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Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 | Educational Matinee Series

Spark of the Eagle Dancer: The Collecting Legacy of Lambert Wilson August 8 - December 8, 2023 book a tour at arts.wcu.edu/tourform

Experience the latest exhibition at the Fine Art Museum. This exhibition celebrates the legacy of Lambert Wilson, a passionate collector of contemporary Native American art who encountered a beloved Cherokee sculpture as a student at Western Carolina University and decided to devote his life to supporting and encouraging Native artists. Over 140 works on view tell the story of the relationships he built and the impact that he made by dedicating himself to this remarkable collection.

Ramona Lossie (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians), Singleweave Basket with Noonday Sun and Chief's Daughter Designs, rivercane with bloodroot and butternut dyes, 17 × 11.5 × 11.25 inches.

The Nutcracker feat. The Ballet Conservatory of Asheville Friday, December 9, 2023, at 10:00 am

Join the Bardo Arts Center for a magically festive, 50-minute version of The Nutcracker featuring professional classical dances and the Ballet Conservatory of Asheville's celebrated pre-professional company. Having crept downstairs at midnight on Christmas Eve to play with her new Nutcracker doll, a young girl is swept up in fantasies of toy soldiers, giant rats, snow fairies, magic, and mystery. After saving her beloved Nutcracker from the King of Rats, she is whisked away to an enchanted land and dances the night away, meeting a host of enchanting and exotic characters. Photo courtesy of WCU Photo Services.

Sing and Swing: A Jazz at Lincoln Center Presents Production Thursday, February 29, 2024, at 10:00 am

Celebrate the Great American Songbook in all of its playful - and sophisticated-glory, brought to life by two of this generation's brightest stars. Each armed with prodigious trumpet talent and vocal charm, Bria Skonberg and Benny Benack III will relive and reimagine some of the classic partners in jazz and popular song, including Ella Fitzgerald, Judy Garland and Bing Crosby, Dean Martin, and Peggy Lee. Featuring songs by Gershwin, Ellington, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin, and many more, and joined by a who's who of New York all-stars, this is an "unforgettable" evening of singin' and swingin' with Bria and Benny.

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