

CHOICES

What's hot around town

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Kevin Deas and Christine Brandes in 'Le Temple de la Gloire' at Gould Hall

Mayor's Cup: Yawl Come . . .

Sailing vessels dating from 1885 — classic schooners, sloops, cutters, ketches — will compete in the 25th Annual Mayor's Cup Regatta from the Battery to the Verrazano Bridge and back tomorrow. A South Street Seaport spectator boat, boarding at 9:30 a.m. at Pier 16, will follow the action for the best viewing. The race begins at 11 a.m.; an awards dinner will follow. Race and dinner information: (212) 669-9430; spectators: (212) 669-9416.

Once Upon a Time At Fort Tryon Park

Minstrels, jesters and knights will re-create the pageantry and life of the 11th, 12th and 13th Centuries — from a global perspective — at the Medieval Festival at Fort Tryon Park. There'll also be combat, music and dance, magic, storytelling, puppetry, falconry, a medieval fashion show, foods and crafts. Sunday, noon to 6 (rain date Sept. 29). No parking; take the A train to 190th Street or the M4 bus from Penn Station to Margaret Corbin Circle. The park entrance is at 193rd Street and Fort Washington Avenue. Call (212) 781-4051 for further information. Admission is free.

A Glory From the Past

The New York Baroque Dance Company, the Concert Royal and the French Institute will join forces to present the American premiere of Jean-Philippe Rameau's opera / ballet, "Le Temple de la Gloire," first performed at Versailles in 1745 and last performed in Paris in 1746. Performances tonight and tomorrow at 8 and Sunday at 3 are at Florence Gould Hall; tickets \$20-25; call (212) 355-6160.

The World On a String

The Manhattan String Quartet opens the Kosciuszko Foundation / Hunter College Chamber Music Series Sunday with a program of Beethoven, Shostakovich and Grazyna Bacewicz. The concert is at the foundation, 15 E. 65th St. Tickets are \$10 for members, \$12 nonmembers, \$8 students and senior citizens; reservations are advised. (212) 734-2130 or Ticketmaster.



The Buck Stops Here

Kevin McCarthy will give 'em hell as President Harry S Truman in Samuel Gallu's play, "Give 'em Hell Harry," tomorrow night at 8 at Kingsborough Community College Performing Arts Center, Oriental Boulevard, Brooklyn. There's free on-campus parking. Tickets are \$20; call (718) 368-5596.



Copernicus at Judith Anderson Theater

Iconoclast In Concert

Copernicus struggles anew, in spoken-word solo, to define reality and shatter myths in "The Angel Exterminador of poet/performer/philosophers." He's performing at 8 p.m. through Sunday and Sept. 25-29 at the Judith Anderson Theater. Tickets \$15; Ticketmaster, (212) 307-7071.

A Cultural Bridge

'Do the Right Thing,' a festival of music, foods and crafts now in its second year, is a multicultural affair. Celebrate the diversity of the community