

Bear Valley Music Festival

Singer-songwriter Rosanne Cash will open the 13-day, 39th season of the famed Bear Valley Music Festival, Saturday night July 28.

Cash, the daughter of the legendary Johnny Cash and his first wife, Vivian Liberto, has earned her place among music's leading performers with such albums as "Seven Year Ache," "Interiors," "10 Song Demo," "Rules of Travel," and the acclaimed "Black Cadillac."

Other headliners include "The Super Diamond Band," offering a tribute to Neil Diamond; pianist and Van Cliburn Medalist, Joyce Yang; country singer Shelly Streeter; jazz by the "Hot Club of San Francisco"; and, as always, the renowned Bear Valley Music Festival Orchestra.

Since 1993, Super Diamond has made it their mission to spread the "good word of Neil," whose voice has been heard by millions worldwide. Appearing at venues across the country, the group also has made numerous television and screen appearances.

But there's more. Behind the scenes, the Festival is a largely volunteer effort. It hosts one of California's foremost music camps for aspiring young musicians; offers creative entertainment for children; and supports the visual arts (including a wildly popular annual art auction). Its "Broadway Pops" musical theater, operatic performances ("Merry Wives of Windsor" is this year's treat), and symphony orchestra bring adoring crowds to the mountains year after year.

"We are excited about this year's program. It really has something for everyone, and we hope to appeal to those who have never experienced the music in the mountains," Executive Director, Caroline Schirato. "The classical program is going to be a lot of fun, with the phenomenal singers performing the Broadway Pops, and the Gypsy Dance Music of Eastern Europe, which will delight those who may not normally attend a classical concert. Groups like Super Diamond will be contagious and will have you singing along to all the Neil Diamond favorites."

The Festival is an outdoor musical experience conducted under the shade of a 1,250-seat tent. Granite peaks of the surrounding Sierra Nevada offer an unparalleled and inspiring setting. Forested trails and streams are just feet away from the performances. And hospitable accommodations run from the rustic to the luxurious.

"People don't realize what an intimate setting we provide in Bear Valley," Schirato continues, "you don't need to drive to San Francisco to find culture, it's right in our backyard."

Tickets for this year's event will go on sale to the general public beginning May 7. Please call us at (209) 753-2574.

An easy three-hour drive from the Bay Area through the historic Gold Country, Bear Valley sits along Highway 4 on the Ebbetts Pass Corridor, a recently designated National Scenic Byway. The Bear Valley Village and surrounding area offers an abundance of recreational activities: hiking, biking, fishing, kayaking, swimming, boating, camping, mountaineering, and relaxing between festival performances.

Visit www.bearvalleymusic.org or call (209) 753-2574.

This year's complete Festival lineup:

July 29, Saturday 7PM	OPENING NIGHT – Rosanne Cash	
August 1, Wednesday 7PM	BROADWAY POPS Best of 20 th Century Musical Theater Marnie Breckenridge and Dennis McNeil will be returning	
August 2, Thursday 7PM	Joyce Yang in Recital	
August 3, Friday 7PM	Super Diamond (Neil Diamond Tribute Band)	
August 4, Saturday 10AM 11AM	Free Children’s Concert Francie Dillon and “The Toy Box” Teddy Bear Picnic	
August 4, Saturday 7PM	Bear Valley Festival Orchestra Joyce Yang, Piano	
	Appalachian Spring Suite	Copland
	Piano Concerto #3	Prokofiev
	Intermission	
	Symphony #9(New World)	Dvorak
August 5, Sunday 2PM	Bear Valley Festival Orchestra Joyce Yang, Piano	
	Hebrides Overture	Mendelssohn
	Jeu De Cartes	Stravinsky
	Intermission	
	Piano Concerto #4	Beethoven
August 7, Tuesday 7PM	Art and Chamber Music	
August 8, Wednesday 7PM	Shelley Streeter (country singer)	
August 9, Thursday 7PM	Hot Club of San Francisco (jazz)	
August 9, Thursday 7PM	Merry Wives of Windsor (Sonora Preview)	Nicolai
August 10, Friday	Bear Valley Festival Orchestra	

7PM	Sandra Cameron, Violin Russian Easter Overture Symphony #36	Rimsky-Korsakov Mozart
	Intermission Concerto for Violin and Orchestra in D	Brahms
August 11, Saturday 7PM	Merry Wives of Windsor,	Nicolai
August 12, Sunday 2PM	Bear Valley Festival Orchestra Sandra Cameron, Violin “Gypsy Music of Eastern Europe” Hungarian Dance #5 in g minor Hungarian Dance #6 in D Major Hungarian Dance #1 in g minor	Brahms Brahms Brahms
	Rhapsody for Violin and Orchestra No.1 Sandra Cameron, Violin	Bartok
	Intermission Slavonic Dance #2 Op 72 in e minor Slavonic Dance #3 Op 46 in A flat Major Slavonic Dance #7 Op 46 in C minor	Dvorak Dvorak Dvorak
	Zigeunerweisen, op 20 Sandra Cameron, Violin	Sarasate
	Rumanian Rhapsody No 1	Enesco

Programs are subject to change.