DeSales Performing Arts Programs, Graduates Enriching Lehigh Valley Community and Beyond

DeSales Endowment for the Arts Awards DeSales Masterpiece Grant for Dance Production

Before there was Cirque de Soleil, Pilobolus or Momix, there was Alwin Nikolai, the world renowned dance master and artistic director of New York's Murray Louis and Nikolai Dance Company. Alberto Del Saz, was in residence at DeSales University to set Sleeve Involvement on the DeSales dance artists. A former student of Nikolai, Del Saz also offered master classes and lectures to the Lehigh Valley community.

Sleeve Involvement was performed in 2010 at the Zoeller Arts Center, Bethlehem, and in the DeSales University Dance Ensemble Concert at the Labuda Arts Center. It will be performed in NYC at Hunter College's Sharing the Legacy program, April 15–16, 2011. For facts, visit www.desales.edu/dance.

“Sleeve Involvement” — photo by Matthew Wright

Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival to Celebrate 20th Season

A leading Shakespeare festival with an emerging national reputation for excellence, The Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival is a professional theatre dedicated to producing the works of William Shakespeare and other master dramatists. PSF is summer home to nearly 150 artists and artisans from around the country, including winners and nominees of the Tony, Oscar, Emmy, Drama Desk, Outer Critics Circle, Jefferson, and Barrymore awards. The company also produces musical theatre, children's theatre, and a free outdoor "Green Show," providing patrons of all ages a diverse range of theatre experiences in a festival environment.

From late May through early August, PSF offers 200 performances of six full productions, plus several "one-night only" performances. The Festival attracts nearly 50,000 patrons from 20 states.

Founded in 1992 by Rec. Gerald J. Schubert, OSFS, the Festival has produced 23 plays of the Shakespeare canon in 19 seasons, as well as the works of Shaw, O'Neill, Gork, Williams, Syng, and Molère. The 2011 20th anniversary season will feature major new programming and the announcement of a magnificent vision for the Festival's next 20 years.

David Kemper and Betsy Mugavero from "Romeo & Juliet" — photo by Lee A. Butz