The Poetry Center will be 30 in 2010 and to mark the milestone PCCC is sponsoring the contest, *The American Voice in Poetry: the Legacy of Whitman, Williams, and Ginsberg*. Submissions should utilize literary tradition that honors place, voice, and specificity but should not imitate poems by Walt Whitman, Allen Ginsberg and William Carlos Williams.

Selected poems will be published in an anthology and the winners will be invited to read their poems at a book launch to be held on April 10, 2010 at the Poetry Center, which is located in the historic Hamilton Club Building, 32 Church St., Paterson. Submit only two poems per person, two manuscript pages long. Include two copies with contact info. Only unpublished poems are accepted. Deadline is Nov. 15. Send submissions to Maria Mazziotti Gillan, Executive Director, Poetry Center, PCCC, One College Blvd., Paterson, 07505-1179.

The Poetry Center is now also accepting submissions for the following contests: the Paterson Poetry Prize, the Allen Ginsberg Poetry Awards, the Paterson Prize for Books for Young People, and the Paterson Fiction Prize. For information, guidelines and other details specific to each of the four contests, call 973-684-6555, or visit www.pccc.edu/poetry.

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**Other Upcoming PC Arts Events…**

- **Oct 2**: North Jersey Arab American Comedy Show, Montclair
- **Oct. 7, 14, 21**: St. Timothy Musicales, Wayne
- **Oct. 9-18**: And Then There Were None, School 3 play, Clifton
- **Oct. 11**: Polish Peoples' Home Celebration, Passaic
- **Oct. 12 & 13**: TDIA arts workshops, Paterson
- **Oct. 23**: New Jersey Music and Arts Fall Fest 2009, Paterson
- **Oct. 24**: Passaic County Film Festival workshop, Totowa
- **Oct. 31**: Silk City Arts Festival Cabaret, Paterson
- **Nov. 7**: Allen Ginsberg Poetry Contest Winners read, Paterson
- **Nov. 15**: Deadline for the American Voice in Poetry, PCCC Contest
- **Through Nov. 5**: Ambos Mundos Art Exhibit, Paterson
- **Through Dec. 31**: History of Labor in Chicago photo exhibit, Haledon
The Silk City Arts Festival and the Moe-tion Dance Theater will host a Cabaret show on Oct. 30 and 31 at 8 pm on the third floor of Le Bella Epoque, 237 River St., Paterson. The event is for an adult-only audience. There will be a lounge, food, cash bar and after party. Tickets are $20 and $15 for students; wear a costume and get $5 off admission. More details at www.silkcityartsfestival.com.

TDIA (Tropical Delight in Action) hosts two art workshops, Living in the Zone/The Biz on Show Biz, on Oct. 12 and 13 from 6 to 8 pm at PCCC, 1 College Blvd., Paterson. The first will cover breaking into various mediums, and the second will cover auditions, including a mock audition. Fee. TDIA also seeks performers for its next project, House of Rainbows, on Dec. 11 at PCCC. Applications due Oct. 31. For info, visit www.tdiainc.org or call 973-779-7650.

New Jersey Music and Arts hosts Fall Fest 2009, a celebration of the season with performances of music, drama and dance at the Passaic County Community College auditorium in Paterson on Oct. 23 at 7:30 pm. Performers include the New Hope Players, the WAIT Dance Team, the Arts and Folklore School Dance Ensemble and more. Tickets are $10. For large print programs and FM listening systems call by Oct. 9. Call 973-272-3255. W, L, P, A

The Garden State Opera presents its Passaic County fall production at the YM-YWHA on Scoles Ave. on Nov. 7 at 7:30 pm. There will be four scenes from Paul Hindemith’s opera Mathis der Maler and Donizetti’s Italian opera buffa Il Campanello. The performance is in support of Clifton Public Schools’ Adopt a Music Student program that assists students in financial need to acquire an instrument for music lessons provided by the district. Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for seniors/students. Call 973-272-3255 or gardenstateopera.homestead.com.

For Fall events at Montclair State University, go to www.peakperfs.org.

For Fall events at William Paterson University go to www.wpunj.edu.

The Passaic County Historical Society has acquired a historically significant collection of 24 large, handwritten jail commitment records for Passaic County from the Passaic County Sherriff’s Office. One book of interest contains the records of the hundreds of individuals involved in the famous Paterson Silk Strike in 1913, including John Reed, Carlo Tresca and Bill Haywood. For info on this and other archives and history, call Alison Faubert at 973-247-0085, ext. 200 or visit www.lambertcastle.org.

Ambos Mundos is an exhibit of paintings (sample above) by Cuban born artist Raul Villarreal to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month in the Broadway & LRC Galleries at PCCC through Nov. 5. Inspired by his Afro-Cuban, Taino and Spanish heritage, Villarreal’s paintings address the issues of identity and his assimilation into American culture. The Galleries, Broadway at Memorial Drive in the downtown historic district of Paterson, are open Monday through Friday, 9 am to 9 pm and Saturday until 5 pm. Free; for info call 973-684-5448 or jhaw@pccc.edu or go to www.pccc.edu/art/gallery.

