

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

What a year! As I think about the 2011-12 season, I am reminded of the many different ways the performing arts come into our lives to inspire, entertain and connect us with one another.

I find when I am asked to consider highlights, the list quickly becomes too long. I also regret those I can't fit in. But I am willing to risk it so I can relive these magical moments in my mind.

Both India Jazz Suites and CiRCA thrilled, keeping me on the edge of my seat. I was awed by the sheer virtuosity of Matt Haimovitz, Imogen Cooper, and the Ailey dancers. I experienced such joy dancing and singing – along with so many of you! – during Creole Choir of Cuba, Dan Zanes & Friends, and *Mamma Mia!* I was captivated by the wonder displayed on our youngest audience members' faces as they experienced the marvel of Michael Cooper.

It is also what happens offstage that lives on in my mind and heart. Witnessing the entire Reiche Community School walk en masse to Merrill Auditorium to attend one of our School-Time Performances and seeing Myrtle Street lined with school buses, knowing that inside the auditorium was abuzz with 1900 Maine students, is an awesome experience. Listening to students discuss civil rights and bullying during our *Warriors Don't Cry* residency reminded me once again of why we do what we do. Knowing Maine students taught the Creole Choir a song that the Cuban musicians then added to their repertoire helped reinforce the connections we help make go in both directions, traveling back out into the world.

In the arts, we measure success in many ways. Did we realize our mission? Did the artists we bring inspire our audiences? Did someone experience the power of live art for the first time? Did we entertain? Did we connect Portland Ovations to our community? The answer to each of these is a resounding "Yes." Did we also face challenges presented by the ongoing volatility of the economy? Yes, again. Fortunately, over the years we have diligently built up healthy Cash Reserves to safeguard our mission and maintain the excellence our audiences deserve.

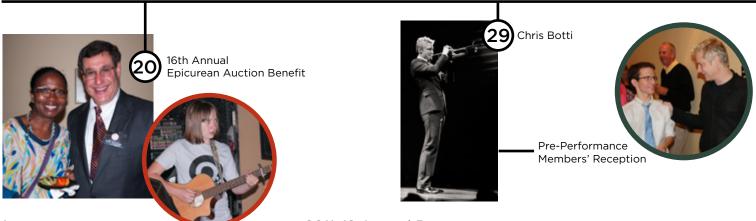
I hope throughout the year you too were inspired, entertained and found new ways to connect with one another and the performing arts. We are grateful for your continued support; without you none of this would be possible.

All the best.

Aimée M. Petrin

ON THE COVER: Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's Briana Reed, photo by Paul Kolnik | Creole Choir of Cuba with audience members | Family Mask Making Workshop | Dan Zanes works with a King Middle School Student | Matt Haimovitz Flash Concert

SEPTEMBER



VISION, MISSION, CORE VALUES & STAFF

VISION

To inspire a curious and imaginative community where the experience of the performing arts is a vital part of every day life.

MISSION

As a not-for-profit, Portland Ovations contributes to the cultural, social and economic well-being of our community by presenting an array of high quality performing artists from around the world and creating diverse educational experiences that bring the enjoyment, energy and enrichment of the arts to all.

CORE VALUES

Portland Ovations...

- believes that cultural enrichment should be accessible to all.
- provides quality live performance and educational experiences.
- engages our community with integrity and compassion.
- collaborates with other arts organizations, nonprofits, education systems and the business sector to promote cultural enrichment and lifelong learning.
- celebrates the power and virtuosity of the performing arts.
- sustains a staff and board who are thoughtful, committed, enthusiastic and fiscally responsible.

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"During the bustle of the 2011-12 season, we took the time to articulate a vision statement for Portland Ovations. As everyone knows, 'writing by committee' can be fraught with angst. But this was truly not the case. It was immediately clear the deep appreciation we all - the Board and staff of Ovations - hold for our community and the hope we have to further contribute to its health and vibrancy."

- Aimée M. Petrin, Executive Director



OCTOBER



First Friday Event: Asphalt Orchestra



Creole Choir of Cuba

School-Time Performance

Pre-Performance Lecture: "Cultural Connections: Cuba & Maine"

Workshops: Wescustago Youth Chorale Lincoln Middle School Riverton Elementary



LETTER FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Hello Friends!

It ain't easy, you know. Convincing a world-renowned string quartet to make music in the produce section of the local supermarket or persuading an award-winning theater ensemble to perform at a coffee house or infusing a community supper with music and dance. But that's what Portland Ovations does. Making the arts a vital part of Portland's daily life requires beauty, ingenuity, passion, friends, and sometimes even supermarkets.

