you, there is much to be done for each event that happens at the Little White Church. If you live in the area and would be willing to help with the preparations for scheduled events, activities like getting things in place for visiting artists, or decorating for holiday events, or putting up posters, among other things,

please call or email us, or contact one of the present Board Directors.

Speaking of holiday events, we are looking for individuals to give us a hand to put on the annual Christmas Pageant. Because of the pandemic, this tradition, begun by Libby Edge in the late 1940's, has not happened for two years. The community has bemoaned the beloved pageant's hiatus,

so we're determined to bring it back this December.

So give us a call. It will be entertaining and fun, and you can ring the bell!