

**NEW ART AND CULTURAL EVENTS!**  
**- See below for the upcoming event calendar -**

Enhancing quality of life and preserving self-identity is an essential component of good Alzheimer's disease and dementia care. The Alzheimer's Association Delaware Valley Chapter seeks to make enriching events accessible to the dementia community. The Arts and Culture event calendar in this mailing is a way of providing fun and exciting opportunities for individuals to socialize with others, connect with various cultural heritages and traditions, and express themselves through art, music, and dance.

Alzheimer's disease can have a crippling effect on the social lives of people with dementia (PWD) and their caregivers. Often, family and friends tend to distance themselves from a PWD as their need for care intensifies. We hope that these upcoming events can offer PWD and their caregivers an opportunity to network with each other through providing entertaining and engaging social outlet.

Special experiences like these give meaning to our lives and shape who we are as people. In addition to the benefit of keeping a PWD active, these events are meant to be enriching on a personal level. The programs offer diverse subject matter and cater to various interests, cultures, and heritages. These events will not only keep a PWD busy, but they will help attendees reconnect with their past.

Along with basic physical needs, PWD have emotional needs that they may not be able to be clearly communicate. It is common for individuals to have problems producing and/or understanding spoken language. Art, music, and dance have a language of their own that can communicate emotion when all other traditional methods have failed. The chapter will continue to expand programs such as Memories in the Making so that PWD have the chance to express themselves through these alternative forms of communication.

The following events are open to the entire dementia community. Caregivers can come alone, escort their loved one with dementia, or bring a group of other caregivers or family members. Facilities and daycare centers can arrange for groups to be accompanied by staff, family, or both. The best thing about all these events is that they are CHEAP! The cost for each event is \$1 per ticket unless it is listed otherwise. For an updated list of all Arts and Culture events please visit our website at [www.alz.org/desjsepa](http://www.alz.org/desjsepa) and click on the "Arts and Culture" section on the left-hand side of the page. Looking forward to your group members attending!

Sincerely,  
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Alzheimer's Association

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**Saturday, October 10th, 2009 at 11:00am – **RSVP by Sept 25th****

**The Media Theatre Presents: Narnia**

Almost 900 years after Aslan created the land, the banished White Witch returns to Narnia and establishes her evil rule. Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy arrive through the wardrobe to find a land of Endless Winter. They meet up with talking creatures who have remained faithful followers of Aslan and, apart from Edmund, journey to join up with Aslan to battle against the Witch and her army. As a result of Edmund's treachery, however, nothing less than the death of Aslan is required to set things aright. This is a magical, musical presentation of one of the greatest masterpieces of fantasy literature.

**4 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1 hour with No Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 3+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

Assisted Listening Devices are Available

**The Media Theatre**

The Media Theatre

104 East State St.

Media, PA 19063

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**Saturday, October 24th, 2009 at 7:30pm – **RSVP by Oct 10th****

**The Brandywine Ballet Presents:**

**Dracula**

Filled with the same undying love and passionate bloodlust that has made the vampire series Twilight a recent bestselling novel and movie, Nancy Page's Dracula, based on the original Bram Stoker tale, will leave you absolutely breathless and riveted! Don't miss this ballet's eerily lit 19th century castles and sun-draped terraces; tantalizing costumes and suspenseful sword fights; as well as an emotionally moving musical score. Solos, partnering and ensemble dancing will remind viewers why Brandywine Ballet is one of the premier ballet companies in the region!

**30 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 2 hours with 1 Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 15+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available

**The Brandywine Ballet**

The Emilie K. Asplundh Concert Hall

West Chester University

West Chester , PA 19383

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**Tuesday, October 27th, 2009 at 8:00pm – **RSVP by Oct 13th****

**The Curtis Institute of Music Presents:**

**The Curtis Symphony Orchestra**

Come check out these up and coming stars of classical music under the direction of Joann Falletta (conductor.) Featuring Elissa Lee Koljonen on the violin.

