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Angela Brown's Visit Part of University's Distinguished Artists Series

By Tyra Montour, GWU Communications Intern

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.— Grammy Award-winning soprano opera singer Angela Brown will take the stage at Gardner-Webb University on April 12. Her performance of “Opera... from a Sistah’s Point of View” is set to begin at 8 p.m. in the Dover Theatre inside the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center.

Based in New York City, Brown has built a successful career working with symphonic pops legends Marvin Hamlisch, Jack Everly, and Erich Kunzel while traveling the world for classical performances at Lincoln Center, Paris Opera, Vienna State Opera, Capetown Opera, Deutsche Opera Berlin, Edmonton Opera, Calgary Philharmonic, Shanghai World Expo, Moscow Performing Arts Center, and more. She recently premiered in the first opera to ever be performed at the renowned Apollo Theater.

Brown provided vocals for “Ask Your Mama,” a mashup album of classical, jazz and spoken word based on the poem from Harlem Renaissance legend Langston Hughes. The album, which also featured The Roots, the house band for “The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon,” won the 2016 Grammy Awards for Best Engineered Album: Classical and Producer of the Year: Classical. “Ask Your Mama” was also nominated for Best Classical Compendium.

Brown’s performance at Gardner-Webb will feature “Opera...from a Sistah’s Point of View,” which dispels common myths about opera and breaks down stereotypes through her songs. The show is part of the GWU School of Performing and Visual Arts’ 2015-16 Distinguished Artists series.

Tickets to the concert are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors age 65 and older, and free for GWU students, faculty and staff (limit 2 with ID) as well as children age six and younger. For additional ticket and performance information, visit www.gardner-webb.edu/theatre-arts, or call the Box Office at 704-406-2066.

For more information about Angela Brown, visit www.angelambrown.com.

Auxiliary aids will be made available to persons with disabilities upon request 48 hours prior to the event. Please call 704-406-4253 or email

servicerequests@gardner-webb.edu with your request.

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