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FRIENDS OF HUDSON RIVER PARK OPENS CLINTON CONCERT SERIES ***NYCity Slickers Perform on June 8***

Friends of Hudson River Park's Clinton Concert series opens on Monday, June 8 at 6 pm with a **free** performance by the **NYCity Slickers**, whose music blends bluegrass with explosive hard-driving instrumentals and wailing tight harmonies. The concert will be held at the Park's Pier 84 at 44th Street.

The June 8 concert is the first of eight **free** one-hour concerts taking place in Hudson River Park's Clinton section, where an eclectic mix of bands will perform everything from jazz to funk, to reggae, to bluegrass, and rock and roll. Four of these concerts will take place at Pier 84 on 44th Street, and four will be held on the grassy lawn of Clinton Cove Park at 55th Street.

The **NYCity Slickers** will be followed by **Roosevelt Dime**, a band combining country soul with a bluesy flavor, who will perform on July 13, and **Soul Understated**, who will play soul mixed with R&B, funk and jazz on August 10. The final Pier 84 concert will take place on September 14, with **Pier Lawrence Quartet** performing sophisticated harmonies, melodic soloing and soulful grooves.

The first Clinton Cove concert at 55th Street will take place on June 22 with **The Mercantillers**, who are known for their infectious folk, bluegrass, and rock-n-roll. They will be followed by the **Gregorio Uribe Big Band**, a 16-piece ensemble that blends Afro-Columbian rhythms with funk and jazz, who will appear on July 27. The **Stephen Beasley Project**, combining soul, rock, and funk flavored with a world music slant, will perform on August 24. The series will close on September 28, with **Contraband**, a group known for its eclectic mix of R&B, soul, rock and folk.

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Programs and artists subject to change.

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Friends represents thousands of organizations and individuals who share its mission of creating and preserving this world-class park for everyone.