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CAMPUS NEWS

Carolina Crown Drum and Bugle Corps Returns to the Field After Nearly Two Years

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Performance Features Full Production, 'Project21: In My Mind,' and Other Special Presentations

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—After nearly two years, Carolina Crown returns to the performance field on July 10 to present an evening of celebration and fun. The production, "Project21: In My Mind," will be in Spangler Stadium, 150 Stadium Drive, at Gardner-Webb University. Gates to CrownLIVE will open at 6:30 p.m. with the live performance starting at 8:30 p.m. in the stadium. The show will include features by individual sections of the Corps as well as the full 2021 production.

"Carolina Crown and our membership are extremely excited about the opportunity to perform live for the residents of Boiling Springs as well as for all local fans, as we missed the opportunity last year," remarked Jim Coates, CEO/Executive Director for Carolina Crown Inc.

For over three decades, Carolina Crown has focused on the mission of "Developing Lifelong Excellence in Young People." Thousands of youth have passed through the organization's programs through the years. In addition to the Crown Drum Corps, the 501(c)3 charity offers training camps, hosts honor bands for middle and high school musicians, participates in community service projects through Crown Cares, and offers a virtual clinic series.

Before the show starts, the Carolina Crown Alumni Association will host a two-hour #BecauseofCrown special online via social media platforms starting at 6 p.m. These posts will feature stories and memories from throughout Crown's history, as well as some favorite sights and sounds through the

years. Also featured will be insider looks at "Project21" and even a few interviews with current performers, staff members and designers.

This year's production is a homecoming for those who have engaged with Crown through the years. A unique cinematic experience, the performance focuses on the theme "No matter where your road leads in life, you will always have a home at Carolina Crown." The production will explore music from all different genres, including "Carolina in My Mind" by James Taylor, "Long Time Traveler" by The Wailin' Jennys, "Seize the Day" by Peter Graham, "Gravity" by Sarah Bareilles, and "Toccata Andromeda" by Paul Halley.

For those who can't make it in person to the show, plans are currently underway to broadcast the event online. Additional information about the online format will be released in the coming weeks. Follow Crown on Facebook (https://www.joutube.com/user/carolinacrowntv) and check carolinacrown.org) for more information as it becomes available.

<u>Tickets (https://get.crowntickets.com/eventperformances.asp?evt=783)</u> are \$20 (for ages 11 and up), and will be sent by email. Tickets for ages 5 and up are \$10 and must be picked up at will call (may require proof of age). Children 3 and under will be admitted free. All tickets are general admission. Seating is available on a first come, first serve basis.



Watch a video about Project21: In My Mind.

About Carolina Crown:

Established in 1988, Carolina Crown, Inc. is a 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to "develop lifelong excellence in young people." Carolina Crown achieves this goal through performance opportunities and a commitment to education in the performing arts with core values of integrity, commitment, respect and excellence.

About Gardner-Web University:

Located in the North Carolina foothills, Gardner-Webb University is a private, Christian, liberal arts university. Gardner-Webb emphasizes a strong student-centered experience and rigorous academics to prepare students to become effective leaders within the global community. Ignite your future at Gardner-Webb.edu.

