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“Bucktown Revue” debuts at River Music Experience



“The Bucktown Revue,” an old-fashioned webcast radio variety program, will record its inaugural show in front of a live audience at the River Music Experience, 129 Main Street, Davenport, Iowa, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 2008.

The monthly program -- drawing inspiration from such shows as “A Grand Ole Opry” and “A Prairie Home Companion -- features live folk music, poetry and humor. The program will be available for downloading from Apple iTunes.

“The Bucktown Revue” marks the second collaboration between The Barley House Band and master of ceremonies Scott Tunncliff. The troupe’s show last year, “The River City Radio Hour,” showcased area talent in a humorous, fast-paced production. “The Bucktown Revue” will continue in that tradition.

Guests for the Sept. 26 show include Quad-Cities poet laureate Dale Haake; hammered dulcimer player Linda Shoesmith and Reg Shoesmith; storyteller Steve Marriott; jazz singer Lionel Marcoux and pianist Margaret Skinner; and Irish dancer Katie Davis.

“We’re delighted to be at the the RME for the new show,” said Michael Romkey of the Barely House Band. “The Redstone Room is the premiere performance space in the area. The stage, lighting and sound system make it an ideal spot for us to record the shows.”

Last season’s performers included singer-songwriter Andrew Landers; traditional Irish flute player Frank Claudy; musical humorist Steve Couch; bluesman Ellis Kell; singer Susan McPeters and Jonathan Turner; Lost Nation Station; bagpipe player Kirk Witherspoon; storyteller Kai Swanson; Just For Fun; The Chord Busters; and Olenka and the Zloti Village Chorus.

The public is invited. Doors open at 6:30 with the show at 7. Admission is \$7 per person.

With the exception of the first show -- Friday, Sept. 26 -- all shows will be 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month. “The Bucktown Revue” runs September through April.

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