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## **Ramapo College Kicks off Performing Arts Dinner Series**

## **Program Supports Student Scholarships**

MAHWAH – The Ramapo College Foundation kicks off its Performing Arts Dinner Series on Saturday, October 14 with "The Comedy of Michele Balan & Eddie Brill" at The Angelica and Russ Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts. Balan was a finalist on NBC's *Last Comic Standing*, and titleholder of "Last Woman Comic Standing." Brill appeared multiple times on *The Late Show* with David Letterman and was featured on the FX hit series *Louie*.

Those who become benefactors of the program will receive two tickets to each of the four performances. The contribution includes gourmet buffet dinner, wine bar, student scholar presentation, premier seating in the Berrie Center Theater and a donation to the Ramapo College Foundation to support student scholarships.

Other performances in the series include "Married to Broadway" featuring husband and wife, Ron Sharpe and Barbra Russell, will perform the best of Broadway plus favorite holiday classics on Saturday, December 2. Audiences will enjoy a unique evening with "Yesterday and Today: The Interactive Beatles Experience" on Sunday, March 11 and "A.J. Croce: Two Generations of American Music" on Saturday, April 28.

Hosted by The Ramapo College Foundation, this specially packaged series is a way for philanthropic patrons to experience outstanding entertainment while supporting college scholarships, faculty and student research opportunities and campus capital projects. Elaine Adler, Inserra ShopRite Supermarkets, Liberty Hyundai and Liberty Subaru, Roy and Eileen Putrino, Frances and Judy Rodriguez, and Stryker are sponsors for the series.

The two levels of support for the Performing Arts Dinner Series are Benefactor (two reserved tickets to each of the four dinners and performances at \$1,400) and Patron (one ticket for any of the four performances at \$125). For additional information, please call Liz Kloak at 201-684-6834 or email <a href="https://www.ramapo.edu/dinner-series">kloak@ramapo.edu</a>. You may register online at <a href="https://www.ramapo.edu/dinner-series">www.ramapo.edu/dinner-series</a>.

This program is made possible in part by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a Partner Agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. For disability related accommodations, or to request alternative formats, please contact the Box Office 72 hours in advance of the performance at 201-684-7844.

Photo caption: The Performing Arts Dinner Series Committee members are, from left, Dr. Mary Ann Kezmarsky, Linda Dator, Alice Palmer, Frances Rodriguez, Ann Swist, Joyce Srednicki, Roy Putrino (Chair), Eileen Comerford '80, Elaine Adler and Linda Cennerazzo.