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Lineup Announced for 2009 Battery Park Concert Series

Burlington, VT (June 17, 2009): Independent radio The Point and Lake Champlain Chocolates are proud to present the 2009 Burlington City Arts Free Concert Series, Heritage Auto Group, Eyes of the World, Johnson State College, Project Graphics, with media sponsorship by Seven Days Newspaper. Starting Friday, July 3rd as part of the Burlington International Waterfront Festival, celebrating 400 years of Lake Champlain, Battery Park will come alive with national and international acts people of all ages will enjoy! All concerts are free and open to the public, beginning each week at 6:30pm.

This summer's lineup features:

Friday, July 3rd: The Horse Flies - <http://www.thehorseflies.com/>

One of the earliest bands to bring truly inventive ideas and energy to traditional American fiddle music, The Horse Flies have created a unique sound that remains fresh, powerful and captivating. "A band that's earned a buzz ... The Horse Flies churn out swirling, addictive songs, blending tradition with invention," says Rolling Stone.

with

The Lost Fingers - <http://thelostfingers.com/en>

Eighties-inspired Gypsy-jazz, from a Francophone band, sung in English? Quebec City-based trio The Lost Fingers, who've latest album "Lost in the Eighties" has gone Platinum with 100,000 sold in Quebec alone, honors the spirit of acoustic guitar great Django

Reinhardt with virtuosically finger-picked covers of '80s pop hits that get the toes tapping. Both bands are also musical guests as part of the Queen City Radio Hour at the Flynn Theater, July 2nd at 8pm. For tickets to this special performance, please visit www.flynnntix.org or call 86-FLYNN.

Thursday, July 16th: **Diane Birch** - <http://dianebirch.com/>

A preacher's daughter born in Michigan and raised in South Africa, Diane Birch mixes piano-playing virtuosity with easy-going soul, and she can strike an uplifting groove on even the most melancholy tune. Her work bears hints of Laura Nyro and early Carole King, while effortlessly incorporating New Orleans second-line rhythms, gospel fervor, doo-wop harmonies, country-blues guitar and classic AM radio-style melodies.

Thursday, July 23rd: **Movement of the People: The Fela Kuti Project** - http://www.brianboyes.com/bb/MOP_EPK.html

Fresh from their performance in the World Tent during the Burlington Discover Jazz Festival, Movement of the People performs the music and songs of the late Nigerian musician, singer, composer and political activist Fela Kuti. As a pioneer of the popular Afrobeat sound, Fela Kuti is considered to be one of the most influential musicians of the 20th century. Borrowing its name from Fela's self-created political party, Movement of the People features a diverse collection of Vermont musicians.

Thursday, July 30th: **Green River Ordinance** - <http://www.greenriverordinance.com/>

Green River Ordinance (GRO) is a 5-piece pop/rock band hailing from Fort Worth, Texas. The band delivers a raucous blend of acoustic-driven power-pop rock that, while changing often in tempo and timbre, never sounds anything less than pristine, dynamic, smart, and unique. Their latest album "Out Of My Hands" was released in February on Virgin Records.

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Tyrone Wells - <http://www.tyronewells.com/>

Tyrone Wells has delivered an epic pop/rock album with his new release "Remain" on Universal Republic Records. Having written/recorded half of the album in London and adding a more lush production to his singer-songwriter roots, the new album proves to be

a great showcase for his powerful and emotional voice. Remain also features several collaborations, including producer Martin Terefe (Jason Mraz, KT Tunstall, James Morrison) and Iain Archer (UK indie artist and Snow Patrol co-writer.) Tyrone's music has been featured on numerous film and television soundtracks, including "One Tree Hill," "Rescue Me," and "Ghost Whisperer."

As one of the very first efforts from Burlington City Arts in 1981, the Free Concert Series has become a tradition in Burlington's Battery Park for young and old, residents and visitors. Concerts take place at the height of Lake Champlain's summer and feature national and local musicians. Local food and drink vendors will be present at each concert, offering their wares. Please note that alcohol and glass containers are prohibited in the park.

The Battery Park Free Concert Series an important part of Burlington City Arts, which is dedicated to the promotion of excellence, experimentation, and education in all forms of contemporary art. For more information about gallery exhibitions, special events, classes and workshops, please call 802.865.7166 or visit BURLINGTONCITYARTS.COM.

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