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“SCOTT WILKIE AND FRIENDS” KICK OFF 47th CONCERT SEASON

Fallbrook, CA – Fallbrook Music Society’s new season opens with a fiery performance by renowned contemporary jazz pianist Scott Wilkie on Sunday September 22 at 2 p.m.

This year’s exciting concert series debuts with one of Fallbrook’s most requested groups “Scott Wilkie and Friends”, which features Scott Wilkie, piano; Nathan Brown (bass), Jeff Olson (drums), and Pat Kelley (guitar).

Back in Fallbrook by popular demand, the group showcases its artistry by enchanting audiences with their uninhibited, informal, fun-loving performance style.

This unique quartet is recognized as an outstanding ensemble on the jazz music scene, as each of the established musicians is a master of his craft, blending their instruments to produce a unique fusion of sounds. “This concert program will totally delight our audience, and it will offer up some of the group’s favorites – and a few of their fresh interpretations, too,” said Bob Freaney, President of Fallbrook Music Society. “This dynamic program will definitely have something for everyone to enjoy,” he added.

The quartet, led by superstar keyboardist Scott Wilkie, has worked together for many years, performing concerts throughout California, always bringing virtuosity and charisma to their music making. Scott’s jazz recordings are popular worldwide, and he has toured extensively throughout the U.S., Asia, Latin America and Europe. He has produced eight critically acclaimed albums: his release “Brasil” a collaboration with bass legend Jimmy Haslip was released to

critical acclaim, receiving multiple National awards, and was the #1 hot new release on Amazon for 17 straight weeks. Scott began playing piano at the age of 6 in his hometown of Detroit, Michigan.

Recognized for his signature touch, bluesy melodies and a fine sense of rhythm, guitarist Pat Kelley has worked for many years in house bands on the Merv Griffin, Pat Sajak and Carol Burnett television shows. He has recorded hundreds of record albums, films and commercial jingles, and toured with George Benson, Natalie Cole, Burt Bacharach, Al Jarreau, Jose Feliciano, and many others. For the past twenty-four years he has been an integral part of the Thornton School of Music Guitar faculty at the University of Southern California.

Nathan Brown, bassist extraordinaire, has also recorded and/or performed and toured with many jazz and blues artists including Coco Montoya, Patrick Yandall and Brian Simpson among many others. Jeff Olson, percussionist, as performed in many genres with artists such as David Benoit, David Garfield, Tim Weisberg, and the Asia American Symphony, to name just a few. As a freelance artist and studio musician, his playing can also be heard on numerous CDs, TV shows and movie soundtracks. Having toured in the Philippines, Indonesia, Korea, Europe, the U.S. and Canada, Jeff's distinctive performances are heard regularly throughout Southern California.

The concert will take place on Sunday, September 22 at 2 p.m. in Fallbrook's historic Mission Theater at 231 N. Main Avenue, Fallbrook. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. for social hour, and the concert hall doors open at 1:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$20 Adult; \$25 after 12 p.m. Day of Show, and children 18 and under are free admission. Tickets can be purchased at www.fallbrookmusicsociety.org

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Photo Caption: Contemporary Jazz group “Scott Wilkie and Friends” will be the season opener for Fallbrook Music Society’s 47th concert season on Sunday, September 22 at 2 pm in the historic Mission Theater, 231 N. Main Avenue, Fallbrook. For tickets: www.fallbrookmusicsociety.org