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## The Acadia Sessions

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We are pleased to announce *The Acadia Sessions*, a weekly television program slated to begin production late fall 2009 and broadcast on the Maine Public Broadcasting Network.

Each 30-minute episode documents and explores the interactions of a featured artist or group, giving the audience a “behind-the-scenes” look at the dynamics of music making, the musician's backgrounds, the relationships, the writing and collaboration process. In a cinéma vérité style, *The Acadia Sessions* provides a realistic look at what it means to be a working musician in the 21<sup>st</sup> century via footage of song performances, rehearsals, interviews, and candid interactions taken during private recording sessions. It creates a view into the artists' experience that the public rarely has the opportunity to see. The Acadia Sessions is capturing the zeitgeist of the New England music scene – allowing viewers to understand the rich diversity of musicians in New England.

Maine Public Broadcasting Network (MPBN) offers its enthusiastic support to "The Acadia Sessions" a 26 week television series of half hour "recording profiles" of Maine and regional musical ensembles. The broad spectrum of musical ensembles to be profiled, and the "behind the scenes" look at how "making music happens" is exciting.

**Charles L. Beck**  
**VP/Director of Radio and Television, MPBN.**

Please attend the fund raising event and first public screening of the trailer and pilot episode of The Acadia Sessions featuring the Portland based ensemble Spencer and the School Spirit Mafia. Meet the production crew as well as representatives from Maine Public Broadcasting @ Space Gallery, Portland Maine on October 9th from 7-9 PM. Catering by 13th Cookie Confectionaries & Delights. Cellist Emily Dix-Thomas and special guests will be performing at this Launch Event.

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