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A Doo Wop Celebration V! Concert Coming to Akron Civic Theatre

*Western Reserve PBS event on Saturday, June 2, 2012,
to feature doo wop greats*

KENT, OHIO — Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011 — Back by popular demand and coming to a new Akron venue, A Doo Wop Celebration V! will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2012, at 4 p.m. at the historic Akron Civic Theatre in downtown Akron. The concert will feature an impressive lineup of renowned doo wop performers: Charlie Thomas' The Drifters, Gene Chandler, Jay Siegel's The Tokens, The Vogues and Jay Traynor. Their many hits include "Up on the Roof," "The Duke of Earl" and "The Lion Sleeps Tonight."

Tickets will go on sale Friday, Sept. 9, for the concert, which is sponsored by Western Reserve PBS. "This is the first time we've held our event at Akron Civic Theatre," said Lisa Martinez, vice president of marketing and development. "We're excited that the large venue will enable even more people to enjoy fabulous doo wop performances." Proceeds from the event will benefit Western Reserve PBS and the Akron Civic Theatre.

Beginning Friday, Sept. 9, tickets will be on sale at the Akron Civic Theatre Box Office by phone at 330-253-2488 or online at www.AkronCivic.com. Prices are \$25, \$45 and \$65. A limited number of Gold Circle packages at \$90 include best-in-house seating, a post-concert reception and a meet-and-greet with the performers.

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