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## **Ramapo College's Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts Voted a Reader Favorite**

MAHWAH, N.J. – The votes are in! The Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts at Ramapo College has been named by readers of *Bergen Magazine* as being among Bergen County's top theater venues. The complete list will be published in the magazine's September issue.

"For almost twenty-three years, the Berrie Center has proudly served Bergen County and the residents of northern New Jersey," said Lisa Campbell, Director of the Berrie Center. "We love seeing our neighbors and friends at our performances and appreciate their support through the years."

The Angelica and Russ Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts opened in 1999. The Center houses The Sharp Theater, a 338-seat proscenium theater; The Myron and Elaine Adler Theater, a black box theater and The Kresge and Pascal Art Galleries. The Berrie Center has developed a rich series of public programming including dance, theater, concerts, and contemporary art exhibitions. In addition, the Berrie Center is home to the Ramapo College School of Contemporary Arts with specialized facilities for photography, dance, music and theater production. In its 23-year history, the Berrie Center has brought to the stage some of the most renowned performers, including Jarrod Spector, Tony-nominated actor and singer; John Pizzarelli, jazz guitarist; Paula Poundstone, stand-up comedian, New York-based Paul Taylor Dance Company, musician Eileen Ivers, and singers Judy Collins and Leon Redbone, among many others.

In addition, Ramapo College students have presented a wide range of musical and stage performances in the theaters of the Berrie Center, which also hosts the

annual Les Paul Festival that recognizes the contributions of longtime College supporter guitar virtuoso Les Paul.

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Ramapo College of New Jersey is the state's premier public liberal arts college and is committed to academic excellence through interdisciplinary and experiential learning, and international and intercultural understanding. The College is ranked #1 among New Jersey public institutions by College Choice; is recognized as the state's top college on the list of Best Disability Schools by *Great Value Colleges*; was named one of the 50 Most Beautiful College Campuses in America by *Condé Nast Traveler*; and is recognized as a top college by *U.S. News & World Report*, *Kiplinger's*, Princeton Review and *Money* magazine, among others. Ramapo College is also distinguished as a Career Development College of Distinction by CollegesofDistinction.com, boasts the best campus housing in New Jersey on Niche.com, and is designated a "Military Friendly College" in Victoria Media's *Guide to Military Friendly Schools*.

Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, data science, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include business, education, nursing and social work. In addition, the College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels, and offers graduate programs leading to master's degrees in Accounting, Applied Mathematics, Business Administration, Contemporary Instructional Design, Computer Science, Creative Music Technology, Data Science, Educational Leadership, Nursing, Social Work and Special Education, as well as a Doctor of Nursing Practice.