



Scarecrows in the Garden

The Historic Columbia Foundation has encouraged community and local businesses, organizations and individuals to submit a creative or wacky scarecrow to be displayed at the Robert Mills House and Gardens during the month of October 2008. The top winners will receive cash, awards, or trophies. Historic Columbia will host an open house and reception on Wednesday, October 1, 2008 from 5:30 PM-8:00 PM, to kick off the “Scarecrows in the Garden” exhibit.



Guests can enjoy spooky appetizers, beverages, and brews,

visit the museum shop, and experience the fall season as they view handcrafted scarecrows. Guests must pay \$15 for access to food and beverages, but the Museum Shop is free. Reservations are required and can be made through the Concierge at the National Advocacy Center (NAC), by calling 803-606-4738.

On October 29 and 30, the Historic Columbia Foundation will also host Historic Hauntings, offering Halloween tours, haunting tales and activities. Visitors can take a guided tour of the Robert Mills House and the Elmwood Cemetery each evening. The first tour begins at 6:30 PM and the second at 8:15 PM. The first stop on the 6:30 PM tour is the Robert Mills House, where guests will

have the opportunity to view “Scarecrows in the Garden” and listen to a porch-side presentation of the sad tale of Sarah Hall, mistress of the Hampton-Preston Mansion and Robert Mills House. The second stop on the tour is the Elmwood cemetery, where costumed tour guides tell captivating stories of 19th and 20th-century Columbia families, soldiers, and leaders buried at the site. Please note that the Elmwood Cemetery is the only stop on the 8:15 PM tour. The NAC Van will provide transportation. The cost of the tour is \$15 per person, with a minimum reservation of four people required. Please contact the Concierge for more information.

New Direct Flight

As of September 3rd, 2008, US Airways added a 4th nonstop flight from Columbia to the Reagan Washington National Airport. The new flight will depart Columbia at 1:15 PM and arrive in Washington, DC at 2:42 PM.

Additional US Airways nonstop flights from



Columbia to Washington include:

Departs	Arrive
6:25 AM	7:49 AM
11:10 AM	12:46 PM
1:15 PM	2:42 PM*
5:40 PM	7:04 PM

* newest flight

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Five Points After Five

The 5 Points After 5 concert series kicked-off their fall season on Thursday, September 11, 2008, with Mystic Vibrations, from Jamaica, and Lefty At The Washout, from Columbia, SC.

This free concert series takes place at the Five Points Fountain Plaza every Thursday from 6:30 PM-10:00 PM. The live music is great and the crowds are always exciting. The concert venue is located at the corner of Greene and Harden Streets, in the heart of Five Points, and is within walking distance to numerous restaurants, bars and shops.

The Schedule for October is jam-packed with great bands which include the following:

October 2	Herbie Jeffcoat Project w/ Ten Toes Up
October 9	Joal Rush w/ The Soul Mites
October 16	Marry a Thief w/ Rejectioneers
October 23	Villanova w/ Danger Muffin
October 30	Tootie and the Jones w/ Twilight Armada

The NAC Shuttle starts running at 5:45 PM to 5 Points with the last returning shuttle to the NAC leaving 5 Points at 10:52 PM. This is a FREE service!!!



Villanova, local favorite playing October 30

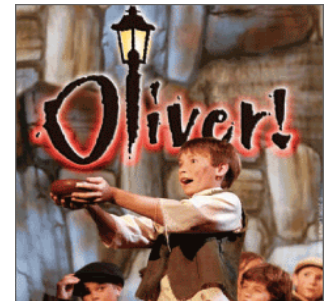
Oliver!

Consider yourself enchanted by *Oliver!* Hailed the world over as one of the best-loved musicals of all time, *Oliver!* brings to the stage one of Charles Dickens' most beloved characters along with one of Broadway's most memorable scores. Hits that include *Consider Yourself at Home*; *Food, Glorious Food*; and *Where is Love* surround this heartwarming tale of the young orphan Oliver Twist in this all-

new production of Lionel Bart's magical musical. Tickets range from \$45 to \$55.

Oliver! will be presented at the Koger Center for the Arts, located at 1051 Greene Street, October 22 and 23, 2008 at 7:30 PM.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.capitoltickets.com or by calling (803)251-2222.



Vista After Five Postponed

The Fall Season of Vista After 5 was postponed until next Spring due to reasons beyond the organization's control. Their sponsor at Jillian's will be hosting the bands inside each Thursday from 6 PM-9 PM.

Admission will still be free and part of the proceeds will benefit Carolina Children's Home.

The band line-up for October 2008 is as

follows:

October 2	Fresh Air
October 9	Coastline Band
October 16	The Men of Distinction

Jillian's is located at 800 Gervais Street in the Vista. For more information call (803) 779-7789.



