



NAMELINE: Le Vent du Nord

SSCC welcomes Canadian folk group on April 26

Southern State Community College will welcome the Canadian progressive folk group Le Vent du Nord 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, in the Edward K. Daniels Auditorium on SSCC's Central Campus, 100 Hobart Drive, Hillsboro.

The workshop performance is free and open to the public.

Le Vent du Nord (leventdunord.com/en/) will visit Southern State as part of a multi-city tour coordinated by Arts Midwest (artsmidwest.org), a nonprofit organization which promotes creativity, nurtures cultural leadership, and engages people in meaningful arts experiences in the Midwest region.

Mouth music and musical families. Deep history and playful innovation. Quebec's Le Vent du Nord knows how to turn the lost past into intense and beautiful performances that push

their roots in striking global directions. The group is blazing a path that connects their Québécois roots to the wider world, in both arrangements and on stage.

Considered a driving force in progressive folk, Le Vent du Nord captures the energy and mirth of a Saturday night kitchen party, infusing old Québec with a breath of fresh, cosmopolitan air. The band delivers catchy songs and tunes, some taken from the Québec traditional folk repertoire while others are original compositions. The group has a rich and varied instrumentation, well-polished musical arrangements, and wonderful vocals.

Since its founding in 2002, the members of Le Vent du Nord have become compelling Francophone ambassadors, winning critical acclaim and audience adoration across Europe, Oceania, and America. The quartet has performed well over 1,600 concerts, racking up several prestigious awards, including a Grand Prix du Disque Charles Cros, two Junos (Canada's Grammys), a Félix at ADISQ, a Canadian Folk Music Award, and "Artist of the Year" at the North American Folk Alliance Annual Gala.

As part of their tour, Le Vent du Nord also will perform a concert 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 29, at The Murphy Theatre, 50 W. Main St., Wilmington. For more information, please contact the box office at 937-382-3643 or boxoffice@themurphytheatre.org. Tickets for the April 29 event are free for students, \$13 for main floor, and \$20 for box seats (prices include fees); they can be purchased at themurphytheatre.org.

For more information about the free April 26 workshop performance at Southern State, call 1-800-628-7722, ext. 2676, or email kcross@sscc.edu.

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