



Performance History 1988-1989 through current

2023-2024

Performing Artists Series

The Wallflowers	September 27
Mark Morris Dance Group	October 11
New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players <i>The Pirates of Penzance</i>	November 9
Emmet Cahill & Chlöe Agnew	February 13
tenThing Brass Ensemble	March 5
Del McCoury Band	March 20
Lakecia Benjamin	April 10

Family Series

SUGAR SKULL! A Día de Muertos Musical Adventure	October 1
The Okee Dokee Brothers	November 19
Janet's Planet	February 4
Lightwire Theatre <i>The Ugly Duckling</i>	April 7

2022-2023

Performing Artists Series

Sam Bush	October 5
Danú: <i>An Emerald Isle Christmas</i>	December 1
Pat Hazell's <i>The Wonder Bread Years</i>	February 8
The Kingdom Choir	March 9
John Pizzarelli & Catherine Russell: <i>Nat King Cole & The Ladies of Song</i>	March 29
Laura Benanti	April 19

Family Series

Popovich Comedy Pet Theatre	February 5
Jason Bishop	March 19

Special Events

Jonathan Burns	August 28
Carnival of the Animals – Bilingual Narration	October 23
Heartland Marimba Quartet with the Reading Pops	November 7

2021-2022

Performing Artists Series

FACE Vocal Band	September 22
The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra	October 21
Celebrate Marimba!	November 7
Bessie, Billie & Nina: <i>Pioneering Women in Jazz</i>	February 16
Tablao Flamenco	March 29
Pinchus Zukerman Trio	April 20

2020-2021

Arts Alive!

Free outdoor and virtual series due to pandemic.

Poor Man’s Gambit	April 16
Living Standards.....	April 23
De Tierra Caliente & Sharp Dance Company.....	April 30

2019-2020

Performing Artists Series

Lee Rocker of the Stray Cats.....	October 3
Steep Canyon Rangers.....	October 23
KUNÉ	November 12
Dance Theatre of Harlem.....	February 5
Apollo’s Fire	February 25
Emmet Cahill	March 18
The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra.....	April 2
Lea Salonga	April 15

End of season cancelled due to pandemic.

2018-2019

Performing Artists Series

Million Dollar Quartet	September 18
Rio Mira.....	October 4
New York Philharmonic String Quartet	November 9
Jane Lynch & Friends <i>Swingin Little Christmas</i>	December 5
Barbara Eden & Barry Bostwick <i>Love Letters</i>	February 13
Mike DelGuidice and Big Shot (rescheduled from October 25).....	February 27
Benise Fuego! <i>The Latin Riverdance</i>	March 21
Arturo Sandoval	April 16

2017-2018

Performing Artists Series

Aaron Tveit.....	September 21
Jake Shimabukuro	October 25
Boston Brass with Reading Pops Orchestra.....	November 10
Chanticleer	November 30
Birdland All-Stars featuring Tommy Igoe.....	February 15
National Dance Company of Ireland <i>Rhythm of the Dance</i>	March 28
Joey Alexander Trio.....	April 20

2016-2017

Performing Artists Series

Kelli O'Hara.....	September 15
Rosanne Cash w/John Leventhal.....	October 22
US Army Field Band & Soldiers' Chorus.....	November 14
Elisabeth von Trapp with Carolian Brass	December 2
Pilobolus <i>Shadowland</i>	February 8
Kodo <i>Dadan</i>	March 23
Branford Marsalis Quartet with Kurt Elling	April 14

2015-2016

Performing Artists Series

Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue.....	September 15
The Capitol Steps.....	October 22
Celebrate Marimba!.....	November 8
William Close & The Earth Harp Collective.....	December 4
Vocalosity.....	February 17
Natalie MacMaster & Donnell Leahy.....	March 23
Ramin Karimloo.....	April 14

2014-2015

Performing Artists Series

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy.....	September 17
90 Years of Rhapsody – <i>A Gershwin Tribute</i>	October 6
Bela Fleck and Abigail Washburn	October 28
Canadian Brass <i>A Very Brass Christmas</i>	December 3
Te Amo, Argentina.....	February 12
San Jose Taiko <i>Rhythm Journey</i>	March 26
An Evening with Audra McDonald.....	April 16

2013-2014 – Grand reopening of Schaeffer Auditorium

Performing Artists Series

MOMIX <i>Botanica</i>	September 10
Signature Broadway	October 28
The Time Jumpers	November 14
Preservation Hall Jazz Band <i>Creole Christmas</i>	December 3
Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theatre <i>Flamenco Passion</i>	February 1
Ahn Trio and Nai Ni Chen Dance Company <i>Temptation of the Muses</i>	March 6
Kevin Eubanks	March 28

