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## **8TH AVANT GARAGE MUSIC AND FILM FESTIVAL AT WEXNER CENTER**

### **MUSICIANS COMPOSE AND PERFORM SCORES FOR VINTAGE SILENT FILMS**

Now in its eighth year, the Wexner Center's **Avant Garage Music and Film Festival** will be held Saturday, **October 27 at 7 pm** in the Wexner Center Performance Space. Organized by local film archivist Tim Lanza, this critically acclaimed, perennially popular event features local and regional musicians performing original scores for vintage silent films.

The Avant Garage will be presented cabaret style with limited seating and beverages available from a cash bar. The lineup:

- Cleveland-based avant-glam rock band, **Cobra Verde** performs its score for Luis Buñuel's surrealist masterpiece ***Un chien andalou*** (1928, 18 mins.).
- **Bob Petric**, longtime staple of the Columbus underground music scene, brings his guitar heroics to bear on the Barney Google cartoon ***Tetched in the Head*** (1919, 5 mins.), a **comedy** about a Kentucky boy who takes exception to a city slicker's criticism of his clan's child-rearing methods.
- Columbus keyboardist **Tiffany Hutira** will provide synthesizer accompaniment to Buster Keaton's ***The Scarecrow*** (1920, 17 mins.), an **off-the-wall, gadget-filled comedy** about a competition between two male roommates vying for the attention of a young woman.
- Avant Garage veteran **Larry Marotta** from Columbus will play acoustic guitar to Buster Keaton and Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle's ***Backstage*** (1919; 19 mins.), a rollicking comedy about the days of vaudeville.
- Additional performance by **The Listening Party**.

The program will last approximately two hours.

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**EVENT SUPPORT**

The Avant Garage is presented with support from the **Ohio Arts Council**.

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**CALENDAR INFORMATION: The Avant Garage Music and Film Festival VIII**

**Description:** Perennially popular event featuring original scores written and performed by local and regional musicians for vintage silent films.

**Date and time:** Saturday, October 27 at 7 pm.

**Location:** Wexner Center Performance Space, 1871 N. High St. (at 15th Avenue).

Limited seating; cash bar.

**Tickets:** \$5 for general public; \$4 for Wexner Center members, students, and senior citizens; \$2 for children under 12.

**Ticket outlet:** Wexner Center Ticket Office/Information Desk.

**Public information:** 614 292-3535 and [www.wexarts.org](http://www.wexarts.org).

The Wexner Center for the Arts is The Ohio State University's multidisciplinary, international laboratory for the exploration and advancement of contemporary art. Through exhibitions, screenings, performances, artist residencies, and educational programs, the Wexner Center acts as a forum where established and emerging artists can test ideas and where diverse audiences can participate in cultural experiences that enhance understanding of the art of our time. In its programs, the Wexner Center balances a commitment to experimentation with a commitment to traditions of innovation and affirms the university's mission of education, research, and community service.

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