

SEAc coast 2015 season to be exciting, eclectic mix

SEAc coast Entertainment Association has announced its concert lineup for 2015-16 and association president Ernie Doud promises it to be another outstanding season.

“For 35 years, SEAc coast Entertainment Association has provided Florence with world-class entertainment at affordable prices – from household names to undiscovered gems,” Doud said. “Classics to jazz, eclectic to electric, ballet to big band, concert goers will love this season’s variety. There will be something for everyone.”

The 2015-16 season will feature international-caliber Latin/pop/jazz/classical artists Quattrosound, popular singer Ken Lavigne, guitarist Jesse Cook, Ballet Fantastique, the Glenn Miller Orchestra, Shuffle Concert (a group so multi-talented they let the audience pick the playlist), and gypsy-jazz artists The New Hot Club of America. In addition, SEAc coast is partnering with award-winning author and speaker Bob Welch to offer tickets for the debut of his new stage show, *Bob Welch & Friends*.

The season kicks-off **Oct. 9** with Latin Grammy-nominated Quattrosound, an innovative ensemble that blends Latin pop, Jazz and classical into a delicious new genre called “POPZZICAL.” Quattrosound is raising the bar of originality while paying homage to the classics and forging a contemporary new sound.

Ken Lavigne — He’s got the looks. He’s got the charm. He’s most certainly got the voice. And now SEAc coast has got him for Florence. Lavigne has performed on many world stages, including New York’s Carnegie Hall and in England for Prince Charles. It will be a great date night or girl’s night out **Nov. 21**.

While most don’t get the chance to dine in the cafés of Seville or dance in the clubs in Havana, you will experience a sense of that passionate cultural vibe through the music of guitarist Jesse Cook and his band. Cook’s music has been featured on episodes of *Sex and The City*, *The Chris Isaak Show* and during several Olympic Games. Cook and his group of multi-talented musicians perform **Jan. 29, 2016**.

On **Feb. 20, 2016**, Ballet Fantastique brings the premiere of *Dragon and the Night Queen: Celtic Stories*, which forges a new and dramatic retelling of ancient Irish legends in a vivid exploration of choreography and dance filled with riotous spirit. Violinist Cullen Vance and the Gerry Rempel Ensemble provide the exuberant live accompaniment.

March 18, 2016, one of most popular and sought after big bands in the world, the Glenn Miller Orchestra, returns to Florence. SEAc coast Entertainment opens the Florence Event Center’s flat floor so you can enjoy big band music the way it was intended — with dancing and cabaret-style seating!



Ballet Fantastique



Ken Lavigne



Bob Welch