**Program:**

R. Strauss - Don Juan

Ranjbaran - Violin Concerto

Rimsky-Korsakov - Sheherazade

**40 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 2 hours with 1 Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 5+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available

Large Print Programs are Available with Advanced Notice

Assisted Listening Devices are Available

**The Curtis Institute of Music**

Verizon Hall at The Kimmel Center

300 S. Broad St

Philadelphia, PA 19102



**Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 7:30pm – **RSVP by Oct 13th****

**People's Light and Theatre Company Presents: Absence**

Peter and Mary, a young Mormon couple, fall in love, marry and relocate from Utah to Massachusetts. He is a brilliant Harvard grad, recruited into the CIA in 1945. We follow the rocky landscape of their marriage through 1993, when their personal and professional lives are inextricably intertwined and driven by the chaos and incomprehensible forces at work in the world of American foreign policy.

**20 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1.5 Hours with No Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 18+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available

Large Print Programs are Available

Assisted Listening Devices are Available

**People's Light and Theatre Company**

Steinbright Stage

39 Conestoga Road

Malvern, PA 19355

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**Friday, October 30th, 2009 at 8:00pm - **RSVP by Oct 16th****

**Theatre Exile Presents:**

**Hunter Gatherers**

Theatre Exile's season opener is the Philadelphia premiere of *Hunter Gatherers* by Peter Sinn Nachtrieb. Richard, Pam, Wendy and Tom have been the "Fab Four" since Prom night 17 years ago. Even through the bedlam of being 30's-something, successful urban professionals, the two married couples still find time between the Raki sessions, novel writing and organic food shopping to gather for a yearly dinner of remembering their glory days together. As the smell of their freshly killed dinner fills the room, their culturally savvy world is threatened by the animal instincts that lurk inside every sophisticated scenester. A pack must have its leader and only the strongest will survive. "Nachtrieb's biting hilariously black comedy spares neither savages nor saints" (*LA Times*). Armed with razor-sharp language, complex characters and a stunning sense of the theatrical, Peter Sinn Nachtrieb takes the world of Edward Albee to the next level.

**6 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1.75 hours with 1 Intermission

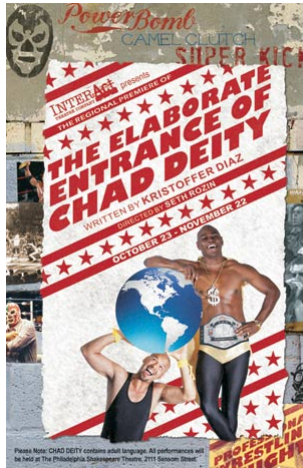
This Event is Appropriate for Ages 18+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

**Theatre Exile**

Adrienne Theatre  
2030 Sansom St  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

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Friday, October 30th, 2009 at 8:00pm – **RSVP by Oct 16th**

**InterAct Theatre Company Presents: The Elaborate Entrance of Chad Deity**

Set in the larger-than-life world of professional wrestling, and fueled by vibrant, hip-hop language, CHAD DEITY pits long-time reigning T.H.E. Wrestling champion, Chad Deity, against Vigneshwar Paduar, a trash-talking, India-born athlete recruited from the b-ball courts of Brooklyn. Casting the young upstart as an anti-hero extremist from "over there" who intends to catapult himself to fame by overthrowing the "all-American" Chad Deity, T.H.E. Wrestling's CEO plots to play upon wrestling fans' fear of terrorism and globalization in order to mass market an epic battle of Good vs. Evil.

**8 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 2 hours with 1 Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 14+

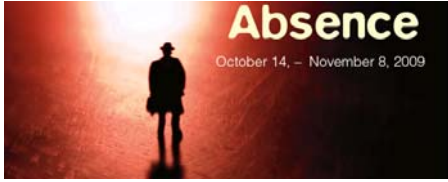
Content Advisory: This program contains adult language and choreographed professional wrestling.

