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Expressions of Soul



PRINCE GEORGE'S Publick Playhouse for the Performing Arts

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FALL 2010

The Prince George's Publick Playhouse for the Performing Arts presents a season filled with excitement, drama, and intrigue. Please join us for performances featuring dance and theatre companies from around the nation and exceptional artists from our region.

WEEKEND PERFORMANCES

Saturday, September 18, 2 pm & 8 pm
Home Is Where The Heart Is

A successor to stories like *A Raisin In The Sun* and *Soul Food*, *Home Is Where The Heart Is* is an original story and contemporary gospel stage play about the Anderson Family and the strength that comes from the love they share for each other and their home. After years of moving away from each other to pursue their careers and own lives, three siblings, Angela, Ayana and Joseph, Jr., reunite when they return home together.

Tickets: \$18/person; \$13/ seniors ages 60 & better



Sunday, October 24, 4 pm

Ailey II: A Celebration of American Dance



PHOTO: EDUARDO PATINA

Ailey II, the second dance company of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, merges the spirit and energy of some of America's brightest young dancers with the vision of leading and emerging choreographers. *A Celebration of American Dance* features ballets set to dynamic and poignant music, including the songs of Betty Carter and Philip Glass, plus traditional spirituals, gospel and blues.

Tickets: \$25/person

Friday, November 12, 8 pm and
Saturday, November 13, 8 pm

Doussou Koulibaly

Influenced by the Wassulu and Mandinka heritages, Doussou's music brings traditional roots, African rap, soul and blues sounds to the stage. Her melodies celebrate love, life and pride in her African roots. She includes a very rare performance of the kamale n'goni, an 8-string harp-lute, which is usually reserved for men. Her energetic performance will remain with you long after the curtain falls.

Tickets: \$18/person; \$12/students & seniors ages 60 & better



Sunday, December 12, 4 pm

Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration

This annual event is a crowd pleaser which will have you dancing in the aisles. Gather with family and friends for a high-energy celebration of family, community and culture. Live performers will highlight culture and history through music, dance, drumming and spoken word.

Tickets: \$10/person; \$8/students & seniors ages 60 & better



Saturday, November 13, 10 am

WORKSHOP: Drumming Master Class

Offering a focus on history and particular concepts about traditional drums, our teachers present traditional African drum rhythms from Mali and Guinea and other African instruments to make this a memorable experience. This workshop is perfectly suited for teens and adults with or without previous drum experience. Students must bring their own drum. *Preregistration is required. Space is limited.*

Ages 13 & up. Tickets: \$15/person



MIDWEEK MATINEES

The Playhouse presents entertaining, educational performances for the enrichment of area students. Teacher guides are available for most programs, and productions run 45-60 minutes to fit field trip schedules. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Everyone, regardless of age, must have a ticket. Advanced reservations are strongly encouraged. For reservations, call 301-277-1710; TTY 301-277-0312.

New this season, *Tiny Tots Thursdays*. Designed with little ones in mind, these performances are 30-45 minutes.

**Thursday, September 16,
10:15 am & 12 noon**

TINY TOTS THURSDAYS



Bob Brown Puppets: Baby Bear's Birthday

Mama Bear is planning a big surprise for Baby Bear — a surprise birthday party! All of Baby Bear's friends come and each has a spectacular trick or surprise. See you at the birthday bash! Tots are encouraged to bring their favorite stuffed bear.

**Recommended for grades Pre-K-2
Tickets: \$3/person**

**Thursday, October 14,
10:15 am & 12 noon**

TINY TOTS THURSDAYS



Pig Tales

Blue Sky Puppet Theatre presents this story that traces a day in the life of three nursery school-age pigs, Suzy, Chester, and Buster. Follow them through their exciting day as the pigs learn to share and sing their wonderful song "The

Sharing Song." The pigs will also present "Three Billy Goats Gruff" and "Jack and the Beanstalk."

**Recommended for grades Pre-K-2
Tickets: \$3/person**



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**Monday, October 25, 10:15 am
Ailey II Lecture/Demo**

This informal performance by Ailey II, the second dance company of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, consists of narration and short excerpts from popular pieces of Ailey II's current repertory. Audience members will learn about the history of the dance company and have a Q&A session with the dancers.

