

The B.E.E. Line

BLACK ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS



ARTS
AFRO-AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER/ Batik paintings by Dr. Leo Twiggs will be exhibited at the Afro Center Aug. 4 - Aug. 27. A reception for the artist will be held Friday, Aug. 11, 6:30 p.m. On Sat. Aug. 12, Dr. Twiggs will present a workshop. For more information, please call 374-1565.

THE UBIQUITOUS GALLERY, LTD./ The transcultural fine art gallery invites the public to meet artist Frank Frazier on Fri., Aug. 4, 1 - 7 p.m., Sat., Aug. 5, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., and Sun., Aug. 6, 1 - 7 p.m. at the gallery. From Dallas, Texas, Frazier will be present for a special print signing exhibition. Ubiquitous Gallery is located at 1936 E. 7th St. Regular hours are: Tues. - Sat., 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Sun., 1 - 7 p.m. Monday --- by appointment only. Call (704) 376-6944, for more information.

MINT MUSEUM/ African Art from the Rita and John Grunwald Collection on display at the Mint Museum, 2730 Randolph Rd. August 27 - November 11.

CLUBS/NIGHTLIFE
Mr. PEE's/ Freedom Village Shopping Center, 2953 Freedom Dr. Call (704) 392-2548.

EXCELSIOR CLUB/ 921 Beattles Ford Rd. Call (704) 391-1911.

KINGS AND QUEENS/ 119 S. Brevard St. Ladies Night, Thursdays.

THE PTERODACTYL CLUB/ 1600 Freedom Dr. Call (704) 324-3400.

DOUBLE DOOR INN/ 218 E. Independence. Call (704) 376-1446.

THE JAZZ CELLAR/ 330 North Tryon St. Call 332-3663 for more information.

ST. MARK'S/ 2401 Wilkinson Blvd. Call (704) 375-8828.

CONCERTS

SUMMERFEST/ Concert featuring Patti LaBelle, Guy, MC Hammer, Stephanie Mills and others, Friday, August 11 at the Charlotte Coliseum. Tickets: \$17.50 reserved seating.

MTUNDU PEOPLES COMMUNITY HOUSE/ Presents African Summer Jam featuring live from Senegal, West Africa Baaba Maal with Dande Lenol on Fri., Aug. 18, 10 p.m. Tickets: \$10 at the door. The Mtundu Peoples Community House is located at 3300 Tuckaseegee Rd. For more information, please call (704) 399-1171.

DREAD & DE AFRICAN

Dinner Theatre Coming Back To Charlotte

Center Stage Productions, a Pineville based Entertainment Production Company, is bringing professional dinner theater back to Charlotte. Center Stage Dinner Theater will be located at 600 Towne Centre Boulevard, in the Pineville Towne Centre, near the intersection of Highways 51 and 521 (Pineville-Matthews Road and South Boulevard).

The 400-plus seat theater will present Broadway musicals and gourmet meals year-round at evening and matinee performances.

The space will also host wedding receptions, rehearsal and anniversary dinners featuring one-act musicals customized to the wedding party; commercial, industrial and trade shows featuring customized musical presentations of the client's product, service or concept; a no-alcohol, no-smoking teen night club during the summer months; and a big-band-of-the-month featuring dining and dancing to a different nationally known big band each month.

Marty Thomas, president of Center Stage Productions, says Center Stage Dinner Theatre is a "multi-use space with state-of-the-art theatrical sound and lighting that will be the most sophisticated facility for business and training meetings in the Charlotte area."

Charter "season" tickets are being offered for a limited time. Call 704-889-2738 for information.

QUEEN/ presents Jah Mel & De Rhythm Factory on Sat., Aug. 5, 10 p.m. at the Mtundu Peoples Community House, 3300 Tuckaseegee Rd. Tickets: \$10 at the door. For information, call (704) 399-1171. Vendors are welcome.

WCNC-TV JAZZCHARLOTTE/ A jazz concert in honor of WCNC-TV JazzCharlotte will be

held from 4 - 9 p.m. Sun., Aug. 13 at Whispers. Whispers is located in the rear of Park Road Shopping Center. Entertainment will feature Faction, Johnny Holloway & The Hi-Tones, and the Pat Walters Band with special guest Debbie Dobbins Baker. Free hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Adm.: \$10 per person at the door.

FESTIVALS
NATIONAL BLACK THEATRE FESTIVAL/ Produced and host-

ed by the North Carolina Black Repertory Company the National Black Theatre Festival will be held Aug. 14 - 20 in Winston-Salem. For more information, call (919) 723-7907.

LECTURES

FIRST FRIDAY/ "The Black Media" seminar will be held on Friday, August 4, 6 p.m., at FDY, 3411 St. Vardell Ln. Adm.: \$5.

MISCELLANEOUS

AN EVENING IN NAIROBI/ Africa comes to Charlotte on Saturday, August 26, 7:30 p.m. at the Charlotte Convention Center. This is a cultural exhibition of ethnic tradition and culture from the people and tribes of Kenya and other nations of Africa. Tickets: \$12. For more information, please call (803) 463-4867 or (704) 527-6120.

SOCIALS

FIRST FRIDAY/ Action in August to be held Friday, August 4, 6 p.m., at FDY, 3411 St. Vardell Ln. Adm.: \$5.



The above art is by Frank Frazier, a nationally renowned artist from Dallas, Tx, who will make a three-day appearance at Ubiquitous Gallery this weekend as the gallery celebrates its first birthday. See the BEE LINE for details.

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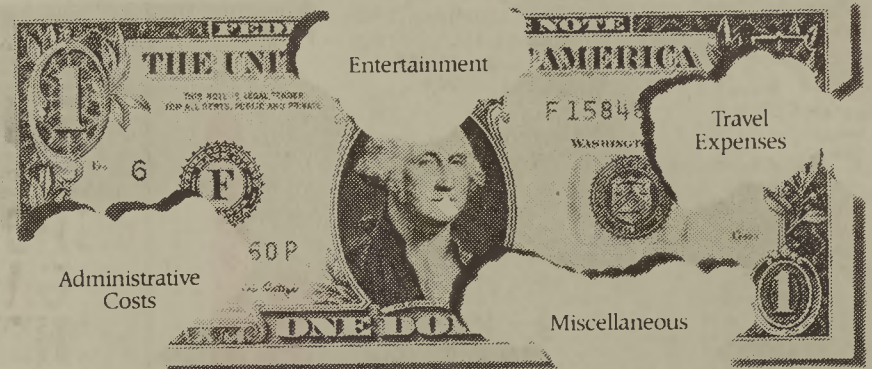
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