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Strathmore Presents

NATE FOLEY

Seventeen year old virtuoso brings soul guitar sounds from the Apollo stage to Strathmore

NORTH BETHESDA, MD – Seventeen year old soul-electric guitar virtuoso Nate Foley thrilled audiences at the Apollo Theater, wowed discriminating experts at Paul Reed Smith Guitars and will now charm attendees at two Strathmore Artist in Residence (AIR) concerts on Wednesdays, March 7 and 28, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the Mansion. The Silver Spring native is adept at playing funk, blues, rock, soul, gospel and jazz, and will unveil songs from his band's untitled forthcoming sophomore album at the concerts. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (301) 581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

Foley has performed at the Kennedy Center and Library of Congress, opened for Ramsey Lewis and was recently endorsed by Paul Reed Smith Guitars. He has the distinction of being the only person in the history of the Apollo Theater's Amateur Night competition to win eight consecutive first place victories. He is a two-time gold medal winner in the NAACP ACT-SO contemporary instrumental music competitions and was selected by the Grammy Foundation to participate in its 2011 Grammy Camp in Los Angeles. He currently attends Blair High School in Silver Spring and is an Honors Guitar student at the Levine School of Music in Washington, D.C. His debut album, *Introducing Nathan Foley*, is available on iTunes. Foley was just nominated for three Wammies for Best New Artist, Best Debut CD and Best Blues/Traditional R&B Instrumentalist.

Strathmore's AIR program cultivates local musical talent in the Washington, D.C. area. Emerging talents hone their craft through mentorship with established performers and build professional networks. Artists in Residence build their business acumen through professional development workshops, create school outreach programs, perfect their stage presence and expand their audiences during live performances. The AIR experience culminates in the premiere of a new work commissioned by Strathmore, reflecting each musician's growth during the program. AIR graduates include Grammy nominated hip hop artist Christylez Bacon, celebrity jazz harmonicist Frédéric Yonnet, Saddle Creek recording artist Laura Burhenn and her band, the mynabirds, and ukulele chanteuse Victoria Vox.

About Strathmore

Strathmore is an arts presenter and cultural destination that nurtures art, artists and community through creative and diverse programming of the highest quality. The Mansion at Strathmore is located at 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda, MD, one half-mile north of the Capital Beltway and immediately adjacent to the Grosvenor-Strathmore station on Metro's Red Line. For further information or tickets, call (301) 581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

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Tickets: \$12 (Stars Price \$10.80)

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