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ARKADELPHIA, Ark.—The Ouachita Baptist University chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota (SAI) music fraternity will host its annual American Musicale Honors Recital on Friday, Feb. 18, from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. in Mabee Fine Arts Center's McBeth Recital Hall, 455 Campus Drive. The recital is free and open to the public.

"This is our third American Musicale Honors Recital; it is becoming an annual event," said faculty sponsor Dr. Margaret Garrett, professor of music at Ouachita, adding that the recital gives students a place to promote and present music by American composers only. "Past performances have included spirituals, classical art songs, opera arias, songs from musical theatre and rock, original compositions and even a jazz combo. It also serves as a way for the members of SAI to let students know what the organization is about, and recruit new members."

Performing on the program—joined on piano by Ouachita collaborative pianist Phyllis Walker—will be Erin Bagley, a junior musical theatre major from White Oak, Texas, singing "Neurotic and Lonely" from *Craig'slistlieder* by Gabriel Kahane; Abby Burlison, a junior musical theatre major from Beebe, Ark., singing "Even Though" from *I Love You Because* by Joshua Salzman; and Noah Warford, a junior

musical theatre major from North Little Rock, Ark., singing “Finishing the Hat” from *Sunday in the Park with George* by Stephen Sondheim.

Ouachita collaborative pianist Kristin La Madrid will join saxophonists Graham Scarborough, a senior instrumental music education major from Ruston, La., on “Snappy and Rhythmic” from *Concerto for Tenor Saxophone* by Burnet Tuthill and Josh Sutton, a senior instrumental music education major from Lone Star, Texas, on “Wood” from *Concerto for Soprano Saxophone* by John Mackey.

Jonathan Sandy, a senior instrumental music education major from El Dorado, Ark., will perform “Fragments for Timpani” by John Beck on percussion.

Ouachita is home to the Epsilon Delta chapter of SAI. Dani Frick, a senior theatre arts and communications & media/communications studies double major from Benton, Ark., is chapter president. SAI members are Ray Medina, a senior theatre arts and mass communications double major from Shreveport, La.; Reganne Dumas, a senior instrumental music education major from Texarkana, Texas; Lindsay Fulton, a senior graphic design major from Austin, Ark.; Bella Owen, a senior musical theatre major from Jonesboro, Ark.; and Sarah Franklin, a junior musical theatre major from Grand Cane, La.

To learn more about SAI, contact Dr. Margaret Garrett at garrettm@obu.edu or (870) 245-5271.

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