

Saturday, May 12

Performance Highlights:

Three-time Grammy winner **Bruce Hornsby & The NoiseMakers** leads an evening of rock, R&B and progressive bluegrass. Bruce will be joined by legendary funk and R&B artist **Chaka Khan**, as well as progressive bluegrass master **Ricky Skaggs and his band Kentucky Thunder**. Their performances caps "400 Minutes of Music," an afternoon-long program featuring contemporary rock infused with native American musical traditions from Brule', a mix of folk, world, blues and soul music from South African artist **Vusi Mahlasela**, folk roots music from **Michael Seeger**, poetic urban folk from **Jen Chapin**, and alternative country from **Scott Miller & The Commonwealth**.

9:00	OPEN TO PUBLIC	Festival, Exhibits, Stages
9:00	Legacy of Weyanoke	An a cappella vocal ensemble from Charles City, VA specializing in the songs and stories of the African Diaspora. Legacy of Weyanoke takes their audiences on a journey that pays tribute to the African ancestors, when they established in 1619. Heritage Stage
9:15	Mountain Fifes & Drums	Mountain Fifes & Drums was formed in the Southern California mountain community of Lake Arrowhead in 2001. They have grown to become the biggest and best youth fife & drum corps west of the Mississippi. Democracy Village
9:30	Fourum	Men's four-part harmony quartet from Lincolnshire England performs ballad, spirituals, sacred music and classic tunes. Exploration Stage
9:45	Michas Polish Folk Dance Ensemble	Founded in 1979, this high-energy heritage dance group from Virginia Beach demonstrates authentic dances from five major regions of Poland: Krakowiak, Lublin, Podhale, Beskid, Laszuby, Rzeszow as well as national dances. Heritage Stage
10:00	Stephen Christoff	Musician Stephen captivates the audience with instruments and sounds that they have never heard or seen before such as his hand flute and the bowed musical saw. Democracy Village
10:15	West Potomac Colonial Singers	This 16-member public light school choral group from Alexandria, VA performs colonial period hymns and patriotic tunes as well as 1770's English country-dances. Exploration Stage
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10:45	Highlands Ballet Company	A teen ballet troupe from Abingdon, VA performs a variety of dances in a variety of styles from spirituals to a Pas de Deux. Heritage Stage

10:50	Jamestown High School Wind Ensemble	The 56-member wind ensemble from James City County and the City of Williamsburg. Democracy Stage
11:00	Jamestown Elementary School Chorus	The 51-member Jamestown Elementary Chorus from Arlington, VA will sing patriotic and some of the best loved American folk songs from America's musical past. Exploration Stage
11:30	Anniversary Voices	A live contemporary musical and dance production featuring a combination of up-beat original songs, traditional medley and a medley of contemporary hits. Heritage Stage
11:50	Colonial Forge Wind Ensemble	The 65-member wind ensemble from Stafford, VA is a Virginia Honor Band and has been a VMEA Blue Ribbon School for four straight years. Democracy Stage
12:00	Verizon Presents James Earl Jones Reads	Verizon Brand Ambassador and accomplished stage and screen actor James Earl Jones reads stories to children. Jones is often cited as the first celebrity guest on the Sesame Street series and participated in the earliest shows in 1969. Jones has won two Tony Awards, two Emmys, nominated for an Academy Award and acted in numerous productions over his 40 year career. Exploration Stage
12:00	AMERICA'S ANNIVERSARY CONCERT	Festival Stage
12:00	Mike Seeger	American folk musician and folklorist, Mike was a founding member of New Lost City Ramblers in late 1950s which influenced Bob Dylan. He has produced 25 field recordings and videos, organized many tours and concerts and recorded 40 albums- both solo and with others. Mike has received six Grammy nominations, most recently Retrograss, collaboration with David Grisman and John Hartford. Festival Stage
12:10	Richmond Indigenous Gourd Orchestra	A band from Richmond, VA who grows gourds, make instruments from them and create their own unique music. Tables will be set displaying dozens gourds, with instruction on how to grow them and how to make instruments etc. Heritage Stage
12:50	Ban Caribe	Specializing in Afro-Cuban, Latin, Caribbean and Soulful R&B, Ban Caribe from Richmond, VA performs all original compositions and arrangements that are spiritually inspired by rhythmic beats and chants of African music. Heritage Stage
1:00	Visions of Democracy	A commemorative production that traces the roots of American Democracy and the development of democratic ideals as viewed by three Presidents representing three different centuries of Americans: Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and Franklin Delano Roosevelt. This program offers a primer on American democracy and a call to action for the 21 st century citizen. Democracy Stage

