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Spyro Gyra

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In the mid 1970's, Spyro Gyra crafted a unique new sound inspired by jazz fusion, pop and R&B, embracing world rhythms including Caribbean, African and Brazilian sounds. The group will be coming to the High Point Theatre on Saturday, May 5, for an unforgettable night of musical entertainment. Tickets are \$25 and \$30.

To the members of Spyro Gyra, the band's longevity is no great mystery. "You know, this music isn't about the latest style," founder/saxophonist/producer Jay Beckenstein says. "It's about people who spend a long time perfecting a craft. Following fashions is what puts an expiration date on you as an artist."

Morning Dance, the band's first album with a major label, was released in 1979, spawned a Top 40 single, and eventually went platinum. The group signed with Heads Up International in 2001 and recorded *In Modern Times*. Two years later, the band released *Original Cinema*. Both albums logged considerable time on the Billboard's Contemporary Jazz charts. After completing their 2004 recording, *The Deep End*, which marked a swing back to a more organic, live band sound, Spyro Gyra decided to reinvent itself once again with yet another creative release. The result was *Wrapped In A Dream*, the group's fourth album with Heads Up International. The coolly textured and cleanly produced collection is filled with subtle melodies and accomplished solos that blend easily into a lush instrumental backdrop.

Spyro Gyra began touring in 1978 and hasn't stopped since. Longtime keyboardist Tom Schuman noted, "It's the fans that really inspire us to pack our bags and get on tour. They are always there for us and that's why we are doing this." Little wonder the group has build a large and incredibly loyal fan base around the world that continues to this day.

Additional Information:

Ticket Prices: Orchestra \$30; Balcony \$25

Reservations: 336.887.3001 or online at www.highpointtheatre.com

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