

2012 Performers and Speakers



UNITED PERFORMING ARTS FUND

Coordinator Checklist

- Allow two weeks to schedule performers
- Provide three different performer/speaker options
- All performers/speakers are free of charge
- Talk to your UPAF staff contact or your Loaned Executive to book your performers
- Once you receive the Performance Confirmation, review the date, time and location for accuracy
- Let employees know when the performer/speaker will be visiting the workplace and why they are there

Speakers

Bel Canto Chorus

Marla Hahn, Managing Director
Richard Hynson, Music Director

Boulevard Ensemble Studio Theatre

Mark Bucher, Artistic/Executive Director

Danceworks

Deb Farris, Executive Director
Amy Brinkman-Sustache, Studio Director
Dani Kuepper, DPC Artistic Director

First Stage

Rob Goodman, Managing Director

Florentine Opera Company

Bill Florescu, General Director

In Tandem Theatre

Chris Flieller, Co-Founder/Artistic Director

Milwaukee Ballet

Michael Pink, Artistic Director
Alyson Chavez, Director of Education
Lori Flanigan, Education Program Manager & Relevé Coordinator

Milwaukee Chamber Theatre

Sheri Williams Pannell, Board Member

Milwaukee Choral Artists

Sharon Hansen, Founder/Music Director
Jill Freese, Board President

Milwaukee Public Theatre

Barbara Leigh, Co-Founder
Kathleen Stacy, Producer/Project Director
Steven Hunter, Dancer/Physical Therapist
Ron Scot Fry, Artistic Director of Optimist Theatre, Actor

Milwaukee Repertory Theater

Dawn Helsing Wolters, Managing Director
Annie Jansen Jurczyk, Development Director

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra

Francesco Lecce Chong, Assistant Conductor
Larry Tucker, Vice President and Chief Program Officer
Lee Erickson, Chorus Director

Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra

Fran Richman, Executive Director
Margery Deutsch, Music Director Senior Symphony
Carter Simmons, Director of Artistic Education/Conductor

Next Act Theatre

David Ceasarini, Producing Artistic Director

PianoArts

Sue Medford, Founder/Manager

Renaissance Theaterworks

Julie Swenson, Founder/Manager

Skylight Opera Theatre

Bill Theisen, Artistic Director
Amy Jensen, Managing Director

Wild Space Dance Company

Richard T. Clark, Managing Director

Wisconsin Philharmonic

Andrea Northrop, Executive Director

Theatre

Boulevard Ensemble Studio Theatre

Boulevard Ensemble Studio Theatre wants to cater to you by selecting dramatic or comic performances that fit your organization.

Artists: Various

Requirements: Determined by your program

First Stage

First Stage offers a variety of fun and upbeat performances. Young actors entertain with poems and songs from the current season. If your company is fun and energetic, this youth-focused group is right for you!

Artists: Various

Requirements: Determined by your program



In Tandem Theatre

In Tandem offers customized performances, voicemail recordings, costumed greeters and keyboardists. This hilarious group is great for laughs and is sure to make your employees smile.

Artists: Chris Flieller, Various

Milwaukee Public Theatre

Milwaukee Public Theatre offers unique, customized entertainment including mimes, jugglers, jesters, costumed characters and greeters, magicians, singers, actors, face painters and storytellers.

Requirements: Determined by your program

Milwaukee Repertory Theater

The Rep's Interns will entertain your coworkers with their fun and creative skit, which showcase their class' talents. The Rep also offers costumed greeters whom can highlight the wonderful costume designs seen in past performances.

Skylight Opera Theatre

Skylight Opera Theatre highlights its current and past seasons with various musical theatre selections. These range from classic opera tunes to recent hit musicals.

Requirements: Outlet, microphone

Theatre Gigante

Theatre Gigante offers a unique interpretive dance performance for your office. Theatre Gigante focuses on performances that integrate music, dance and theatre.

Dance

Danceworks

If your company is looking to get up and moving, Danceworks is an excellent option. They offer many types of ballroom dance instruction and performances. Another popular option is their Mad Hot Ballroom and Tap Youth Program, which feature very talented local youth.

Length: 5-30 minutes

Artists: Various

Requirements: Wood or carpet floors a must, 20'x 20' unobstructed space, electrical outlet

Milwaukee Ballet

Milwaukee Ballet's introduction to the art form and the Company includes a demonstration of ballet technique by Milwaukee Ballet II dancers as well as a short lesson designed for the viewing audience.

Length: 10-30 minutes

Artists: Milwaukee Ballet II dancers

Milwaukee Public Theatre

MPT can provide colorful and dynamic cultural dancers accompanied by recorded music or if performance space allows, by drummers. If your company wants to raise workplace energy, this is always a hit!

Length: 10-60 minutes

Artists: Company musicians and dancers as available

Requirements: To be determined when arrangements are made

Wild Space Dance Company

Wild Space will get your audience up and involved through their compelling and entertaining look at dance. They customize performance experiences catering to time frames and locations, offering disciplines of dance ranging from Ballroom & Swing to Modern & Break dancing.

Length: 20 min - 2 hours

Artists: Company Dancers and Student Performers

Requirements: Environment conducive to Interactive performance.

