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THE **WRIGHT** SERIES Wright Auditorium • 7:30 p.m.



Sat. February 22, 2025
Trailblazing Women of Country
A Tribute to Patsy, Loretta & Dolly



Sat. March 22, 2025
New York Theatre Ballet
Emerging Ballet



Fri. April 25, 2025
The Drifters
R&B Icons

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The Drifters Program

On Broadway
This Magic Moment
Up on the Roof
Save the Last Dance
Stand By Me
Mustang Sally
There Goes My Baby
Under the Boardwalk
On Broadway (OUTRO)

Intermission

Saturday Night at the Movies
Dance With Me
I Count the Tears
My Girl
Twist Medley
Only You
Ruby Baby
Don't Go, Please Stay
Higher & Higher
Spanish Harlem
Dock of the Bay
Reprise - Under the Boardwalk

The Drifters

Jerome Jackson Early Clover	
Stephon Jones	Lead Vocalist
Joe Cross	Lead Vocalist
Jack Harman	Musical Director/Guitar
Evan Bryant	Bass
Tim Gawert	
Randy Ines	Keyboards

Presented by BiCoastal Productions

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THE DRIFTERS...one of Rock & Roll's founding vocal groups is once again touring the U.S. under the auspices of their original management team.

From their inception in the early 1950's and up until recently THE DRIFTERS has a symbiotic relationship with Rock & Roll legend George Treadwell, who's discovered and managed such famous artists as Dinah Washington, Sarah Vaughn and Nina Simone. The Treadwell Family was there when the original DRIFTERS formed and was responsible for guiding their career through 20 years of uninterrupted hits that has made them the second most successful recording artist of all time, according to Billboard Magazine.

Through an historical journey, which included no less than 5 legendary lead singers, including Rock & Roll Hall of Famers Clyde McPhatter and Ben E. King the group's ongoing story has covered the entire spectrum of Rock & Roll. They were the first musical group to include string instruments into Rhythm & Blues music with their hauntingly beautiful song, "There Goes My Baby". They were the first musical group to sell 2 million records with their pop classic, "Up On The Roof". They were the first African American vocal group to be inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. Along with fellow inductees the Rolling Stones, the Beatles, Bob Dylan and the Supremes, the Drifters were in the first class of Rock & Roll legends to be initiated into the Hall of Fame. Their classic tune "Under The Boardwalk" is the most played R & B record of all time. 20 other million sellers followed.

Their songs have been penned by such historic songwriters as Jerry Leiber & Mike Stoller, Carol King, Jerry Goffen and Phil Spector. They have played at the White House on 3 different occasions, give a benefit concert in Berlin the day the wall fell, performed for the Pope, the Queen of England, Nelson Mandella and toured the world for the USO in 3 different war zones from Korea to Iraq. And behind it all was George Treadwell and his family, guiding the career of this historic group.

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- Did you know SRAPAS was Founded by Rudy Alexander in 1962
- Did you know SRAPAS first season hosted, Alexander Brailowsky, pianist, NC Symphony Orchestra, Greg Colson, pianist and Three in Concert (percussion trio)
- Did you know SRAPAS has a K-5 Student program called Arts Smart
- Did you know Artistic and Managing Director, Alex Davis stepped into the roll in 2022 and works meticulously on planning and running the Series.
- Did you know 25 years ago on Feb. 22 SRAPAS hosted Minnesota Orchestra w/ violinist Pinchas Zukerman
- Did you know this is SRAPAS 63rd season

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David Baskeyfield • May 16, 2025

Greenville Choral Society & New Carolina Sinfonia

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Songs for a New World • May 1-10, 2025 You are Found • May 13, 2025

African American Music Series at Emerge

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