1:00	Jen Chapin Band	Jen Chapin is a New York-based singer-songwriter. Her 2004 Hybrid Recordings release, <i>Linger</i> , has earned the highest praise from sources as diverse as National Public Radio's <i>All Things Considered</i> , <i>People</i> , <i>The Today Show</i> , and <i>Entertainment Weekly</i> . Festival Stage
1:20	Savannah Country Day School	A 43 member Savannah County Day School Con Brio Singers from Savannah, GA. Their concert program includes sacred, classical and 20th century choral music. Exploration Stage
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1:45	Roanoke Valley Community Band	A 51-member community band from Roanoke. Started in 1888, it is one of the oldest bands in the Roanoke Valley and surrounding communities. Democracy Stage
2:00	Ba-Baaah & the Windigo	A childrens production that takes a magical look at how those first settlers from England might have felt as they approached a new world and how those who were already here might have felt about the arriving strangers. Exploration Stage
2:00	Scott Miller & The Commonwealth	Scott Miller formed a duo while at William & Mary performing covers of his heroes and slipping in a handful of originals. A debut for Sugar Hill Records soon followed, an album driven by two main themes: dealing with where you come from and, even more importantly, who you come from. Those songs quickly resonated with fans and critics alike, landing him on many top-ten lists including <i>The New York Times</i> and <i>Billboard</i> . Festival Stage
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2:40	Flute Frenzy	A 16 member youth flute choir from Williamsburg, VA performs original works, classical music and folk and popular tunes. Democracy Stage
2:40	Enloe High School Choir	A 45-member Enloe High School Choral Department from Durham, NC. Their program will include classical and modern choral literature. Exploration Stage
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3:00	Brulé & AIRO	Brulé is a top-selling contemporary Native American band, having sold 1 million CDs. Lead performers Paul LaRoche on keyboard and flutist daughter Nicole and son Shane on guitar are based in Brulé South Dakota. Traditional drum/percussion <i>Moses Brings Plenty</i> is from Tennessee. This group won the 2006 Best Group Compilation CD of the Year at the Native American Music Awards. Festival Stage

3:00	Suwabi Duo	This duo from Williamsburg shares West Africa dance, drum and stories. (Also Performing throughout the Village from 3:00-6:30PM) Heritage Village
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3:20	Hawaii Youth Opera Chorus	Hawaii's premier youth chorus, the 40-member Hawaii's Opera Youth Chorus from Honolulu is the oldest and largest youth chorus in Hawaii's. Their program includes standard choral literature as well as traditional Hawaiian music. Exploration Stage
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4:15	Blaskapelle Alte Kameraden	A 21 piece German cultural band from Fairfax, VA. Blaskapelle will perform German band music in traditional bundt hosen attire. Democracy Stage
4:15	Robin & Linda Williams	Robin and Linda Williams have thrilled folk, bluegrass, and country audiences throughout America for more than twenty years, from their many appearances with Garrison Keillor on "A Prairie Home Companion" to "Austin City Limits" and "The Grand Old Opry. They've toured with Mary Chapin Carpenter, Emmylou Harris, The Seldom Scene, and many others. Heritage Stage
4:30	Vusi Mahlasela	Vusi Mahlasela is a South African singer/songwriter whose music is generally described as "African folk." His work was an inspiration to many in the anti-apartheid movement. His themes include the struggle for freedom, and forgiveness and reconciliation with your enemies. He toured with Ladysmith Black Mambazo in the United Kingdom for the group's British tour. Vusi can also be heard performing with Dave Matthews Band, on the song called "Everyday." Festival Stage
4:45	Opera Idaho Teen Chorus	A 17-member Opera Idaho Select Teen Chorus from Boise ID. Their program will feature modern top-level choral literature. Exploration Stage
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5:15	Edsall Road	The band's music is firmly rooted in the Celtic music of Scotland and Ireland, most of it coming from 18th century sources. Instruments include vocal, flute, penny whistle, guitar, bouzouki, fiddle, and percussion diverse within the scope of traditional folk music. Heritage Stage
5:25	Treble Singers - Fairfax Choral Society	A 36-member youth chorus from Fairfax, VA. Their concert includes musical settings of some of the world's finest poetry as well as the world premier of a new composition, commissioned in conjunction with their local schools. Exploration Stage
6:00	Stonewall Brigade Band	The nation's oldest continuous community band to be sponsored by local government and funded by tax monies Staunton, VA. Program from this 51-member band include military marches, an overture, a concert march, a sacred selection, a Broadway show medley, and several novelties, patriotic, and popular selections, ending with a Sousa march and the National Anthem. Democracy Stage
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6:30	Bruce Hornsby and The NoiseMakers	Bruce Hornsby & The NoiseMakers host an evening of rock, R&B and progressive bluegrass. A three-time Grammy winner, Hornsby will be joined by some of his Grammy winning friends, including legendary funk and R&B artist Chaka Khan and progressive bluegrass master Ricky Skaggs and his band Kentucky Thunder. Festival Stage
6:45	Richmond Men's Chorus	The 41-member Richmond Men's Chorus from Richmond, VA primary goals are musical excellence for education, enjoyment, and cultural enrichment of our audiences and us. Exploration Stage
7:30	Chaka Kahn	Legendary Funk, Rhythm and Blues artist. Festival Stage
8:00	Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder	2006 marked Ricky's 35th year as a professional musician, and this eleven-time Grammy Award winner continues to do his part to lead the recent roots revival in music. Known affectionately today as bluegrass music's official ambassador, Ricky has brought the genre to greater levels of popularity in the past few years. With seven consecutive Grammy-nominated classics behind him bluegrass music is undoubtedly in good hands, with the masterful Skaggs at the helm. Festival Stage
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