Center Stage Returns for 43rd Season
Music, Drama, Singing and Edge-of-Your Seat Theater

(Pueblo, Colo.) Now in its 43rd season, the 2019-2020 season of Center Stage offers variety sure to entertain any taste with performances including dance, music, comedy, and theater by internationally-touring performers. Season tickets are $112 ($88 for members) and available now at the Arts Center box office, online at www.sdc-arts.org or by calling (719) 295-7200. Individual tickets are $30 ($24 for members).

An Evening with C.S. Lewis starring David Payne | Sunday, October 13, 2019, 2:00 pm
The year is 1963 and C.S. Lewis, the famous British author, is hosting a group of American writers at his home near Oxford. They are about to experience a captivating evening with a man whose engaging conversation and spontaneous humor made him one of the great raconteurs of his day. Seated in his living room, he recalls the people and events that shaped his life; his friendship with J.R.R. Tolkien; why he nearly abandoned the Narnia Chronicles; and more.

Nobuntu | Friday, November 8, 2019, 7:30 pm
Nobuntu, the female a cappella quintet from Zimbabwe, has drawn international acclaim for its inventive performances that range from traditional Zimbabwean songs to Afro Jazz to Gospel. The ensemble’s concerts are performed with pure voices, augmented by minimalistic percussion, traditional instruments such as the Mbira (thumb piano) and authentic dance movements. Nobuntu was nominated for Best Musician of the Year at the Zimbabwe International Women Awards in London and has performed in Italy, Austria, Germany, and more.

Piano Battle | Monday, February 3, 2020, 7:30 pm
The brainchild of internationally accomplished pianists Andreas Kern and Paul Cibis, see this duo go head-to-head on stage, charming and enchanting the audience with a variety of classical pieces. The two artists, with distinctly different performance styles, take turns to perform pieces by composers such as Chopin, Liszt and Debussy. They will even improvise based on the tunes you request. Winning the audience's heart is the only thing that counts!

George Orwell’s 1984 by Aquila Theatre | Sunday, March 15, 2020, 4:00 pm
As our modern world grapples with the threats and benefits of technological integration, Aquila Theatre’s production of 1984 provides a space to appreciate the value of individual thought – an evocative and timely narrative of personal freedom against political repression. Today, Orwell’s prescient story resonates around the globe as individuals, systems, and governments clash. 1984 is a classic by one of literature’s most significant authors and provides the kind of evocative and innovative storytelling that suits Aquila’s bold, ensemble driven, physical style.

The 2019-2020 Center Stage Series is presented by Carolyn Jackson, Fran McClave & Kathy Farley, and Ron Aichele, with additional support from Montgomery & Steward Funeral Directors, Rocky Mountain Eye Center, WESTAF, Ron & Cathy Diososio, Dr. Gordon & Mara Beth Rheume, Mark & Kitty Kennedy, Angelo’s Pizza Parlor, Dennis Flores, Shirley Meyer, Jeff & Paula Gostner, Dr. Hal & Barbara DeSelms, Timothy Zercher, Jacquie Huffaker, Laura Solano, Drucilla & Michael Pugh, Bev Moore, Holly Hanson, Dr. Richard & Joyce Lawrence, Kay Bauman, and Aavalajn Music/Camarada 320/Steel City Strings.

About the Sangre de Cristo Arts Center:
The cultural hub of Southern Colorado, the Sangre de Cristo Arts Center gives visitors the tools to think and act creatively through a three building complex including seven galleries offering the best in historic and contemporary art by artists of local, regional and national renown. The Arts Center offers the Buell Children’s Museum, recognized as the second-best for art by Child magazine, a 500-seat theater featuring a variety of performing arts programs, both local and national, and two gift shops. Over 100 fine arts, dance, and leisure classes are available quarterly providing unique offerings to everyone from children to adults of all skill levels. Admission to the Arts Center is $10 for adults, $8 for children, seniors 65+, and military. For more information, please call 719-295-7200, stop by the Arts Center located at 210 N. Santa Fe Ave., just off of I-25, exit 98B, or visit online at www.sdc-arts.org.

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