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**Mahaiwe Presents Pat Metheny, Air Supply, and *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial* in  
August**

Great Barrington, Mass.— The Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center will present concerts by Pat Metheny on Thursday, August 2 at 8:00pm and Air Supply on Sunday, August 12 at 7:00pm, as well as a film screening of *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial* on Thursday, August 16 at 7:00pm.

“The Mahaiwe’s summer mix continues with NEA Jazz Master Pat Metheny and the ever-popular balladeers Air Supply, says Mahaiwe Executive Director Beryl Jolly. “We expect audiences to be floating out of the historic Mahaiwe both nights.”

Winner of 20 Grammy Awards, guitarist Pat Metheny continues to search for new sounds and ideas whilst retaining the melodic force and free-wheeling, joyous drive that has been his hallmark since he took the jazz world by storm in the 1970s. The Mahaiwe concert will feature his new quartet, in which his unique guitar style is matched with two talents from a new generation—UK pianist Gwilym Simcock and bassist Linda Oh—and long-time Metheny sidekick, drummer Antonio Sanchez.

With the release of his first album, *Bright Size Life*, Metheny reinvented the traditional jazz guitar sound and he has continued to redefine the genre by utilizing new technology and constantly working to evolve the improvisational and sonic potential of his instrument. Over the years, he’s performed with a diverse array of artists, ranging from

Steve Reich to Ornette Coleman to Herbie Hancock to David Bowie. Tickets are \$45 to \$95.

In 1980, Air Supply's "Lost in Love" became the fastest-selling single in the world, leaping to the top of all of the charts and was named Song of the Year. Seven top-five singles later, the soft rock duo at that time had equaled The Beatles' run of consecutive top five singles. Their albums *Lost in Love*, *The One That You Love*, *Now & Forever*, and *The Greatest Hits* sold in excess of 20 million copies. The trademark sound of Russell Hitchcock's soaring tenor voice and Graham Russell's simple yet majestic songs created a unique sound that would forever be known as Air Supply. Allegrone Companies are sponsoring this concert. Tickets are \$46 to \$141.

Steven Spielberg's 1982 smash hit, *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial*, tells the heartwarming story of the special bond 10-year-old Elliot forges with an alien he names E.T. Sponsored by Buchwald, Mahaiwe Monthly Movies tickets (general admission) are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. \$10 movie-and-a-drink tickets are also available, which include a beer, glass of wine, or soda at Number Ten restaurant next door to the theater the night of the screening.

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 1,500 events and welcomed over half a million people through its doors. More than 20,000 students from 68 different schools have

benefited from the Mahaiwe's school-time performances and residencies. For more information, see [www.mahaiwe.org](http://www.mahaiwe.org).

### **About the Berkshires**

Less than three hours from New York City and Boston, the Berkshires offers culture and adventure year-round. The surrounding mountains provide plenty of opportunity for outdoor excursions in all seasons while world class culture and entertainment, along with a deeply rooted food culture and an array of lodging options amidst picturesque towns, set this region apart. For more information, visit [berkshires.org](http://berkshires.org).

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