Simply said: we couldn't do it without you. Whether you are an audience member, corporate sponsor or underwriter, donor, community volunteer, staff member, partner institution, teacher, student or a lucky pedestrian who chances upon a flash performance – we need you. The performing arts are vital to a vibrant community, from nourishing our souls to feeding our local economy; the performing arts are an essential part of what makes Portland a small city worthy of envy.

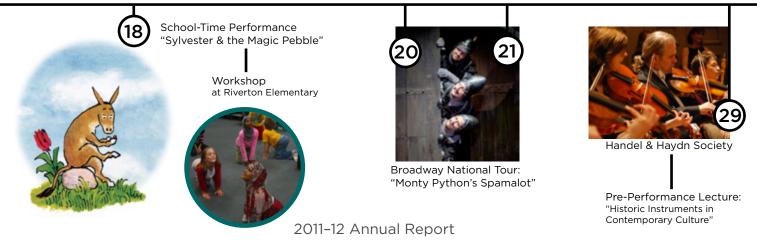
The past year has been successful on many fronts – continuing acclaim for the artistic merits of our presentations, increasing Membership, growing audiences, more participation from teachers and students and the introduction of another performance venue. Our recent induction into the National Performance Network shows that national recognition of our efforts is also on the rise. Our financial performance has been steady, despite a difficult economy.

Because you are reading this, I know you value the arts and want to see them flourish in Portland. We are counting on you to help us continue to grow the performing arts as a vital part of Portland's daily life. There are three things you can do: vocalize your support of the arts to friends and family, get tickets to a live performance today, and become a Member of Portland Ovations. We need you.

Thank you and see you soon; I'll be in the audience with you.

J. Spencer Jones Jr.

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"Nationally renowned violin soloist, Jennifer Koh, expressed the musical lines and intricate rhythms of Bartók and Bach with such expressive motions, sensitivity and artistry that the students were totally captivated!"

-Julianne Eberl Orchestra Director, Portland Public Schools

NOVEMBER



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Portland Public Schools

Portland School of Ballet

Rain for Sahel and Sahara

SPACE Gallery

University of Southern Maine

Wescustago Youth Chorale

NOVEMBER, CONT.



2011-12 SEASON

CHRIS BOTTI

September 29, 2011 • 7:30 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

CREOLE CHOIR OF CUBA

October 14, 2011 • 8 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

Broadway National Tour:

"MONTY PYTHON'S SPAMALOT"

October 20, 2011 • 8 pm October 21, 2011 • 8 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

HANDEL & HAYDN SOCIETY

October 29, 2011 • 3 pm Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

GOOD VS. EVIL: ANTHONY BOURDAIN & ERIC RIPERT

November 3, 2011 • 7:30 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

Neil Berg's

"101 YEARS OF BROADWAY"

November 4, 2011 • 8 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

INDIA JAZZ SUITES

November 16, 2011 • 7:30 pm Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

Matt Haimovitz & Christopher O'Riley

"SHUFFLE.PLAY.LISTEN."

November 18, 2011 • 8 pm Merrill Auditorium. Portland

MICHAEL COOPER: "MASKED MARVELS & WONDERTALES"

November 19, 2011 • 11 am
South Portland Auditorium, South Portland H.S.

Broadway National Tour:

"MAMMA MIA!"

January 12, 2012 • 8 pm January 13, 2012 • 8 pm January 14, 2012 • 2 pm & 8 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

"WARRIORS DON'T CRY"

January 18, 2012 • 7:30 pm Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

CIRCA

February 2, 2012 • 7:30 pm Westbrook Performing Arts Center

DAN ZANES & FRIENDS

February 4, 2012 • 1 pm Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

VÄSEN

with Special Guests Darol Anger & Friends February 16, 2012 • 7:30 pm Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

VANCOUVER CHAMBER CHOIR

March 4, 2012 • 3 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

GOLDEN DRAGON ACROBATS

March 9, 2012 • 7 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland In Celebration of St. Patrick **DANÚ**

March 15, 2012 • 7:30 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

Rodgers & Hammerstein's

"SOUTH PACIFIC"

March 17, 2012 • 2 pm & 8 pm March 18, 2012 • 2 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

TREY MCINTYRE PROJECT

March 22, 2012 • 7:30 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

BOMBINO

April 4, 2012 • 7:30 pm Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATER

April 24, 2012 • 7:30 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

IMOGEN COOPER, PIANO

April 25, 2012 • 7:30 pm Merrill Auditorium, Portland

JENNIFER KOH, VIOLIN

May 3, 2012 • 7:30 pm Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

"What an exciting season! I've been waiting many years for *Mamma Mia!* to make it to Portland. Add to that *South Pacific*, Anthony Bourdain & Eric Ripert, and Neil Berg's *101 Years of Broadway -* so many shows to go see. Thank you, Portland Ovations!"

