

Supporting for Arts and Theater Education

Metropolitan Performing Arts Hosts Gala to Grow Live Arts Education

Metropolitan Performing Arts (MPA) will host their Annual Cabaret Gala featuring performances by their student talent on May 5th, 2023 at the Providence Academy Ballroom. This event aims to raise funds and create awareness about the arts and theater education in Vancouver WA and how it grows and strengthens the character and well-being of our youth.

This will be the 6th annual Cabaret Gala that acknowledges theater and live arts in Vancouver and the ongoing need to have a place where all are accepted for who they are and where they are in their own discovery. This year, there will be performances of select excerpts by the very talented students at MPA along with a dessert dash, paddle raise, and silent auction.

“There are fun games, great entertainment, delicious apps, and complimentary wine! We raise both operational and scholarship funds at this gala. We have recently approved the establishment of a second scholarship fund” said Kathleen Jung, MPA Board Member & Theater Liaison. “MPA is a community treasure and it takes the support of our community to continue



MPA students showcase talent in performance. (Photo courtesy for MPA website)

providing live theater to SW Washington.”

Scholarship funds at MPA are distributed to students in need to give them the opportunities to participate in group classes and private lessons, depending on the specific application. MPA truly embraces diversity and inclusivity as they welcome actors and students from all socioeconomic backgrounds, ages, and ethnic, racial, gender, sexual, and religious identities. This, along with community and donor support, pulls together people from all walks of life who may not meet along traditional paths.

“Without community involvement, theaters cannot sustain life on their own in order to continue to grow and provide new outreach and great performance opportunities for our community. We need support,” said Kris Heller, Artistic & Education Director. “Performing Arts bring

people from all walks of life together. They make us laugh, heal our hearts and minds, and help us explore. The arts help students with their confidence, public speaking, and to have a place to feel safe enough to explore and create.”



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- CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENT OR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR, PURSUING A HIGHER EDUCATION DEGREE
- RESIDE IN THE STATE OF OREGON.
- HAVE A SATISFACTORY GPA (3.0+) FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS IS PREFERRED, SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC STATUS FOR RETURNING COLLEGE STUDENTS)

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