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## Depression-Era America is Topic of “Creative Connections” Program

(SPRINGFIELD, OH) – A musical dramatization of Depression-era America is the first program of the Springfield Arts Council’s and Clark County Historical Society’s admission-free “Creative Connection Series” on Thursday, October 6 at 7:30 PM at the Heritage Center of Clark County, 117 S. Fountain Ave., in downtown Springfield.

“The Living Newspaper” visits a generation when life’s basic necessities were not taken for granted, when luxuries were valued, and it became the responsibility of everyday folks to catch hold and make it right. A play with music, “The Living Newspaper” is a glimpse into a world when people learned to make a better life for themselves.

All “Creative Connections” performances are admission-free. The performance of “The Living Newspaper” is produced by southern Ohio’s Mad River Theater Works.

The “Creative Connections Series” is presented by the Springfield Arts Council in partnership with the Clark County Historical Society, connecting unique performing artists with events of cultural and historic significance. Upcoming “Creative Connections” performances include:

- **Thursday, November 17, 7:30 PM – “Silk Road – Songs along the Road and Time”** – A screening of director Curt Faudon’s documentary film following the Vienna Boys Choir’s journey on the Silk Road and around the globe.
- **Thursday, December 8, 7:30 PM – “The Gift of the Magi”** – A live dramatization of the O. Henry holiday classic, performed by Cincinnati ArtReach.
- **Wednesday, January 18, 7:30 PM – “Jump Back, Honey: The Poetry of Herbert Woodward Martin”** – Video screening of documentary featuring interviews with U.D. Professor Herbert Woodward Martin and discussion of the work of Paul Laurence Dunbar.
- **Thursday, April 19, 7:30 PM – “Osebo’s Drum”** – an interactive live performance by Lincoln Center Teaching Artist Robbi Kumalo, combining traditional folk tales with rhythm and music.

Information about all of the Creative Connections programs is available the Heritage Center of Clark County, 117 S. Fountain Ave., and online at [springfieldartscouncil.org](http://springfieldartscouncil.org).

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