All ages. Tickets: \$7/person



**Thursday, November 18,
10:15 am & 12 noon**

TINY TOTS THURSDAYS DINOSAURS!

Jim West's *DINOSAURS!* weaves classical music, puppet construction and facts about dinosaurs into an engaging and funny performance. A box turns into a Tyrannosaurus, cardboard becomes a Brachiosaurus, and newspaper transforms into an Apatosaurus before your very eyes! Jim's do-it-yourself creations will inspire audiences to take these great puppet-making ideas home.

**Recommended for grades Pre-K-2
Tickets: \$3/person**

**Monday, November 22,
10:15 am & 12 noon**

A Christmas Carol



'Tis the season for merriment and fun! Catch the holiday spirit with this classic story of a man whose cold heart is warmed

after a Christmas Eve encounter with the supernatural. Ebenezer Scrooge greets every Christmas with his usual attitude of "bah, humbug!" The entire family will enjoy Theatreworks USA's adaptation of this timeless classic.

All ages. Tickets: \$5/person

**Monday, December 6,
10:15 am & 12 noon**

A Season of Miracles

This presentation by Pushcart Players is a sparkling collection of holiday tales from different cultures including Christmas ("The Gift of the Magi" and "The Nutcracker"), Kwanzaa ("The Kwanzaa Kite" set in Nigeria), and Hanukkah ("A Menorah from Heaven," a Chelm story).

Crafted and set to music, with the timeless tone of each classic tale, heartwarming laughter and joy abound within each story.

**Recommended for grades K-4
Tickets: \$5/person**



**Thursday, December 9,
10:15 am & 12 noon**

TINY TOTS THURSDAYS Bob Brown Puppets: The Magic Toy Shop

Ever wonder what happens when the doors of the Toy Shop are closed at night? Join master puppeteer Bob Brown as he takes you on a rollicking adventure exploring the secret life of toys.

**Recommended for
grades Pre-K-2
Tickets: \$3/person**



MIDWEEK MATINEES

continued

Monday, December 13,
10:15 am & 12 noon

Kwanzaa Lecture/ Demonstration

The African Heritage Dancers and Drummers will lead a pre-Kwanzaa lecture/demonstration about the history of Kwanzaa, featuring dancing and drumming.

**All ages. Tickets: \$5/person;
\$4/seniors ages 60 & better**



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Tuesday, September 14, 11 am
PLATINUM MOVIE

The Blind Side



Taken in by a well-to-do family and offered a second chance at life, a homeless teen grows to become the star athlete projected to be the

first pick in the NFL draft. This sports-themed comedy drama was inspired by author Michael Lewis' best-seller.

Run Time: 128 minutes

**FREE; Advanced registration
required.**

Tuesday, October 12, 11 am

PLATINUM MOVIE

It's Complicated



Jane is the mother of three grown kids, has a thriving business and an amicable relationship with her ex-husband Jake.

When an innocent meal turns into an affair, Jane finds herself as the other woman. When an architect falls for Jane, he soon realizes he's become part of a love triangle

and things get very complicated.

Run Time: 120 minutes

FREE; Advanced registration required.



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Monday, October 25, 12 noon

PLATINUM LIVE EVENT

Ailey II

Ailey II, the second dance company of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, presents a dynamic hour-long performance for seniors 60 & better.

Tickets: \$7/person

Tuesday, November 9, 11 am

PLATINUM MOVIE

Preacher's Kid



Tired of being a preacher's daughter and longing to experience more of life, 20-something Angie King strikes out on her own and joins a traveling

gospel show. In this modern day rendition of the fable of "The Prodigal Son," she soon discovers life on the road is tough, but fears going home with nothing to show for herself, or worse, to a father who no longer loves her.

Run Time: 110 minutes

FREE; Advanced registration required.

