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2014 Backyard Concert Series Lineup Announced

Proceeds to benefit the Anythink Foundation

THORNTON, Colo.—May 30, 2014—The Anythink Foundation’s Backyard Concert Series returns this summer for three evenings of music, food and fun for the whole family. Held at the one-acre park adjacent to Anythink Wright Farms in Thornton, Colo., community members are invited to enjoy summertime music in a picnic-style setting. Funds raised through food and beverage sales will benefit the Anythink Foundation and future Explore Outdoors classrooms at Anythink. In addition, supporters can also donate directly by texting NATURE to 50155.

Guests will enjoy an eclectic selection of live upbeat music in June, July and August. This year’s lineup includes:

**Gora Gora Orkestar** – Friday, June 13, 6:30-8:30 pm

**Dan Treanor’s AfroSippi Band** – Friday, July 11, 6:30-8:30 pm

**Jonny Barber & The Rhythm Razors** – Friday, Aug. 8, 6:30-8:30 pm

Local food and drink offerings will be available for purchase at a minimal cost, including custom BBQ boxed dinners from Dickey's Barbecue Pit of Westminster, beer from Beer By Design of Northglenn and wine from Balistreri Vineyards of Denver. Vegetarian food options are also available.

Proceeds from the Backyard Concert Series will help fund Explore Outdoor classrooms at additional Anythink locations. The first Explore Outdoor classroom was launched at Anythink Wright Farms in September 2012 with the help of the Anythink Foundation, Adams County Open Spaces and generous individual donors. These unique outdoor spaces give children a creative outlet to connect with the natural world through activities like climbing, building, performing and exploring. The classrooms contain natural materials designed to spark curiosity and create a life-long path of interactive learning.
The Backyard Concert Series is made possible by generous support from community sponsors Ciancio Ciancio Brown, P.C., United Power, Stifel Nicolaus & CO, Valley Bank & Trust and PFM Asset Management.

About the Bands

Gora Gora Orkestar: Gora Gora Orkestar brings the sounds of the Balkans to the Rockies with high-energy performances. This 10-piece brass band is dedicated to making the audience dance with its infectious rhythm and distinct brand of feel-good music. The sound is an eclectic mix, blending Old World melodies of Eastern European folk with the back beat of American funk and the sway of South American tango.

Dan Treanor’s Afrosippi Band: Featuring Erica Brown – “Denver’s Queen of the Blues” – on vocals, Dan Treanor’s Afrosippi Band blends blues, Cajun, R&B, rock and roll, and soul to create their own brand of modern music. Their high-energy performances provide an entertaining and dynamic experience for any audience. In 2013, the band took third place in the International Blues Challenge in Memphis, Tenn.

Jonny Barber & the Rhythm Razors: Jonny Barber & the Rhythm Razors cut a wide swath across today’s rockabilly scene. Drawing from swing, classic rock and country sounds, the Rhythm Razors put their own modern twist on a classic style. With charismatic performances, their brand of rockabilly encourages everyone to get up and dance.

Event Details

Backyard Concert Series
Benefitting the Anythink Foundation

Second Friday of the month, 6:30-8:30 pm

June 13 – Gora Gora Orkestar
July 11 – Dan Treanor’s Afrosippi Band
August 8 – Jonny Barber & The Rhythm Razors

Anythink Wright Farms
5877 E. 120th Ave.
Thornton, CO 80602

Enjoy music, food and fun for the whole family. Monthly concerts are free and open to the public. Proceeds from food and beverage sales benefit the Anythink Foundation and future Explore Outdoors classrooms at Anythink libraries. Supporters can also donate directly by texting NATURE to 50155.

About Anythink™

Anythink is a new style of library – a place of unlimited imagination, where play inspires creativity and lifelong learning. Rangeview Library District serves the residents of Adams County with seven Anythink libraries and Anythink in Motion – the district’s mobile library – and is one of the recipients of the 2010 National Medal of Museum and Library Service from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. For more information, go to anythinklibraries.org.