

PRESS RELEASE

HEAR THE RHYTHM OF THE ROAD: ROUTE 66

Americans have always been a people on the move. The Oregon Trail was the first road to take us across the continent, but for the thousands of people who took it, it was usually a one-way trip.

The first road made, not only to take us west, but to bring us back again, was Route 66–2500 miles of wanderlust that became America's Main Street. From Los Angeles to Chicago people have come! Husbands, wives, kids and dogs...maybe a cat. Many chose to make a home along the route. And when they did, they unpacked their goods, their skills, their jokes, their tears, and their music.

Communities sprang up like wildflowers through the heartland of America and began to add knowledge and wisdom and color and sounds to the brocade of a nation. Route 66 gave us a place for lives to take hold and memories to grow. A place to turn a stranger into a friend.

In one of **Go For Baroque's** most popular songfests, we take you on a musical trip down Route 66. You'll hear songs from Bach to Joplin, and learn how their music connects to this ramblin' road.

You'll feel the wind in your hair, a song in your heart, a turkey buzzard...no wait, that's a different program. But you will feel the rhythm of life along a fabled road that has given us optimism, religion, migration, identity, enlightenment, industry, and pleasure. Why do we travel? Maybe it's to see new places; maybe it's to see ourselves with new eyes.

As **G4B** puts the pedal to the mettle and rosins up our bows, join us for a joyride of treasured songs and whimsical tunes in keeping with **Go for Baroque's** proud reputation for presenting serious music in an entertaining manner.

Go for Baroque is listed on the Touring Program of the Oklahoma Arts Council and the regional Mid-America Arts Alliance Touring Artist Roster. (Performance date, location, tickets, etc.) For more information, visit **goforbaroque.org** or call 405-840-0278.