Over the past several months, Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization (DSCDO) staff members have attended two full days of training with the Racial Equity Institute, sponsored by Cleveland Neighborhood Progress.

As we deepen our own understanding around the important topic of racial equity & inclusion, we would like to invite the community to join us on our journey. On Thursday, March 23, we will offer a free screening of the documentary “13th” at Near West Theatre. Please check in at www.detroitshoreway.org for additional upcoming programming.

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Neighboring Fund

Awareness Building Around Racial Equity & Inclusion

In order to strengthen our neighborhood, Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization (DSCDO) is dedicating 100% of membership dues towards a Neighboring Fund, to help residents break down barriers and get to know individuals and families who live on their blocks. DSCDO will offer modest grants of $50-$100 to conduct projects that build relationships, particularly bringing together neighbors of different racial, socioeconomic, and religious backgrounds. If you are interested in learning more about the Neighboring Fund or have an idea for a project, please contact DSCDO’s Director of Community Involvement, Austin Boxler, at aboxler@dscdo.org or at 216-961-4242 ext. 243.

A Celebration of Neighborhood Arts

A Special Event for the Capitol Theatre

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Hablamos español!
Si usted quiere saber más acerca de Detroit Shoreway Organización de Comunidad de Desarrollo y los servicios que brindamos, llémenos a 216.961.4242, o visita nuestras oficinas, nos encontramos en 6516 Detroit Avenue, Suite 1.
Detroit Shoreway is fortunate to have a plethora of arts offerings right here in the Gordon Square Arts District, many of which are free or low-cost. We're highlighting some aspects of the neighborhood's arts scene to encourage neighbors to get out and enjoy!

**The Capitol's Legacy Lives On**

Originally opened in 1921 as a silent film theater and re-opened by DSCDO in 2009 as a three-screen, all digital theater, the Capitol's programming offers something for everyone. In addition to Hollywood and independent films with show times 7 days/week, some special features include:

- $5 Bargain Mondays: $5 admission all day, with additional discounts at the concession stand.
- Members of the Capitol's free “Marquee Rewards” program are eligible for a bonus bargain day on Tuesdays, with the same Monday offers at the box office and concession stand.
- A monthly Happy Hour Classics series. $10 admission includes a complimentary cocktail, appetizers, live music and your movie ticket. Next up are Hello Dolly on March 22 and Steel Magnolias on April 26.
- The Late Shift midnight movie series. Next up are Mad Max Fury Road on March 18 and The Void on April 15.
- A partnership with the Cleveland International Film Festival (titles announced in March of each year).
- The Summer $1 Series – titles announced in June.
- The 12 Hours of Terror all night horror movie marathon every October.

Information on show times and tickets can be found at www.clevelandcinemas.com. A passionate group of neighborhood residents, called the “Friends of the Capitol Theatre,” also promote and raise awareness about the Capitol. If you would like to learn more about the “Friends,” contact Liz Weiler at lweiler@dscdo.org or 216-961-4242 x 231.

**Don’t Miss “Timeless”**

DSCDO is hosting a very special celebration for the Capitol Theatre on Friday, April 21. “Timeless: A Gala Fundraiser” will feature food and drink, live music, and a showing of the timeless classic Casablanca. The goal of the event is to raise funds to upgrade the theater’s digital equipment and restore its aging plaster. Tickets are available at www.clevelandcinemas.com, or check out our Facebook event at https://www.facebook.com/detroitshoreway.

