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PHILIP AABERG TO PERFORM AT UM

MISSOULA—

World-class pianist and composer Philip Aaberg will bring his music to the stage at The University of Montana on Sunday, March 5.

The performance begins at 1 p.m. in the University Theatre.

Tickets cost \$16 for the general public, \$10 for students. They are available at all GrizTix outlets, online at <http://www.griztix.com> or by calling (888) 666-8262.

Aaberg's performances have consistently drawn standing ovations, leaving crowds dazzled by his dynamic, emotional range and captivated by his unique compositions and between-song repartee.

His musical career is as varied and expansive as the Montana landscape he calls home. He discovers the possibilities of breaking down boundaries between genres, creating a sound that is rooted in tradition but is unafraid to blend, experiment and reinvent itself at every turn.

Aaberg finds devoted listeners among rock, country, new age, blues, jazz and classical music fans. He has performed everything from solo piano concertos with the Boston Pops Orchestra to appearances with luminaries such as Peter Gabriel, Elvin Bishop and John Hiatt.

Aaberg was nominated for a 2002 Grammy for his album "Live From Montana." His

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performance on the Public Broadcasting Service's "All-American Jazz" was nominated for an Emmy.

The UM performance is presented by the University's Entertainment Management Program. The program provides students opportunities to learn processes involved in developing, presenting and sustaining an artist's career while incorporating business-related aspects of the entertainment profession.

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