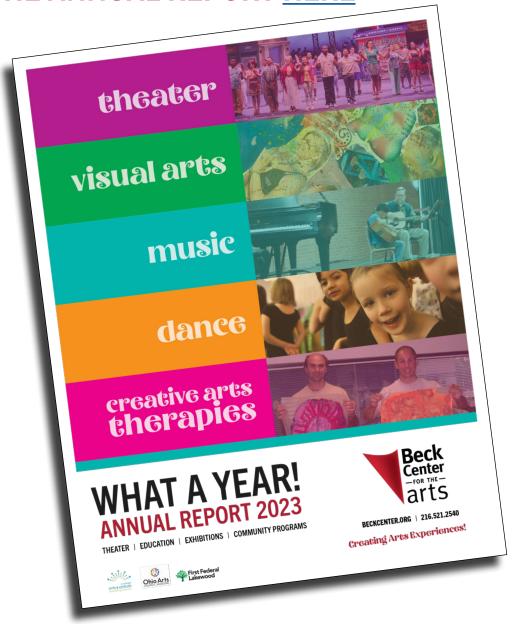
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Up Next at Beck!

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PROFESSIONAL THEATER AUGUST WILSON'S JITNEY. Directed by

Jimmie Woody. Presented through special arrangement with Concord Theatricals

April 5 - May 5, 2024: Studio Theater

Written in 1979, first produced in 1982, this play was set, and produced in Pittsburgh, PA. When Playwright Wilson took his mother to see that production they arrived by jitney. This Drama Desk Award Winner in 2000, and Tony Award Winner for Best Revival of a Play in 2017, reveals the story of generations of jitney drivers and how they impacted their communities.

"With Jitney, Wilson shines a spotlight on the multi-faceted black American experience" Entertainment Weekly

YOUTH THEATER

THE WIZARD OF OZ. By L. Frank Baum With Music and Lyrics by Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg, adaptation and support materials for the Youth Edition developed by iTheatrics under the supervision of Timothy Allen McDonald.

Background Music by Herbert Stothart with Dance and Vocal Arrangements by Peter Howard, and Orchestration by Larry Wilcox. Adapted by John Kane for the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC). Based upon the Classic Motion Picture owned by Turner Entertainment Co. and distributed in all media by Warner Bros

Direction by Carolyn Demanelis

May 10 - May 19, 2024: Senney Theater

Our 75th Diamond Youth Theater Season will conclude as we follow Dorothy down the Yellow Brick Road. This charming musical features students ages 6-19, with Little Dorothy Gale of Kansas who dreams of what lies beyond the rainbow. One day a twister

hits her farm and carries her away over that rainbow to the land of Oz where she and her pup Toto meet the Scarecrow, the Tinman, the Cowardly Lion. Together they learn about friendship, bravery, and ultimately, that There's No Place Like Home.

The RSC, full version is estimated by Concord Theatricals to be about 2 hours

DANCE ALLIANCE OF BECK CENTER THE UGLY DUCKLING

Direction by Melanie Szucs

Fri, April 12 2024 – 10 am sensory friendly school matinee

Sat, April 13, 2024 – 1 pm Family Sensory Friendly

Sat, April 13, 2024 – 7 pm

Sun, April 14,2024 – 2 pm

SAVE THE DATE: THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE BECK CENTER!

A BECK CENTER FUNDRAISER - CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF YOUTH THEATER **WEDNESDAY, MAY 15**

6pm reception for Angel Ticket holders

7:30pm Benefit Concert performance

\$55 General Admission <u>Ticket</u>

\$100 Angel <u>Ticket</u>:

Tickets are on sale now!



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More sponsorship opportunities are available starting at \$1,000. Please contact Kristen Levy at klevy@beckcenter.org or 216-424-7618 for more information.

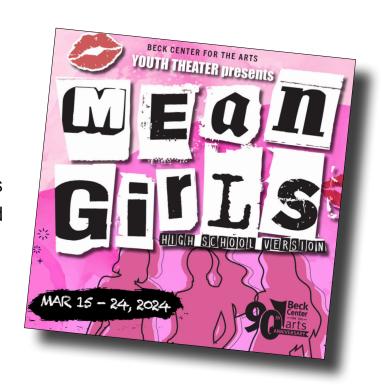
Super Satur-Jay

This Super Saturday we got a hands-on experience with brass instruments, crafts, pottery, and soil! Our friends from the All-Ohio State Fair Band showed off some horns and our Community Partner, Rust Belt Riders, also joined us with interactive soil samples. We hope to see you at our next Super Saturday in May!



Mean Girls (HS Version)

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets to our Youth Theater production of Mean Girls (High School Version). It was a huge success, and rave reviews from all patrons, including this one: Patron Julieanne saw Mean Girls (High School Version) and wrote to us to say, "Great show. Great bunch of young actors and singers. Very impressive."



A WORD FROM OUR PARTNER - THE VOICE CENTER AT CLEVELAND CLINIC:

If your voice is vital to your profession, even a minor problem can have a major impact on your career. Whether you're singing to an opening night crowd or presenting at the upcoming company retreat, The Voice Center at Cleveland Clinic is here to help you perform your very best. To learn more, visit clevelandclinic.org/voice or call 216.444.8500.



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Beck Center thanks Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities for their generous support in making our physical spaces more accessible for ALL!



LASTING LEGACIES AT BECK — HELEN BROWN SOCIETY:

Planned giving is a special way to make an impact while also offering opportunities to boost your personal financial goals and provide you with tax benefits in return. Those who let us know they have included Beck Center for the Arts in their will or estate plans become members of our **Helen Brown Society**. Helen Brown Society members are recognized in our playbills, invited to select events and performances exclusively for members, and are pleased to know that future generations will be grateful for their foresighted generosity! Together, we can ensure the future of dynamic arts education and performance for our community.

Please contact Kristen Levy, Director of Development <u>klevy@beckcenter.org</u> or 216- 424-7618,) to learn more about the Helen Brown Society or for more information about Planned Giving at Beck Center for the Arts.