

The Baird - It's Happening Here!

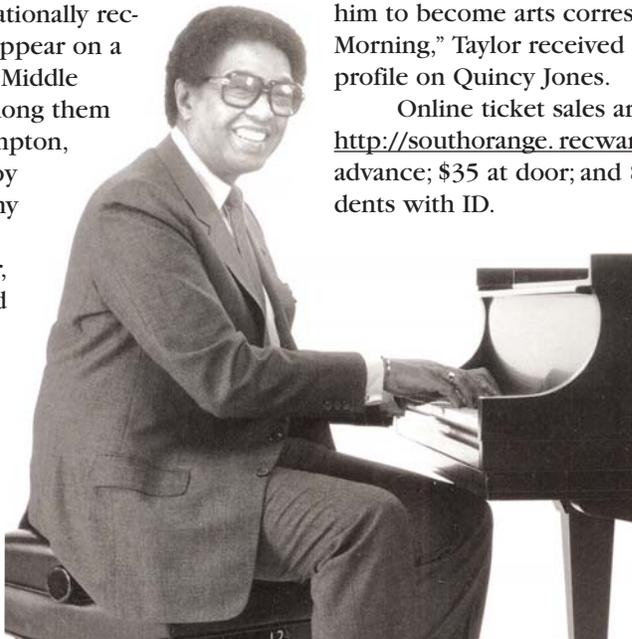
Dynamic Billy Taylor headlines Giants of Jazz VIII

It's the one-night concert the New York Times hails as New Jersey's "premier jazz festival." Giants of Jazz VIII, The Baird's musical phenomenon, is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 15.

Dozens of other internationally recognized jazz musicians will appear on a single stage at South Orange Middle School, starting at 8 p.m. Among them will be Clark Terry, Slide Hampton, Frank Wess, Benny Powell, Roy Hargrove, Junior Manse, Jimmy Heath and Bucky Pizzarelli.

The featured performer, this year's Jazz Masters Award recipient, will be Dr. Billy Taylor, whose six-decade career has earned him acclaim from five U.S. presidents.

An oft-recorded pianist, Taylor is also a composer, teacher and lecturer, who has served as musical



director for "The David Frost Show," and "Tony Brown's Black Journal Tonight" (on PBS). He has hosted two popular NPR radio shows, "Jazz Alive" and "Billy Taylor's Jazz." When Charles Kuralt tapped him to become arts correspondent for "CBS Sunday Morning," Taylor received an Emmy Award for his profile on Quincy Jones.

Online ticket sales are now underway at <http://southorange.recware.com>. Prices are \$30 in advance; \$35 at door; and \$25 for seniors and students with ID.

To buy in person after Sept. 15, go to Baird Center, 5 Mead Street, South Orange; MailBoxes, Etc., South Orange Avenue, South Orange; or Robin Hutchins Gallery, Maplewood.

For more information, go to thebaird.org. Or call (973) 378-7754.

For 10 years, The Baird's programs and artistic collaborations have spawned a broad menu of arts experience. In fact, our very name, "The Baird," has become synonymous with regional arts.

■ **Pierro Gallery of South Orange**

The gallery's significant reputation in the visual arts world brings experience and exposure to our guest artists, with compelling exhibitions and related programming for area residents.

■ **Book Arts Round Table**

For those who love book and paper arts, here's a creative forum for exchanging ideas and information.

■ **Performances at The Baird**

- Giants of Jazz is the one-night, annual concert that has established South Orange as a venue for world-class jazz.

- Jazz at The Baird is an intimate venue for renowned and rising jazz musicians. Five monthly concerts are scheduled January through May at The Baird.

- The Summer Outdoor Concert Series brings an eclectic mix of free concerts in the park every Wednesday in July, from jazz to folk to rock 'n roll.

■ **Arts Classes and Workshops**

A spectrum of visual arts for teens and adults is taught by working professionals. Highlights

include Art With A Master, glass bead-making, drawing, and bas-relief murals.

Age-appropriate classes in art, music and dance are offered for toddlers through middle school.

■ **Penny Pretzel Playhouse**

From across the U.S. and Europe, exceptional puppet presentations for children and adults are introduced by this professional playhouse.

■ **Flying Ship Productions**

(Theater in Residence)

This professional musical touring troupe offers children's classes and shows.

■ **Dreamcatcher Repertory**

(Theater in Residence)

Contemporary plays and musicals are staged by the company's professional actors, who also offer theater classes for teens and adults.

For tickets or class registration, go to Southorange.recware.com

To review The Baird's cultural offerings
thebaird.org

The Baird: An Arts Destination, TOO!

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Dear Friends & Neighbors,

Just look at the variety of arts classes and performances in this insert! Clearly, the arts are alive and thriving at The Baird, and South Orange truly sets a benchmark for other towns' cultural goals.

The Baird's events have made our town's name synonymous with the arts - a reputation that goes far beyond our Village boundaries. Of course, one huge reason our small town can provide such outstanding arts programming is because residents - and visitors! - can join business and community groups as sponsors. Your membership donation to Friends of The Baird Arts helps make these programs and events possible while allowing special privileges, such as discounted tickets and preferred seating.

