

**Black-Tie Unveiling of Arts Center featuring World-Premiere by Garth Fagan
Dance with the Ying Quartet and performances from Rochester City Ballet and
Rochester Children's Theatre**

Pre- and post- performance gourmet receptions

September 26, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Nazareth College Arts Center

Tickets are \$150 (\$25 tax deduction)

Nazareth College presents the *Black-Tie Unveiling* of the renovated Arts Center on September 26, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. The Arts Center opening will feature a Nazareth College commissioned world-premiere by Garth Fagan Dance with the Ying Quartet and performances from Rochester City Ballet and Rochester Children's Theater.

Evening's details:

- A pre-performance reception in many areas of the Arts Center with gourmet food, fine wine and beer donated by Constellation Brands, live music, access to the *Midnight Oil: Stewart and Calderwood* exhibition in the New Fine Arts Gallery and live coverage on News 10 NBC between 7:00 and 7:30 p.m.
- A ceremonial ribbon cutting of main doors to Callahan Theater by Nazareth College President Daan Braveman and original Arts Center staff member's - Joseph Baranowski (founding director) and Adele Erenstone (marketing and publicity).
- A curtain raiser of Sondheim's "Putting it Together," from *Sunday in the Park with George*, performed by Rochester Children's Theatre with Nazareth College Musical Theatre students.
- A beautiful 2-piece performance from the Rochester City Ballet.
- Wine, other beverages, and hors d'oeuvres served during intermission.
- The premiere of Nazareth's first commission of a dance work – Garth Fagan Dance with live music by the Ying Quartet. Nazareth College Arts Center commissioned this new piece with support from Deborah Ronnen and Sherman Levey.
 - About the new piece, Garth Fagan stated “ The music of the Ying Quartet's *Dim Sum* is exquisite and to my ear this ‘conscious blending of sounds, techniques, and ideas from traditional Chinese music with this string quartet of the Western classical tradition’ is very exciting, beautiful, complex, and hence inspirational. The exciting challenge is to illuminate the music with 21st century movement and ideas notwithstanding its ancient century-old qualities. Movement invention is my foremost love and the movement and music will fuel my creation of a non-linear, abstract work to celebrate my dancers, the Ying Quartet, the new Nazareth Arts Center. Life and the beauty, necessity and value of cultural communication, exchange and creativity.”
- Post-performance dessert reception with live music all over the Arts Center including on stage. The artistic directors and performers from the Garth Fagan

Dance, Ying Quartet, Rochester City Ballet and Rochester Children's Theatre will attend the post-performance reception.

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