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AMERICAN REPERTORY BALLET COMPANY  

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MUSICAL MASTERS

George Winston
Saturday, October 11
8 p.m. $25
Get ready for a magical evening of solo piano works by this Grammy Award winning solo pianist and composer. This performance features melodic pieces from his well-known seasonal recordings and his latest CD, "Linus and Lucy — The Music of Vince Guaraldi".

"...Winston merges his unique style imparting a majestic quality to ebullience of Guaraldi's music."
— The Athens Observer

The Coasters, The Drifters and The Platters
Saturday, February 14
8 p.m. $30
Valentine's Day
Serenade your sweetheart to the sounds of "Yakety Yak", "Love Potion #9" and "Only You" when these rock-n-roll legends perform a special Valentine's Day concert.

"Romance the evening away on poignant melodies with spicy rhythms and blending harmonies."
— Chicago Defender

Ladysmith Black Mambazo
Sunday, February 22
3 p.m. $28
Known to most for recording Graceland with Paul Simon, this 10-man group has wowed audiences across the globe singing a cappella harmonies from their South African homeland.

"The sounds they produced were distinct, iridescent blends of tenor and alto...some of the most pure, resounding bass imaginable."
— Orange County Register

MAGNIFICENT MUSICALS

A Chorus Line
Friday, September 26
8 p.m. $45
The winner of more awards than any show in Broadway history, this internationally-acclaimed musical launches the season with magnificent choreography and show-stopping tunes.

Miracle on 34th Street
Friday, November 28
8 p.m. $35
Thanksgiving Weekend
Kick-off the holiday season with this plum of a show featuring an imaginative set, stylish costumes, superb choreography and wonderful big band sounds. This production will have your whole family believing in love, miracles and perhaps even Santa.

SPECTACLE

Cirque Eloize
Saturday, March 28
8 p.m. $30
Sunday, March 29
3 p.m. $30
This bolt of lightening from Quebec creates a magical and electrifying performance chock full of chills and thrills, original music, amazing stunts and daring acrobatics. Audiences of all ages will be spellbound by this circus like none other.

"...a blend of entertaining circus skills, brisk choreography, throbbing music, colorful costumes and dramatic lighting that conjures a special realm...the universal language of fun."
— The New York Times

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**Dazzling Dance**

**Hubbard Street Dance Chicago**
- **Saturday, October 25**
- **8 p.m. $35**

Jazz, contemporary and classical ballet techniques combine to create an unparalleled artistic style, featuring the choreography of Kevin O'Day, Twyla Tharp and Daniel Ezralow. Back for the third year in a row, this performance is a guaranteed sell-out!

"Pound for pound, and piece by piece, Hubbard Street Dance Chicago is one of the best dance companies in the United States." Chicago Tribune

**Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Ensemble**
- **Sunday, March 15**
- **3 p.m. $35**

Celebrate Israel's 50th anniversary with the Chicagoland premiere of *Aide Memoire*, complete with innovative, modern choreography influenced by the memories of Holocaust survivors.

"Great talent, eloquent movement, magnificent lighting and stunning stage design... a treat not to be missed." Ruth Eshel Ha'aretz

**Where the Wild Things Are & Other Works**
- **American Repertory Ballet Company**
- **Saturday, May 2**
- **8 p.m. $30**

Perfect for adults and children alike, this ballet is filled with bigger-than-life puppets, sets and costumes that look as if they jumped from the pages of Maurice Sendak's famous storybook. The evening is complete with a mixed selection of the company's repertory.

"Sleekly explosive and exhilarating." The New York Times

**On-the-Spot Laughs**

**The Second City**
- **Saturday, April 18**
- **8 p.m. $17.50**

Chicago's own improvisational comedy troupe that spawned comedy legends John Candy, Dan Akroyd, Bill Murray and Julia Louis-Dreyfus, brings you the next generation of fresh comedic talent.

"A temple of satire" Time Magazine

**Sunday Brunch Series**

**The Scholars of London**
- **Sunday, October 12**
- **1:30 p.m. $17.50**

$35 with Brunch Buffet

Surrender to the sounds of delightful harmony as this quartet performs a cappella songs that span centuries, from European Renaissance to the Classical period.

**The Alcan String Quartet**
- **Sunday, November 16**
- **1:30 p.m. $17.50**

$35 with Brunch Buffet

Canada's foremost quartet plays the lavish sounds of Haydn, Mozart, Strauss and Dvorak guaranteed to seduce the heart, the mind and the ears.

**Double Exposure**
- **Sunday, February 15**
- **1:30 p.m. $17.50**

$35 with Brunch Buffet

Valentine's Day Weekend Join composer and pianist Eleanor Alberga and violin virtuoso Thomas Bowes, a husband and wife duo presenting masterworks by Bach, Schubert and Brahms along with contemporary works by Alberga, Metcalf and Gorb.
Critically-acclaimed TheatreworksUSA presents four classic children's tales that promise to stimulate the imagination and challenge the mind. Winner of the 1996 Drama Desk Award for presenting entertaining and thought-provoking theatre and a 1996 Lucille Lortel Award for Outstanding Special Achievement.

"TheatreworksUSA is children's theatre with a difference – and the difference is its quality." 

**The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe**

Saturday, October 18
11 a.m. $7  All Ages

A fun and exciting musical adapted from C.S. Lewis' magic tale of imagination, courage and friendship.

"Conveys the inspirational magic that has captivated young readers for decades." 

**Charlotte's Web**

Saturday, February 21
11 a.m. $7  All Ages

The miraculous Charlotte and the loveable Wilbur from E.B. White's ever-popular book star in this beloved tale of love and true friendship.

"Our finest youth theater. Consistently imaginative and challenging." 

**Swiss Family Robinson**

Saturday, November 22
11 a.m. $7  All Ages

A stirring musical, complete with ostrich races and a life-sized tree house, based on the adventures of this famous shipwrecked family.

"Instinctive, charming, intelligent and performed by versatile casts, Theatreworks' shows are entertaining." 

**The Velveteen Rabbit**

Saturday, March 21
11 a.m. $7  All Ages

A heartwarming musical adaptation of Margery Williams' classic story about a stuffed animal coming to life from a boy's love.

"That rare stage adaptation that updates a classic book yet manages to remain true to the heart of the story." 

**The Christmas Pinocchio That Almost Wasn't**

Saturday, December 6
11 a.m. $7  All Ages

Created by Child's Play Touring Theatre, the only American children's theatre group invited to perform at the First New York International Arts Festival, don't miss this behind-the-scenes peek at the hustle and bustle and near disasters of Christmas season.

"Their enthusiasm for their work is so infectious it's hard to tell who is having more fun – the actors or the children." 

**Pinocchio**

Saturday, April 25
11 a.m. $7  Ages 4+

Audience participation, big fun and creativity are the ABC's of children's theatre, which the critically-acclaimed AlphaBet Soup stirs into this wacky adaptation.

"...one of the best...everything is big and colorful."
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