-Christopher Winters, Audience Member

JANUARY



ARTS INTEGRATION: THE RIVERTON STORY

In 2011 Portland Ovations initiated a special partnership with Portland's Riverton Elementary School. Kicking it off, Principal Jeanne Malia joined Director of Ovations Offstage, Gretchen Berg, at the Kennedy Center's Partners in Education annual meeting in Washington, D.C. to formulate plans and join the national conversation. As Berg notes, "We jumped right into planning lively and practical performing arts experiences in support of literacy learning at Riverton, a school where nearly half the students' families speak a language other than English at home."

As recipients of Title I funding—monies dedicated to improving the academic achievement of disadvantaged students—Riverton committed a portion of its funds to an integrated arts program in connection with Portland Ovations' School-Time Performance series.

Each classroom attended two performances, preceded by in-school workshops (led by both visiting artists and Ovations Offstage staff) to connect live performance to classroom learning and literacy. Teachers received study guides filled with information about the performance, cultural context, and connections to Common Core State Standards. With the focus on literacy, each student wrote post-performance responses relating their experiences in the classroom with their experiences as audience members.

With six unique School-Time Performances and over 400 students grades K through 5, workshops were crafted to embrace the diversity of each classroom and introduce each performance. For example, during the Creole Choir of Cuba workshops, students moved around the room while listening to recordings of the choir then participated in a conversation that connected their lives to the choir's by discussing language, place, and family.

Through performances ranging from the vibrant Creole Choir of Cuba to "Sylvester and the Magic Pebble," a puppet and mask adaptation of William Steig's Caldecott-winning book, to "Paige in Full," a one-woman hip-hop autobiography – students became familiar with performing arts venues in Portland, grew confident in sharing their experiences, and integrated the performing arts into their classroom learning.

Year one culminated with Malia and Berg offering a workshop to Portland Public School educators in using performing arts to enrich literacy in the classroom, sharing their knowledge and experience across the district. While the initial goal to improve literacy was accomplished —the outcomes were much richer and more impactful than ever imagined.



"Portland Ovations has been an extremely effective community partner. They helped to reinforce learning through the arts. The Riverton staff worked collaboratively with Ovations staff to pre-teach vocabulary, character traits and key themes of performances. This coordination assisted students in becoming more engaged in their learning and transfer this learning into their Student writing samples reflect an increase in descriptive vocabulary, character analysis and personal connections with the performances that students attended."

-Jeanne Malia, Principal, Riverton Elementary

JANUARY, CONT.



OVATIONS OFFSTAGE



PRE-PERFORMANCE LECTURES*

Creole Choir of Cuba "Cultural Connections: Maine & Cuba" David Carev

Handel & Haydn Society "Historic Instruments in Contemporary Culture"

Ian Watson, David Miller, and Toby Rzepka

Neil Berg's "101 Years of Broadway" "Young Maine Musical Stars" Ed Reichert and Musical Theater students

"Shuffle.Play.Listen."

"The Art of Collaboration: Communication + Clairvoyance" Larura Kargul and Ronald Lantz

"Warriors Don't Cry

"Struggles for Civil Rights: Local Stories" Julia Adams & King Middle School Students

"New Perspectives on New-Folk Music" June Vail

Vancouver Chamber Choir "Considering Choral Arts" Bob Russell

"Performing Irish Literature and Theater" Susan and Tony Reilly

"South Pacific"

"Issues of Race in Musical Theater" Gretchen Berg

Bombino

"Cultural Context:

Nomadic Life in the Sahara" Ress Palmisciano

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater "Life as an Ailey Dancer"

Vernard Gillmore Imogen Cooper

"Smoke and Mirrors:

Making the Piano Sing"

Laura Kargul

Jennifer Koh "Bach & Beyond" Rob Lehmann

PUBLIC WORKSHOPS

"Shuffle.Play.Listen."

Cello Workshop with Matt Haimovitz 317 Main St. Community Music Center, Yarmouth

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CiRCA

Circus Arts Workshop Merriconeag Waldorf School, Freeport

MASTERCLASSES

"Shuffle.Play.Listen." Piano Masterclass with Christopher O'Riley Merrill Auditorium, Portland

Trey McIntyre Project

Modern Dance Masterclass PATHS, Portland

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater

Modern Dance Masterclass Portland School of Ballet, Portland

Imogen Cooper

Piano Masterclass with Imogen Cooper USM School of Music, Gorham

SCHOOL-TIME PERFORMANCES

Creole Choir of Cuba

October 14 2011 Merrill Auditorium, Portland

"Sylvester & The Magic Pebble"

October 18, 2011 Merrill Auditorium, Portland

"Warriors Don't Cry"

