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Music in the Meadow Series Wraps Up With Local Jazz, R&B Band

Free, family-friendly series highlights northeast Ohio musicians and offers games, music, and fun!

Brecksville, Ohio – On Wednesday, August 17, 2011, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park present artists Keith McKelley and *Audible Distraction* for a FREE Music in the Meadow concert at Howe Meadow. Howe Meadow is located at 4040 Riverview Road, four miles south of SR 303, Peninsula 44264.

Cleveland-based Keith McKelley's bright saxophone tone and energetic grooves bring audiences a rich blend of jazz, funk, rock, R&B, and gospel. Inspired by David Sanborn, John Coltrane, and Kirk Whalum, Keith honed his talent playing at church and with the best musicians in northeast Ohio. He released his self-titled album *Keith McKelley* in April 2010, and is working on a fusion project with his band.

Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring the family! Alcohol is prohibited. The celebration begins at 5:30 p.m. with lawn games and a musical craft. Concerts begin at 6:30 p.m. After the concert, cap-off your evening with a ranger-led walk at the Beaver Marsh or a twilight talk about local wildlife. In the event of severe weather, the concert will be cancelled and this information made available at 330-650-4636, ext. 228, after 2 p.m.

The Music in the Meadow concert series is presented with support from Audio-Technica and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event.

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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