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Southern Arts Federation Announces Performing Arts Exchange Juried Showcase Performers

Selected through a highly competitive application process, artists will perform for the public and performing arts presenters in September

Atlanta, Georgia – Twenty-one touring performing arts companies were selected from 157 applicants to participate in the Southern Arts Federation’s Performing Arts Exchange Juried Showcase in September in Norfolk, Va.. Applicants were judged on artistic merit and demonstrated readiness to tour.

The 2009 PAE Juried Showcase Performers include:

Dance

[Kevin Locke Native Dance Ensemble](#)
[Thodos Dance Chicago](#)

Music – Chamber & Classical

[Alpin Hong](#)
[Marie-Andrée Ostiguy & The Artémuse String Quartet](#)

Music – Ethnic-Based & World

[Hector Del Curto’s Eternal Tango Orchestra](#)
[Kinobe & Soul Beat Africa](#)

Music – Folk & Bluegrass

[Russ Barenberg](#)

Educational Residency (artists in schools)

[Kahurangi Maori Dance Theatre of New Zealand](#)
[Glenis Redmond](#)
[Robbie K. & Friends](#)

Music – Other

[American Spiritual Ensemble PROJECT](#)
[Riders in the Sky](#)
[The Lost Fingers](#)
[Tracy Silverman](#)
[Rozlyn Sorrell](#)

Music – Singer/Songwriter

[Janis Ian](#)

Theatre

[Barry Smith’s Baby Book](#)
[It’s a Wonderful Life](#)
[Mike Wiley Productions](#)

Variety

[Mark Nizer’s 3D Show](#)

The Performing Arts Exchange (PAE) is a performing arts marketplace and professional development conference presented annually by the Southern Arts Federation (SAF). It brings together performing artists, artist managers, and performing arts presenters for four days of

artistic expression, networking and booking. Now in its 33rd year, PAE will be held in Norfolk, Va., on September 23-26, 2009. Juried artists' showcases are free and open to the public at the TCC Roper Performing Arts Center in downtown Norfolk. Showcases feature performances by professional touring artists in music, dance, family/children's performances and general theater.

The Performing Arts Exchange is presented in partnership with the Virginia Commission for the Arts, and in collaboration with the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation and the New England Foundation for the Arts. **More details about the Performing Arts Exchange can be found at <http://pae.southarts.org> or by calling 404-874-7244 ext. 28.**

About the Southern Arts Federation

The Southern Arts Federation, a nonprofit regional arts organization, was founded in 1975 to build on the South's unique heritage and enhance the public value of the arts. SAF examines the arts environment and cultural trends from a regional perspective comprising nine states—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. SAF offers a portfolio of programs and services designed to address arts-related issues important to our region and to link the South with the nation and the world through the arts. For more information, visit www.southarts.org.

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