January 18, 2012

Hannaford Hall, USM Portland

Golden Dragon Acrobats

March 9, 2012

Merrill Auditorium, Portland

"The Ugly Duckling" & "The Tortoise and the Hare"

March 26, 2012

Merrill Auditorium, Portland

"Paige in Full"

April 12, 2012

Hannaford Hall, USM Portland

IN-SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

Creole Choir of Cuba Workshop with O2 Staff

Riverton Elementary School, Portland

Creole Choir of Cuba

Workshop with Creole Choir of Cuba

Lincoln Middle School, Portland Wescustago Youth Chorale, Freeport

"Sylvester & the Magic Pebble" Workshop with O2 Staff

Riverton Elementary School, Portland

India Jazz Suites

Cultural-Sharing Workshop Portland High School, Portland

"Warriors Don't Cry"

Workshop with Almeria Campbell & Brian Richardson

Mahoney Middle School, Portland A Company of Girls, Portland

Post-Performance Skype Discussion with Artistic Director Yaron Lifschitz MECA, Portland

Dan Zanes & Friends

Workshops with Dan Zanes King Middle School, Portland

Golden Dragon Acrobats

Workshop with O2 Staff

Riverton Elementary School, Portland

"The Ugly Duckling"

Workshop with O2 Staff

Riverton Elementary School, Portland

"Paige in Full"

Teacher Workshop with Paige Hernandez

King Middle School, Portland

"Paige in Full"

Workshop with Paige Hernandez Lyman Moore Middle School, Portland

"Paige in Full"

Workshop with O2 Staff

Riverton Elementary School, Portland

Jennifer Koh

Lecture/Demonstration

Riverton Elementary School, Portland Lincoln Middle School, Portland

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SPACE Block Party: "Chair Dance" Congress Street, Portland

First Friday Event: Asphalt Orchestra

Congress Street, Portland

India Jazz Suites

"Back and Forth"

Pandit Chitresh Das, Jason Samuels Smith, and Alicia Anstead

Portland Museum of Art

"Shuffle.Play.Listen." Matt Haimovitz Flash Concert SPACE Gallery, Portland

"Masked Marvels & Wondertales" Mask Making Family Workshop

Portland Public Library

"Warriors Don't Cry" Performance Excerpt,

NAACP Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast

Dan Zanes & Friends

Community Supper King Middle School, Portland

Film Screening:

"Old Maine's Swedish Farms" Maine Historical Society, Portland

In-Store Appearance Bull Moose Music, Portland

Open Sound Check

Hannaford Hall, USM Portland

Trey McIntyre Project

Workplace Dance Event

CIEE, Portland

Trev McIntvre Project

Creative Conversations: Art and the City

ICA at MECA, Portland

Trey McIntyre Project

Member Event: Behind-the-Scenes

with John Michael Schert

Merrill Auditorium, Portland

Bombino

Film Screening: "Agadez, the Music

and the Rebellion" SPACE Gallery, Portland

In-Store Appearance

Bull Moose Music, Portland

MEET-THE-ARTIST/Q&As

Chris Botti

Anthony Bourdain/Eric Ripert

Trey McIntyre Project

"Warriors Don't Cry" Michael Cooper

* All Pre-Performance Lectures and Meet-the-Artists/Q&A events occured at the coinciding

performance venue (Hannaford Hall or Merrill Auditorium).

