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Jan. 31 Show to Include Local High School and Symphony Musicians

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. — The Gardner-Webb University Orchestra will partner with local musician groups and the world-renowned Summit Recording Artists Carolina Brass for a special concert on Saturday, Jan. 31 at The Foundation Performing Arts Center in Spindale, N.C.

A 110-piece orchestra — also including the Crest High School Advanced Orchestra (Boiling Springs, N.C.) and The Symphony of Rutherford County, N.C. — will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the concert venue at Isothermal Community College. Dr. Patricia Sparti, chair of Gardner-Webb's music department, will conduct the ensemble.

The program will include a variety of familiar selections, including a medley of songs by the group Earth, Wind and Fire, as well as arrangements from the movie "Pirates of the Caribbean" and the world-famous "Phantom of the Opera" production.

Carolina Brass, a national touring ensemble, is known as the premiere brass ensemble in the southeastern United States. Established in 1997, the group consistently performs in classical recitals, pops concerts and educational settings.

Concert tickets are \$14-17 and available by calling the Foundation Box Office at 828-286-9990 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University provides exceptional educational opportunities within a Christian environment, preparing students to think critically, to succeed professionally, and to serve faithfully as members of their local and global communities.