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Cuyahoga Valley House Concert Spotlights Local Singer Songwriter *Guest Ashley Brooke Toussant known for vocal range and sweet melodies*

Brecksville, Ohio – On Sunday, January 15, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park will host their monthly house concert featuring former CVNP Artist-in-Residence Ed Caner who serves as both musician and host. The series, which occurs on the third Sunday of every month through May, will highlight local guest performers and different styles of music in the intimate setting of a restored bank barn, on the Hines Hill Campus. The concert start at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Admission: \$8 adults, \$6 Conservancy members. Advance sales are recommended and are available by calling 330-657-2909. Seating is limited. Facility is not wheelchair accessible. For updated ticket availability information, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636, ext. 228. The hotline is updated at 2 p.m. the day of every concert and is intended to inform callers of sold-out events or weather-related cancellations

Violinist/Fiddler Ed Caner has been labeled by the Cleveland *Plain Dealer* as, "One of the most versatile musicians on the planet." During the past 15 years, he has performed as a sideman for over 50 major acts, including Smokey Robinson, *Page and Plant*, Natalie Cole, Luciano Pavarotti, Mel Torme, Ray Price, and *Leftover Salmon*. He served as interim Concertmaster of the Wheeling Symphony Orchestra and performed as section violinist with The Cleveland Chamber Symphony, Cleveland Ballet, and Cleveland Opera Orchestra. Ed has also performed over 750 shows as soloist with Michael Stanley, Wayne Newton (Las Vegas), *The New Barleycorn* (Ireland/USA), and the Broadway musical, *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change* (New York/Cleveland).

Joining Ed this month is Kent-based singer/songwriter and guitarist Ashley Brooke Toussant, who is known for her vocal range and sweet melodies. Folk DJ Jim Blum from 89.7WKSU says, "Her stories

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are full of wanderlust and make believe. She appears shy until she's in front of you singing—suddenly you find yourself all wrapped up in her magic. That's a good place to be."

Hines Hill Conference Center is located at 1403 W. Hines Hill Road in Peninsula. This is approximately one mile east of Riverview Road.

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 www.dayinthevalley.com or call 330-657-2752 or 800-257-9477.

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