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#### **LECTURES**

 $Lectures\ are\ held\ in\ Crimi\ Auditorium$ in the Institute for Collaboration at 407 S. Calumet Ave.

#### Brian Dettmer, Contemporary Artist Monday, October 28, 2013 | 7:30 p.m.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Thursday, January 16, 2014 | 7:30 p.m.

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#### Jon Meacham

Tuesday, September 24, 2013 | 7:30 p.m.

Pulitzer Prize-winning author and contributing editor at *Time*,

Jon Meacham is one of America's most prominent public intellectuals.

Known as a skilled raconteur and an accomplished historian with
a depth of knowledge about politics, religion and current affairs, he
understands and analyzes how issues and events influence modern
life. Meacham is a former *Newsweek* editor and a regular contributor
to *Meet the Press, Morning Joe* and *Charlie Rose*. His newest book is
the *New York Times* bestseller *Thomas Jefferson: The Art of Power*. A
renowned scholar and presenter, Meacham singles out the key skills of
some of America's most influential presidents and shows how they can
benefit today's leaders.

 $This \ presentation \ is \ supported \ by \ the \ Community \ Foundation \ of \ the \ Fox \ River \ Valley.$ 



#### John Pizzarelli

Saturday, October 5, 2013 | 7:30 p.m.

After his recent smash success with the Boston Pops, jazz artist John Pizzarelli was hailed by the *Boston Globe* for "reinvigorating the Great American Songbook and re-popularizing jazz." Using performers like Nat King Cole and Frank Sinatra, and the songs of composers from Richard Rodgers and George Gershwin to James Taylor, and Lennon and McCartney as touchstones, Pizzarelli has established himself as one of the prime interpreters of the Great American Songbook and beyond, bringing to his work the cool jazz flavor of his brilliant guitar playing and singing. He has performed on *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *The Late Show with David Letterman*, *Late Night with Jimmy Fallon* and *Conan*.

This engagement is supported by the Arts Midwest Touring Fund, a program of Arts Midwest, which is generously supported by the National Endowment for the Arts, with additional contributions from the Illinois Arts Council.



#### Michelle Areyzaga

Saturday, November 2, 2013 | 7:30 p.m.

A diverse and coveted soprano, Michelle Areyzaga's musical origins are in Chicago where she is much in demand among highly regarded companies, as well as throughout the United States and Europe. She has sung most recently with the New York City Opera in her debut (Orpheus-Telemann) and has appeared with Chicago Opera Theater, Lyric Opera of Chicago's In the Neighborhoods programs, Grant Park Music Festival, Ravinia Festival, Chicago Light Opera Works and Chicago Chamber Opera. She has been a member of the OperaWorks Summer Intensive Program in Los Angeles and a member of Chicago Opera Theater's Debut Artist Series.

The Fox Valley Arts Hall of Fame is partnering with Aurora University to host this event



#### **Neil deGrasse Tyson**

Wednesday, March 12, 2014 | 7:30 p.m.

Neil deGrasse Tyson is the director of the Hayden Planetarium, former host of PBS's NOVA ScienceNOW and host of Star Talk Radio. He recently released his 10th book, containing his thoughts on the past, present and future of space exploration: Space Chronicles: Facing the Ultimate Frontier. Currently, Tyson is working on a 21st century reboot of Carl Sagan's landmark television series COSMOS, to air in 13 episodes on the FOX network in the spring of 2014. Tyson is the recipient of the NASA Distinguished Public Service Medal, the highest award given by NASA to a non-government citizen. His upbeat and comedic presentations bring the science of the universe down to Earth and make astrophysics interesting for all.

 $This \ presentation \ is \ generously \ supported \ by \ the \ Dunham \ Fund.$ 



#### Music of the Baroque

Wednesday, April 2, 2014 | 7:30 p.m.

One of Chicagoland's top classical groups, Music of the Baroque focuses on 18th-century works for chorus and orchestra. The ensemble has drawn particular praise for its performances of the major choral works of Bach and Handel, Mozart and Haydn. Sixty of the Chicago area's finest professional musicians comprise the chorus and orchestra. At this event, Music of the Baroque will perform Haydn's *The Creation*, in which the creation of the universe unfolds in vivid musical pictures—from darkness and chaos, to the emergence of light, to the pleasures of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. Jane Glover conducts the orchestra, chorus and soloists. Elizabeth Futral, Nicholas Phan and Christòpheren Nomura will perform in this timeless work.

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Third Thursday Concert Guest Recital: Stella Roden, soprano Thursday, September 19, 2013 | 7:30 p.m.

Third Thursday Concert
Faculty Recital: Cristian Pastorello, piano
Thursday, October 17, 2013 | Noon

Fall Concert of the Aurora University Choirs with the Rock Valley Community College Chamber Choir Friday, November 1, 2013 | 7:30 p.m.

Third Thursday Concert
Faculty Recital: Mark Plummer, baritone
and Cristian Pastorello, piano
Thursday, November 21, 2013 | 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Concert of the Aurora University Choirs featuring David Schrader on organ Sunday, December 8, 2013 3:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Third Thursday Concert

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

Thursday, January 16, 2014 | 7:30 p.m.

Organ Concert featuring David Schrader Sunday, February 9, 2014 | 3:00 p.m.

Third Thursday Concert Guest Recital: Neal Larrabee, piano Thursday, February 20, 2014 | 7:30 p.m.

Third Thursday Concert Guest Recital: Chanson du Chat, gypsy jazz Thursday, March 20, 2014 | 7:30 p.m.

Spring Concert of the Aurora University Choirs with the Fox Valley Orchestra and Chorus: An Evening of Opera Friday, April 25, 2014 | 7:30 p.m.

#### **FILMS**

Films are shown in Perry Theatre in the Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley for Cultural Enrichment at 1305 Kenilworth Pl., unless otherwise noted.

#### "A Separation"

Monday, September 23, 2013 | 7:00 p.m.

#### "No Impact Man"

Monday, October 7, 2013 | 7:00 p.m. Crimi Auditorium in the Institute for Collaboration at 407 S. Calumet Ave.

#### "Phantom of the Opera"

featuring Jay Warren on organ Monday, October 21, 2013 | 7:00 p.m. Crimi Auditorium in the Institute for Collaboration at 407 S. Calumet Ave.

#### NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES FILMS

"America's Music: The Blues and Gospel Music" Monday, January 13, 2014 | 7:00 p.m.

#### "America's Music: Broadway and Tin Pan Alley" Monday, January 27, 2014 | 7:00 p.m.

"America's Music: Swing Jazz"
Monday, February 10, 2014 | 7:00 p.m.
Crimi Auditorium in the Institute for
Collaboration at 407 S. Calumet Ave.

"America's Music: Country and Bluegrass" Monday, February 24, 2014 | 7:00 p.m.

"America's Music: Rock"
Monday, March 10, 2014 | 7:00 p.m.

"America's Music: Latin Rhythms from Mambo to Hip Hop" Monday, March 24, 2014 | 7:00 p.m.

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