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### **Mahaiwe Presents Steep Canyon Rangers with special guest Noam Pikelny**

Great Barrington, Mass.— The Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center will present Steep Canyon Rangers with special guest Noam Pikelny on Sunday, March 26 at 7:00pm. “We can’t wait to enjoy the foot-tapping, grin-worthy progressive bluegrass of Steep Canyon Rangers, with a concert that kicks off by great banjo virtuoso Noam Pikelny. An unforgettable crowd-pleaser is ahead,” said Mahaiwe Executive Director Beryl Jolly.

A bluegrass band at their core, the Steep Canyon Rangers effortlessly walk the line between festival favorite and sophisticated string orchestra. They’re as danceable as the most progressive, party-oriented string band, and equally comfortable translating their songs for accompaniment by a full symphony. It’s that mix of serious chops and good-natured fun that earned the band the Grammy Award for Best Bluegrass Album in 2013, and that drew celebrated comedian/banjoist Steve Martin to them when he needed a backing band.

Virtuoso banjo player Noam Pikelny is a founding member of Punch Brothers and a three-time Grammy nominee. In September of 2010, Pikelny was awarded the first annual Steve Martin Prize for Excellence in Banjo and Bluegrass. His record, *Noam Pikelny Plays Kenny Baker Plays Bill Monroe*, was named “Album of the Year” at the 2014 International Bluegrass Music Association Awards. He will release his next album, the purely solo endeavor *Universal Favorite*, on Rounder Records in March 2017.

Tickets are \$25 to \$60. A limited number of \$15 tickets are available for audience members ages 30 and younger to the Mahaiwe's live performances through the Mahaiwe ArtSmart Tix program. The Mahaiwe is located at 14 Castle Street in Great Barrington, Massachusetts. Box office hours are Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 6:00pm and three hours before show times. For tickets and information, see [www.mahaiwe.org](http://www.mahaiwe.org) or call 413.528.0100.

### About the Mahaiwe

Located in downtown Great Barrington, Massachusetts, the Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center is the year-round presenter of world-class music, dance, theater, classic films, Live in HD broadcasts, and arts education programs for the southern Berkshires and neighboring regions. The intimate jewel box of a theater opened in 1905. Since 2005, the performing arts center has hosted over 1,000 events and welcomed almost half a million people through its doors. The Mahaiwe has now welcomed over 16,000 students from 57 different schools for its school-time performances and residencies.