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## Minnelli delights fans at Keith-Albee

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HUNTINGTON -- Kim and John Gross simply had to go see Liza Minnelli Sunday night in downtown Huntington. She's helped them make memories.

When the two were still dating 23 years ago in Miami, Fla., they went to see the Broadway performer during a show in Fort Lauderdale. They taught their three daughters all about her. And when they found out she was coming to Huntington, they knew they had to be there. Kim's mother, Ann Larsen, came along, too.

"It's so exciting that she's here," Kim Gross said. "She's beautiful, and she's wonderful."

Their family was among those who packed the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center on Sunday evening for Minnelli's show, which kicked off this season's Marshall Artists Series. Among the audience were fans of Minnelli's Broadway, movie and TV work, and fans of her mother, the late Judy Garland.



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Marshall University junior Leslee Rice came with friends to the show partly because of Minnelli's talent and partly because of her loyalty to Minnelli's mother.

"I love the 'Wizard of Oz.' I have everything 'Wizard of Oz' ever made," she said. And seeing "Dorothy's" daughter live in Huntington seemed like a rare opportunity.

Minnelli, who has won an Emmy, Grammy, Tony and Oscar, shared songs from "Confessions," her new Decca Records CD that will be out Sept. 28.

Other shows in this season's Marshall Artists series include:

Pablo Ziegler Trio -- 7:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 15, at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at Marshall University with the Latin-Grammy award-winning pianist Pablo Ziegler. Tickets are \$35/\$25.

Daniel Tosh -- 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 19, at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena. Tickets are \$25.

The Doobie Brothers -- 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$62.50/\$40.

"Stomp" -- 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 11-12 at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$60.

The Fall International Film Festival -- Oct. 1-7 at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center. Tickets to individual films are \$7 and are not available in advance. Tickets to individual films are purchased at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center 15 minutes prior to each film.

Tickets may be purchased by calling The Marshall Artists Series Box Office at 304-696-6656, visiting the box office located in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse at Marshall or going online to [www.marshallartistsseries.org](http://www.marshallartistsseries.org) or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

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