Smooth, clean surface for movement, open space for dancers, electrical outlet for sound

Music

Bel Canto Chorus

Bel Canto's Boy and Adult Choruses will fill your offices with fun and joyous songs.

Length: 15-60 minutes

Boulevard Ensemble Studio Theatre

Boulevard Ensemble company members will entertain with musical and opera selections.

Length: 15-60 minutes

Artists: Various

Requirements: Outlets

Festival City Symphony

Festival City Symphony provides performances and background music of varying genres. Their repertoire includes Broadway show tunes, rags and light classics.

Length: Depends on program

Artist: Varies

Requirements: Three armless chairs

First Stage

Young performers showcase their talent by performing musical selections from current season.

Length: 5-15 minutes

Artists: Various

Requirements: Outlet, microphone, CD player

Florentine Opera Company

The Florentine offers soloists and chorus members for a variety of events. They can work with your organization to find the most appropriate singer(s) and repertoire of opera.

Length: 5-60 minutes

Artists: Various

Requirements: Outlet

In Tandem Theatre

In Tandem offers background keyboardists as well as customized songs. They cater to your organization's desires for style and length.

Length: 15-60 minutes

Artists: Various

Requirements: Outlet, armless chair



Milwaukee Children's Choir

These young soloists and ensembles are sure to brighten your day with a variety of classic tunes as well as modern hits.

Length: 10- 60 minutes

Requirements: Microphone, outlet

Milwaukee Choral Artists

The Milwaukee Choral **Artists'** Women's Choir performs light classics and Broadway show tunes for a fun break from work.

Length: 20-45 minutes

Requirements: Microphone(s), outlet

Milwaukee Public Theatre

Energize your workers and get them excited about your UPAF Campaign with MPT's cultural drummers.

For quieter environments, MPT also offers accordionists who play all styles of music, a jazz pianist, a harpist and strolling singers.

Length: Depends on program

Artists: Varies

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra

The MSO is excited to introduce some new musicians as well as bring back old favorites. This year's lineup includes Glenn Asch (violin) and Chris Hanson (guitar), Dylana Leung and Peter Vickery (violin) and Peter Thomas (cello).

Requirements: Armless chairs

Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra

MYSO offers soloists and group ensembles to perform for attentive audiences as well as background music. These musicians play a wide variety of instruments and styles.

Requirements: Armless chairs

PianoArts of Wisconsin

These soloists and duos bring beautiful piano music to your workplace. They can play upbeat, soothing or anything in between.

Requirements: Armless chairs

Present Music

Want music but aren't sure if your coworkers are ready for drummers or singers? The Terry Smirl Jazz Trio is great for light background music. The Flute/Harp duo (or flute alone) is also a great option.

Requirements: Armless chairs, outlet

Racine Symphony Orchestra

The Woodwind Trio is ideal for background music that your coworkers can enjoy while working.

Requirements: Armless chairs

Renaissance Theaterworks

If you're looking for something in between light jazz and upbeat drumming, John Nicholson's acoustic guitar set is perfect for background music or any event. His unique blues style makes him one of our most requested performers.

Requirements: Armless chair

Tours

Boulevard Ensemble Studio Theatre

A tour of the Boulevard in downtown Bay View.

Tour capacity: 20 individuals

The Broadway Theatre Center

Tour the Broadway Theatre Center – home of the Skylight Opera Theatre, Milwaukee Chamber Theatre, Renaissance Theaterworks, Milwaukee Children's Choir, Present Music and

Bel Canto Chorus. The tour includes the Cabot Theatre, Studio Theatre, scene, costume and prop shops and "behind the scenes" information. Tours vary from 30 - 60minutes.

Tour capacity: Up to 40 individuals

Danceworks

The Danceworks Artistic Director or Executive Director will give your group a tour of the downtown studio on Water Street, including two dance studios and an art studio.

Tour capacity: 25 individuals

In Tandem Theatre

Enjoy In Tandem's Tenth Street Theatre by touring its production spaces.

Tour capacity: 10

Milwaukee Ballet

A unique opportunity to visit Milwaukee Ballet, watch dancers warm-up and rehearse, and get a behind the scenes look at our costume shop.

Tour capacity: 20

Milwaukee Repertory Theater

The tour begins outside the Rep's Box Office, and includes its costume shop, prop shop, three theaters and administrative offices. Tours vary from 30-60 minutes.

Tour capacity: Up to 25 individuals

Milwaukee Youth Arts Center

Rob Goodman, Managing Director of First Stage or Fran Richman, Executive Director of Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra will lead tours of the new Milwaukee Youth Arts Center. This is a great opportunity to see what Milwaukee is doing for the future of the arts.

Tour capacity: 20-25 individuals

Next Act Theatre

Next Act is thrilled to share its brand new space with you. Check out their new Fifth Ward theatre and production space.

Tour capacity: 20 individuals

Wild Space Dance Company

Wild Space would like to offer rehearsal tours of its performance locations for the 2011-12 (25th Anniversary) Season. Tours offer a fantastic look into the logistics of contemporary dance and theater work.

Tour capacity: Up to 40 individuals