Children's Series

Pinkalicious, the Musical.....	October 6
Spencers: Theatre of Illusion	November 10
Missoula Children's Theatre <i>Hansel & Gretel</i>	February 15
The Verve Pipe <i>Family Show</i>	March 9

Special Events

Pentatonix	October 26
<i>Broadway's Next Hit Musical</i>	April 24

2012-2013 – Schaeffer Auditorium Renovations

Ursa Minor's Café

Matt Schofield	October 3
<i>Broadway's Next Hit Musical</i> (cancelled due to Hurricane Sandy)	October 29
The Depue Brothers Band	November 13
Project Trio	February 19
Maura O'Connell	March 13
Babatunde Lea	April 4
Janis Ian	April 23

Children's Series

Tom Chapin	October 28
Garry Krinsky <i>Toying with Science</i>	February 10
The Jason Bishop Show	March 3

Special Events

<i>The Snowman</i> (at Miller Center for the Arts at RACC)	November 30 & December 1
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2011-2012 – Schaeffer Auditorium Renovations Begin

Performing Artists Series

<i>Elements</i> by Keigwin + Company	September 23
Eileen Ivers & Immigrant Soul.....	October 6
Calder Quartet & So Percussion	November 10

Ursa Minor's Café

Gerald Clayton	October 20
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Performing Artists Series & Ursa Minor's Café Combined

Wycliffe Gordon " <i>Hello Pops</i> ": <i>A Tribute To Louis Armstrong</i>	February 23
<i>Mayhem and Majesty</i> by Squonk Opera	March 29
Shemekia Copeland	April 12

Children's Series

Alex Mitnick & The Kaleidoscope Band	October 2
<i>The Snowman</i>	December 3 & 4
<i>Charlotte's Web</i>	February 12

Special Events

<i>Best of Woodstock</i> by Classic Albums Live	November 5
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2010-2011 – Inaugural Season of Ursa Minor’s Cafe

Performing Artists Series

<i>S’Wonderful; A New Gershwin Musical</i>	September 28
Sphinx Chamber Orchestra & Harlem Quartet.....	October 13
David Bennett Quintet: Tribute to Benny Goodman.....	November 10
Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company	January 26
Evidence Dance Company.....	February 17
New York Voices.....	April 7

Children’s Series

Michael Cooper: <i>Masked Marvels and Wondertales</i>	October 31
<i>The Snowman</i>	December 3 &4
Jonathan Sprout	March 20

Ursa Minor’s Cafe

The Mambo Kings.....	November 18
Blue Method	February 10
Chris Brubeck’s <i>Triple Play</i>	March 31
Jami Tyzik: <i>Femmes Fatales</i>	April 14

Special Events

Twist and Shout: <i>The Music of the Beatles</i>	October 16
Kathy Mattea: <i>Coal</i>	March 24

2009-2010 – Adopted the title *KU Presents!*

Performing Artist Series

I Musici de Montreal	October 4
Cherish the Ladies	December 2
Paragon Ragtime Orchestra, <i>The Mark of Zorro</i> (w. film).....	February 5
STREB Extreme Action Company.....	March 1
<i>Thank You, Gregory!</i> Tribute to Tap Legends.....	April 7

Children’s Series

They Might Be Giants (children’s program).....	October 17
Soul Street Dance Company	November 22
Theaterworks USA: <i>Junie B. Jones</i>	March 21

Special Events

They Might Be Giants (adult/evening show).....	October 17
Yamato, The Drummers from Japan: <i>Matsuri-Fiesta</i>	November 3
Actors from the London Stage: <i>Romeo & Juliet</i>	February 12 & 14

2008-2009

Performing Artists Series

Forbidden Broadway.....	September 25
The Capital Steps	October 30
Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir and Tallinn Chamber Orchestra.....	November 18
Bluegrass All-Star Jam	January 15
Ragamala Music and Dance Theatre with Wadaiko Ensemble Tokara	February 22
Giordano Jazz Dance Chicago	April 1

Children’s Series

Red Grammer.....	November 2
Missoula Children’s Theatre: <i>The Princess and the Pea</i>	January 24
The Gizmo Guys	March 2

2007-2008 – 20th Anniversary Season

Performing Artists Series

Neil Berg's <i>100 Years of Broadway</i>	September 20
Hubbard Street Dance Chicago	October 16
Yamato, Drummers of Japan	November 6
Mingus Big Band	January 30
Israel Chamber Orchestra	February 24
Paul Taylor Dance Company	April 10

Children's Series

Les Parfaits Inconnus - <i>The Perfect Unknowns</i>	October 21
Sign Stage on Tour: <i>James and the Giant Peach</i>	February 3
Galumph	March 30

