

September 2011

## Welcome to Greater Hartford's Dance Umbrella! In the Region

### Mortensen Riverfront Plaza

300 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford  
860.713.3131; <http://www.riverfront.org>  
Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.



Members of this world-renowned dance company **PILOBOLUS** will captivate you with their amazing body contortions, sense of humor, and movements.

**No charge!**

*Rain date: September 18<sup>th</sup>*

### Charter Oak Cultural Center

21 Charter Oak Avenue Hartford, CT 06106  
860.249.1207; <http://www.charter oakcenter.org>  
September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00 p.m.

**Mikata.** This classic Salsa and Latin Jazz ensemble has been delighted audiences around the country for fifteen years. Enjoy the hot jazz soloing, the electrifying percussion and the pulsing groove as you listen- and dance to – this award-winning Latin band. Don't miss the short Salsa dance lesson included as part of the show. **Tickets: \$20 General Admission, \$10 Seniors, Charter Oak and [Let\\*s Go Arts! Members](#), \$5 Students**



### The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts

166 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106  
860.987.5900, <http://www.bushnell.org>  
Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>

**Traces** combines awe-inspiring acrobatics with infectious urban energy. With versatile artists who deliver dazzling, gravity-defying displays of skill, dance, and acrobatic brilliance. Created by 7 Fingers, an astonishingly talented company that has pioneered a whole new brand of theatrical entertainment, poetic and explosive, funny and thoughtful, Traces creates an experience that surprises and delights all ages. Traces takes the audience into an exhilarating world where creation flourishes, relationships are real, emotions are raw, and you never know what's coming next. These versatile artists don't just engage in high-risk acrobatics, they bare their souls through music, dance, drawing, and spoken word – as they attempt to leave a lasting mark: traces of who they are. **Tickets are \$50 to \$55.**



### Charter Oak Cultural Center

Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.  
860.249.1207; <http://www.charter oakcenter.org>

The **Havdalah** service, a lovely, brief ritual to end the Sabbath, will be enhanced by the magnificent improvised dance of **Bonita Weisman. No charge.**

### Edward C. and Ann T. Roberts Foundation Theater

The Mort and Irma Handel Performing Arts Center  
35 Westbourne Parkway, Hartford, CT  
860.768.4228 or 800.274.8587 or visit [www.hartford.edu/hart](http://www.hartford.edu/hart)  
Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and  
Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.



**Hartt School** presents its annual fall Senior Dance Concert, featuring graduating seniors who will present their own choreographic works plus solos set on them by professional choreographers from around the nation. **Tickets are \$20 with discounts for Seniors, Students,**

**and Groups.** *Photo courtesy of John Long.*

### The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts

Maxwell and Ruth Belding Theater  
166 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106  
860.987.5900, <http://www.bushnell.org>  
Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.



**Connecticut Ballet** presents **THE SLEEPING BEAUTY.** This timeless story of good and evil is one of classic ballet's great masterpieces. Three acts in length with music by Tchaikovsky, Brett Raphael's version vividly brings the story book characters to life in an unforgettable spectacle of 19<sup>th</sup> century grandeur and sparkling virtuosity. **Tickets are \$31.50 to \$55.00.**

### Charter Oak Cultural Center

Thursday through Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.  
**Spectrum in Motion Dance Theater Ensemble's "Kahapon at Ngayon - Yesterday and Today".** Looking back at 29 years of dancing, building a community of movers, and keeping on. Suite Mc B (inspired by the music of Bobby Mc Ferrin and 4 years in the making) completes the circle by celebrating the presence of those on whose shoulders we stand and standing strong on who we are today. Additional works include fan favorites. **Tickets: \$20 General Admission, \$10 Seniors, Charter Oak and [Let\\*s Go Arts! Members](#), \$5 Students.**



*Photo courtesy of Rich Davis.*

## Statewide

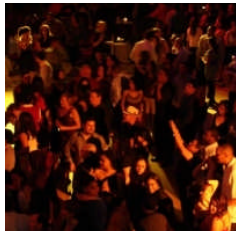
### Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts

2132 Hillside Road Unit 3104 Storrs, CT 06269-3104

Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

860.486.4226; <http://jorgensen.uconn.edu>

**Latin Fest featuring Cheo Feliciano with the Bobby Rodriguez Orchestra.** Presented by Jorgensen and the Puerto Rican/Latin American Cultural Center.



