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Concert series

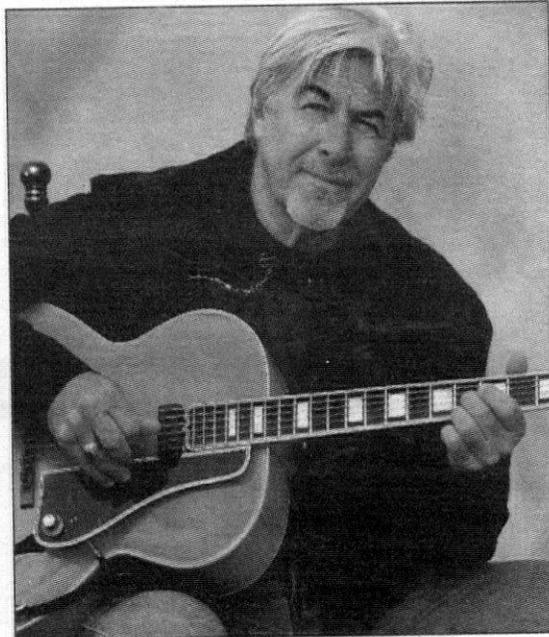
The White Rock Concerts subscription series - a fixture in White Rock for some 55 years - is staying at White Rock Baptist Church, according to board president Rick Gambrel and artistic director George Zukerman.

While the organization had contemplated a change of venue to the much larger Peace Portal Alliance Church - which would have more than accomodated the series' long waiting list - a trial concert earlier this month convinced them it would change the nature of the experience.

"After careful consideration we determined that neither the acoustics or the sight-lines measured up to those required for a concert series of our nature," Gambrel and Zukerman said in a joint statement.

"We will not, under any circumstances, sacrifice the quality of the concert experience for our loyal membership."

Gambrel expressed particular thanks to administration and staff of Peace Portal



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Jim Byrnes performs at the Royal Canadian Legion Crescent Branch 240 on March 11.

series will feature a reading by Lorne S. Jones from his debut novel, *Mighty Oaks*, Monday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m. at the library, 15342 Buena Vista Ave.

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The bittersweet novel combines a compelling coming-of-age story set in Ontario in the early

1960s with a drawn-from-life snapshot of two authentic giants of Canadian poetry, Milton Acorn and Gwendolyn MacEwen,

lives. Registration required, 604-541-2201.

Blast from past

A multi-media visual presentation by Surrey artist Juanita Sahl commemorating the history of Hastings Racecourse, Here At Hastings, opens at Semiahmoo Arts gallery Feb. 3 and runs to Feb. 25.

Drawings, paintings, poetry, photography, a racetrack video and abstract sculptures show Sahl's personal impressions of the track from the early '70s to the present.

The show is eintended as a fundraiser for M

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