2006-2007

Performing Artists Series

Aquila Theatre Company: <i>The Canterbury Tales</i>	October 3
Universes: <i>Slanguage</i>	October 11
Count Basie Orchestra	October 25
Le Mystère des Voix Bulgares	November 30
DanceBrazil	January 28
Moscow Chamber Orchestra	March 21
Federico Mondelci, saxophone	
Koresh Dance Company	April 12

Children's Series

Theatreworks: <i>Seussical</i>	October 29
Russian American Kids Circus	February 11
Daredevil Opera Company: <i>Cirkus Inferno</i>	April 22

2005-2006

Performing Artists Series

Avantango	September 28
Opera Verdi Europa: <i>The Barber of Seville</i>	October 31
Yamato, Drummers of Japan	November 21
BodyVox	February 16
I Musici from Rome	March 8
The Dirty Dozen Brass Band and the Dixie Hummingbirds	April 6

Children's Series

Fred Garbo Inflatable Theatre	October 23
Trout Fishing in America	February 26
Dallas Children's Theatre: <i>The Sinky Cheese</i>	March 25

2004-2005

Performing Artists Series

Philadanco	September 23
Tony Waag's: <i>Tap City</i>	November 11
Turtle Island String Quartet <i>Solstice Celebration</i>	December 7
Opera Verdi Europa: <i>Aida</i>	February 7
Venice Baroque Orchestra	March 2
Marielle and Katia Labeque, duo pianists	
Charlie Musselwhite.....	April 4

Children's Series

Imago Theatre Company: <i>Frogz</i>	October 31
Theatreworks: <i>Junie B. Jones</i>	December 12
Puccini: <i>Sport</i>	February 13

2003-2004

Performing Artists Series

Aquila Theatre Company: <i>Othello</i>	October 1
Orquesta Aragon.....	Rescheduled November 10: Original Date October 30
Yamato, The Drummers of Japan.....	November 17
Dayton Contemporary Dance Company: <i>The Flight Project</i>	February 19
Camerata Sweden.....	March 29
Lily Cai Chinese Dance Company.....	April 22

Children's Series

Fly Dance Company	November 9
Missoula Children's Theatre: <i>The Frog Prince</i>	January 31
Enchantment Theatre: <i>The Snow Queen</i>	April 4

2002-2003

Performing Artists Series

Cyrus Chestnut Trio	September 17
Ballet Stars of Moscow.....	October 17
International Sejong Soloists.....	November 7
Soloist: Cho-Liang Lin, Violin	
Habib Koité and Bamada	February 4
Flying Karamazov Brothers: <i>Catch</i>	March 12
River North Chicago Dance Company	April 8

Children's Series

Philadelphia Chinese Opera Society: <i>"The Monkey King"</i>	November 3
Tom Chapin.....	February 9
Avner the Eccentric.....	March 9

2001-2002

Performing Artists Series

The Vanguard Jazz Orchestra.....	September 20
Camerata Ireland.....	October 28
Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana.....	November 28
<i>Porgy and Bess</i>	February 13
Eileen Ivers.....	March 11
Parsons Dance Company.....	April 9

Children's Series

Landis & Company: <i>Cinderella</i>	October 21
The Blues Berries.....	February 3
Theatreworks USA: <i>Superfudge</i>	April 7

2000-2001

Performing Artists Series

Rick Braun.....	September 16
Iceland Symphony Orchestra.....	October 10
Capitol Steps.....	November 2
River City Brass Band.....	December 4
Garth Fagan Dance.....	February 12
BeauSoleil 25 th Anniversary Tour: <i>2001: A Cajun Space Odyssey</i>	March 13
Momix: <i>In Orbit</i>	April 18

Children's Series

Squonk Opera: <i>Bigsmorgasbordwunderwerk</i>	November 5
Missoula Children's TheatreL: <i>Rumpelstiltskin RUMPELSTILTSKIN</i>	January 27
Smythe and Saucier's: <i>Circo Comedia</i>	March 4

1999-2000

Performing Artists Series

Bobby Short (V&PA Benefit).....	September 14
Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre.....	October 14
Budapest Strings.....	November 15
Soloist Paula Robison, flute	
Piffaro, the Renaissance Band.....	December 8
<i>Halley's Comet</i> starring John Amos.....	February 3
Newport Jazz Millennium Celebration.....	March 14
Martha Graham Dance Company.....	April 27

Children's Series

Pilobolus Too.....	November 7
Visible Fictions?: <i>The Red Balloon</i>	January 29
The Gizmo Guys.....	March 5