Dance Cabaret doors open at 7:00 pm. Dance the night away to the irresistible sounds of salsa's king of romance, Cheo Feliciano. The evening opens with a DJ and UConn's own BAILE. Jorgensen's trendy cabaret setting, with a large open dance floor and delicious Latin food and drink, guarantees a night that

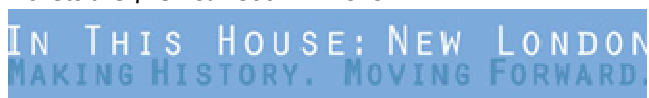
will be hot, hot, hot! **Tickets are \$25 to \$35 General Admission; \$10 to \$2- for Students.**



The Garde Arts Center, 325 State Street New London, CT  
Thursday, October 13, 2011

The New London premiere of **JDPP's In This House**

**Tickets are \$28.** Call 860.444.7373.



## Learning Opportunities



**Dance Programs at the Hartt School Community Division.** Reminder classes begin on September 6, 2011. For more information visit: <http://harttweb.hartford.edu/community>



### Connecticut Dance Alliance

Please visit [www.CTDanceAll.com](http://www.CTDanceAll.com), click on "What's New" for more information and registration forms.

### Dance Wellness Workshop: Injury Prevention

**Magna Physical Therapy & Dance Medicine Center**

302 West Main St, Suite 204, Avon

**Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

A participatory workshop for dance students, parents and teachers.

Registration: **\$10 to \$35.** Phone: 860.679.0430.

The program will include:

- nutrition
- conditioning
- bio mechanics and anatomy
- common dance injuries
- tips on staying healthy

**Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Facing the Future:** A one-day workshop for high school students thinking of a college career in dance. **Registration is \$10 to \$20.**

Co-sponsored by Hartt School Dance Division, University of Hartford.

**Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

**Dance Educators' Forum: Dance in the Public Schools K-12** at Naugatuck Valley Community College (NVCC), Waterbury . (With sponsorship from the Dance Department of NVCC)

**Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Dance** at Great Hartford Academy of the Arts, Hartford.

**YWCA, 22 Glen Street, New Britain, CT**

**860.212.0350; <http://www.trysalsa.com>**

Fridays from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., October 19<sup>th</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>

**Salsa lessons!** The roots of Salsa music and dance have been a part of Cuban, Puerto Rican and other Latino cultures for over 500 years. Today, Salsa has grown to include the rest of the world as Salsa instructors, musicians and events can be found on every major continent. However, Salsa is more than the little red dress, television dance shows and night club entertainment. Salsa dancing can be a source of exercise, stress relief, positive social interaction, self improvement and overall well-being. Why wait any longer to learn to dance Salsa? Let us show you how! Course includes: 5 consecutive progressive classes, study aides and a FREE music CD! Guaranteed to having you dancing and smiling by the end! **Cost: \$65.00 per person / \$120.00 per pair; \$60.00 per person ([Let's Go Arts! Members](#)).**

## News and Notes



Please Join Us for the First Annual **A Grooveable Feast** to Benefit JDPP! Thursday, September 22, 2011 at The Hartford Club, 6 Prospect Street, Hartford, CT. Dinner and Dancing from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. and a Groovy Silent Auction. Presenting the Live and Swingin' Sounds of The Lost Boys featuring Jake Goldbas. For more information please visit <http://www.judydworin.org/>.

### Connecticut Convention Center

Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

100 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT 06103

**Allongé Dance Variations** will perform at the NBC HEALTH AND WELLNESS FESTIVAL

Come see ADV in a fun and family friendly performance on the Demonstration Stage as we return for our 4th year! Also, you can join us in an easy clapping and stamping Flamenco mini-lesson! Admission is FREE for the event which runs from 10 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. <http://www.nbcconnecticut.com>.

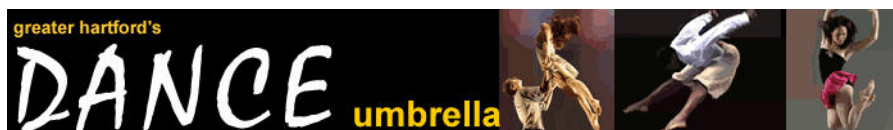
### The Connecticut Dance Alliance

#### 2011 Distinguished Achievement in Dance Awards

The Katherine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center, Old Saybrook, CT Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

CDA will host a reception and performances honoring the 2011 awardees: **Connecticut Ballet, Ted Hershey Dance & Music Marathon, and Michael Uthoff.** Tickets are \$15 CDA Members, \$25 non-CDA members, CDA Students no charge, non-CDA Students \$12.

**Save the new date: THE 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TED HERSHEY DANCE & MUSIC MARATHON CONCERT WILL BE ON MARCH 3, 2012!**



## Phase 1 of the 2012 Hartford Arts & Heritage Jobs Grant Program Announced



Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor



Grant awards fall under one of the following categories: new or expanded works, facilities improvements and youth employment. Grantees represent a diverse array of the city's arts and cultural heritage organizations and projects range from vital building upgrades and renovation projects to anniversary programming and "random acts of art" across the city.

