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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS - BERRIE CENTER AT RAMAPO COLLEGE

(Mahwah) – The Angelica and Russ Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts, located on the campus of Ramapo College of New Jersey, will begin its eighth exciting season of performances on Saturday, September 16. Area residents are invited to join its corps of volunteers, who work as ushers, greeters and gallery helpers. Volunteers will receive training and one pair of tickets per semester.

Upcoming performances include the September 16 opening with **Dave Bromberg** and Angel Band – three female voices and four acoustic musicians – combining to create a truly joyful noise. Les Yeux Noir: Direct from Paris! Gypsy-Klezmer Music, Tales from the Beijing Opera, and the John Waters Film Festival follow shortly, while The Moscow Boys Choir and Christmas from Dublin will close out the year.

The art galleries open on Wednesday, September 13 with an opening reception at 5 p.m. for **Palpable Painting**, works by artists who teach in the area, in the Pascal and Kresge Galleries, and conceptual artist **Andor Orand** performing in the Lobby Atrium of the Berrie Center.

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