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ARTS San Antonio presents **The Spectacular 2013-14 Season**

Including a New Orleans jazz band, an international piano concert, flamenco music and dance, a Grammy Award-winning trumpeter, a classical violinist and acrobatic and contemporary dance

Season, individual and group tickets on sale now

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS – <u>ARTS San Antonio</u>'s The Spectacular 2013-14 Season brings performances by globally significant groups and musicians to San Antonio. This season includes eleven performances encompassing everything from modern dance to international piano competition medalists.

Five cost-saving season-ticket packages are available so audience members can attend multiple events at a discount. Audience members have the opportunity to experience one or more exciting performers from around the world – from the best seats in the best venues in San Antonio – all at affordable prices.

Five Season-Ticket Packages

ARTS SA offers subscribers the opportunity to select from five season-ticket packages:

The Whole-Enchilada Series (11 productions) - Diavolo Dance Theatre, Yamato Drummers, Preservation Hall Jazz Band performs "Creole Christmas," Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker*, Pilobolus Dance Company, *Los Vivancos*, Celtic Nights, Arturo Sandoval in Concert, Motionhouse Dance Theatre, A Grand Concert by the 2013 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Medalists and Amadéus Leopold in Recital. Season tickets start at \$165 per person.

Music Lovers' Series (six productions) - Yamato Drummers, Preservation Hall Jazz Band performs "Creole Christmas," Celtic Nights, Arturo Sandoval in Concert, A Grand Concert by the 2013 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Medalists and Amadéus Leopold in Recital. Season tickets start at \$85 per person.

Dance Lovers' Series (five productions) - Diavolo Dance Theatre, Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker*, Pilobolus Dance Company, *Los Vivancos* and Motionhouse Dance Theatre. Season tickets start at \$85 per person.

Variety Series (five productions) – Diavolo Dance Theatre, Yamato Drummers, Celtic Nights, Arturo Sandoval and A Grand Concert by the 2013 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Medalists. Season tickets start at \$85 per person.

Pick-Three Series (three productions) – This unique package allows patrons to choose any three productions from the eleven being presented. Season tickets start at \$57 per person.

Patrons can purchase tickets by calling (210) 226-2891, by visiting www.Ticketmaster.com or www.artssa.org, or visit the ARTS SA office at 418 10th Street. Best seats go first.

Diavolo Dance Theatre

Jacques Heim, Artistic Director From Los Angeles Saturday, October 5, 2013, 7:30 p.m. Lila Cockrell Theatre

"They make precisely coordinated feats look improvisational, even reckless....To say Diavolo is exciting is redundant." – Los Angeles Times

Diavolo company members are dancers, gymnasts, actors, athletes and, above all, teammates. The company has developed a reputation for innovative movement on oversized surrealistic sets and everyday structures.

Yamato Drummers

From Japan Sunday, October 27, 2013, 7:30 p.m. Lila Cockrell Theatre

"This is a show of unbridled enthusiasm, much humor and great musical variety." – *The Scotsman* (UK)

Professional percussionists promise a night of good vibrations. Precise and passionate, these drummers use traditional instruments to create an infectious energy that envelops the audience.

Preservation Hall Jazz Band performs "Creole Christmas"

From New Orleans Wednesday, December 11, 2013, 7:30 p.m. Charline McCombs Empire Theatre

"Preservation Hall Jazz Band shines like a beacon of New Orleans jazz, celebrating the unique artistic culture and music form of the Crescent City." – *Rolling Stone*

Spice up your holidays New Orleans style with the popular holiday presentation "Creole Christmas." Bring the family and hear seasonal favorites!

Tchaikovsky's The Nutcracker

Performed by Mejia Ballet International, Paul Mejia, Artistic Director From Dallas / Fort Worth
Friday, December 20, 2013, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, December 21, 2013, 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 21, 2013, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 22, 2013, 2:00 p.m.
Lila Cockrell Theatre

"While Mejia has been hailed as a champion of Balanchine's work, this *Nutcracker* is his own. There are slight differences in the story, but for the most part, audiences can expect the traditional classical ballet they know and love." – *San Antonio Express-News*

The most widely attended ballet in America, *The Nutcracker* is a family holiday tradition. Starring Prima Ballerinas Olga Pavlova and Marina Goshko and Principal Dancers Yevgeni Anfinogenov and Andrey Prikhodko.

