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**BREVARD MUSIC CENTER PRESENTS “ITALIAN NIGHT”
AT THE PARKER CONCERT HALL ON DECEMBER 11
Steep Canyon Rangers Mike Guggino & Barrett Smith
joined by special guest Carlo Aonzo**

Brevard, North Carolina — Brevard Music Center (BMC) continues its popular Parker Concert Hall (PCH) Fall Series on **December 11 at 7:30 p.m.** with **“Italian Night,”** presented in partnership with Mountain Song Productions. Acclaimed musicians **Mike Guggino** (mandolin) and **Barrett Smith** (guitar), both members of the Grammy Award-winning **Steep Canyon Rangers**, take center stage at PCH alongside Italian mandolin performer, [Carlo Aonzo](#).

[Guggino and Smith](#) have been performing traditional Italian folk music on the mandolin and guitar for nearly two decades. When on tour with the Rangers, they often host “Italian Night” performances at local restaurants, music venues, and house concerts. Over the years, these widely popular events have provided them the perfect setting to develop their own unique musical expression of these exotic and familial songs. In 2021, the duo released [Mia Dolce Faralla](#) on CD and Vinyl, a “remarkable work” ([BlueGrassToday.com](#)) that reflects their inspirations and love for Italian folk music.

“I’m always delighted to welcome Mike and Barrett back to the Brevard Music Center stage” said **Jason Posnock, BMC President & CEO**. “The intimacy of our Parker Concert Hall is the perfect space for ‘Italian Night’ and a wonderful, festive way to celebrate the holiday season!”

All PCH concerts begin at 7:30pm and tickets start at \$40. To find out more about the 2023-24 Parker Concert Hall performances, please visit [brevardmusic.org/tickets](#), call **(828) 862-2105**, or email the BMC Box Office at [boxoffice@brevardmusic.org](#).

Parker Concert Hall is Brevard Music Center’s state-of-the-art venue overlooking scenic Lake Milner. This season the hall plays host to a twelve-concert series from October through May featuring a varied lineup of classical, jazz, vocal, and fusion artists. The series continues in 2024 with **“Valentine Romance” with Halie Loren on February 14.**

ABOUT BREVARD MUSIC CENTER | SUMMER INSTITUTE & FESTIVAL

Founded in 1936, the Brevard Music Center stands as one of this country's premier summer classical music training programs and festivals. Each summer, over 700 gifted students come to the Music Center from across the United States and around the world to study with a distinguished faculty and renowned guest artists. Brevard's hallmark is the powerful sense of community that re-emerges each year as faculty and students present remarkable concerts and events to summer audiences.

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