

72 HOURS

ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

Pry House performance

Goose Route Arts Collaborative, the Shepherdstown-based arts organization known for producing unique performance pieces, presents "House ... Hospital ... Headquarters ... Home: A Dance for Pry House on the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Antietam" on Saturday. The performance takes place on the grounds of Pry House Field Hospital Museum at 18906 Shepherdstown Pike (MD 34) in Keedysville. The performance begins at 4 p.m. and lasts approximately 30 minutes. In the event of rain, the performance will take place on Sunday. There is no cost to attend the performance, although donations will be accepted. A question-and-answer session will immediately follow the performance.

The piece, choreographed by Kitty Clark, draws inspiration from Pry House's history as Union headquarters and field hospital during the Battle of Antietam. The work pays homage to the women whose lives were affected by the Civil War, focusing on Elizabeth Pry, on whose door Union commanders knocked on Sept. 16, 1862, to begin the occupation of her home. Dancers Amy Hatzis, Mariel Procter, Emily Tharp and Sean Miller perform the piece.

Goose Route Arts Collaborative is working in cooperation with the National Museum of Civil War Medicine, which operates the site, to bring this project to



Courtesy photo by Kitty Clark

Dancers Amy Hatzis, Emily Tharp and Mariel Procter at Pry House.

fruition. Audience members are encouraged to arrive early in order to visit the museum, which is located inside the house and for which there is a \$3 suggested donation.

The piece will begin on the front porch of the house and travel across the grounds to end in the barn; the terrain is hilly. Audience members should wear appropriate footwear and dress for the weather. They may also choose to bring folding chairs, as no seating (other than the ground) is available.

For more information about the performance, call 301-693-5303 or visit www.gooseroute.org. More information about Pry House Field Hospital Museum can be found at www.civilwarmed.org.