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Blackfriars Dance Concert Angell Blackfriars Theater, Smith Center for the Arts

The Blackfriars Dance Concert, presented by the Providence College Dance Company, on December 1^{st} and 2^{nd} will include work from four guest choreographers – Michael Bolger, Sharon Montella, Peter Ostaltsov and Melody Ruffin-Ward – as well as work from resident choreographers Lindsay Craven and Wendy Oliver.

Mr. Bolger currently dances with Island Moving Company in Newport, Carol Summers in Boston, and teaches at Providence Ballet. Ms. Montella performs with the Boston Dance Company and the Dance Collective of Boston. Her piece for the PC Dance Company, "Serenada" is set to the classical violin and piano piece "Serenada Andaluza" by composer Pablo di Sarasate, a contemporary lyrical piece combining ballet and modern dance with a Spanish flair. "Children's Room" by Peter Ostaltsov is based on Tchaikovsky's piano album for children; Mr. Ostaltsov is a former dancer and choreographer for Festival Ballet. Ms. Ruffin-Ward performs with Danny McCusker in Boston, and is an Associate Professor of Dance at Rhode Island College.

Resident choreographer and special lecturer Lindsay Craven has set "Shambala", an energetic jazz piece, on nine members of the PC Company. It is performed to music by the Beastie Boys and Nickodemus. And Dr. Oliver, Professor and current Chair of the Department of Theatre, Dance and Film will present work as well as serving as director for the Providence College Dance Company. Dance genres will include modern, jazz and contemporary ballet, with solo work performed by Ms. Craven and Ms. Montella.

The Angell Blackfriars Theatre is part of the Smith Center for the Arts located in the East campus area of Providence College. The Smith Center and its adjacent parking lot can be reached through the Eaton Street Gate, located between Douglas and Huxley Avenues. The Box Office is located at the main entrance of the Smith Center and will be open for ticket sales beginning November 6, 2006. Box Office hours are Monday through Friday, 1:30 to 5:00 PM and 1 hour prior to performances. Tickets may also be purchased over the phone with a credit card by calling 401-865-2218. Ticket prices are \$10.00, \$7.00 (senior citizens) and \$5.00 (students). Credit card sales include a processing fee of \$1.00 per ticket. All seats are reserved.

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What: Blackfriars Dance Concert

Where: Angell Blackfriars Theatre, Smith Center for the Arts

When: Friday, December 1 at 8:00pm

Saturday, December 2 at 2:00 pm.

Tickets: \$10.00, \$7.00 (seniors), \$5.00 (students)

Ticket Sales: 401-865-2218 or stop by the Theatre Box Office located in the lobby of

The Smith Center for the Arts on the campus of Providence College