

FRIDAY PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAMS

at The Longboat Key Education Center

THEATRE SHOWCASE

3:00-4:30 PM

Innovative, captivating, compelling performances!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11 3 - 4:30 PM

PAF1 INNER VOICES: SEX, INTIMACY, AND AGING

Hedda Matza-Haughton — actor, director, writer, and consultant

Through the eyes and hearts of different characters, you will experience their truths about sex, intimacy and aging. This poignant one-woman show written and performed by Hedda, digs deeply into each character's emotions, brings laughter and joy and touches hearts deeply.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25 3 - 4:30 PM

PAF2 WILL ROGERS REVIVED

Steve McAllister — actor, musician, writer, producer, and talk show host

Steve portrays Will Rogers, in a laugh-filled look at the words of one of America's favorite humorists, drawn from Roger's incredible career on stage, screen, radio, and in print.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1 3 - 4:30 PM

PAF3 COMING TO MYSELF

Elizabeth Bergmann — choreographer, dancer, teacher, performer, poet

This is a saga of self-actualization, expressed in universal terms with Liz's own original poetry, expressive dance and a slide show that ties it all together.

The above three shows were big hits last year in the SaraSolo Festival. They are brought to us in collaboration with SaraSolo Productions as a part of the SaraSolo Encore Series.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 3 - 4:30 PM

PAF4 THE UNKNOWN RACHMANINOV

Sandra Moulin — storyteller, musician, public speaker

Enjoy this entertaining, educational, dramatic presentation of the story of Rachmaninov, brilliant Russian composer and conductor of the late Romantic period. Sandra will play some of his most popular works on the piano as she takes listeners on a touching, historical journey, highlighting his life-changing moments.

Q and A will follow all theatrical performances.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

3:00 - 4:30 PM

This musical concert will lift your spirits!

FRIDAY, MARCH 8 3 - 4:30 PM

PAF5 SONGS YOU'LL LOVE TO HEAR

David S. Polansky, career musician, educator, and lecturer

David will play songs from Broadway, The Big Band Era, ethnic favorites (Jewish, Irish, Italian) and a number of lesser known beauties and classics that will thrill you. If you've seen him at any of the last three "sold-out" shows he presented here, you'll know that his exciting trumpet solos, warm voice, great piano harmonizations and genuine connection with his audience put a big smile on everyone's face.

Per Performance: Members \$20 Non-Members \$25

Registration is required for all performances.

Use the registration card provided in the center of the brochure or call (941) 383-8811.

FRIDAY PERFORMING ARTS SERIES (CONT.)
at The Longboat Key Education Center

FRIDAY AT FIVE

5:00 - 6:30 PM

*Enjoy great music in an intimate setting with amazing artists who will play, sing and interact with the audience.
Wine, champagne, and Happy Hour nibbles included in the price!*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18 5 - 6:30 PM

PAF6

THE MICHAEL ROSS TRIO — AS GOOD AS IT GETS!

*Michael Ross, bass, Daniel Jordan, sax/flute,
Fred Johnson, vocals/percussion*

This is one of the finest jazz trios you will hear anywhere! Enjoy original compositions and jazz standards improvised from the heart and soul. They have developed a telepathic interplay and a sound all of their own. Dynamic jazz and world music vocalist, Fred Johnson, has toured with B.B. King, Aretha Franklin, Chick Corea and Miles Davis and has been compared to greats such as Jon Hendricks and Al Jarreau. Michael Ross, premier bassist, is a fixture on the Florida jazz scene and has four CDs. Daniel Jordan is a nationally recognized saxophonist who has toured with Natalie Cole and Maynard Ferguson. Join us for a memorable concert that is quite simply, "as good as it gets!"

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8 5 - 6:30 PM

PAF7

**WESTCOAST BLACK THEATRE TROUPE —
THE HISTORY OF MOTOWN**

WBTT Performers

Members of the WBTT, along with its founder/artistic director, Nate Jacobs, will tell the story of Motown Records founding by Berry Gordy, Jr., in 1959, and illustrate its history and effect on the music business through words and song. A selection of songs from your favorite Motown groups of the sixties and early seventies will be performed. Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe has become one of the most popular theatre groups in town with sold out shows and rave reviews every season. You can't miss this fun show!

Sponsored by Sy and Shelley Goldblatt

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15 5 - 6:30 PM

PAF8

LIFE, LOVE AND WHAT I'VE LEARNED ALONG THE WAY

Rhonda Liss, singer, Alan Jay Corey, piano

Rhonda Liss has had a diverse career on the opera, concert, cabaret and musical theatre stage, where she played Madame Giry in *Phantom of the Opera*. Her cabarets in Europe, New York, and Sarasota have been met with great success. Rhonda will deliver an upbeat, always thoughtful, humorous musical journey through the lessons she has learned in her adventurous life, featuring songs by Hamlisch, Loesser, Rogers and Hart, Gershwin, Sondheim, Cole Porter, and Legrand. Come and hear "Luck Be a Lady," "The Way We Were," and "Love For Sale." Her accompanist, Alan Jay Corey, is an award-winning musical director and pianist with countless theatrical credits including the Van Wezel and Sarasota Opera. This is a great way to celebrate Valentine's Week!

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