GLOBAL ARTS
PERFORMANCES FOR SCHOOLS

2017/2018 SEASON
GLOBAL ARTS SERIES AT THE FINE ARTS CENTER UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS

With “Arts for every child” as our mission, the Global Arts series brings thousands of schoolchildren, their teachers, and chaperones to our theaters each year to experience the excitement and wonder of live performance. Our events are selected for their artistic excellence and meet the Curriculum Frameworks requirements as established by the Massachusetts Department of Education. These shows provide a unique opportunity for students and teachers to take learning beyond the classroom, rare personal contact with artists, and a wealth of resources and opportunities for teachers to help ignite a passion for the arts in our youth.

Dreams figure both visually and conceptually in this year’s Global Arts Performances for Schools programs. With our theme Cultural Dreams: Journeys around the World, we travel from South Africa to Latvia, to the American South, Hawaii and end in Tibet. Our season opener, Festival of South African Dance, examines the dance form developed by South African miners as they journeyed to pursue a better life. The Underwater Bubble Show is our holiday extravaganza full of magic and a galore of bubbles. Celebrate the dream of Martin Luther King presented during Black History Month by the Virginia Rep Company. Experience the Polynesian culture that existed before Hawaii became the fiftieth state through ancestral stories of and myths about the volcanoes and waters. Just wait until you see Air Play use the laws of physics as they explore air currents—who knew science could be so much fun? We close the season during April vacation with a free event featuring Tibetan monks as they create an intricate Sand Mandala. Dream on and bring your students to a show—our season promises a wealth of artistic and cultural opportunities to enhance your classroom curriculum.

Take a look at our upcoming season offerings and be sure to share them with your colleagues. We are more than happy to give you recommendations or answer any questions you may have.

The ARTS can be a transforming experience for only $9 per ticket.

Global Arts serves the students in public and private schools in the western Massachusetts region as well as children who are home schooled. We welcome comments, suggestions, and ideas and encourage you to complete our online surveys.

Do you value the arts and care about the importance of arts education? Please show your support by sending a donation of any amount to: UMASS/Global Arts, 16 Curry Hicks, UMass, Amherst, MA 01003

Your contribution directly funds school visits and residencies by great artists. Please accept our heartfelt thanks.

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RESERVATION INFORMATION

BY PHONE call 413-545-2116
ONLINE at https://fac.umass.edu/Online/GlobalArts

Daytime events are designed for schools and home school groups alike. As many of our events sell out quickly, we recommend that you reserve your seats as far in advance as possible. Groups of 15 or fewer are required to pay at time of booking.

WE MUST KNOW YOUR ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS IN ADVANCE to accommodate your group appropriately—this includes wheelchair seating, listening devices, mobility issues (unable to navigate stairs, use of a walker, etc.), visual impairments, behavioral concerns, etc. Both theaters are accessible for the mobility impaired. Designated Chapter 766 schools qualify for one complimentary chaperone admission for every five paid students. An Assistive Listening System is also available. If you require ASL interpretation, please contact us at least three months prior to event. We will do our best to accommodate your needs.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING PAYMENT POLICIES

Payments are nonrefundable and may be made by check, credit card, or purchase order. All payments or purchase orders must be received two weeks prior to the performance and made payable to the University of Massachusetts.

- No cancellations or changes can be made on your reservation within six weeks prior to the performance.
- We cannot accept third party payments.
- Ticket prices for students and adults are just $9. Everyone must have a paid seat regardless of age. As our primary goal is to provide unique educational experiences for student audiences, please limit your number of chaperone tickets. For schools, the Fine Arts Center supports a 1 to 10 chaperone to student ratio. Additional chaperone tickets are available for $10. For preschool groups and homeschool families, please call 413-545-2116 for more information on our chaperone policy.
- The show must go on! We are contractually obligated to pay the artists if they are able to perform. Therefore, we are unable to issue refunds or exchanges for weather-related cancellations.
- Your reservation is not complete until you receive a reservation confirmation (via email or post).
- A deadline date for changes is found in your reservation confirmation. To cancel or reduce seats you must call or email us before the deadline. After the deadline passes, your school is committed to purchasing the number of seats indicated on your reservation confirmation and invoice. Schools that do not honor their commitment will be required to pay a non-refundable 50 percent deposit on all future orders.
- Performances are rarely cancelled and will only be cancelled due to the artists’ inability to perform. The cancellation will be listed on local TV and radio stations as well as the on the phone line (413-545-2116). Reservation holders will receive a call regarding any updates.
- Invoices and study guides (one per reservation) are mailed four weeks prior to each performance. Study guides are also available on the website: www.fineartscenter.com/ResourceRoom.

To view our full policies and procedures please visit: https://fac.umass.edu/Online/GlobalArtsInfo
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017
FESTIVAL OF SOUTH AFRICAN DANCE
Featuring The Peninsula Dance Company and GumbiBoots
Concert Hall at 11 a.m.
Ages: All
Running time: 55 minutes
Peninsula, an upbeat urban dance form from South Africa's street culture. The Peninsula tradition is identified as youthful and politically aware. Peninsula combines live drumming and the high energy of South Africa dances. South Africa's past mosaic revealed emotional dancing. To express their emotions, the performers showed an incredible sense of rhythm and movement. The African dance and drama, however, are not just about showing their emotions. They are also about sharing their culture and heritage with the world.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2017
THE UNDERWATER BUBBLE SHOW
Concert Hall at 10 a.m.
Ages: All
Running time: 55 minutes
Join the effervescent Mr. B for his journey to Bubblelandia, a bizarro ocean where colorful aquatic life and dramatic underwater effects take place. This lively production, which is unique in its ability to engage all ages, is a treat for the eyes and ears. The show features live music, interactive activities, and a host of underwater creatures. It's a magical world where dreams come true.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2018
"I HAVE A DREAM"—THE LIFE AND TIMES OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
by Bruce Craig Miller
Concert Hall at 10 a.m.
Ages: Grade 3-12
Running time: 55 minutes
Our Heels from Virginia Rep (RVA) is a dynamic and engaging production that tells the inspiring true story of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The show provides a unique opportunity for students to learn about the life and legacy of this civil rights leader. Through a combination of music, drama, and multimedia, the production brings Dr. King's words to life and encourages students to think critically about the issues he fought for.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018
AIR PLAY
Concert Hall at 10 a.m.
Ages: Grades 3-10
Running time: 60 minutes
The wind and the windchime play a role in this modern spectacle that blends the two as we breathe. Popping balloonists, backward flippers, giant windchimes filling the audience, and the biggest wind chime you have ever seen will make your students gasp in wonder as they listen to phrases come to life in sound and visual magic.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2018
SACRED DANCES AND LEGENDS OF HAWAII
Michael Pill Pang and the Hōʻāna Hula Ka Noʻeau Ensemble
Booster Auditorium at 10 a.m.
Ages: Grades 4-12
Running time: 55 minutes
Choreographer and cultural historian Michael Pill Pang blends traditional Hawaiian dances with contemporary elements to create a dynamic and engaging performance. The ensemble's rich history and deep roots in Hawaiian culture make this a must-see for students interested in exploring the depth and diversity of Hawaiian dance forms.

TICKETS FOR THE 2017-2018 SEASON ARE AVAILABLE AT www.fineartscenter.com

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April 17-20, Old Chapel, UMass Amherst
SPECIAL HOURS for families & schools

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to reserve a time
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