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# PS21 Announces 2011 Schedule of Events

## Dance, Film, Music and Theatre Explore What It Means To Be Family

[CHATHAM, NY] - Columbia County's unique performance venue opens its sixth season with a series of dance, film, music and theatre performances exploring the ever-evolving definition of "Family." PS21: Performance Spaces for the 21st Century will feature an eclectic selection of the classic and contemporary that focuses on the joys, heartbreak and sometimes dysfunctional nature of family life.

We know from our own experience that families come in all shapes and sizes. So this year we decided to explore that through the arts," said PS21 president Judy Grunberg. "Our annual Bach concert will be held on Father's Day and features work by Bach and two of his sons; Walking the dog Theatre's four-week production this year is play by one today's most original voices, Sarah Ruhl, Eurydice, inspired by the Greek myth; and our "Family Variations Film Festival" proves that there are as many definitions of family as there are families."

PS21 is located at 2980 Route 66, one mile north of Chatham Village. Tickets for all performances are available online or at the door. Visit ps21chatham.org or call 518.392.6121 to order or for more information.

### Details of the 2011 Season:

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### IMPROV CAFÉ with WALKING THE DOG THEATER

Saturday, June 11, 8:00 pm

Saturday, June 18, 8:00 pm

A night of improbable and impossibly delirious improv theater. Some audience participation required. Café style seating.

\$15 members, \$20 general admission

### FRIDAY NIGHT SWING DANCE

Friday, June 17 Alan Thomson's Little Big Band

Friday, June 24 The Diamond Street Skinny (Jonathan Talbott et al)

Friday, July 1 Alan Thomson's Little Big Band

Friday, July 8 Alan Thomson's Little Big Band

Friday, July 15 Berkshire Bop Society (Lincoln Mayorga, Otto Gardner, Sheri Bauer-Mayorga, Sam Zucchini)

Friday, August 5 Berkshire Bop Society

Friday, August 26 Berkshire Bop Society

Professional instruction 7:30-8:00 pm. Open dancing 8:00-10:30 pm.

\$8 members, \$10 general admission – Includes snacks and non-alcoholic refreshments

Series: \$40 member, \$50 nonmember

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**PATERNAL INFLUENCES: ANNUAL BACH CONCERT**

Sunday, June 19, 3:00 pm

Our sixth annual Paul Grunberg Memorial Bach Concert features Andrew Appel and the Four Nations Ensemble playing pieces by Bach and two of his sons.

Pieces include: Vivaldi Cello concerto in G, Bach Violin Concerto in A minor and Brandenburg 5, CPE Bach flute concerto in D minor, JC Bach, concerto for harpsichord and strings in E flat

\$30 member, \$35 general admission

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**FREE TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES**

Tuesday, June 21, 8:30 pm

Tuesday, June 28, 8:30 pm

Tuesday, July 5, 8:30 pm

Tuesday, July 12, 8:30 pm

Tuesday, July 19, 8:30 pm

Tuesday, July 26, 8:30 pm

Tuesday, August 2, 8:00 pm

Tuesday, August 9, 8:00 pm

Tuesday, August 16, 8:00 pm

Tuesday, August 23, 8:00 pm

Tuesday, August 30, 8:00 pm

THE STORY OF VERNON & IRENE CASTLE

SWEET AND LOWDOWN

THE BAND'S VISIT

TOPSY-TURVEY

BUENA VISTA SOCIAL CLUB

THE BLUES BROTHERS

LENINGRAD COWBOYS GO AMERICA

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

FLAMENCO

ANCHORS AWEIGH

THE LAST OF THE BLONDE BOMBSHELLS

Films introduced by Frank Farnham, adjunct professor of communications at FIT, NYC.

**CABARET with NINA & LINCOLN**

Saturday, June 25, 8:00 pm

A night of music with Nina Fine, vocals, and Lincoln Mayorga, piano, performing Bernstein, Sondheim and more.

\$15 member, \$20 general admission

**THOSE TWO GUYS**

Saturday, July 2, 7:30 pm

Those Two Guys fuse technical skill with wild imagination to create mind-boggling slapstick humor.

\$20 members, \$25 general admission, \$10 children under 14

**EURYDICE**

Walking the dog Theater's production of popular playwright Sarah Ruhl's moving piece on love and family. Based on the story of Orpheus and Eurydice, this contemporary take is imaginative, funny, sad and poignant. All shows at 8:00pm.

