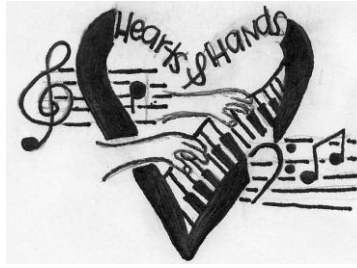


October 14, 2010



To Whom it May Concern,

On September 17, 2010, the Community of Unalaska/Dutch Harbor, and the Board of Directors of the Hearts and Hands Project, celebrated our first Hearts and Hands sponsored concert with a performance by Tom Grant, with Kevin Deitz on bass. It is a tradition we hope to continue every year, bringing some of the worlds finest musicians to our remote, secluded community in the Bering Sea, offering our youth new insights and opportunities.

Tom weathered an arduous trip to our remote island in the Aleutians, traveling over 1800 miles to share jazz with an audience that hungered for it. The arts assembly at the high school amped up our entire student roster, and the standing ovation they gave him was only a sample of the enthusiasm that they still speak of often.

The concert on Saturday evening was a full house, an extraordinary showing for this very busy fishing community. The show appealed to an audience that ranged from small children to the established elders. Tom turned many mildly interested families into jazz fans, and those who loved jazz already felt renewed and satisfied by a first rate performance.

Finally, the Intro to Jazz on Saturday afternoon left several people newly inspired and enlightened. Tom unwittingly touched some young lives in a permanent and empowering way, just by the sincerity of time spent with them and the doors he opened to himself, and to the music that he loves and knows so well.

Sincerely,

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