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# New Yorker Beilis on FOM stage April 10

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A soulful rhythm and blues mix with soft rock is a good description of the style of New Yorker Matt Beilis. This young pianist/singer/songwriter traded in his Ivy League education and Wall Street life for that of music, and we are so much the richer.

The Wickenburg audience will get a chance to experience this young man's music personally on Sunday, April 10, at 2 p.m. in the community center at the Friends of Music wrap-up concert of the season.

Classically trained on the piano since the age of 3, Beilis has won numerous awards and accolades from

organizations including NJ MusicTeachers' Assn., Shore Music Educators Assn., NJ Composer Competition, and UK's Royals School of Music. And his expansion into the R&B plus soft rock has caught the attention of some big names in the pop field.

The video of Beilis' single "Dial Tone" caught the attention of Ryan Seacrest, and PeopleMagazine.com called "Perfect for Me" "the most important thing on the internet." He has performed at Citi Field twice and toured the country with Secondhand Serenade. His credits don't stop there.

Beilis has worked with

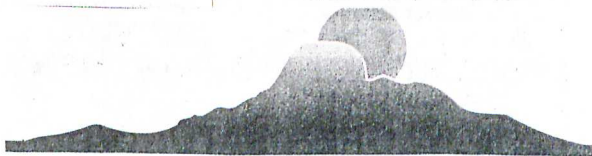
Smokey Robinson and REO Speedwagon. His material spans the spectrum from the Beatles and Elvis to John Legend and Adele. He has had over a million streams on Pandora, 3 Spotify, and Last FM and made many fans, including Ashton Kutcher, Bruno Mars, Maroon 5, and Ariana Grande. He co-writes with Kinetics, One Love, Ben Collier, and Justin Michael.

Fans of Elton John, Billy Joel and Ray Charles may want to get a preview by checking out Beilis on YouTube.

His April 10 performance at the community center is free, courtesy of Friends of Music.

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## Friends of Music

### FREE CONCERTS

- March 13th Dave and Daphne: This multi-talented dynamic duo have performed in styles from Country Western to Broadway. 2:00 p.m.
- April 10th Matt Bellis, 2:00 p.m.  
Pianist/Singer who does a Billy Joel and Elton John tribute as well as golden oldies. 2:00 p.m.

All Concerts held at the Wickenburg Community Center