FEBRUARY

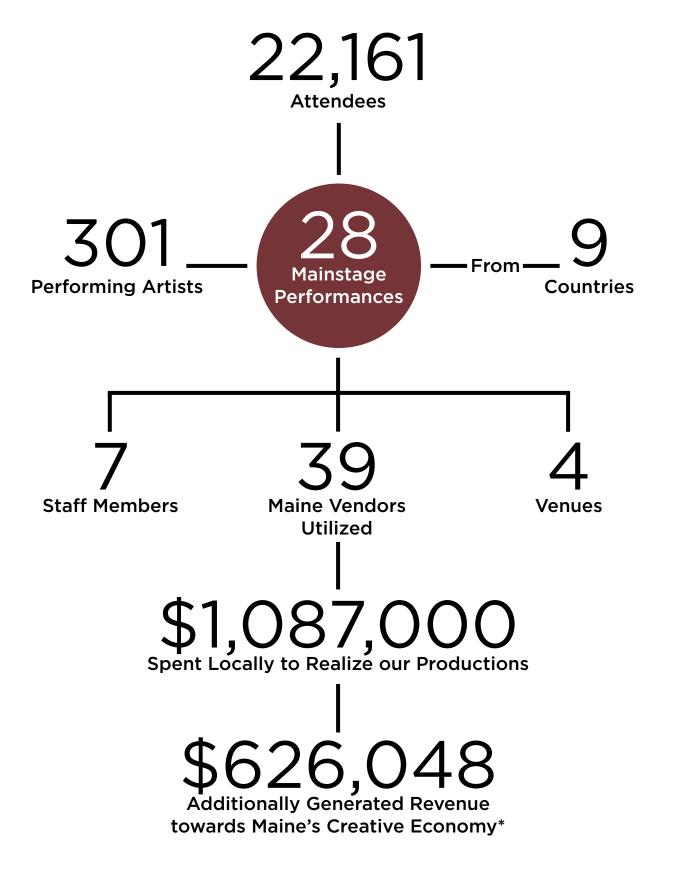


Circus Arts Workshop

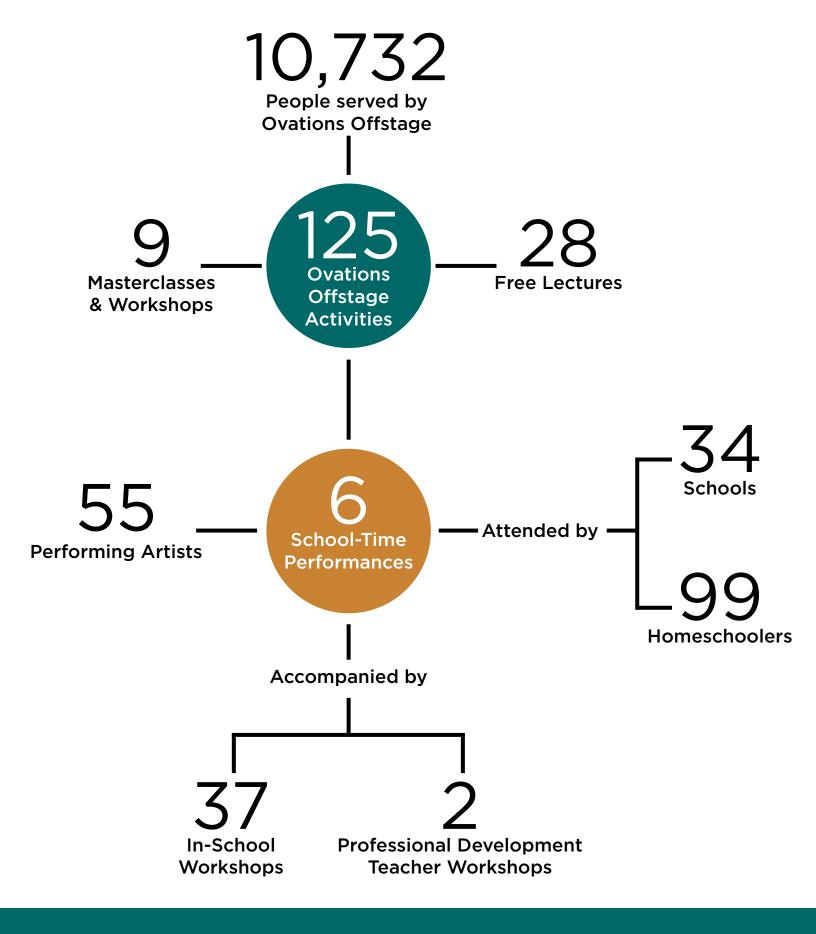
Post-Performance Skype Discussion with students of MECA

at Merriconeag Waldorf School





*Americans for the Arts: Arts & Economic Prosperity IV Report - Arts attendees spend an average of \$28.25 per person per event.



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EPICUREAN AUCTION BENEFIT

The Epicurean Auction Benefit is Portland Ovations' only fundraising event with proceeds benefiting Ovations Offstage, programming that integrates the performing arts into our everyday community, school and family life. Epicurean is an evening of exquisite food and wine provided by some of Maine's finest restaurants and silent and live auctions that include unique and exciting items from local retailers, restaurants and artists. At our 2011-12 Epicurean Auction Benefit we raised \$32,496, thanks to the restaurants, underwriters, donors and attendees; without their participation and support this evening would not be possible.



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FEBRUARY, CONT.







MEMBERSHIP

Each season we offer a wealth of school and community-based arts programs that accompany our performances and engage people of all ages and backgrounds in the thrill of the performing arts. Ticket revenue does not pay for these programs; instead, we rely on support from Portland Ovations Members and other donors who believe the performing arts contribute not only to the quality of life in Maine today, but also to the development of the generations who comprise the Maine of tomorrow.

Members receive the best seats at the best prices while supporting the vital work of Portland Ovations in its activities offstage, in classrooms and gathering places across Maine. In exchange for a tax deductible contribution, Members enjoy a range of benefits but most importantly, Members get the satisfaction of knowing they help make the arts accessible to a wider audience.

