

Ian Evans Guthrie has been at work composing as an artist in residence at the Chinquapin Center for the Arts near Grants Pass. His free concert is Friday.

Composer Guthrie to give recital of work

The Chinquapin Center for the Arts, a retreat for artists near Grants Pass, has been hosting up-and-coming composer Ian Evans Guthrie as an artist in residence this summer.

Guthrie, who is also an excellent pianist, will offer a short lecture about his work and a recital of his piece "Voices of the Earth" on Friday at 7 p.m. at Bethany Presbyterian Church, 741 N.W. Fourth St.

The concert is free.

Guthrie recently won first prize in the Arcady Composition Competition and placed second for the American Prize in the chamber music division in 2017. He's also won a second prize in the Great Composers Competition: Music of America event.

His work has been per-

formed by the Indaco String Quartet, fEARnoMUSIC, Portland's Metropolitan Youth Symphony, the Northwest Symphony Orchestra, the Moore Philharmonic Orchestra and by Erik Drescher and Sarah Dunham.

Guthrie is especially interested in incorporating natural sounds into his music. His latest work for viola and piano commemorates hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Others are a piano duet concerning the threats of volcanic activity worldwide and also a work for band about life in the mountains.

He's currently a doctoral student at Florida State University.

For more about Guthrie and his work, see ianguthriecomposer.com.