

Folk-pop artists to play at lunch

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Lucas Carpenter is no stranger to State College — and he can't wait to come back and perform.

Carpenter will perform in one of the last installments of this semester's Student Programming Association's Noontime Concert Series in the HUB-Robeson Center on Friday.

Carolyn Lederach, SPA's Noontime Concert Series chairwoman, said the committee had an interest in booking Carpenter since its members saw him perform last year.

"He has performed here and in the area many times before," Lederach (senior-advertising) said. "We liked his music, and when he said that he wanted to come back, we were excited to have him perform."

Lederach said Carpenter e-mailed the Noontime committee

saying he wanted to book a concert this semester because of the large number of requests from students he was getting to come back and perform.

Because of Carpenter's Penn State followers, Lederach said she is hoping more students will come out to the last few Noontime concerts.

Carpenter performed at the SoZo Institute of the Arts last year, SoZo Director Will Snyder said.

Snyder said Carpenter put on a great show and brought in a decent-sized audience for the show.

"I have seen him before. I enjoy his music and his performances," Snyder said. "[Carpenter] has a great live show."

Snyder described Carpenter's music as non-traditional folk.

He said Carpenter does a really good job mixing both folk and pop music together into a unique combination.

"He is a looping genius," Snyder

If you go

What: Noontime Concert Series presents Lucas Carpenter

When: Noon, Friday Nov. 5

Where: Hub-Robeson Center

Details: Free

said. "But it's not like looped madness. It's all well-written and fun to watch live."

Some students said they would put Carpenter into the same category as easy-listening artists like Ingrid Michaelson and Jack Johnson.

Lauren Shields said she listens to folk-pop music because of its story-driven lyrics.

"It is much more personal than a normal pop song," Shields (senior-communication sciences and disorders) said.

Jamie Klump agreed with



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Lucas Carpenter returns to State College to perform at Noontime.

Shields, saying the story-driven lyrics make the songs more personal and relatable.

"I think it makes the songs more interesting and more unique than other types of music," Klump (jun-

ior-biobehavioral health) said. "It has a personal vibe to it which makes it more catchy and easy to listen to."

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