

# *Charlotte Performing Arts Center*

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*Former Charlotte resident, Brian Sutherland, performs with*

## **Good Company**

at the

**Charlotte Performing Arts Center October 25**

**Good Company** will bring their jazz vocal harmonies to the **Charlotte Performing Arts Center on Saturday, October 25**, and with them comes former Charlotte resident and group member Brian Sutherland.

Brian, the son of Bill and Charlene Sutherland of Charlotte, is a 1985 graduate of Charlotte High School where he was active in band and choir beginning in sixth grade. His dad lobbied for him to have BOTH band and choir as a middle school student during a time when they had to pick one or the other, because it was apparent to him that Brian would have a career in music. After graduating from CHS, Brian attended Central Michigan University on a trumpet scholarship and earned a degree in Music Performance. While at CMU he was part of the university's band and choir as well as the Men's Glee Club and Barbershop Quartet.

Aside from being a member of **Good Company** for about 10 years, Brian is a piano tuner, member of the Midland Symphony, and plays with a brass quintet out of Saginaw. He also teaches middle school aged students in band and choir in Midland, and gives private lessons in trumpet and guitar. Brian and his wife, Jan, also a member of **Good Company**, have two children. The two have performed benefit concerts in recent years at the Charlotte Methodist Church.

The **Good Company** performance is a fundraiser for Friends of Charlotte Performing Arts Center. The "Friends" are a dedicated group of performing arts enthusiasts who share an important vision: to support the Charlotte Performing Arts Center. They are committed to assisting the Performing Arts Center in bringing more programming for children, and are also sponsors of the Lansing Concert Band's annual performance for Charlotte Public Schools elementary students.

**Tickets for Good Company are only \$15 for adults and \$5 for students and can be purchased by calling the Charlotte Performing Arts Center Box Office at 517-541-5690.** Tickets are also available on-line at [www.CPACpresents.com](http://www.CPACpresents.com).

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