Pilobolus Dance Company

Robby Barnett, Artistic Director From Connecticut Tuesday, January 14, 2014, 7:30 p.m. Majestic Theatre

"Pilobolus is a mind-blowing troupe of wildly creative and physically daring dancers." – Newsday

Pilobolus maintains its own singular style evolving interplay with shape shifting, shadow play and other explorations. Revolutionary, inventive, athletic and witty, these collaborative performance works are performed on stage and screen using the human body as a medium for expression.

Los Vivancos

From Spain Tuesday, February 16, 2014, 7:30 p.m. Lila Cockrell Theatre

"This show is so hot it's in danger of setting the stage on fire." - New York Daily News

This international flamenco dance company comprised of seven brothers fuses its own eclectic style that dares to unify extreme flamenco, ballet, martial arts, street dance, theatre and acrobatics.

Celtic Nights

From Ireland Thursday, February 27, 2014, 7:30 p.m. Majestic Theatre

"No wonder this unmissable two hour spectacular has brought audiences to their feet all around the world" - *The Guardian* (England)

In this glittering production, Ireland's most accomplished dancers, finest voices and best instrumentalists present a spell-binding and exhilarating picture of a proud people and their passion.

Arturo Sandoval in Concert

From Cuba Thursday, March 20, 2014, 7:30 p.m. Lila Cockrell Theatre

"Playing is unabashedly spectacular, yet he uses his technique with dramatic finesse." – The New York Times

Sandoval is one of the most dynamic and vivacious live performers of our time. The trumpet soloist has won nine Grammy Awards and has performed regularly with leading symphony orchestras from around the world.

Motionhouse Dance Theatre

Kevin Finnan, Artistic Director From England Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 7:30 p.m. Jo Long Theatre, Carver Community Cultural Center

"One of the best contemporary dance companies around have created a mesmerizing combination of physical dance and film that thrills the senses and tricks the eye." – *The Daily Echo*

The performances are rooted in dance but draw on theatre, circus, acrobatics and film to create works that make you think and feel.

A Grand Concert by the **2013 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Medalists**

From Ukraine, Italy and the U.S. Thursday, April 17, 2014, 7:30 p.m. Lila Cockrell Theatre

The quadrennial Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, widely recognized as one of the world's most important, was founded in 1962 to commemorate Van Cliburn's victory at the first Tchaikovsky International Competition in Moscow in 1958, and is dedicated to the discovery of the world's finest pianists. The 2013 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Medalists are Vadym Kholodenko, Beatrice Rana (Silver Medal) and Sean Chen (Crystal Award).

Amadéus Leopold in Recital

From South Korea Thursday, May 22, 2014, 7:30 p.m. The Charline McCombs Empire Theatre

"Was it a deal with the devil? Was it the training from Itzhak Perlman? No explanation suffices. Brilliant, audacious and exuberant." – *The Huffington Post*

Performance artist, classical violinist and boundary pusher also known as Hahn-Bin made his international debut as a concert violinist at age 12. The Juilliard graduate and Itzhak Perlman protégé is known for his incredible skill and unconventional appearance.

Season Ticket Pricing

Season Tickets starting at	Individual Tickets	Groups of Ten or More
Whole-Enchilada \$165	Premium \$110.00	\$88.00 per person
Music Lovers' \$85	Superior \$69.00	\$55.20 per person
Dance Lovers' \$85	Advantage \$44.00	\$35.20 per person
Variety \$85	Value \$29.00	\$23.20 per person
Pick-Three \$57		

Performance dates and times are subject to change.

ABOUT ARTS San Antonio

ARTS San Antonio is the leading nonprofit presenter of globally significant performing arts in South Texas. ARTS SA performances are supported by the City of San Antonio's Department for Culture and Creative Development, Capital Group Companies, Kronkosky Charitable Foundation, Texas Commission on the Arts, National Endowment for the Arts, San Antonio Express-News and theFund. ARTS SA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to the education, enrichment and entertainment of the people, especially the children, of greater San Antonio. Each year, net proceeds from these performances make possible hundreds of ARtsTEach performing arts and arts-education workshops for thousands of elementary-school students in five school districts and at social service agencies and senior-living centers.

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