

Fall 2013 CAB live music series is just the beginning

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On Sept. 13, a few students gathered and sat together in the Community Center Lounge. The lights sank and the stage glowed blue. Junior David Wheaton approached the stage, alto saxophone in hand, and with his first long and sultry note, the Fall



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Headliner **Kyle Tallman** serenaded the audience on Sept. 13.

2013 Campus Activities Board Music and Live series began.

Over the course of the night, Wheaton, junior Ben Matlack and headliner Kyle Tallman shared their love of music with the intimate audience, from Wheaton's alto saxophone instrumentals and Matlack's improvised electric guitar noodling to singer-songwriter Tallman's electric-acoustic originals and covers.

"I think our main goal, at least for me, is to give a diverse group of music to the students here, give them something to look forward to at the end of the week, and maybe just let them onto some artists that they probably didn't know about before," said junior and CAB Music and Live Chair Blake Brown.

Opening performer Wheaton played several songs, including covers of John Coltrane's "Blue Train" and Roberta Flack's "Killing Me Softly," as well as original works such as "Rose" and "She's That Girl."

"It's speaking to people without actually talking," said Wheaton on being a musician. "You get to show your emotions, what you're feeling and how your day's going through what you're playing."

"Music is kind of like math — it's a universal language, everybody can relate to it,

everybody can understand."

Matlack, following Wheaton, echoed that sentiment. Using electronic beats arranged by Blue Roots Experiment bandmate Gray Hall, Matlack wove guitar riffs through a series of tracks, adapting to each new beat's mood and style.

Come the close of Matlack's set, the small audience pulled sofas and chairs up to the stage as the lights dimmed lower.

"If you can hear me outside on Guilford's campus, and you're walking around, and you're trying to mack on a girl and it's not working out, why don't you come on into the Community Center?" said headliner Tallman from the stage. "We're going to be going over dating advice and friendship."

He began his set by gently playing the guitar and, over the chords, said, "My name is Kyle Tallman. I'm from Johnson City, Tennessee, and I'm going to be singing some songs for you tonight."

The strumming swelled into his first song of the night, "Too Late." Following, Tallman played an hour-long set featuring songs from his debut album, "Courage," and from his newly released EP, "Coming Home."

"There are things that you do in life because you have to do them," said Tallman. "There are



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Junior **David Wheaton** exhibited his talent for playing the alto saxophone.

few times when you get to do stuff that you want to do, and it gives you life. Music is such an intimate thing, and when you get to share it with people, it's kind of like saying, 'Here I am.'"

Tallman's performance was just the first of many events to come this academic year hosted by CAB Music and Live. On Sept. 21, they will be hosting "Funk by the Fountain."

Pick up a Fall 2013 CAB/OSLE schedule for more dates and campus events.

Also, students interested in music should keep their eyes peeled for events featuring Wheaton or Matlack and the Blue Roots Experiment.

Also, consider sharing something of your own.

"When you're a musician, you think you're the odd man out, but there are tons of people just like you in school that journal, or write poetry or whatever it is," said Tallman. "Explore your art. Explore your craft. Life's a garden; dig it."

Friends, faculty comment on Kim Burke's departure, express deep gratitude

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NOT MANY PEOPLE CAN SAY THEY HAD THE IMPACT ON GUILFORD COLLEGE THAT KIM BURKE DID. FOURTEEN YEARS AGO, WHEN SHE ARRIVED, THERE WAS NOT A SINGLE AUTOMATIC DOOR OPENER ON CAMPUS.

NOW, GUILFORD IS RECOGNIZED AS A MORE ACCOMMODATING PLACE FOR THE LARGE POPULATION OF STUDENTS WITH SOME TYPE OF DISABILITY. BURKE'S COLLEAGUES, FRIENDS AND STUDENTS APPRECIATE HER EFFORTS.

BURKE'S PRESENCE AT GUILFORD WILL BE GREATLY MISSED, AND SHE LEAVES BIG SHOES TO FILL.

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We have a close relationship that spans over five years. Her wisdom and support were the best things she brought to the table for Guilford. Kim helped me realize that I did not need her help, and that everything I wanted to accomplish I could on my own.

-Reggie Enox-Pettiford '13

Although she has always been and continues to be the consummate advocate for that which she believes to be right, over time I think she's become more and more effective at deliberating all angles of a situation, carefully considering her options before acting. Then she goes with her instinct, dives in heart and soul and does the thing she knew was right to begin with. It is one of the things we love about her.

-Julie Yindra, director of Disability Services at Hofstra University, New York, and a mentor of Burke's

We are colleagues and soul mates. We have a lot of common ground, although we come from different backgrounds. Thank you for your patience and guidance, and for leaving the department in the best shape possible.

-Georgie Bogdan, associate director of disability resources

I would characterize our friendship as a great gift. I have learned so many things, including how to be a professional in a new way. Kim taught me that it was okay to care about the people in your job.

Kim is scarily competent, very efficient and very effective. She always did more than her job description.

The other night, (Burke) was working with pneumonia. She was two weeks into it before she made time to go to the walk-in clinic. There was a first-year student there who did not have a ride, so she, at 8 o'clock at night, took the student to get her medicine before she drove herself home that night. That is the sort of thing she did all the time.

-Melissa Daniel Frink, director of the Learning Commons

She has a consistency and a passion for what she does. She answered a call that only comes from above. God instilled talents in her that very few people could ever dream of. I am certain you can see Kim's most impressive contributions in the faces and hearts of every Guilford student, past and present, going forward to conquer mountains and changing lives.

-Kelly Marie Hale '09

One year before Guilford, I was living in a shelter, homeless and pregnant. Now I am able to give back to my community and advocate for others. Kim is a great example of what the founders of the New Garden Boarding School, now Guilford College, envisioned 172 years ago. That is to promote education, passion for others, Quaker values and the Inner Light that is in everyone.

-Tonda Osteen '07

I have known Kim for more than a decade, both as a colleague and as a friend. She was, first of all, a wonderful advocate for Disability Resources at Guilford College.

When Kim first arrived at Guilford, Disability Resources essentially did not exist. Kim changed all that. Passionate and engaged, Kim cared about her work, and she taught students and faculty alike to respect that learning could happen in many ways. There is so much more I could say about Kim. I could talk about her kindness, for example. I could discuss her amazing energy. Let me simply say this: I will miss her.

-Doug Smith, professional tutor and co-worker