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Cuyahoga Valley National Park News Release

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Chicago Blues Band Mississippi Heat to Play at Happy Days Lodge

Brecksville, Ohio – Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) is pleased to announce Chicago blues band Mississippi Heat will take to the stage at Happy Days Lodge on Friday, February 28, 2014. The concert begins at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. The concert is a part of the Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series, presented by the National Park Service and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, celebrating the cultural legacy of the Cuyahoga Valley. The series is sponsored by Courtyard Marriott-Akron/Stow, 89.7 WKSU, Lloyd L. & Louise K. Smith Foundation, and Cable 9.

Admission is \$17 adults, \$12 CVNPA members, and \$5 children ages 3 - 12. General seating.

Advance sales are available by calling 330-657-2909, option 4, or purchasing online at

www.conservancyforcvnp.org. Click on Events for listings and registration links. On concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

Mississippi Heat has recorded ten albums and taken its brand of blues from Chicago to countless locations around the world. However, it's when this group comes home to the Midwest that things really get cooking. Mississippi Heat lead singer Inetta Visor is a powerhouse in the Etta James tradition. Bandleader and blistering harmonica player Pierre Lacocque came to Chicago from Brussels, Belgium. As a teenager in Chicago, where his father was teaching, he heard a concert by harmonica player Big Walter Horton, and, he recalls, "I was absolutely stunned and in awe." As for the rest of Mississippi Heat, they are, in the words of the Chicago Sun-Times, "quite simply the hottest band in Chicago"—and that's saying a lot!

Other Scheduled Heritage Series Concerts

Friday, March 7	Runa - Celtic
Saturday, March 15	Cedric Watson & Bijou Creole – Cajun and Creole
Saturday, March 29	Danny Paisley & The Southern Grass – Bluegrass

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Saturday, April 5	Frank Vignola and Vinny Raniolo – Jazz Guitar
Friday, April 11	TheBoxcar Lilies - Folk, Bluegrass, Country, and Gospel
Saturday, April 26	Eric Noden and Joe Filisko – Blues
Friday, May 2	Lonesome Highway - Bluegrass

Happy Days Lodge is located at 500 West Streetsboro Road (SR 303), 1 mile west of SR 8, Peninsula 44264.

The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a nonprofit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. For more information about the Conservancy and its membership program, visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org or call 330-657-2909.

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit www.nps.gov/cuva or call 330-657-2752.

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