

IN A LANDSCAPE



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Hunter Noack plays piano in outdoor settings around the region.

'Classical music in the wild' comes to Wallowa Lake

Go! staff report

WALLOWA LAKE — With the Eagle Cap Wilderness as a backdrop, classical pianist Hunter Noack will entertain nature lovers at Wallowa Lake State Park marina at 6 p.m. June 23 and June 24.

"In a Landscape: Classical Music in the Wild" blends live performance with the beauty and artistry of the natural world. Founded in 2016, Noack brings his outdoor concert series to some of America's most stunning landscapes, like the base of the Eagle Cap range of the Wallowa Mountains.

Hauling a 9-foot Steinway on a flatbed trailer, Noack brings classical music to urban green-spaces, working ranches, farms, and historical sites, connecting listeners with each landscape.

To meet the acoustical challenges of performing in the wild, music

is transmitted to concert-goers via wireless headphones. Without the confines of a theater seat, attendees can stroll through the park, up one of the trails, or along the beach under giant cottonwoods where eagles train their young to fly.

Tickets are \$30, but there are a limited number of free tickets available for Wallowa County residents, Electronic Benefits Transfer card holders and people 25 and under.

Ticket holders can either reserve a head-set to pick up at check-in or they can bring their own and scan a QR code at check-in to listen via audio app download on an iPhone or Android personal device.

For concert attendees who choose to sit they will need to bring their own, low back chairs. See ticket information for details at

For further information, email: tickets@inalandscape.org.

Woodlands and Watersheds Festival is a 'to-go' affair in 2021

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ENTERPRISE — A popular early summer Wallowa County event has survived the pandemic — the Woodlands and Watershed Festival will be hosted in a "to-go" format, with free, educational and fun-filled bags kids can pick up in three locations.

The bags have activities such as Be a Bug Detective to get kids to do their own version of citizen science. It includes a magnifying glass, insect bingo and instructions to build a bug hotel. Also included is a straw boat engineering challenge, coloring pages and word searches.

Families can enter a raffle when picking up the "to-go" bags for a chance to win prizes such as a Wallowa Lake staycation package, a summertime fun package that includes a glass bottom kayak rental for four, floaties, and a kite, as well as a kids' naturalist pack.

Woodlands and Watershed Festival "to-go" bags can be picked up Friday, June 25, from noon to 5 p.m. at the Maxville Heritage Interpretive Center, 103 North Main Street in Joseph,



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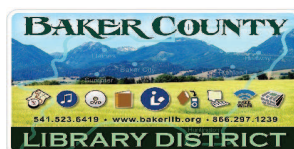
Jessica Tomasini of Wallowa Resources shows the to-go kits offered to kids at this year's Woodlands & Watersheds Festival.

the Wallowa County Courthouse gazebo, 101 South River Street in Enterprise, and at the Wallowa Wallowa Public Library, 201 E 1st Street in Wallowa.

In recognition of the community's valuable natural and cultural resources, the Woodlands and Watersheds Festival celebrates 17 years of showcasing what makes Wallowa County a wonderful place to live — salmon and trout in the rivers, deer, elk and livestock on the range, high, snowy peaks where mountain goats

live and deep canyons where one encounters rattlesnakes, eagles and mountain sheep.

This is the fifth summer that Wallowa Resources and Maxville Heritage Interpretive Center combined the Watersheds Festival and Maxville Gathering for one big family-friendly event featuring educational opportunities that deepen understanding of natural resource systems and the lifestyles derived from forestry and logging, fish and wildlife, mountains and prairies.



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