Rascal Flatts

With the best selling Country Music tour for the first quarter of 2008, multi-Platinum Country group Rascal Flatts has played to 1.2 million fans over the last year and are currently on tour in support of their fifth studio album, *Still Feels Good*, with tour opener Taylor Swift. Since their career launched in 2000, Rascal Flatts has sold more than 17 million albums, scored nine No. 1 singles, 17 Top 10 hits and each of their five albums are multi-Platinum sellers. Reigning CMA Vocal Group of the Year for the past five consecutive years, Rascal Flatts has been honored with 12 CMA Award nominations and six wins. Their latest hit, "Bob That Head," is rising on the Country singles charts.

Reigning CMA Horizon winner Taylor

Swift recently became the only Country female artist to have five consecutive Top 10 singles from a debut album on the Billboard Country charts. Her self-titled debut album released back in 2006 spawned five hits, including her latest,



"Should've Said No."

The show will be held at The Colonial Center, located at 801 Lincoln Street, on Thursday, October 23, 2008 at 8:00 PM.

Tickets are \$51.75-\$72 and may be purchased online at www.thecolonialcenter.com or by calling (803) 576-9200.

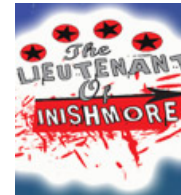
Trustus Theatre Presents...

From the writer who brought you the *PILLOWMAN* and *IN BRUGES* comes a hilariously dark caper through Ireland. On a lonely road on the island of Inishmore, someone killed an Irish Liberation Army enforcer's cat. He'll want to know who when he gets back from a stint of torture and chip-shop bombing in Northern Ireland. He loves his cat more than life itself, and someone is going to pay. "McDonagh weaves the strands of his plot together with superb panache and his dialogue is a joy, full of debunking hu-

mor that reveals the terrorists in their absurdly dim true colors."-Daily Telegraph (London). "You can't imagine how many dramatic developments, how much horror, how much comedy, McDonagh spins as a consequence of {a} cat's death...his blackest, funniest, most violent, most absurd...play to date."-Financial Times (London).

Trustus Theatre is located at 520 Lady Street, and will be presenting *THE LIEUTENANT OF INISHMORE*, October 17-

November 8, 2008. Tickets range from \$17.50-\$22.50 and can be purchased by calling (803) 254-9732. Show times are 7:30 PM on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8:00 PM on Fridays and Saturdays, and 3:00 PM on Sundays.



Dracula: Ballet with a Bite

The cult hit and audience favorite *Dracula: Ballet with a Bite* returns to the Koger Center for its 13th anniversary. The creatures of the night take over the stage in William Starrett's acclaimed original production for four performances of what international publication *Dance Magazine* calls an "extravaganza that guarantees {the} audience a good time."

Dracula: Ballet with a Bite is presented

by the Columbia City Ballet, at the Koger Center for the Arts, located at 1501 Greene Street. Performances will be held at 7:30 PM on October 30, 7:30 PM and 10 PM on October 31, and 7:30 PM on November 1, 2008.

Tickets range from \$12-\$44 and may be purchased online at www.capitoltickets.com or by calling (803) 251-2222.





**The University of
South Carolina
Gamecocks kick off
their season
August 28, 2008.**



NAC Recipe

Roman-style Chicken

4 skinless chicken breast halves, with ribs
2 skinless chicken thighs, with bones
1/2 teaspoon salt, plus 1 teaspoon
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, plus 1 teaspoon
1/4 cup olive oil
1 red bell pepper, sliced
1 yellow bell pepper, sliced
3 ounces prosciutto, chopped
2 cloves garlic, chopped
1 (15-ounce) can diced tomatoes
1/2 cup white wine
1 tablespoon thyme
1 tablespoon fresh oregano leaves
1/2 cup chicken stock
2 tablespoons capers

1/4 cup chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley

Season the chicken with 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. In a heavy, large skillet, heat the olive oil over medium heat. When the oil is hot, cook the chicken until browned on both sides. Remove from the pan and set aside.

Keeping the same pan over medium heat, add the peppers and prosciutto and cook until peppers have browned and the prosciutto is crisp, about 5 minutes. Add the garlic and cook for 1 minute. Add the tomatoes, wine and herbs. Using a wooden spoon, scrape the browned bits off the bottom of the pan. Return the chicken to the pan, add the stock, and bring the mixture to a boil. Reduce the heat and simmer, covered, until the chicken is cooked through, about 20-30 minutes.

If serving immediately, add the capers and the parsley. Stir to combine and serve. If making ahead of time, transfer the chicken and sauce to a storage con-

tainer, cool, and refrigerate. The next day, reheat the chicken to a simmer over medium heat. Stir in capers and parsley and serve.



Recipe courtesy Giada De Laurentiis