

Arts and Cultural Trust's "Dancing for the Arts-Take VI" is a toe-tapping "FUN"-raising event

Dancing for the Arts-Take VI is back with ten Rochester celebrities going toe-to-toe to benefit youth arts education and the programs/services of the Trust on **Saturday evening, April 22nd 2017 at the Mayo Civic Center in the new Ballroom I.**

Star Sponsors to date for the event are the Gus Chafoulias Trust, Sharon & Greg Gentling, Dahl Dance Center, Mayo Clinic, Dr. Richard & Evelyn Berger, Judy and Jim Sloan Foundation, Patrick & Kay Caskey and the Amadio Family Arts Fund.

Major Media Sponsors are ABC 6 news-KAAL-TV, Post-Bulletin Co. and Townsquare Media.

Paired with professional dancers from Dahl Dance Center, our **Take VI local celebrities** are:

Brianna Cook- News Anchor, ABC 6 News/KAAL-TV

Jeanine Gangeness- Associate Vice President-Rochester, Academic Affairs/Dean for School of Graduate Studies, Winona State University

Katie Kirckof- Owner/professional make-up artist, GLAM Beauty Lounge

Kelly Miles- Stay at home mom/independent design consultant

Sarah Pacchetti- Owner, Studio on Third

Steve Borchardt- Housing Initiative Director, Rochester Area Foundation

Tom DeVinny- Owner, Arnold's Supply & Kleenit Company

Brad Narr, M.D. – Anesthesiologist, Mayo Clinic

Ashok Patel, M.D.- Physician, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, Mayo Clinic

Sunny Prabhakar- Founder/President, The Commission

Our **Take VI professional dancers** representing Dahl Dance Center are:

Gary Dahl- Professional dancer all the time/woodworking artist between songs

Joseph Carey-Professional composer/Med City Swing founder by day-swing pro by night

James Geroux – American Family Insurance by day/tango pro by night

Joey Ray- Dentist by day/dancer in all other moments

Chris Kempainen- Twin Cities Professional dancer day, night and in-between

April Dahl- Professional dancer 24/7 and full time posture police

Danika Dahl- Waitress by day/dancer since birth

Nicole Bottelson- Mayo Clinic Pro by day/dancer when the music starts!

Christine Miller – Professional dancer even when sleeping

Stephanie Sedarski- Actress and producer by day/triple threat when the stage calls

Celebrity Judges will be **Brad Jones** (Executive Director/CEO, Rochester Convention and Visitors Bureau and DFTA first year Trophy winner), **Sharon Gentling** (international and national award winning competitive ballroom dancer), and Kevin Torgerson, Sheriff, Olmsted County.

Emcees will be **Laura Lee** (News Anchor, ABC 6 KAAL-TV and first year's Judges Choice winner) and **Rich Peterson** (Morning Radio Personality, KROC-AM).

Table seating (10 per table) will include a **plated dinner catered by Pinnacle Caterers**, the event and dancing to follow at a cost of **\$125**. **Dessert tickets** will include dessert, the event and dancing to follow at a cost of **\$40**. **Desserts courtesy of Pinnacle Caterers and Cold Stone Creamery.**

Tickets will be available for purchase beginning March 1st through the Greater Rochester Arts and Cultural Trust's website at www.RochArtsTrust.org or in person at the Arts and Cultural Trust-located in the Rochester Convention and Visitors Office-Skyway level-Mayo Civic Center-Suite 200.

Mayor Ardell F. Brede will present the awards- the DFTA trophy for most money raised and the Judges' Choice Award.

Voting will be available **online** pre-event as well as **at the event**. BidPal is used for electronic voting or paper ballots can be downloaded from the website. The auditors of **RSM** will provide oversight of the tabulation.

Following the event, **attendees are invited to dance to live music by the Fabulous Books Boys.**