**78th Street Studios: An Arts Mecca**

Originally home to the Baker Electric Motor Vehicle Company, and later home to American Greetings’ Creative Studios before they consolidated into a corporate headquarters building in Brooklyn, entrepreneur Dan Bush bought the building now known as 78th Street Studios over a decade ago and re-imagined it into what is now the largest art and design complex in Northeast Ohio, featuring 170,000 square feet of art galleries, artist studios, performance spaces, and music recording studios. Every Third Friday of the month from 5 - 9 pm, over 50 venues inside 78th Street Studios open up at the same time to present compelling visual exhibits, ambient music, delicious cuisine, and pop up vendors. Named Cleveland’s Best Arts Event by Scene Magazine and Best of Yelp Cleveland, THIRD FRIDAYS is a multidisciplinary art experience like nothing else in this region. www.78thstreetstudios.com

**Near West: A Community Theatre for All**

The mission of Near West Theatre (NWT), the vibrant, inviting blue building located at 6702 Detroit Avenue, is to “build loving relationships and engage diverse people in strengthening their sense of identity, passion, and purpose, individually and in community, through transformational theatre arts experiences.” Individuals of all ages, races, backgrounds and abilities grace NWT’s stages each season in Broadway-scale musical theater productions.

Near West is committed to social justice and to making the arts accessible. General admission is just $10 for adults, and $8 for children 12 and under. NWT’s upcoming main stage show is Mary Poppins that will run from May 5-May 21, 2017. More information can be found at www.nearwesttheatre.org. NWT recently received national recognition, its building having been designated LEED Gold by the U.S. Green Building Council for its environmentally sustainable design.

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**Welcome, Theater Ninjas!**

Theatre Ninjas, a nomadic company that seeks out new and exciting spaces to perform, is putting down roots in a storefront at 5403 Detroit Avenue, in the historic Courtland Building owned by DSCDO. The new base of operations will act as a hub for rehearsals, performances, classes in movement and devised theater creation, audio and video recording, and Company administration including box office. www.theaterninjas.com

**Talespinner Children’s Theatre**

Talespinner Children’s Theatre, a wonderful gem with its home inside the Reinberger Auditorium at 5209 Detroit Avenue, strives to reach across socio-economic, cultural and traditional boundaries to help awaken and bring better understanding by opening eyes, ears, hearts and imaginations in the young people (and artists) of Cleveland. TCT offers shows year-round, and a variety of educational and family programming as well, such as Youth Theatre Arts Classes and Summer Puppet and Mask Camp. www.talespinnerchildrenstheatre.org

**Blank Canvas Theatre**

Blank Canvas Theatre, located inside the artistic hub at 78th Street Studios, provides professional quality productions, placing emphasis on entertainment at affordable prices. Its December 2016 production of Cabaret was hailed as one of the best of the year. Critics Christine Howey wrote, “Sometimes a play hits you with a sledgehammer that is so personal, it feels like it arose somehow from your own DNA. Such is the case with Cabaret... a racyoungly entertaining and profoundly powerful performance at Blank Canvas Theatre.” We can’t wait to see what Blank Canvas does next. www.blankcanvasvasttheatre.com

**Cleveland Public Theatre: Always Evolving**

Cleveland Public Theatre’s (CPT’s) mission is to raise consciousness and nurture compassion through groundbreaking performances and life-changing educational programs. Located at 6415 Detroit Avenue, CPT is home to the single oldest performing arts space in Cleveland, the Gordon Theatre, originally opened in 1914. Its campus also includes the original church and parish hall of St. Mary’s Romanian Orthodox Parish, the oldest such parish in the United States. CPT is known for breaking new ground. Its adventurous annual season features original productions, world premieres, and the work of Northeast Ohio artists. A Latin American theatre ensemble, “Teatro Publico de Cleveland,” was launched in 2015. CPT offers a tool called “The Remarkable Rating System” to help patrons select shows that will appeal to them. Like NWT, CPT is committed to making the arts accessible. Monday and Thursday evening performances are $12, and by using the discount code BLOCKCLUB, Detroit Shoreway neighborhood residents can enjoy $2 off on Mondays and Thursdays, and $5 off on Fridays and Saturdays. CPT’s life-changing educational programs include Brick City Theatre and the Student Theatre Enrichment Program (STEP). Executive Artistic Director Raymond Bobgan will be recognized with a Governor’s Award for the Arts in Ohio in May 2017. Visit www.cptonline.org for more information about all that CPT has to offer.