Please consider joining or renewing your membership today and help the Village continue to shine through the arts. I hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,
Judy Wukitsch
Assistant Director,
Recreation and Cultural Affairs



YES!!!

I want to support the arts by joining South Orange Friends of the Baird Arts

Level 1: Essential \$50

- ★ Advance notice of all art openings, concerts, lectures, seminars, workshops and classes.
- ★ Invitations to select previews and Meet-the-Artist events.

Level 2: Significant \$75

All "Essential" benefits, plus:

- ★ 10% discount on all adult art classes offered at The Baird.
- ★ Discount tickets on Jazz at the Baird Series.

Level 3: Quintessential \$100

All "Essential" and "Significant" benefits, plus:

- ★ 10% discount on the first \$100 spent at Pierro Gallery's Holiday Craft Sale.
- ★ Preferred Seating Advantage at the Giants of Jazz VIII concert (Oct. 15).
- ★ **NEW!** A Mystery Musical Affair: A complementary, intimate evening of live music, singing and light refreshments. A special thanks from The Baird.

Name (please print) _____ Membership Level

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone () _____ E-Mail _____

Please make checks payable to "Village of South Orange" and mail to (or drop off at): Friends of the Baird Arts, Baird Center, 5 Mead Street, South Orange, NJ 07079. For more information, call (973) 378-7754.

I would like information on volunteering for cultural arts programming.

FALL CLASSES

Cultural Arts

All classes start the week of Sept. 19 and run for 10 weeks unless otherwise stated.

High School & Adults

Ceramics

Beginning and advanced students enjoy learning techniques and glazes in greenware ceramics, while finishing and personalizing various molds. Students may bring their own molds or buy from the instructor in class. Hand building with clay is also taught to those with interest. (No wheel available.) Eight Tuesday sessions include a two-week break. Hours are 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Instructor Tina Torre. Fee: \$80.

Basic Jewelry Making

Make your own jewelry! Learn basic jewelry design techniques using beads and wire. Make strand and knotted necklaces and wire-wrap chokers; stud, tassel and dangle earrings; hair clips, pendants and more. No soldering; simple tools are used. Bring your own flatnose and roundnose pliers. Wednesdays, 7 to 8:30 p.m., with instructor/crafter Lara Danmola. Fee: \$135, plus a \$20 supply fee due the first day of class.

Drawing Plus 3

High school students with drawing experience learn to "see" while developing their expression skills. Graphite, pastels, color pencil and paint are used to explore line, composition, form etc., while drawing unusual still lifes and portraits. Thursdays, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Instructor Lynne Buschman. Fee: \$105.

Flamenco Dancing

Explore the energy and soul of gypsy dance - the rhythm, movement and

improvisation. Choreography and technique lessons encompass arm and footwork. Men and women of all ages meet on Thursdays. Beginners, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Intermediate, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Instructor Toni Messina. Fee: \$90.

Glass Bead Making

Beginners and intermediate participants learn bead techniques from uniform to vessel beads, hollow and floral; decorative details like dots, stripes, foil and pixie dust; and small objects such as flowers and animals. Mondays, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Instructor: Anna Butler. Fee: \$270, including materials.

Life Drawing Open Studio

Want to draw from a model, independent of an instructor? Here, you can work seriously at your own pace, with artists of all levels. Wednesdays, 7 to 9:30 p.m. Registration: \$20. Model fee: \$70 (payable in cash at registration time).

Art with a Master

Students of all levels, in all mediums, get individual attention and critiques from master artist Philip Sherrod, a professional exhibitor and teacher at the Art Students League and the National Academy School of Design and Fine Arts in New York. A model will be available at every class, or students may work on independent studies. Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and/or 12:30 to 3 p.m. Registration: \$150.

Model fee: \$88. (Materials not included.)

NEW! Strategies for Success - The Actor's Essential Business Intensive

Career/Life Coach Penelope Brackett and Dreamcatcher Artistic Director Laura Ekstrand guide participants in creating a consistent strategy and inspiration to grow their craft, business and life. Learn to define and communicate your strengths in all interactions. Eight weekly classes begin Oct. 11. For details, call (973) 378-7754, x7.

Two-Day Book Arts Workshop

Learn Pochoir, a traditional French printmaking technique inspired by the books of Delaunay and Matisse, and abstract patterns of designer Verneuil. Produce your own small editions of postcards and the beginning of accordion-fold books. Oct. 15 and 16, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Instructor/artist: Barbara Mauriello. Fee: \$100, plus \$20 for materials.

More Beaded Bindings

Incorporate beads into book spines and covers. Beaded and embroidered samples will be explored. Beaded Binding I and previous bookbinding experience is helpful, but not essential. All are welcome. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Instructor/artist Mimi Schaer. Fee: \$100, plus \$20 for materials.