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Not Available

**Interact Theatre Company**

Philadelphia Shakespeare Theatre  
2111 Sansom Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

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**Saturday, November 7, 2009 at 2:00pm – **RSVP by Oct 23rd****

**People's Light and Theatre Company Presents: Absence**

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**20 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1.5 Hours with No Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 18+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available

Large Print Programs are Available

Assisted Listening Devices are Available

**People's Light and Theatre Company**

Steinbright Stage

39 Conestoga Road

Malvern, PA 19355



**Sunday, November 8th, 2009 at 3:00pm – **RSVP by Oct 23rd****

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center Presents: The Lansdowne Symphony**

Founded in 1946, the Lansdowne Symphony Orchestra (LSO) is one of the oldest community orchestras in the Greater Philadelphia area. Celebrating more than 60 years of music-making, its season runs from October to April. This year the orchestra will present five concerts under the leadership of Irving Ludwig, music director since 1991. Mr. Ludwig brings to the podium his many years of experience as a violinist with the Philadelphia Orchestra. Although the talented musicians who form the core of the 75+ members of the LSO come from many walks of life, they all share a strong love of music. The repertoire includes orchestral music from the Baroque through contemporary classics, including time-honored favorites and interesting rarities.

**25 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 2 hours with 1 Intermission

Please Note: This venue does not seat patrons that arrive late. Please arrive 45 minutes prior to show time.

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 12+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

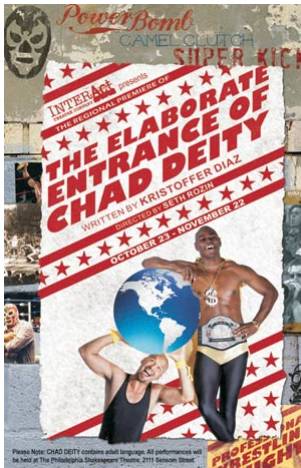
**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center**

Upper Darby Performing Arts Center

601 N. Lansdowne Avenue

Drexel Hill, PA 19026

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**Tuesday, November 10th, 2009 at 7:00pm – **RSVP by Oct 27th****

**InterAct Theatre Company Presents: The Elaborate Entrance of Chad Deity**

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**Interact Theatre Company**

Philadelphia Shakespeare Theatre

2111 Sansom Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

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Thursday, November 19th, 2009 at 7:30pm – **RSVP by Nov 5th**

**The Curtis Opera Theatre Presents:  
The Rake's Progress by Stravinsky**

Beware of temptation: The devil's twisted way with a young man's idle wish triggers a wild journey to Bedlam in Stravinsky's dark moral tale. Fully staged production with the Curtis Symphony Orchestra, sung in the original English. Under the direction of Ari Pelto as the conductor and Emma Griffin as the stage manager.

**30 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 3 hours with 2 Intermissions

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 12+

This Performance will have supertitles

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available

Large Print Programs are Available with Advanced Notice

**The Curtis Institute of Music**

Prince Music Theater

1412 Chestnut Street

Philadelphia, PA 19102

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Saturday, November 21st, 2009 at 11:00am – **RSVP by Nov 6th**

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center Presents: The Nutcracker**  
Description Coming Soon.

**25 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1.5 hours with 1 Intermission

Please Note: This venue does not seat patrons that arrive late. Please arrive 45 minutes prior to show time.

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 6+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center**

Upper Darby Performing Arts Center

601 N. Lansdowne Avenue

Drexel Hill, PA 19026

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**Sunday, November 22nd, 2009 at 5:30pm – RSVP by Nov 6th**

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center Presents: The Nutcracker**

Description Coming Soon.

**25 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1.5 hours with 1 Intermission

Please Note: This venue does not seat patrons that arrive late. Please arrive 45 minutes prior to show time.

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 6+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center**

Upper Darby Performing Arts Center

601 N. Lansdowne Avenue

Drexel Hill, PA 19026

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**Friday, November 27, 2009 at 2:00pm – RSVP by Nov 13th**

**People's Light and Theatre Company Presents: Snow White**

It's the golden age of movies and one woman reigns supreme as the Queen of the Silver Screen. That is until Follywood discovers a new "it" girl, who just happens to be the Queen's own daughter.

Our holiday Panto returns for the sixth straight year, complete with festive music, silly songs, cheers for the heroes and jeers for the villains. Brought to you by the same creative team as last season's Cinderella, Snow White promises fun for the whole family! Mark Lazar, our resident Dame, returns--this time to play gossip maven Hedda Whopper!