Friday, November 12, 11 am

PLATINUM LIVE EVENT
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Tickets: \$5/person



Tuesday, December 7, 11 am

PLATINUM MOVIE

Four Christmases



An upscale, unhappily married couple find their exotic vacation plans knocked out by fog. They are then forced into a four family frenzy as they

attempt to satisfy everyone on the holiday. As they count the hours until their escape, they find long-repressed adolescent wounds reopened and re-evaluate their future together in this raucous comedy.

Run Time: 88 minutes

FREE; Advanced registration required.

ART EXHIBITIONS AT THE PUBLICK PLAYHOUSE

The gallery space in the lobby of the Playhouse provides a wonderful venue for the visual arts.



Tuesday, August 3—Monday, September 13

Jim Landry: Photography

Jim Landry explores the extremes of size and scale as well as light, color and texture in both his canvases and his photographic work. Although his subject matter of portraits and still life are typically traditional, the manner in which his subjects are represented often borders on the abstract. As a multidisciplinary artist, he says, “I’ve always felt that everything I do is connected. My photographs sometimes become paintings, which lead me to new subject matter for making pictures. My music becomes the soundtrack for all of this activity.”



Tuesday, September 14—Monday, October 25

Ed Bisese: Painting and Collage

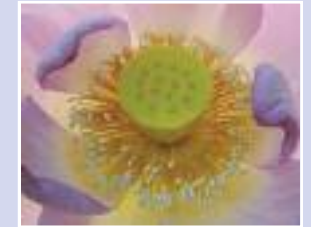
Ed Bisese’s colorful paintings, drawings and collages spin out evidence of a personal world of equal parts wonder and paranoia. Bisese takes advantage of an artist’s prerogative to work without fear of prejudice. His work is a refuge. He understands that no matter how seriously an artist takes his work, it can (and will) be ridiculous to the next person. The artist makes a point of enjoying the creative process, feeling that the sense of freedom it allows is the purpose of art.



Tuesday, October 26—Monday, December 6

Richard Weiblinger: Nature and Wildlife Photography

Richard Weiblinger is a passionate, self-taught photographer whose work ranges from fleeting expressions of nature’s mutability to striking landscapes. His wildlife photographs capture our world with intense intimacy and remind us of the diversity and uncertainty of nature.



Tuesday, December 7—Monday, January 17

Southern Comforters of Bowie: Keepsake Quilts

Quilts, varying from traditional bed quilts to small wall hangings and art quilts, will be presented in a wide range of patterns and techniques including appliqué, piecework, mixed media and machine quilting. Organized more than 26 years ago, Southern Comforters promotes the education and art of quilt making. Quilters from novice to expert gather twice a month to learn and share quilting techniques and ideas. Interests range from traditional bed quilts to the latest contemporary and art quilts. New members are always welcome.



COMMUNITY ARTS

The Publick Playhouse is available for rent to local community arts groups. A listing of upcoming community arts programs at can be found at www.pgparcs.com. For more information, call 301-277-1710.

Information & Directions

THEATRE HOURS: Administrative offices are open
Monday–Friday, 8:30 am–5 pm.

BOX OFFICE HOURS: Monday–Friday, 10 am–5 pm and
two hours before every performance. People of all ages
must have a ticket, including children on parents' laps. A
\$25 fee will be assessed for returned checks. A \$3 handling
fee will be added to credit card orders.

ACCESSIBILITY: The Department of Parks and Recreation
encourages and supports the participation of individuals
with disabilities. Register at least a minimum of two weeks
in advance of the program start date to request and receive
a disability accommodation.

RENTING THE PLAYHOUSE: For information about rent-
ing the theatre, call 301-277-1710 or TTY 301-277-0312.

LOCATION: 5445 Landover Road (Route 202), Cheverly,
MD at the intersection with Route 450. Take F2 Metrobus
from Cheverly Metro Station or T18 Metrobus from the
New Carrollton Metro Station.

DIRECTIONS: From MD, take I-495 to the Baltimore/
Washington Parkway South, exit at "Cheverly, Route 202"
and turn right on Route 202. The theatre is 1/2 mile on the
left. From DC or VA, take New York Avenue or I-295 to the
Baltimore/Washington Parkway and exit on Route 202. Turn
left on 202. The theatre is 1/2 mile on the left. Parking
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