Ovations is pleased to introduce its newest level of Membership: Innovators. Making multi-year gifts in the amount of \$5,000 or more, Innovators make a vital investment in the vibrancy of our community through their support of the arts. Innovators receive all of the benefits of Standing O Members with the addition of personally tailored opportunities.

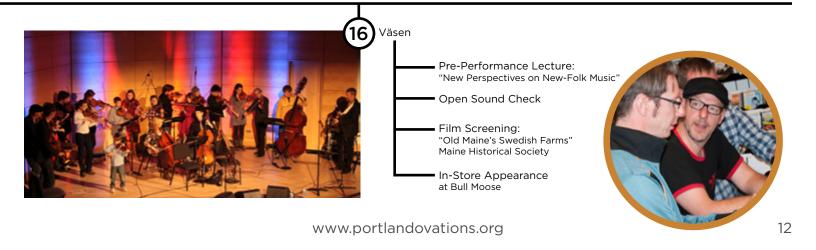
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	Advanced ticketing opportunities for all performances				
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•••	Acknowledgment in Portland Presents, the season's performance program				
• • •	Invitation	to season preview party			
•••	Ticket exchange privileges				
	Invitations to receptions, meet-the-artist opportunities and other Members-only performances and Ovations Offstage-related special events				
• •	A pair of o	ion of presentations			
• •	(2) tickets to the Epicurean Auction Benefit				
•	Personalized concierge ticket services to guarantee priority ticketing and seating				
	Complimentary beverage for (2) at all Merrill Auditorium performances				
	An additional (4) complimentary tickets (for a total of 6) to one of a selection of performance:				
	Courtesv	meeting with artists when	nossible		

"Being a Member of Portland Ovations has allowed us to celebrate the best parts of Maine: The vibrant community of Portland; world class performers like Chris Botti; an outstanding venue like Merrill Auditorium - all accessible within minutes of our home."

-Kevin D. Desmond, Ovations' Member

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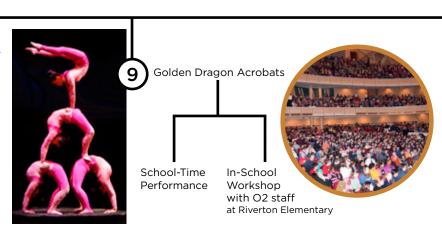
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MARCH



Vancouver Chamber Choir

Pre-Performance Lecture: "Considering Choral Arts"



Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Miller Ms. Judith W. Miskell

Mrs. Elisabeth R. Murray

Mr. and Mrs. John Najarian

Mr. Chris Neagle

Ms. Becky K. Neidetcher

Ms. Suzanne B. Nichols

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Mr Richard Rossi Ms. Kris Sahonchik Ms. Nan Sawyer

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Ms. Sharon Staz

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Mr. John McCarthy

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CREOLE CHOIR OF CUBA

As part of their rare and limited North American tour, the Creole Choir of Cuba brought songs of roots, resistance, love and freedom to Portland in October 2011. More than 850 students from over 20 schools danced in their seats — and some actually got onstage — for a rousing School-Time Performance followed by an uplifting evening performance with dancing in the aisles. The celebration of culture and sharing of music continued offstage with Choir-led workshops with Portland Public School students – Lincoln Middle and Portland High — and the Wescustago Youth Chorale. In each workshop students learned some Creole repertoire, but also taught the Choir music from their songbooks. The connections continued in the pre-performance lecture given by University of Southern Maine Professor of History, David Carey who explored the historical liaisons between Maine and Cuba.





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Pre-Performance Lecture: "Performing Irish Literature and Theater"



Rodgers & Hammerstein's South Pacific"

Pre-Performance Lecture: "Issues of Race in Musical Theater"

Ms. Joanne Chessey

Ms. Geri Clarke

Mrs. Sueann Comeau

Ms. Nazare Conway

Mr. Peter B. Cook

Ms. Kerry Courtice

Ms. Patricia Critchfield

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Cronsberg

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Mr. Richard Edwards

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Mr. Bill B. Williamson

Ms. Chervl Elina

Ms. Patricia M. Ender

Mr. John Engel

Mr. and Mrs. James Espy

Mrs. Suzanne Ewing

Ms. Lorraine Faherty

Mr. and Mrs. John Farquhar

Ms. Laura Faure

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Field

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Folev

Mr Hal Fowler

Ms. Dorry A. French

Mr. Neil M. Frigand

Mrs. Linda M. Frinsko

Ms. Francesca G. Galluccio-Steele

Ms. Jennifer Gardiner

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gifford

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Ms. Lee Gilman

Ms Kim Ginevan

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Mr and Mrs Andrew Golub

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Ms. Kendra Haskell

Ms. Michelle Havnes

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Mr. Michael L. Hetzel

Ms. Barbara D. Hill

Ms Evangeline F Hollander

Ms. Susan G. Howe

Dr. Kristine Hoyt and Mr. Brian Delaney

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Mr. Donald J. King

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Mr. Ronald Lambert

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Mr Robert Furman

Ms. Margaret Lavender

Ms. Joan Sarles Lee

Ms. Denise Linet and Mr. Gary Torow

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Ms. Debra Lovsin

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Mr. Wayne Manchester

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Mr. Glenn Mariani

Mr. Fred G. Martin and Ms. Susan Eldred

Ms. Linda S. Martin

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Mr. and Mrs. John McClean

"SHUFFLE.PLAY.LISTEN."

