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BalletMet: Balancing artistic acclaim with financial success

Gerard Charles, artistic director, BalletMet: Pam Bishop, development director, BalletMet; Sonia Welker, company dancer, BalletMet.

Moderated by: Ray Hanley, president, Greater Columbus Arts Council

> We all agree that the Arts play an important role in any communi-

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There is the cultural value as well as the ecoimpact. nomic Community arts organizations throughout the country are having to deal with the ever increasing pressure for national and international recognition while struggling with funding, de-



Charles

Bishop

clining attendance and increased competition.

BalletMet has received broad critical acclaim for their recent performance at The Joyce Theater in New York City, but faces challenges at home with a declining facility and competition that includes The Rockettes for holiday entertainment dollars.

Please join us for a discussion about the challenge within our community arts organizations to balance artistic integrity with financial success and to find out how Hanley BalletMet intends to succeed at both!

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5:30-8 p.m. at OSU Stadium

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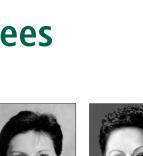
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About Us...

CMC firmly believes in the free expression of all ideas and the benefits of an open exchange of information. CMC is non-partisan and takes no positions on issues.

Anyone can join! From the beginning, there have been no barriers to membership and all forums have welcomed the general public. Diversity, both in programming and membership, is one of the many benefits of being involved in CMC. Everyone is welcome.

Each forum is an hour-long program that starts with a brief introduction followed by 25-30 minutes of speaker comments. The final half hour is filled with unfiltered, unrehearsed questions from the audience.

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Upcoming CMC Forums

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Moderated by: Ray Hanley, president, Greater Columbus Arts Council (See article)

Wednesday, September 29 **Columbus City Schools: What's** on the Schedule?

Sponsored by: SBC and DeVry University Dr. Gene Harris, superintendent, Columbus Public Schools; Stephanie Hightower, president, Columbus Board of Education

Columbus Public Schools Superintendent, Dr. Gene Harris, is focused on the bottom line. "Academic achievement, increasing skills so that kids who graduate from Columbus Public Schools can go on to college, the military or good jobs." This Week Newspapers, August 12, 2004 New programs are in place to increase parental involvement, the new Virtual High School has received 72 applications and facilities are continually being built or renovated. Dr. Harris continues to face challenges; however, as she tries to emerge from state designated "academic watch" in addition to meeting new federal improve-ment goals. To meet these challenges, the Columbus Board of Education will ask voters to approve a 6.95 mil operating levy on November 2. Board President, Stephanie Hightower, will share with the audience how the district intends to spend the money and main tain accountability.

Wednesday, October 6

Celebrating 100 Years of Ireland's Abbey Theater Presented in Partnership with: CAPA

Ben Barnes, artistic director, Abby Theater

Ireland's Abbey Theater, considered "the most famous theatre in the world," celebrates its 100th anniversary with a U. S. tour of J. M. Synge's sparkling comedic masterpiece Playboy of the Western World. The Abbey Theater was founded in 1904 for the purpose of putting on plays written and acted by Irish people. CMC, in partnership with CAPA, is pleased to welcome Ben Barnes, artistic director of the Abbey Theatre since 2000. This year, Barnes will direc Playboy of the Western World for Abbeyonehundred in Ireland and throughout the United States. Barnes views 2004 as the beginning of a new chapter for the Abbey. "Change is the friend of progress and that facet of this organization must come under rigorous scrutiny and re-appraisal if the Abbey is to position itself to survive and thrive in a world, which in the words of our founder, W.B. Yeats, is "changed" and "changed utterly.'



Columbus Metropolitan Club, OSU Franklin Co. Alumni Club & Young **Bucks of Central Ohio**

Proudly present: "The Season Opener"

A reception for members & guests Thursday, September 23, 2004 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm Ohio Stadium, Huntington Club Suite 411 Woody Hayes Dr., Columbus, OH 43210

Parking available in West Stadium Lot. Gates 7-27

Join us for an evening of: Cocktails • Tailgate food Press Box Tour Adrenaline-pumping performances by the OSU cheerleaders





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BalletMet

Wednesday, October 20

Strong Alone. Fearless Together. **YWCA** and Columbus

JoAnna Williamson, president and CEO, YWCA Columbus

Moderated by: Yvette McGee Brown, chair, YWCA Board of Trustees

The new YWCA national brand is a visual representa tion of its mission, placing its hallmark initiatives at the forefront. Don't miss an exciting opportunity to hear from JoAnna Williamson, YWCA President and CEO, about this organization's work in the community, and its commitment to improve the lives of thousands of women, children and families in central Ohio. This Forum will be moderated by Yvette McGee Brown, President, YWCA Board of Trustees.

Coming Soon . . .

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Score big with CMC, the OSU Franklin Co. Alumni Club & the Young Bucks of Central Ohio as we bring you an evening filled with fun and discovery!

\$10 for CMC members, \$8 for members who bring potential members and FREE for potential members. New members can join at the event for just \$100, a savings of \$65.

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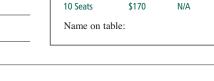


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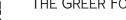


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Forums begin at noon on Wednesdays and are held at the Athletic Club, 136 E. Broad St. (unless otherwise noted). Doors open at 11:30 a.m. for those who would like to network with other members and

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