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## *Event to Showcase Music and Visual Art in GWU's Blanton Auditorium*

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—The Gardner-Webb University Music Department will present Tanja Bechtler and The Bechtler Ensemble in concert on Friday, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m. in Blanton Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

Eastern European music from composers such as Dvorak, Prokofiev and Kodaly will be highlighted in the concert. During the performance, pictures from the Bechtler Gallery of Modern Art in Charlotte, including pieces by artists such as de Stael and Braque, will be on display. Following each musical selection, the audience will experience a brief explanation about why the artist and composer were paired.

The Bechtler Ensemble includes Tanja Bechtler on cello, Dr. Paul Nitsch on piano and Peter de Vries on violin. For more information on the ensemble and the gallery, visit [bechtlerensemble.com](http://bechtlerensemble.com).

The ensemble's concert at Gardner-Webb is the first in a series of Distinguished Artist music concerts presented by the GWU School of Performing and Visual Arts in the 2015-16 academic year. The event is also one of many activities on campus during Gardner-Webb's 2015 Family Weekend from Sept. 11-13.

For more information on the concert, contact Dr. Patricia Sparti at [psparti@gardner-webb.edu](mailto:psparti@gardner-webb.edu).

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