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BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – The music department of the Gardner-Webb University School of Performing and Visual Arts presents a Distinguished Artist Concert with clarinetist Jonathan Holden on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 8 p.m. in Blanton Auditorium, located in Hamrick Hall.

Holden serves as assistant professor of clarinet at the University of Southern Mississippi, located in Hattiesburg. Holden is also principal clarinetist of the West Michigan Symphony. He made his concerto debut at the age of 17 and has since given concerto performances throughout the United States and Great Britain. He has performed extensively as an orchestral musician with various ensembles and has also been involved in lectures and clinics at numerous colleges, including Vanderbilt University, located in Tenn., Michigan State, and Florida State.

Holden will perform arrangements including Five Bagatelles op. 23 by British composer Gerald Finzi that was published in 1945, and Three Pieces for Clarinet by French and American composer Igor Stravinsky, written in 1919. Timothy Scruggs will accompany Holden on piano on specific selections. Scruggs is a former GWU graduate, who serves as a regular accompanist at many fine arts events.

For additional information on concerts and the School of Performing and Visual Arts, please call 704-406-4362.

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