5th to 8th Graders

NEW! Basic Jewelry Making for Teens

See description under High School and Adult. Fee: \$105, plus a \$20 supply fee due the first day of class

NEW! Bas-Relief Mural Sculpting, Moldmaking, Casting

Use clay to sculpt a three-dimensional bas-relief flat panel (think frieze over doorways in ancient buildings), then make a rubber mold to create a plaster cast, and finally, add paint or patina to individual panels. Fridays, 3:30 to 5 p.m., with instructor Nora Chavooshian. Fee: \$105. Materials: \$25.

Drawing Plus 1

Students in 5th to 7th grades learn drawing basics while developing individual strengths and skills. Learn line, form and composition using graphite, color pencils and paint. Work on still lifes, people and landscapes. Tuesdays, 5 to 6 p.m., with instructor Lynne Buschman. Fee: \$70.

Drawing Plus 2

Students with some drawing experience in 6th, 7th and 8th grades explore continued fundamentals of line, form, composition and perspective. Sharpen individual strengths while learning self-expression and create unusual still-life set-ups and portraits. Thursdays, 3:45 to 5:15 p.m., with instructor Lynne Buschman. Fee: \$105.

To register for a class, go to
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FALL CLASSES Cultural Arts



5th to 8th Grade cont'd

Musical Theater Workshop

Baird's musical theater in residence, Flying Ship Productions, is an active professional touring theater. In this workshop, children ages 8 to 13 work on acting, singing, jazz, tap, and improvisational skills in an encouraging, professional atmosphere. Fall and winter sessions build to an original, musical

performance in the spring. Mondays, 4 to 6 p.m. at Baird. For details and registration, e-mail info@FlyingShipProductions.com.

Guitar Instruction

Beginning acoustic and electric guitar instruction covers notes, chords, picking and strumming. Instructor Tom Morris considers students' musical tastes. Eight Saturday sessions, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Fee: \$56.

Pre-School to 4th Grade

Art Exploration

Children ages 3 and 4 experiment with paint, collage, clay and sculpture. Mondays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., or 2 to 3 p.m. Fee: \$70. New instructor: Julia Healy from the Montclair Museum, Yard School of Art and Nandi Art School in Montclair.

Art Expressions

Students in 1st to 4th grades learn about the creative process while developing skills in drawing, painting, collage, sculpture and printmaking. Students explore form, composition, color and line. Tuesdays, 3:45 to 4:45. Instructor, Lynne Buschman. Fee: \$70.

Concocting in Clay

Platypus Pottery comes to Baird! Students in 1st to 5th grades make animals, aliens, masks and more, while learning hand-building and glazing techniques from professional ceramic artists. Mondays, 5 to 6 p.m. Fee: \$70. Materials fee: \$24, due first class.

Discovering Ceramics

Students in grades K to 4th learn clay building and glazing techniques. Saturdays, 9:30 to 11 a.m., with instructor Tina Torre. Fee: \$105. Materials fee: \$15 due at first class.

Guitar Instruction

Beginning acoustic and electric guitar instruction covers notes, chords, picking and strumming. Instructor Tom Morris considers students' musical tastes. Eight Saturday sessions for 2nd to 4th graders, 10 to 11 a.m. Fee: \$61.

Kinder Art

Half-day kindergartners explore form, composition, and color while working in paint, pastels, collage and sculpture. Mondays, 9 to 10 a.m., or 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. New instructor, Julia Healy from Montclair Museum, Yard School of Art and Nandi Art School in Montclair. Fee: \$70.

Musical Theater Workshop

See description under 5th to 8th Graders.

Sing-Along/Play-Along With Me (ages 2 to 4, with caregivers)

Participants learn the fun and fundamentals of music while singing, dancing and playing rhythm instruments. Tuesdays, 1 to 1:45 p.m. Instructor Marilyn Joyce Lehrer plays the guitar and leads the activity. Fee: \$70.

Fall Sports

Registration is underway for fall sports at The Baird. Programs include baseball, flag football, karate, yoga, tennis, senior fitness, and more. For details and complete listings, log on to <http://southorange.recware.com>.

Basketball at The Baird

In addition to the active "pick-up" scene at Baird's newly renovated basketball courts, three new fall programs are planned:

- "Skills & Drills" - an instructional program for 1st to 6th graders on Saturdays.

- "3-on-3" - Tuesday night leagues for 7th and 8th graders, and Thursday nights for high schoolers.

- "12 Necessary Steps for Basketball Success" - a Friday afternoon program for middle school students preparing for travel-team tryouts. South Orange resident and former professional basketball player Daryl Smith will offer his "D-Trained" program of basketball fundamentals combined with rigorous basketball-specific strength, speed and agility training.

Jaguar Track - Cross Country

This competitive track club for boys and girls ages 6 to 18 aims to develop superior track and field skills, promote physical fitness and build self-esteem. The team is supported by an active parent association. Practices begin Monday, Sept. 12. For more information, contact Maurice or Dancien Cooper at (973) 763-0617 or Andrea Johnson at (973) 762-0910.

To register for a class, go to
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