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## **Backstage Evanston Showcases Performing Arts**

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The fourth annual Backstage Evanston will showcase an exciting array of theater, dance and music companies from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Sept. 29, in the Ethel M. Barber Theater at Northwestern University. Doors will open at 2:30 p.m.

Presented by the Arts & Business Committee of the Evanston Arts Council and the City of Evanston, the event is one-stop-shopping for theater and music lovers. Fifteen groups will present five-minute performances and offer discounted tickets to their season's performances. These discounts will be offered only that day at Backstage Evanston.

This year, the special event will celebrate the 150th anniversary of Evanston by offering a historical glimpse of the participating groups via photographs and anecdotes. Participants include The Actors Gymnasium, CoCo-DaCo, Evanston Dance Ensemble, Evanston Symphony Orchestra, Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre, Light Opera Works, The Musical Offering, Music Institute of Next Theatre Chicago, Next Theatre Company, North Shore Choral Society, PiccoloTheatre, Piven Theatre Workshop, Renovo String Orchestra, The Savoyaires and Theater and Interpretation Center at Northwestern University.



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Advance tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at www.BackstageEvanston.com or by phone at 847-448-8260. Day-of-event tickets at the door are \$25. Student admission is \$10 with ID. Kids 12 and under are free. Non-student entrance vouchers are redeemable for a special \$20 offer from any participating organization.

The Ethel M. Barber Theater is located at 30 Arts Circle Drive on the Northwestern University campus in Evanston. Free parking is available in the two-story lot on Arts Circle Drive and is easily accessible during construction on campus.

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