In November cellist Matt Haimovitz and pianist Christopher O'Riley's residency was full of rich experiences in the community. Immediately upon their arrival in

Portland, Haimovitz and O'Riley visited

MPBN's studios to

discuss their collaborative

project Shuffle. Play. Listen. with

Suzanne Nance, host of Morning Classical Music. Haimovitz then entranced a full-house, all-ages audience with a "flash concert" at SPACE Gallery. O'Riley worked with three Maine piano students in an on-stage masterclass at Merrill Auditorium while Haimovitz workshopped with strings students at 317 Main Street Community Music Center in Yarmouth. The Shuffle. Play. Listen. program was enriched with the pre-performance lecture, "The Art of Collaboration: Communication and Clairvoyance" presented by local violinist Ronald Lantz and pianist Laura Kargul. The dynamic, innovative, collaborative performance of Haimovitz and O'Riley was extended beyond their

stay—the performance was later broadcast on MPBN's

MaineStage radio program in July 2012.

MARCH, CONT.



Modern Dance Masterclass at PATHS

Creative Conversations: Art and the City at ICA at MECA

Workplace Dance Event

Behind-the-Scenes Members Event





In-School Workshop with O2 staff at Riverton Elementary

Ms. Cynthia A. McCormack

Ms. Muriel McDonald

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mckinney

Ms. Jillian McLaughlin

Ms. Mary A. McLean

Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Miller

Ms. Marna Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Milliken

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Ms. Peggy A. Morin

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Mr. Daniel Novak

Mr Michael Nurick

Mr. John David Ober Ms. Melissa Ocampo

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Packer

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Ms. Elizabeth Patten and

Mr Michael Boucher Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Pedlikin

Mr. Russell Peppe

Mr. James Perrin

Mr. and Mrs. James Pickett

Mr. Craig Piper

Ms. Marcy Plavin

Mr Malcolm Poole

Ms. Carole A. Pope

Ms Victoria Powers

Ms. Roberta Price-Herzig

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Ms. Elizabeth Sinclair

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Ms. Jane L. Snerson

Mr Henri St Pierre

Ms. Laura Stauffer and

Mr. Brandon Pease

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Ms. Elayne Tempel

Mr and Mrs James Thibodeau

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Mr. Paul Turcotte

Ms. Dolores L. Valigra

Ms. Lana Vanderweide

Mr. Jim Varmecky

Mr. Brian Vaughan

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Ms. Yasmin Craig Vitalius

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Ms. Terry Watson

Ms. Jane Weagle

Ms. Susan Wegner and Mr. John Fischer

Ms. Natalie West

Ms. Marcia Whited

Ms. Kira Wigoda and Mr. Daniel Sobel

Ms. Janet Willis

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TAKING IT TO THE STREETS

In collaboration with a host of Portland arts organizations, SPACE Gallery transformed a portion of the Arts District along Congress Street into a block party for artistic exploration and enjoyment. Ovations Offstage enlisted the help of local performers for "The Chair Piece," a dance of chance and improvisation.



APRIL





School-Time Performance: Paige in Full"

Workshops

Lyman Moore Middle School

Riverton Elementary

Pre-Performance Teacher Workshop at King Middle School Lecture: "Life as an Ailey Dancer"

> Modern Dance Masterclass at Portland School of Ballet



Alvin Ailey American

Dance Theater

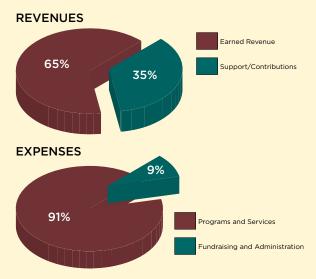
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FINANCIALS

Revenues	2011-12
Support and Contributions ¹	572,698
Earned Revenues	1,076,471
Total Support and Earned Revenues	1,649,169
Expenses	
Programs and Services	1,569,878
Fundraising and Administration	164,488
Total Expenses	1,734,366
Assets	
Current Assets	447,464
Property and Equipment	6,121
Investments and Other Assets	1,171,623
Total Assets	1,625,208
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	390,136
Total Liabilities	390,136
Net Assets	
Unrestricted Net Assets	950,833
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets ²	20,081
Permanently Restricted Net Assets ³	264,158
Total Net Asset s	1,235,072
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	1,625,208

- 1. Support and contributions includes endowment distributions of \$21,416 from Portland Ovations and \$10,000 from CCEF fund.
- 2. Represents value of CCEF fund greater than corpus.
- 3. Represents the corpus of the CCEF fund.

