



## **FIRST NIGHT 2013 ACT DESCRIPTIONS**

### **MUSICAL OFFERINGS**

1. **CONTINENTAL ITALIAN SERENADES** - Ring in the New Year with this popular local group playing timeless Italian favorites for your listening and dancing pleasure.
2. **GEORGE WESLEY** –Back by popular demand music legend George Wesley returns to share his Positive Reggae Vibrations.
3. **NORTHEASTERN PA GUITAR TRIO** – Take a musical tour of Europe with these masterful, classically trained acoustic musicians.
4. **Joe Stanky and the Cadets** - Polka lovers will delight in dancing to the ethnic sounds of these First Night Favorites
5. **Hector Rosado and his Orchestra Hache** – Enjoy Salsa, Merengue, and Latin Jazz rhythms played by this high energy eleven piece band from the Philadelphia area.
6. **Odessa Klezmer Band** – Try to keep yourself from dancing as the sounds and spirit of KLEZMER permeate the room! Experience the internationally diverse music of Israel, Russia, Spain, Germany, and many other countries.

7. **Trinidad-Tobago Steel Band** – You’ll almost feel the breeze as the island sounds of this lively band transport you to a tropical paradise.
8. **Tribal Waves** – Your international journey continues with World Music featuring didgeridoos, Shakuhachi and Bansuri flutes, jaw harp, trumpet, and percussion.

### **FAMILY & INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

1. **Brookvalley Farms** – It wouldn’t be First Night without a horse drawn carriage ride! Enjoy the winter sights as you travel in style around Center City. Enjoy! It’s on the house with compliments from your First Night Committee!
2. **John O’Connell Caricatures** – A picture says a thousand words! Get your personalized sketch for one of our world-class artists and preserve your First Night memories for a lifetime!
3. **“Here We are in Spain”** – Tickle your funny bone! Join this hilarious improvisational group as they poke fun at EVERYTHING! Interactive fun for the entire family, this troupe of misfits is a riot from beginning to end!
4. **Lucia Dailey & Friends** – Your heart and soul will rejoice listening to the region’s premiere poet. This season Lucia Dailey recites “Poetry Around the World” accompanied by poet Rich Howells and poet/musician Tom Allen.
5. **Michael Jinx** – Hip, street smart and stylish are just a few of the words to describe this 21<sup>st</sup> century sleight of hand artist. Returning again this year, he will mingle with First Night attendees and dazzle you when you least expect it! Don’t blink an eye!
6. **Mike Simon** - You’ll never know when this multi-talented Magician/Juggler will show up to dazzle you. Split second timing and remarkable skill combine to create a total entertainment package. Get you cameras ready!
7. **Damian the Magician** – Pennsylvania’s Foremost Magical Entertainer and three time winner of the “ELECTRIC CITY READER’S CHOICE AWARD” is back with new mysteries gathered from the four corners of the globe. Which audience member will he select to get sawed in half?
8. **Rob Smith** – Long considered the region’s premiere juggler, Rob Smith returns with more eye-popping stunts and interactive, edge of your seat entertainment. A First Night Favorite!
9. **Wild West Entertainment** – New to First Night this year, our Wild West Show packs thrills and chills for the entire family! Join in the fun and see how the West was won!

10. **Fiona Powell** – Storytelling is a universal, international tradition. Our Irish Storyteller will stimulate your imagination with heart warming tales from times gone by.
11. **Eclectic Circus** – Run off and join the Circus! Our First Night acrobats, featuring hoops and stilts, will show you how to be a star performer under the Big Top!
12. **Jo Jo the Clown** – Everybody’s Favorite Clown is with us once again painting faces and spreading holiday cheer as we welcome in 2013!
13. **First Night Fireworks Spectacular** – First Night Scranton, Entercom Communications and their sponsors proudly present our “GRAND FINALE” This time around, we have some surprises in store for you! Thanks for your support and HAPPY NEW YEAR!