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Coastal Concerts Expands Its Board of Directors

Coastal Concerts, a non-profit organization in Lewes, Delaware promoting classical music through live concerts, outreach and educational activities, is pleased to announce the appointment of four new members to its Board of Directors. Joining the Board are Lee April, Joseph Barbaccia, Norm Golden, and Rich Lepley.

Lee April and his wife lived in Virginia for 36 years prior to retiring and moving to Lewes, Delaware in 2019. Prior to his retirement, Lee was fortunate to enjoy a 42-year career in the hotel industry, most recently as a Director with Extended Stay America where he oversaw 40 hotels in the Washington, DC area. He was also a member of the ESA Marketing Committee for two years during his 18-year tenure with them. Lee graduated from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., was on the Virginia Hotel/Motel Association Board of Directors, served as Treasurer for the Lake Ridge Chorale Board of Directors, and is currently on the Coastal Club Community Board of Governors. Lee sings in the Southern Delaware Chorale.

Joe Barbaccia is the Owner/Principal of Paradise Studios in Georgetown, Delaware, a graphic design company providing professional, high quality graphic design services to clients spread across the Washington DC/New York City Corridor. With 35 years' experience, Joe does freelance consulting, illustration and graphic design for various clients such as Broadband Technology Corp, Metropia Marketing, Volunteers of America, FBI, Society of Federal Labor Relations Professionals, and the DC Healthcare Alliance just to name a few. He has experience in all aspects of the Graphic Arts, including 7 years of website and interactive media development. Joe and his wife live in Georgetown, Delaware.

Norm Golden has been involved in the arts his entire life - as a theatre teacher, director, actor, writer, producer, designer and coach. As an administrator, he is past President of the New York State Theatre Education Association, Brookhaven Arts and Humanities Council, Chairman of the Theatre Department of USDAN Center for the Creative and Performing Arts, Artistic Director of the THEATRESCAPES Group (The Actors Center, Dramatic Actions). He has been a lifelong proponent of arts in education programs and has worked with The Metropolitan Opera, The New York Philharmonic, The Long Island Philharmonic, The Performing Arts Foundation and the American Ballet Theater. He hopes to bring his expertise in technical theatre and arts in education as well as his creative energies to the Board of Coastal Concerts.

Rich Lepley has always been committed to public service, representing the federal government as both a litigator and executive manager and counsel at the U.S. Department of Justice, the Department of Treasury and, most recently as the Principal Deputy General Counsel for the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. He has a B.S. in Economics from University of Illinois and received his law degree from George Washington University. His volunteer work includes serving on the Coastal Club Community Board of Directors.

“All of these new members bring diverse talents and energy to our organization”, shared Richard Scalenghe, Board President, “and they clearly embody a strong sense of community spirit. Coastal Concerts is fortunate to have them as new members, and to have them share their expertise as we continue to ‘keep the music playing’ in southern Delaware”.

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