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Suggested Headline: ‘Music in the Garden’ returns for fourth season

DELHI TOWNSHIP – The calendar says spring, but the Holt Community Arts Council is already gearing up for summer as it plans another season of Music in the Garden.

The local non-profit organization will present four free concerts in Delhi Township’s beautiful Veterans Memorial Gardens, 2074 North Aurelius Road, Holt.

“It’s really exciting to the Arts Council that our friends and neighbors so look forward to Music in the Garden,” said Arts Council President Kara Hope. “We’re heading into our fourth season, but it’s not an exaggeration to call Music in the Garden a summertime tradition.”

Lansing’s own Root Doctor leads the line-up with the season’s first show on Thursday, July 7. The award-winning group plays original blues as well as classic R & B and soul. Led by the charismatic Freddie Cunningham, this group is always a crowd pleaser.

Zion Lion takes the stage on Thursday, July 14. This group’s members call Kalamazoo home, but expect to hear the sounds of the Caribbean, Latin America, and Africa in their infectious rhythms.

The Red Sea Pedestrians bring their unique sound to Holt on Thursday, July 21. These multi-talented musicians play high-energy original songs. They describe their sound as “a warped and beautiful blend of Klezmer, Greek, Gypsy, Celtic, Jazz, and American roots.”

The season concludes on Thursday, July 28, with local legends, Orquesta Ritmo, an 11-piece Latin jazz and salsa band.

“We’re thrilled to have Ritmo return,” said Hope. “They played our first Music in the Garden show back in 2008, and in many ways, they set the bar for subsequent seasons.”

All of the shows begin at 7 p.m. Concessions will be available with proceeds benefitting the Holt Community Arts Council. For more information about Music in the Garden or the Holt Community Arts Council, visit www.holtarts.org.

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