1998-1999

Performing Artists Series

Arturo Sandoval (PAC benefit)	September 16
Mark Morris Dance Group	October 28
Moscow Chamber Orchestra	November 18
Paul Galbraith, classical guitar soloist	
American Boychoir	December 10
Donald Byrd/The Group	February 23
Kronos Quartet	March 24
<i>Fiddler on the Roof</i>	May 3

Children's Series

Landis & Company Theatre of Magic in <i>Beauty and the Beast</i>	November 8
Al Simmons	February 7
Theatreworks USA: <i>The Secret Garden</i>	March 28

1997-1998

Performing Artists Series

Dave Brubeck (PAC benefit)	September 17
Pilobolus	October 8
Opera Northeast: <i>Madama Butterfly</i>	November 15
I Musici	December 4
Rhythm in Shoes	March 4
Aquila Theatre Company of London: <i>Julius Ceasar</i>	March 31
Aquila Theatre Company of London: <i>The Birds</i>	April 1
Paul Winter Consort	April 22

Children's Series

Ethos Percussion Group: <i>Bing! Bang! Boom!</i>	November 2
Tomas Kubinek	February 1
Theatreworks USA: <i>Phantom of the Opera</i>	April 26

1996-1997

Performing Artists Series

Stephane Grappelli (PAC benefit)	September 25
The London Chamber Orchestra	October 24
Director, Christopher Warren Green	
<i>Ain't Misbehavin'</i> with Martha Reeves and the Vandellas	November 14
Quartetto Gelato	December 5
Ballet Hispanico	February 20
Chorovaya Akademia	March 19
The Paul Taylor Dance Company	April 19

Children's Series

Tom Chapin	November 3
Anne of Green Gables	February 16
Dinorock Productions: <i>Dr. Dinosaur</i>	April 6

1995-1996 – Inaugural Season of the Children’s Series

Performing Artists Series

Diane Schuur (PAC benefit)	September 16
The Norwegian Chamber Orchestra	October 18
Artistic Director/Soloist Iona Brown (violin)	
Rhythm in Shoes	November 8
The Canadian Brass	December 6
Jazz at Lincoln Center with Wynton Marsalis	February 14
Dancers and Musicians of Bali	March 13
Mummenschanz	April 10

Children’s Series

ArtsPower <i>Hans Brinker and the Silver Skates</i>	October 28
Dinorock Productions: <i>The Great Dinosaur Mystery</i>	February 18
Trout Fishing in America	March 31

1994-1995

Performing Artists Series

The Chick Corea Quartet (PAC benefit)	September 26
Ballet Folklorico Quetzali/Tlen Huicani	October 13
The King’s Singers	November 15
Maura O’Connell and Livingston Taylor	December 8
Musicians from Marlboro	February 16
Shizumi/The Kenny Endo Ensemble	March 30
The Acting Company: <i>The African Company Presents “Richard III”</i>	April 23

1993-1994

Performing Artists Series

The Grover Washington, Jr., Quintet (PAC benefit)	September 14
The Washington Ballet	September 23
The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra	October 23
Soloist Yefim Bronfman (piano), Music Director Hugh Wolff	
Musicians from Marlboro	Sunday, November 14
Rebirth Brass Band	February 4
<i>City of Angels</i>	March 16
Lewitzky Dance Company	April 16

1992-1993

Performing Artists Series

American Indian Dance Theatre	October 22
Paul Winter Consort	September 17
Garth Fagan Dance	January 29
Chanticleer	December 8
The Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio	March 11
<i>Grand Hotel</i>	May 11

1991-1992

Performing Artists Series

Queen Ida and the Bon Temps Zydeco Band	September 26
Turtle Island String Quartet	November 14
Nebraska Theatre Caravan: <i>A Christmas Carol</i>	December 19
Adapted for the stage by Charles James	
Limon Dance Company.....	February 13
Pittsburgh Opera Theater: <i>Carmen</i>	March 26
The Waverly Consort	April 23

1990-1991

Performing Artists Series

Tito Puente/Latin Jazz All-Stars	October 11
West German Sinfonia.....	November 15
Soloist Gary Schocker, Artistic Director Dirk Jones	
Ladysmith Black Mambazo	February 7
<i>Into the Woods</i>	April 11
Feld Ballets./NY	May 2

1989-1990

Performing Artists Series

The Vusisizwe Players/The Market Theatre Co. of Capetown, South Africa: <i>You Strike the Woman, You Strike the Rock</i>	October 26
The Billy Taylor Trio	November 30
Pilobolus.....	February 7
An Die Musik	March 15

1988-1989 – Inaugural Season of the Performing Artist Series

Concentus Hungaricus (The Chamber Orchestra of the Hungarian Radio).....	November 17
Soloist Michiko Otaki, piano	
The Murray Louis Dance Company	March 29
The Acting Company: <i>Love's Labour's Lost</i>	May 3