



## TEMPLE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

### Temple Performing Arts Center Unveils 2012 Fall Concert Series

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The Temple Performing Arts Center (TPAC), the spectacularly intimate, 1,200-seat music hall on North Broad Street, today announced its 2012 Fall Concert Series, featuring performances by Step Afrika!, Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, National Circus of the People's Republic of China and the DePue Brothers Band.

Individual tickets are on sale now through ComcastTIX, online at [ComcastTIX.com](#), by phone at 1-800-298-4200 or in person at the Liacouras Center Box Office.

"We are very excited about this upcoming season as it includes family fun, entertainment, great music, and excitement for a variety of ages and audiences," said Valarie McDuffie, Director of Temple Performing Arts Center.

The season will kick off with a presentation by **Step Afrika!** on Thursday, October 18 at 7:30 p.m. As the first professional company in the world dedicated to the tradition of stepping, the troupe uses its unique techniques to garner an appreciation for the dance form and present it as an educational tool for young people throughout the world. Keeping that goal in mind, TPAC will host children from schools surrounding Temple's Main Campus for an abbreviated version of the show on the morning of the performance.

The **Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia** will take the stage on Tuesday, November 6 at 7:30 p.m. No stranger to the performing arts center, the Orchestra will pay homage to its most celebrated composer, conductor and violinist Adele Anthony. She joins the Chamber Orchestra to perform and conduct three pieces by Johann Sebastian Bach. The Orchestra will also revisit the venue on Tuesday, May 7 at 7:30 p.m.

**The National Circus of the People's Republic of China** will make its debut at TPAC on Thursday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m. Founded in 1953 the troupe is the longest running and most notable circus troupe in China. Visiting from Beijing the troupe will perform "Cirque Chinois."

TPAC's Presented Series will conclude with the **DePue Brothers Band** on Tuesday, December 4 at 7:30 p.m. The four violinist brothers cover a mixture of bluegrass, classical and rock genres. After playing for more than 25 years, the family began performing and recording in 2004.

In addition to the "Fall Concert Series," TPAC will also host a series of Boyer College of Music and Dance performances, including the **Temple University Symphony Orchestra**, on Friday, September 28 and Friday, October 26; the **Wind Symphony**, on Wednesday, October 3 and Wednesday, October 31; **Combined Choirs and Alumni Choir with Temple Mozart Players**, on Saturday, October 6; the **Concert Choir**, on Tuesday, October 30; and the annual **Holiday Concert**, on Friday, November 30.

"We are excited for the Fall Concert Series to kick off with Step Afrika! on October 18. My hope is that the venue will continue to be an active Performing Arts Center providing a wide range of services and a diverse schedule of events that meet the needs of Temple University and the greater community as well," said Richard Rumer, Associate Vice President Business Services for Temple University.

All performances take place in Lew Klein Hall. Temple students receive a discount on most shows, and special ticketing prices will be offered throughout the year. For complete ticket information visit [www.templeperformingartscenter.org](http://www.templeperformingartscenter.org), 800-298-4200 and the Liacouras Center Box Office.

#### Temple Performing Arts Center

The Temple Performing Arts Center, located at 1837 North Broad Street, serves as a cultural center for the Temple University campus and the surrounding community. Offering concerts, space for meetings and symposia and other cultural and educational events the center positions itself as Philadelphia's newest location for the arts. The venue dates back to 1882 after pastor and lawyer Russell Conwell came to Philadelphia to lead the Grace Baptist Church. In the mid-20th century, the Baptist Temple, as it was formerly called was a primary stop for some of the country's most intellectual figures. The venue was graced with speeches by Martin Luther King, Jr., President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Anne Sullivan with her well known student Helen Keller. After being purchased by the University in 1974, the building was later designated by the American Institute of Architects as a Landmark Building in 2003. Today it is known as Temple Performing Arts Center.

#### Global Spectrum

Global Spectrum ([global-spectrum.com](http://global-spectrum.com)) assists with the marketing efforts for the Temple Performing Arts Center. The company manages The Liacouras Center, as well as more than 100 other public assembly facilities around the world. Nearly 20-million people attended more than 11,000 events in Global Spectrum venues last year. Based in Philadelphia, PA, Global Spectrum is part of Comcast-Spectacor, one of the world's largest sports and entertainment companies. Comcast-Spectacor also owns the Philadelphia Flyers of the National Hockey League, Ovations Food Services, a food and beverage services provider, New Era Tickets, a full-service ticketing and marketing product for public assembly facilities, Paciolan, the leading provider of venue establishment ticketing, fundraising and marketing technology solutions, Front Row Marketing Services, a commercial rights sales company, and Flyers Skate Zone, a series of community ice skating rinks.

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