The Hartford Arts & Heritage Jobs Grant program has been created by the City of Hartford in order to create and preserve jobs across a wide variety of sectors in the City by funding arts and heritage programming and projects within its borders. As an important economic driver in Hartford, cultural institutions employ local residents and create business for local companies. Producing exhibitions and performances requires purchasing local goods and services, from hardware and construction materials to dry cleaning and insurance. Meanwhile, these programs draw audience members into the City, supporting jobs at Hartford restaurants, parking lots, hotels and other businesses. The City of Hartford has contracted with the Greater Hartford Arts Council to help administer The Hartford Arts & Heritage Jobs Grant Program. Awards will range from \$5,000 to \$50,000. Programs/projects must occur during the 2012 calendar year.

### Deadlines and Timelines:

**September 7, 2011:** Public Information Meeting at 3:30 p.m.  
100 Pearl Street, 2nd Floor, Hartford

**September 30, 2011:** Intent to Apply form due  
before 5:00 p.m.

**November 1, 2011:** Application and required materials due  
before 5:00 p.m.

**Mid-December 2011:** Notification of Awards

Congratulations to the Ninth Annual **5x5 Dance Festival** professional participants. Performances will take place on October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> at Saint Joseph College, West Hartford, CT.



Exit 12 Dance Company  
DancEnlight  
Dance Connect  
Elm City Dance Collective  
Cristin Cawley

Details about the festival will follow soon!



On September 15<sup>th</sup> Spectrum Too! will perform at Billings Forge's Farm to Table Gala. Spectrum in Motion Dance Theater Ensemble will perform on September 21<sup>st</sup> at Aetna's Non-Profit Showcase and on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Hartford Prayer Breakfast at The Artists Collective.

## Positions Available

Center Stage Dance is looking for a Ballet Teacher to run a Ballet program at their studio in Stamford. Candidates must be self-motivated and able to work well with pre-teens and teens. A positive attitude and outgoing personality are musts! If you are interested in this position, please forward your resume or contact [centerstagedance@snet.net](mailto:centerstagedance@snet.net); 203.846.8292

JoAnn LoRusso, Director

### DANCE TEACHER NEEDED

Looking for a teacher for the following:

Intermediate Hip hop, Advanced Jazz and open level modern.

Studio is located in Newington. Email Kim at [backstageacademy@gmail.com](mailto:backstageacademy@gmail.com) or call 860.665.0640.

## Auditions

Sonia Plumb Dance Company will be holding auditions on Sunday, September 18, 2011 at Hartford City Ballet, 420 New Park Avenue, Hartford, CT at 12:30. Dancers should have a strong technical background in modern and ballet. Please bring a resume. For information please call 860.508.9082.

## Figments Youth Dance Ensemble Auditions

*We invite all dancers between the ages of 10-18 to join us for an audition class. A short, student-choreographed solo may also be presented.*

**When:** Saturday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at :00 p.m.  
Saturday, Sept 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** Trinity College Dance Studios  
240 New Britain Avenue, Hartford, CT

For more information contact

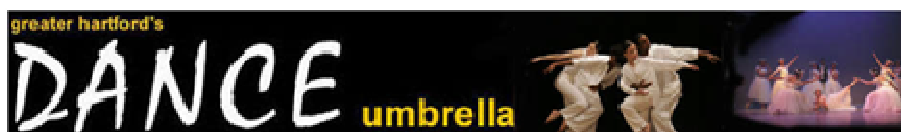
Director, Heidi Klecak

46 Main Street

Stafford Springs, CT 06076

Phone: 860.684.3532; Email: [hklecak@netzero.com](mailto:hklecak@netzero.com)

Please send your News and Notes to  
Carol E. Terry at [GHDanceumbrella@comcast.net](mailto:GHDanceumbrella@comcast.net)  
Next Deadline: September 15<sup>th</sup>



## Greater Hartford's Dance Umbrella

is a collaborative arts service organization providing advocacy, networking, marketing, audience development, administrative support and professional development for the not for profit dance community of Greater Hartford.

The Greater Hartford Dance Umbrella was created by dancers, dance organizations and dance venues for dancers, dance organizations and dance venues who share a common vision: a vibrant, diverse dance community.

All are committed to excellence in dance and dance education. On behalf of all we extend thanks to the staff and the supporters of the Greater Hartford Arts Council's United Arts Campaign and Hartford Foundation for Public Giving.



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Equilibrium Dance Theatre  
Full Force Dance Theatre  
Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts  
Hart School Dance Division University of Hartford  
Judy Dworin Performance Project  
Playhouse on Park Miss Porter's School  
Sankofa Kuumba  
Scapegoat Garden  
Spectrum in Motion Dance Theater Ensemble  
The Carol Autorino Center at Saint Joseph College  
Trinity College  
University of Connecticut  
Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art  
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