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***The Louis DeJoy and Aldona Wos Family Foundation Supports
North Carolina Students with Gift to Eastern Music Festival***

Eight Students to Benefit from Scholarship Program in 2017

GREENSBORO –Eastern Music Festival is honored to announce receipt of significant scholarship funds from **The Louis DeJoy and Aldona Wos Family Foundation**. This generous donation will provide scholarship assistance to **eight North Carolina musicians** between the ages of 14 and 23 studying at EMF this summer.

Eastern Music Festival stands among the country's premier summer music educational programs and most imaginative performance festivals. For 56 years, EMF has served three equally important missions: to provide exemplary musical education; to present and produce engaging concerts that meet the highest artistic standards; and to serve as a cornerstone artistic and cultural institution in the Triad.

With 231 young artists enrolled from 38 states and 10 countries and a teaching faculty of 80+ acclaimed musicians this summer, EMF's is an intensely-focused learning environment. "Every EMF student meets the highest artistic standard," says Dr. Tim Lane, chairman of the organization's Board of Directors. "Contributions to our scholarship fund enable the participation of these talented young musicians. We are grateful to the DeJoy/Wos Family Foundation for providing support for a second year."

The generous gift from **The Louis DeJoy and Aldona Wos Family Foundation** was given in recognition of EMF's long-standing commitment to educational excellence, a passion shared by the DeJoy/Wos family. It helps reaffirm EMF's commitment to music education in North Carolina and it expands our class of well-prepared and motivated young learners this summer.

The eight scholarship recipients are:

Sophie Anderson, violin, Winston-Salem; Madison Blake, piano, Fayetteville; Daniel Crisp, percussion, Clayton; Joshua Facello, violin, Chapel Hill; Peter Kim, double bass, Wagram; Zach McMillan, double bass, Charlotte; Chris Puckett, double bass, Jefferson; Anna Sykes, violin, Greensboro.

“We’re especially grateful to the Foundation for investing in young North Carolina musicians,” EMF’s former board chair Frederick Starr says. “The eight N.C. recipients of the scholarship funds come from all corners of the state. They represent the best and brightest of our youth and speak well for North Carolina’s future. Louis’ and Aldona’s gift is remarkable and very much appreciated.”

Eastern Music Festival’s 56th season begins with student arrivals on Saturday, June 24. Performances begin on Tuesday, June 27 and continue through Saturday, July 29 at venues on the Guilford College and UNCG campuses and throughout the community

For more information about the 2017 EMF season,
visit www.easternmusicfestival.org/festival/calendar

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