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Ohio Valley British Brass Band To Kickoff Xenia Music in the Park Series

Xenia, Ohio (May 31, 2016) – The Ohio Valley British Brass Band will kick off the City of Xenia’s and the Board for Recreation, Arts and Cultural Activities (BRACA) popular Music in the Park series Sunday, June 5, 2016, at 7pm in Xenia’s iconic Shawnee Park. The concert will signal the start of BRACA’s summer Music in the Park Series that will feature a variety of bands and musical performances to satisfy all musical tastes June through August.

The Ohio Valley British Brass Band was founded in February 1992 by Francis Laws and the late Ed Nickol and has been under the leadership of music director Michael Gallehue since January 2009. The band’s mission is to perform a variety of worthwhile and engaging literature while providing an opportunity for the area’s finest brass players to participate in a quality musical ensemble. The band plays a variety of musical repertoire, appropriate and suitable to its audience, including marches, overtures, show tunes, light classics, popular music, and patriotic selections.

The Ohio Valley British Brass Band Music in the Park performance will highlight European and American music representing a variety of popular styles. The performance will feature marches, an original “Celebration Suite,” written by the band’s own tenor horn soloist Tad Stewart, as well as highlights from the classic musical “Fiddler on the Roof,” a medley of Italian street songs, a musical panorama of Ireland, and a collection of Michael Buble hit tunes. Also featured on the program is euphonium soloist Francis Laws performing a special arrangement of the popular showpiece “Atlantic Zephyrs.”

Future Music in the Park Series performances include:

Blue Moon Soup-Friday, July 1, 2016 (Special July 4th performance)

Voices of Truth-Sunday, July 17, 2016

Sauerkraut German Band, Sunday, August 7, 2016

Xenia Hospitality Chorus, Sunday, August 21, 2016

For more information on the Music in the Park series, visit the Community Events Calendar on the City of Xenia official website, www.eXploreXenia.com or contact Xenia City Councilwoman Jeanne Mills at jmills@ci.xenia.oh.us.

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