

Carteret Arts Forum 2010-2011 Subscription Series

Franc D'Ambrosio's Broadway September 25 6 PM Glad Tidings Church

Best known as the "Phantom", D'Ambrosio (affectionately known as "The Iron Man of The Mask") was awarded the distinction as the World's Longest Running Phantom, a title he retained for over a decade. His resume is full of industry accolades and nominations. This show weaves heart-warming stories from his youth in the Bronx with marvelous songs from your favorite Broadway Shows. Also, the local winners of his "Call for Christine and Raoul" contest will perform a number during the concert—don't miss it! CAF has support for this project from the Carteret Charitable Gift Fund, a component fund of the North Carolina Community Foundation.

"A Perfect Balance" with Kevin Reese November 19 7PM Croatan High School

The Arts Council of Carteret County joins Carteret Arts Forum in presenting Kevin Reese in a performance for all ages inspired by the work of American artist Alexander Calder (the inventor of the mobile), this one-man play follows a young artist, Sandy, on his quest to capture his exuberant vision of life. This drama has been featured at the National Gallery of Art, the Metropolitan Museum of Art NYC, and presented over 1200 times throughout the US and abroad. Kevin will be here all week working with local students on an art project for the library, and doing an additional performance of *A Perfect Balance* for students.

Godfrey Cheshire on his film *Moving Midway* February 25 7 PM Joslyn Hall, CCC

When NY film critic Godfrey Cheshire returns home to NC and hears that his cousin plans to uproot and move the buildings of Midway Plantation, their family's ancestral home, an extraordinary, emotional journey begins...Top critics named *Moving Midway* the #2 non-fiction film of '08; one of the year's 10 best films; "A superb fusion of journalism and criticism", and-- from David Denby at *The New Yorker*—"a fascinating, touching and intellectually tough-minded documentary". If you haven't seen the film yet (available through Netflix), it will be shown at CCC the week before our program.

Yu Wei: Chinese Culture and History through Dance March 24 7 PM Croatan High School

"Yu Wei took everyone's breath away...she is pure beauty" *Philadelphia Inquirer* Yu
Wei's dance art is inspired both by nature and the human condition. Featuring music from China and the world, original costumes, professional lighting and sets, and short films shown between the dances that depict the Chinese culture and artistic background of both dance and dancer. Yu Wei's classical training and graceful beauty make her dance art an invaluable cultural treasure for both China and the world.

Bill Oberst, Jr. *Lewis Grizzard: In His Own Words* April 15 7 PM Joslyn Hall

Southern icon Lewis Grizzard always boasted he was "Southern by the grace of God" and since his death in 1994 no Southern comic, writer or satirist has yet emerged to fill the huge void left by the legendary columnist. This theatre event, authorized by the Grizzard estate, has been compared favorably to Hal Holbrook's Mark Twain and James Whitmore's Will Rogers. The 2 act drama features South Carolina actor Bill Oberst, Jr., a dead-ringer for the late *Atlanta Constitution* columnist, and consists entirely of Grizzard's own words: beloved jokes, stories, excerpts from columns and books including the famous *Definition of a Redneck*.

Additional Programs

Masked Marvels & Wondertales April 2 2PM Glad Tidings Church Back by popular demand, Michael Cooper brings his one-man extravaganza with breathtaking handcrafted masks, original stories of courage and wonder, outlandish stilt dancing and a physical repertoire that ranges from the madcap to the sublime. Affordable family FUN for ages 4 and up! Tickets \$5 ages 4-12; \$10 ages 13-up

Elliot Engel: The History and Mystery of Wine January 27

Country Club of the Crystal Coast Optional buffet begins at 5 PM, cash bar

Dr. Engel traces the ancient origins of wine and discusses the wild popularity of wine today. Tickets \$15