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Summer patio concerts return to OC

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Students, faculty, staff and visitors to Oakland University won't have to search far for lunchtime entertainment this summer. For the third consecutive year, the **Student Program Board** and **Center for Student Activities** are hosting a series of lunchtime concerts at the **Oakland Center** patio.

The 2003 Patio Concert Series features seven free concerts, scheduled from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following Wednesdays: May 21, June 4, June 11, June 18, July 9, July 23 and Aug. 6. In case of inclement weather, the concerts will be held in the Oakland Center's TV Lounge.

Chartwells, Oakland University's food service provider, will offer a grilled lunch at affordable prices. The improved patio features new tables and chairs to enhance the experience of the events.

PATIO CONCERT SCHEDULE

May 21: The Mack Sisters – OU alumni Yuki and Tomoko Mack have won top prizes in major international duo-piano competitions in Tokyo, Japan, and Miami, Fla. Their exquisite musicianship, coupled with an extensive repertoire for one-piano and two-piano works, has enchanted audiences in the United States, Canada, Poland and Japan.

June 4: BC3 Acapella – Members of the Wisconsin Singers out of the University of Wisconsin-Madison formed this pop quartet. These four highly engaging young men create all of their music with only their voices, singing rock and roll, R&B, gospel and many other styles.

June 11: Akwaaba African Ensemble and Pan-Jumbies Steel Drum Ensemble – The Steel Drum and African Drum Ensembles are student groups from OU's **Department of Music, Theatre and Dance** and are directed by Mark Stone.

June 18: Stefan Kukurugya – Keyboardist and pianist Kukurugya has played all over the Midwest and creates a variety of moods from uplifting to sultry and everything in between. His material covers jazz, big band, classical, blues and rock.

July 9: Sheila Landis – Landis has been performing her unique style of jazz and blues since 1973 and has appeared at Michigan's most prestigious festivals and concert venues. She draws inspiration from classic jazz vocalists Sarah Vaughan and Billie Holiday as well as from such modern artists as Joni Mitchell and Antonio Carlos Jobim.

July 23: Terry Stevenson Duo – Blending their vocal talents and humor with guitar and keyboard, the duo can reproduce the sound of a full band and perform numbers from classic rock and roll to big band.

Aug. 6: "Opera Lite" does Broadway – If you like Broadway musicals, this will be the concert for you as the Opera Lite Troupe sings the best of Broadway.

For more information on the Patio Concert Series, contact the **Center for Student Activities** at (248) 370-2400 or csa@oakland.edu.

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