

[ART & CULTURE]

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2014

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SEPT. 1-FEB. 1 From Neoclassicism to Futurism

The National Gallery of Art's expansive collection of Italian prints and drawings is showcased. Free. *Sixth Street and Constitution Avenue NW*, 202.737.4215, nga.gov

SEPT. 3-OCT. 12 Belleville

The saying, "Things are not always as they seem" holds true in this Studio Theatre production. Watch as the seemingly perfect relationships of Belleville's residents slowly unravel. Times vary. Tickets \$20-\$62. *1501 14th St. NW*, 202.332.3300, studiotheatre.org

SEPT. 4 Phillips After 5

Slow down and celebrate art! Enjoy Phillips after 5's September Slowdown with cocktails and local pickled delicacies while learning about the curious craft of brining. 5-8:30PM. Tickets \$12, \$10 for students and seniors. *The Phillips Collection, 1600 21st St. NW*, 202.387.2151, phillipscollection.org

SEPT. 5-OCT. 19 The Shoplifters

Join Tony-nominated actress Jayne Houdyshell at Arena Stage for a night of comedic thrills and thought-provoking



DESIGN EYE Crystal City's Cosmo Couture combines designers and architects to bring eye-popping creations to the runway.

SEPT. 18

Cosmo Couture Watch as design teams fabricate their own couture pieces—each inspired by one of the 44 presidents—and hit the runway in a unique collaboration between local interior design and architecture firms. Proceeds benefit My Sister's Place. 5PM. Tickets \$85. *Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va.*, 703.712.8650, cosmocouture.com

issues as she plays a shopper who prefers the five-finger discount. Times vary. Tickets from \$45. *1101 Sixth St. SW*, 202.554.9066, arenastage.org

SEPT. 11-21 DC Shorts Film Festival

Gather with other film lovers to celebrate the short but engaging format with the screening of 135 short films from 25 countries, plus film-focused parties, workshops and Q&As. Times and locations vary. Tickets \$12 per screening, \$20 per party. 202.393.4266, dcshorts.com

SEPT. 12 Gentleman Distiller: Whiskey Tasting & Dinner

Tap into George Washington's whiskey roots and get a first-hand look at how he produced the beverage. Finish the night off with a whiskey tasting and seated dinner at the Mount Vernon Inn. 6PM. Tickets \$125. *3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon*, 703.780.2000, mountvernon.org

**SEPT. 13
Taste of Georgetown**
Sample fare from 35 of Georgetown's best

restaurants and wash it down with a curated collection of beverages at the Craft Beer and Wine Pavilion. Noon-5PM. Tickets \$20 for five tastings, \$10 for three beer and wine tastings (prices for presale tickets). *K Street between Wisconsin Avenue and Thomas Jefferson Street NW*, 202.298.9222, tasteofgeorgetown.com

Wolf Trap Ball
This year's engagement is partnered with the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates, benefiting Wolf Trap's renowned

arts and education programs. 7PM. Tickets from \$750. *Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna, Va.*, 703.255.1900, wolftrap.org

SEPT. 15-OCT. 12

Marie Antoinette

History's most notorious queen becomes an icon for modern revolution in *Marie Antoinette*, a symbolic show of celebrity, politics and fast-paced change, playing at the Woolly Mammoth Theatre. Times vary. Tickets from \$35. *641 D St. NW*, 202.393.3939, woollymammoth.net

SEPT. 18

Joyce Carol Oates

Prepare for chilling tales as this *The New York Times* best-selling author brings her stories of terror and uncertainty in *Lovely, Dark, Deep to Sixth & I Synagogue*. 7PM. Free. *600 I St. NW*, 202.408.3100, sixthandi.org

SEPT. 20-28

Florencia in the Amazon

Experience the Washington National Opera's first Spanish-language work in 10 years as Christine Goerke plays a famous singer on an enchanted riverboat journey at The Kennedy Center.

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