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The Paterson Youth Photography Project annual reception is on Oct. 7 at 5:30 pm at the Paterson Museum, 2 Market St., Paterson. Students from the project have had their work exhibited as part of an ongoing display at the Great Falls Historic District Cultural Center, as well as a traveling exhibit at the Paterson Library, PCCC, Lambert Castle and the Ridgewood Library. The exhibit will remain at the Paterson Museum through October. Registration for the Fall semester will take place on Oct. 3 at the Paterson YMCA, and classes will run from Oct. 10 through Dec. 19. There will be one class per week, with each class lasting an hour and 15 minutes. Teachers are Javier Fernandez, Richard Gheno, Noha Khalid-Valenti, Gwenn Levine and Andrew McDonough. For info, call Levine at 201-391-7663 or email gklevine@gmail.com.

The History of Labor in Chicago, an exhibit curated by the Illinois Labor History Society, will be on view at the American Labor Museum/Botto House National Landmark through Dec. 31. The exhibit addresses a series of labor studies issues including the eight-hour day movement, the struggle to organize unions and the role of organized labor. The exhibit features historical photographs, (sample at left) artifacts, and memorabilia provided by unions and the Illinois Labor History Society. The Botto House National Landmark, home of the American Labor Museum, is located at 83 Norwood St., Haledon. Hours of operation are Mon. though Fri., 9 am to 5 pm. Tours are offered Wed. through Sat. from 1 to 4 pm or by appointment. For info, call 973-595-7953 or go to www.labormuseum.org.

And Then There Were None will be staged on Oct. 9, 10, 11, 16, 17 and 18 at Clifton Public School Number 3 on Washington Ave., by the Theater League of Clifton. Details at: www.theaterleagueofclifton.com.

The 2009 North Jersey Arab American Comedy Show is on Oct. 2 at 8 pm at the Memorial Auditorium on the campus of Montclair State University. Comics scheduled to perform include Eman, Mike Batayeh, Amer Zahr and Baha Khalil (inset) of Paterson. For tickets and info, go to 1001laughs.com or call Rick Khalil of 1001 Laughs and Outreach Media Entertainment Group at 888-656-2772.

Passaic County Film Commission is sponsoring a free student workshop on short film and video production 9 am to noon on Oct. 24 at the offices of the Passaic County Economic Development Department, 930 Riverview Dr., Totowa. High school and university students as well as independent filmmakers are invited to attend. The workshop will feature the basics of short film and video production taught by Film Commission members in the industry. Topic includes script writing, proper equipment use, shooting the film and postproduction tips. The workshop will provide a review of the rules and regulations of the Passaic County Film Festival, which is on April 17, 2010. Film entries for the festival must be received by Jan. 29, 2010. The Passaic County Film Commission encourages entrants to the festival to attend the workshop. Those who do not attend the workshop may still enter films. To attend, RSVP by Oct. 22 to film@passaiccountynj.org or 973-569-4720 by Oct. 22. More info at www.passaiccountynj.org/film.
St. Timothy Musicales, a concert series at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 395 Valley Rd. Wayne, opens at 1 pm on Oct. 7, with Oys in the Hood, a four-piece klezmer ensemble led by percussionist Jeff Pines. On Oct. 14, St. Timothy’s organist Heitor Caballero will be in recital. Selections include works of Bach, Brahms, Cesar Franck and Marcel Dupre. On Oct. 21, harpist Kimberly DeRosa will perform music of Puccini and Andrew Lloyd Webber, as well as traditional American, Irish and South American tunes. Admission is free. For details, call 973-956-0026. W, P, V


Vision of a Better World Conference is on Oct. 10 at Seton Hall University. Its purpose is to inspire humanitarian consciousness and to motivate individuals to contribute. In addition to the conference, which includes speakers and 36 workshops, winners of the ‘What is Your Vision of a Better World?’ essay contest for high school juniors and seniors will be announced. More details at www.sunftpromos.iwarp.com.

The Polish Peoples’ Home in Passaic will celebrate its centennial anniversary on Oct. 11 at 2:30 at the Home, 1-3 Monroe St., Passaic, with an afternoon of music by Ray Skorka’s Ablemen. The Polish Peoples Home houses a variety of cultural groups, including the Central of Polish Organizations—General Pulaski Parade Committee of Passaic and vicinity, Polish Veterans, Polish-American Congress, local Polish schools and a number of sports groups. For tickets, call John Budzinski at 973-779-4310.

The Ukrainian Center at 240 Hope Ave. in Passaic is marking its 50th anniversary with a weekend of activities on Nov. 13 and 14. For details, call 973-473-3379 or write to mznak@aol.com.

NJ Transit’s Access Link gives people with disabilities equal access to transportation. For more information, call 1-800-955-6765.

Poets & Writers, the nation’s largest nonprofit organization serving creative writers, announced that the 2010 Maureen Egen Writers Exchange will be held in New Jersey. The contest is open to poets and fiction writers who are residents of the Garden State and have never published a book, or have published only one full-length book of fiction or poetry. More details at www.pw.org/files/WEXApplication09.pdf.

To help ensure that everyone regardless of age or disability can participate fully in the diverse cultural programs offered, PCCHC asks that organizations listing submissions to passaic county artsnews provide accessibility services offered at each venue. Please refer to the chart above as a guide. Please call presenters/venues to confirm event and accessibility information. Services may be available without being noted in this listing.

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