Audited financial statements are available upon request.



Program expenses include artist fees and accommodations, venue rentals, marketing, local labor and production, etc., which help fuel the Maine creative economy.

"Thank you for the tasty, friendly, informative, creative, and yes, intimate evening with the Trey McIntyre dancers. Magical evening!!! I learned sooooo much. These folks are not 'dancers' - they are transformers who use their bodies to transport [us] into another worthy place. Transformative, awesome."

-Sherry Masters Audience Member

APRIL, CONT.

Imogen Cooper, Piano

"Smoke and Mirrors: Making the Piano Sing"

Piano Masterclass At USM School of Music

Jennifer Koh, Violin Pre-Performance Lecture:

MAY

Pre-Performance Lecture: "Bach & Beyond"

In-School Lecture/Demonstration At Riverton Elementary School

2011-12 Annual Report

ACCESSIBLE, ENGAGING AND EVOLVING...

In our 81st year as a cultural leader in our vibrant creative community, Portland Ovations continues to evolve. Pushing the envelope with our programming by bringing and commissioning innovative new performing art works to Portland, engaging audiences of different generations and backgrounds and making sure that the performing arts are accessible to all.

We are proud to be a key part of Portland's arts communitya community that has become a culturally diverse, highly energized creative hive of activity. Every year we strive to achieve greater impact with the next generation of audiences; introducing them to different art forms and inspiring them through our School-Time Performance Series, Ovations Offstage in-school workshops and masterclasses with visiting artists.

As a dedicated not-for-profit performing arts presenter, Portland Ovations continues to offer you, our audiences and supporters, many different ways to enhance your arts experience. Whether through Pre-Performance Lectures, spontaneous "Arts Happenings," lively community discussions or artist Q&A's, it is our goal to provide you with the best experience, the best understanding of the art and the best live art each season.

It is the continuing and ever growing curiosity of our audiences that invigorates us to bring inspiring, high quality artists and art forms to you, encourages us to better engage you and to evolve as an organization in the ways we serve you, our community.

Thank you for your curiosity, energy and passion for the arts. It drives us.



INDIA JAZZ SUITES

At its heart, India Jazz Suites is a dynamic conversation between two cultures across generations: American tap dancer Jason Samuels Smith and masterful Kathak dancer Pandit Chitresh Das come together on one stage and improvise in their respective styles to live jazz and classical Indian music. Electrifying Hannaford Hall with this profound cultural mash-up, Smith and Das continued their cultural sharing offstage—in a lecture/demonstration at Portland High School, students discussed collaboration and cultural diversity; at the Portland Museum of Art the greater Portland community came together for a lively and revealing discussion with the artists moderated by Alicia Anstead, editor-in-chief of the national magazine *Inside Arts*.



"WARRIORS DON'T CRY"

In January 2012, actor Almeria Campbell brought Dr. Melba Patillo Beals' searing memoir *Warriors Don't Cry* to life in a charged one-woman show. *Warrior's* courageous story of "The Little Rock Nine" and the integration of Central High School in 1957 was excerpted at the NAACP-Portland's 31st Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Breakfast and the monthly meeting of Portland Ovation's Board of Directors. Campbell and teaching artist Brian Richardson held civil rights workshops with students at Mahoney Middle School in South Portland and young female actors of A Company of Girls in Portland. The *Warriors Don't Cry* School-Time Performance was sold-out with students traveling from Berwick, Pemaquid and everywhere in between. The pre-performance lecture was presented by five King Middle School students, their teachers, and Julia Adams of the Portland String Quartet. The group discussed the expeditionary learning project "Small Acts of Courage: Memories of the Civil Rights Movement" — an oral history project that records the untold stories of Maine Civil Rights heroes. Both school-time and evening performances concluded with Q & A sessions with Campbell and Richardson — during which audience members shared their own struggles with racism and integration, connecting the story of Little Rock, Arkansas to Portland, Maine.

"I want to thank you for today's performance of Warriors Don't Cry. It was such a moving experience for our students on so many levels. The intensity of the story and the history it represents was a powerful reminder of the darkness our country struggled against not that long ago. The students were speaking about how hard it is to accept and understand that this was the reality in the United States. Additionally, the intensity of the performance by the actress was incredibly moving. She was such an artistic inspiration."

-David Barham, Merriconeag Waldorf School