PREVIEW All tickets \$20

Thursday, July 7, 8:00 pm

Saturday, July 9, 8:00 pm

Sunday, July 10, 8:00 pm

\$25 members, \$30 general admission, \$18 students

July 13, July 14, July 16, July 17, July 21, July 22, July 23, July 24, July 28, July 29, July 30, and July 31



**SUMMER SINGS**

Gretchen Rueckheim, director of the Hudson Valley Choral Society, leads the audience as they sing magnificent choral works. Summer Sings begin at 7:30pm. Monday, July 11, Monday, July 18, and Monday, July 25, 7:30 pm \$8 members, \$10 general admission

**VANAVER CARAVAN**

The Vanaver Caravan has pioneered in-depth arts-in-education programs throughout the US. They offer imaginative workshops, equally at home in a symphony hall, an outdoor festival, in the classroom, school assembly, or at a conference, The Vanaver Caravan has captivated audiences worldwide with its celebration of American and International dance and music.

**CLOGGING WORKSHOP with THE VANAVER CARAVAN**

Wednesday, August 3, Thursday, August 4, Friday, August 5 - 5:30 - 6:30 pm \$15 members and general admission. \$40 for the series of 3

**SWING DANCE WORKSHOP with THE VANAVER CARAVAN**

Wednesday, August 3, Thursday, August 4, Friday, August 5 - 6:30 - 7:30 pm \$15 members and general admission. \$40 for the series of 3

**THE VANAVER CARAVAN PERFORMANCE**

Saturday, August 6, 8:00 pm

This global dance excursion will delight dance and world music fans of all generations. The Vanaver Caravan “eagerly explore every cranny of their art” (Dance Magazine).

\$20 members, \$25 general admission, \$10 students

**THE FAMILY IN FILM FESTIVAL**

PS21 expands its series of weekly movies to include a nine day mini festival of international films about family life in its many variations. These nine films focus on the joys, heartbreak and sometimes dysfunctional nature of family life. They also explore the notion that the definition of family is always in flux and has as many definitions as there are families. In keeping with the theme of community and family, we are inviting local families to introduce each film. (All ages, depending on film) All films free admission to the public and begin at 8:00pm.

Sunday, August 7	A Walk On The Moon
Monday, August 8	Summer Hours/L’Heure d’été
Tuesday, August 9	Fiddler on the Roof
Wednesday, August 10	La Cage aux Folles
Thursday, August 11	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof
Friday, August 12	Eat Drink Man Woman
Saturday, August 13	The Garden of the Finzi-Continis
Sunday, August 14	Fanny and Alexander
Monday, August 15	Radio Days

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**DANCES FOR A VARIABLE POPULATION**

**FITNESS CLASS with NAOMI GOLDBERG HAAS**

Monday-Friday, August 15-19, 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Daily fitness classes with the director of Dances for a Variable Population, Goldberg Haas’s highly-designed classes emphasize the value of cross-training between health/fitness and the expressive language of dance. \$15 per class

**DANCES FOR A VARIABLE POPULATION WORKSHOP**

Monday-Friday, August 15-19, 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Participants will explore the joys of dance for expression, wellness and celebration. Building a performance from the stories of our lives, the five day series will lead naturally to the collaborative performance with the DVP Company on Saturday night.

Price for the series \$100 member, \$125 general admission

**DANCES FOR A VARIABLE POPULATION PERFORMANCE**

Saturday, August 20, 8:00 pm

DVP creates a dynamic concert dance with diverse communities and professional dancers. Erasing the border between dancer and non-dancer, this performance incorporates members of the Columbia County community. \$20 members, \$25 general admission

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**TO FUEL THE FIRE**

Saturday, August 27, 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Arm-of-the-Sea Theater is back with “To Fuel the Fire”, a tragic comedy featuring primordial masks and kinetic puppet figures, vivid paintings, whimsical props and live music. The story follows an Egyptian immigrant couple, Isis and Osiris, who run a Soup-of-the-Day shop on the Gulf Coast. This play-within-the-play depicts the rise and fall of civilization propelled by various fuels.

\$12 member, \$15 general admission, \$5 kids 14 and under

**PARSONS DANCE**

Saturday, September 3, 7:30 pm

Sunday, September 4, 7:30 pm

Back for the 6th season in a row, Parsons Dance is a favorite at the tent.

\$35 members, \$40 general admission.

PS/21: Performance Spaces for the 21st Century is a not-for-profit organization in Chatham, New York, dedicated to the performing arts and to serving a diverse community with concerts, programs and residencies by professional artists and ensembles, youth and children’s programming, and cultural education opportunities for all ages.

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