**20 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 2.5 Hours with 1 Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 5+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available

Large Print Programs are Available

Assisted Listening Devices are Available

**People's Light and Theatre Company**

Main Stage

39 Conestoga Road

Malvern, PA 19355

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**Friday, December 4th, 2009 at 7:30pm – **RSVP by Nov 20th****

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center Presents: Shooting Stars Holiday**

Description Coming Soon.

**25 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1.5 hours with 1 Intermission

Please Note: This venue does not seat patrons that arrive late. Please arrive 45 minutes prior to show time.

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 5+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center**

Upper Darby Performing Arts Center

601 N. Lansdowne Avenue

Drexel Hill, PA 19026



**Sunday, December 6th, 2009 at 3:00pm – **RSVP by Nov 20th****

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center Presents: The Lansdowne Symphony**

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**25 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 2 hours with 1 Intermission

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This Event is Appropriate for Ages 12+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

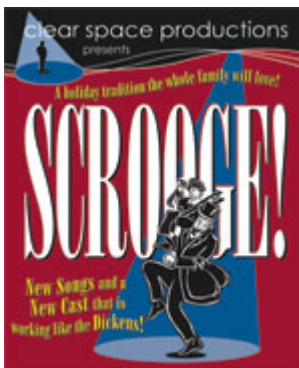
**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center**

Upper Darby Performing Arts Center

601 N. Lansdowne Avenue

Drexel Hill, PA 19026

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**Saturday, December 12th, 2009 at 7:00pm – **RSVP by Nov 27th****

**Clear Space Productions Presents: Scrooge**

Taken from the classic Christmas Carol tale, Scrooge is a family friendly adaptation that children and adults are sure to love.

**25 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1.5 hours with 1 Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 6+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

**Clear Space Productions**

Cape Henlopen High School

1210 Kings Highway

Lewes, DE 19958

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**Sunday, December 13, 2009 at 2:00pm – RSVP by Nov 27th**

**Theatre Horizon Presents: Holiday Show at the Swing Club**

Mikey Sticks and Jimmy Goodshaw are back with their jazz band, hilarious antics, and swingin' tunes sung by the hep cats at the Swing Club. Don't miss our third installment of holiday hits. Spend the holidays with Theatre Horizon!

**10 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 90 Minutes with No Intermission.

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 10+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available

**Theatre Horizon**

208 DeKalb St.

Norristown, PA 19401

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**Friday, December 18th, 2009 at 7:30pm – **RSVP by Dec 4th****  
**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center Presents: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe**

Description Coming Soon.

**25 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 1 hour with No Intermission

Please Note: This venue does not seat patrons that arrive late. Please arrive 45 minutes prior to show time.

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 5+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

**Upper Darby Performing Arts Center**

Upper Darby Performing Arts Center  
601 N. Lansdowne Avenue  
Drexel Hill, PA 19026

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*becky shaw*  
by gina gionfriddo

**Wednesday, December 30th, 2009 at 7:30pm – **RSVP by Dec 16th****

**The Wilma Theatre Presents: Becky Shaw**

A Pulitzer Prize finalist and smash hit that premiered Off-Broadway earlier this year, Becky Shaw is the latest comedy from Obie Award-winner Gina Gionfriddo (After Ashley, writer/producer of "Law & Order"). When Suzanna decides to set

her best friend Max up on a blind date with her husband's mysterious co-worker, Becky Shaw, she sets into motion a series of cataclysmic events forever changing all of their lives. Mixing sharp wit and humor with the taut suspense of a psychological thriller, Becky Shaw is a comedy of romantic errors that keeps audiences at the edge of their seats guessing what will happen next.

**15 Tickets are Available**

Run Time is Approximately 2.25 hours with 1 Intermission

This Event is Appropriate for Ages 12+

Wheelchair Accessible Seating is Available with Advanced Notice

Large Print Programs are Available

Assisted Listening Devices are Available

**The Wilma Theatre**

The Wilma Theatre

265 South Broad St

Philadelphia, PA 19107