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## **Free Summer Breeze Concert Series Returns to Merchants Square for 26th Year**

*Summer concert series kicks off July 5 with local favorite 504 Supreme, continues Wednesdays through Aug. 30*

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (June 28, 2017) – The free Summer Breeze concert series kicks off its 26th year in Merchants Square July 5 with a swinging performance by Virginia Beach-based 504 Supreme.

The 9 shows, sponsored by Colonial Williamsburg’s Merchants Square, continue Wednesdays through August 30 and showcase genres including jazz, rock, jam, rhythm-and-blues and pop. Favorites including Good Shot Judy are joined this year by newcomers like Richmond-area Appalachian-rock band Dharma Bombs.

“We are pleased to welcome back guests and locals for another season of Summer Breeze concerts,” said Jeffrey Duncan, Colonial Williamsburg interim vice president of finance. “The Summer Breeze concert series is a special treat for our community during the summer months. We welcome concert-goers to come explore the diverse local shops and businesses Merchants Square has to offer and enjoy free music from great local bands.”

Summer Breeze concertgoers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy take-out dining from one of Merchants Square’s restaurants.

Shows begin at 7 p.m. on Duke of Gloucester Street:

- July 5: 504 Supreme featuring Truetone Honeys (40’s style jazz, swing)
- July 12: Bobby Blackhat Band (blues, soul)
- July 19: Dharma Bombs (Appalachian, rock-n-roll)
- July 26: Good Shot Judy (swing classics)
- August 2: Truetone Honeys featuring 504 Supreme (40’s style jazz, swing)
- August 9: Michael Clark Band (rhythm and blues)
- August 16: USAF Heritage of America Concert Band (patriotic, swing)
- August 23: USAF Rhythm in Blue Jazz Ensemble (jazz, swing)
- August 30: USAF Heritage Brass Ensemble (classical)

For more information on Merchants Square and other special events visit [www.merchantsquare.org](http://www.merchantsquare.org) or call 855-296-6627.

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