

The Buzz

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Holiday Carol Sing

The Capitol City Symphony will hold its free Holiday Carol Sing Concert on Sunday, December 8 at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. This annual event is incredibly popular and all the tickets have been given out but there are frequently cancellations and "no shows" so it's definitely worth checking to see if seats are available.

The Capitol City Symphony is a full-size symphony orchestra based as one of the arts partners at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H Street NE. Visit www.CapitolCitySymphony.org or call 399-7993.

Buzz Distributors Needed

Volunteer distributors are needed for the 1500 block of A St., 1500 block of North Carolina Ave., 1100 block of E St., and 1200 block of East Capitol St./North Carolina Ave. Call 543-3512 or email elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com.

Rosedale Library Book Club

The Rosedale Library is launching its monthly book club with a discussion of Dan Brown's *The Lost Symbol*, an exciting DC-based thriller packed with Masonic symbols, secret tunnels, and esoteric wisdom, set against the backdrop of political DC. Tuesday, December 17 at 2 p.m., Rosedale Library (1701 Gales St. NE). For information, call the library at 727-5012 (ask for Cashin or Kat) or visit www.dclibrary.org/rosedale.

Got Yarn?

Eliot-Hine Middle School has added a knitting club to its list of in-school activities. The kids are making super-fantastic hats for themselves, their friends, and family members. To keep costs low, much of the yarn has been donated.

If you have leftover yarn, the materials will be gratefully received. Soft, washable yarns in cheery colors and a medium weight work best but if you're not sure, let the knitting coach decide. Donations can be dropped on the porch at 1330 North Carolina Ave. NE.

Stopping Street Crime

One holiday tradition we could all do without is the annual increase in theft-from-auto. It's never a good idea to leave anything of value in your car, but as the gift-giving season approaches it becomes even more important. Plus we are already experiencing more problems than usual. Please help discourage crime by keeping your car as empty as possible.

Also, the rash of robberies/muggings continues. Most of these are tied to theft of electronic devices, such as cell phones. It's best to keep these out of sight when you are on the street. Not only are they tempting targets, but they make the user less aware of his surroundings.

Maintaining Tree Boxes

Residents are required to keep the tree boxes in front of their home clear of weeds and debris. DDOT has been issuing tickets for violations – without warnings.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **NLPNA meeting**, first Tues. (Dec. 3), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14th & C St. NE. All are welcome!
- **Capital City Symphony Carol Sing**, Sun. Dec. 8, 4 p.m. & 7 p.m., 1333 H St. NE. *See article.*
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (Dec. 12), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit www.anc6a.org.
- **Rosedale Library Book Club**, Tues. Dec. 17, 2 p.m., 1701 Gales St. NE. *See article.*
- **NLPNA does not meet in January**
- *The Buzz* is available at www.anc6a.org/publications.html. Contact us at 543-3512 or elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com.

Holiday Step Show

Step Afrika!'s Magical Musical Holiday Step Show will take place December 11-22, 2013 at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE. Who wants to sit still and be quiet for the holidays? Can Step Afrika! teach a polar bear to step? What about a penguin? Special guest DJ Frosty the Snowman will get you in the mood for the festive season.

Bring the whole family to celebrate and make music with Step Afrika! and their friends from the Arctic Kingdom. For more information, visit www.stepafrika.org.

Hill Center Presents...

- Hanukkah Lights Reading, Sat. Dec. 2, 7 p.m. Free. Susan Stamberg and Murray Horwitz bring their immensely popular NPR holiday broadcast to life with readings of specially commissioned stories by well-known writers including Anne Roiphe, Myra Goldberg, and Simone Zelitch.
- *Born on the Kitchen Floor in Bois Mallet* – book signing with Author Lovey Marie Guillory, Wed. Nov. 6, 7:30 p.m. Free. Guillory tells how slavery, the Civil War, reconstruction, and Jim Crow affected seven generations of her Louisiana Creole family.
- Free films (7 p.m.):
 - *Heat Lightning*, Fri. Dec. 6
 - *The Public Enemy*, Fri. Dec. 13Critic Nell Minow and journalist Margaret Talbot present films from the early 30's that ignored the moral guidelines of the Hays Code. Who hasn't seen the famous scene from *The Public Enemy* where James Cagney smashes a grapefruit into Mae Clark's face?
- Mad Science Winter Day Camp (K-6), Dec. 23 – Jan. 3 (except Christmas and New Year's Day). \$70 per day for full day (9-4), \$45 per day for half day (9-12). Register early for a discount. Each day kids explore a different fascinating science, including chemistry, wildlife biology, space, code-breaking, engineering, machines, and the science behind sports and photography.

Register for any of these events at www.hillcenterdc.org or call 549-4172. Hill Center at Old Naval Hospital is located at 921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE.

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Capitol Hill Arts Workshop Presents...

- Drop-in Figure Painting, Fridays, Dec. 6-20. \$20. Work on drawings or paintings in front of a live model in a session without an instructor. Please bring your own drawing materials. Easels are available.
- Artist's Circle, Fri. Dec. 6, 7-9 p.m. Free. Monthly gathering for artists in the community; this meeting will focus on artist grants and will feature a guest speaker with a background in grant development and funding.
- Arts Showcase & Sale, Sat. Dec. 7, noon-8:30 p.m.
- Cookie Decoration, Sat. Dec. 7, 3-6 p.m., Eastern Market's North Hall. Realtors Phil Guire and Jeanne Harrison will provide the cookies, icing, and decorations. Donations encouraged to benefit the Capitol Hill Arts Workshop.
- Sip & Paint, Fri. Dec. 13. \$30. Receive step-by-step instruction from teaching artists Ellen Cornett and Sheppard Bear as you create your own masterpiece, all while enjoying snacks and wine.

CHAW is located at 547 7th St. SE. For more information on all CHAW events, call 547-6839 or visit www.chaw.org. CHAW offers a tuition assistance program and flexible payment plans.

Health Insurance for All

Submitted by Veda Blount, Brown AME
Finally, everyone in DC can get the health coverage they need. Brown Memorial AME Church has received funding for registration assistance services. We will do presentations at any time including weekends and evenings. To find out more, call 544-4792 to speak with an in-person assister or email us at brown.ipa@verizon.net. We are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday. The program will end on April 30 but health insurance must be obtained (Medicaid) or purchased (quality health plans) by March 31 to avoid a penalty.

December NLPNA Meeting

The December NLPNA meeting (Tuesday the 3rd) will feature "pot luck" snacks and sweets. Come join us at Lane Memorial CME, corner of 14th and C St. NE, to celebrate the holiday season with your neighbors. If you can, bring a few cookies or beverages to share. All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Evolve Urban Arts

"Shutdown," works by photographer Mark Parascondola, are currently on display at the Evolve Urban Arts Project, 1375 Maryland Ave. To view the exhibit, call 744-6439 for an appointment. Visit www.evolvedc.com.



Carabachanel by Mark Parascondola