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### UTPB Presents Fine Arts Series

### Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center

Midland-The University of Texas of the Permian Basin is honored to be hosting their first Fine Arts Series at the Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. The series includes a performance by Itzhak Perlman on February 6, the 5 Browns on April 24 and The Canadian Brass on May 7. Proceeds from the series will directly benefit the UTPB Music Department.

The three show package can be purchased and individual tickets for each show are also available.

To purchase the 3 show package call 432-552-4439

## To purchase individual shows go online at www.wagnernoel.com or Etix 1-800-514-3849

Information on each show has been provided. Thank you in advance for you efforts in notifying the public of this wonderful opportunity to support the UTPB music department and the arts.







### ITZHAK PERLMAN

Undeniably the reigning virtuoso of the violin, Itzhak Perlman enjoys superstar status rarely afforded a classical musician. Beloved for his charm and humanity as well as his talent, he is treasured by audiences throughout the world who respond not only to his remarkable artistry, but also to the irrepressible joy of making music, which he communicates. Mr. Perlman has entertained and enlightened millions of TV viewers of all ages on popular shows as diverse as The Late Show with David Letterman, Sesame Street, the PBS series The Frugal Gourmet, the Tonight show and the Grammy awards telecast. In March 2006, a worldwide audience in the hundreds of millions saw Mr. Perlman perform live on the 78th Annual Academy Awards telecast, as he performed a medley from the five film scores nominated in the category of Best Original Score. One of Mr. **Perlman's proudest achievements is his collaboration with film score composer John Williams in Steven Spielberg's Academy Award winning film Schindler's** List, in which he performed the violin solos.



#### THE 5 BROWNS

The 5 Browns are delivering on their dream to wake up classical music by introducing it to the widest, largest and most excited audience they can find. Whether performing individually or together in various combinations from duo to complex fivepiano arrangements, The 5 Browns reveal a deep connection to the intent of their material while bringing a fresh energy and dynamic character to the color and tonal spectrum of their sound. The 5 Browns – Ryan, Melody, Gregory, Deondra and Desirae – all attended New York's Juilliard School. In fact, they became the first family of five siblings ever accepted simultaneously. The quintet enjoyed their first wave of critical attention in February 2002 when People magazine dubbed them the "Fab Five" and at about the same time they were featured on Oprah and 60 Minutes. The 5 Browns have released 3 CDs that each went to #1 on Billboard Magazine's Classical Album Chart. The New York Post has proclaimed: "One family, five pianos and 50 fingers add up to the biggest classical music sensation in years...When these kids do Rachmaninoff, they'll make you forget about Marshall amps."



#### CANADIAN BRASS

Five tremendous brass musicians - each a virtuoso in his own right - form the legendary Canadian Brass. Friends Chuck Daellenbach and Gene Watts first came together in 1970 to form a brass quintet – a chamber music setting not entirely new, but never before having garnered the success and storied career Canadian Brass would achieve over the next 42 years. With a vast repertoire from Baroque masters to marches, holiday favorites to Dixieland, and jazz to Broadway, Canadian Brass has created their own musical world by transcribing, arranging and commissioning more than 200 works. With a discography of over 90 albums and an extensive world-wide touring schedule, Canadian Brass is an important pioneer in bringing brass music to mass audiences everywhere. They have sold over one million albums worldwide and continue to score Billboard chart positions while playing to packed houses throughout the USA, Canada, Japan and Europe.