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Spring into family fun and creativity with four April ‘Kids in the Rotunda’ shows

Madison, Wis. (March 29, 2024) — Looking for a fun, family friendly activity for you and your kids? [Kids in the Rotunda](#), Madison’s favorite, family-friendly, FREE Saturday arts performance series, has you covered in April with four popular shows, including local favorite Beni Daiko, returning with captivating rhythms and beats as they showcase traditional Taiko drumming.

Plus, this month Overture is partnering with [Second Harvest Foodbank](#) for a special food and diaper drive from Wednesday, April 3 through Tuesday, April 16. Kids in the Rotunda attendees are invited to contribute to this meaningful cause by bringing packaged, non-perishable food items and diapers to support Southern Wisconsin families in need.

Overture Center’s [Kids in the Rotunda](#) series is designed to captivate families of all ages. From renowned folk singers to drum lines and hilarious kid-friendly improv to vibrant Indian dance, our handpicked lineup

guarantees an unforgettable experience for your family. While tailored for children ages nine and younger, these performances will mesmerize both kids and adults alike.

Free 45-minute performances will be held at 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. All virtual performances and the 1 p.m. performances will be American Sign Language interpreted. Please email kidsintherotunda@overture.org at least one hour prior to the performance to be seated within sight of the interpreter for live performances.

A livestream option will be available on April 27. Visit the [Kids in the Rotunda Facebook page](#) or follow [Overture's Kids in the Rotunda web page](#) for updates.

Families are invited to participate in "Arts After Overture" in partnership with the Madison Public Library from 10 a.m. to noon on April 13. The sessions provide arts experiences related to the morning's Kids in the Rotunda performance.

APRIL KIDS IN THE ROTUNDA LINEUP

Saturday, April 6 – [Limanya Drum and Dance](#)

Limanya Drum & Dance Ensemble performs traditional music and dance from Guinea, West Africa. By incorporating song, dance, drum and theater, Limanya's performances are high-energy entertainment for all audiences. Limanya's shows create cultural connections and provide engaging educational experiences.

Saturday, April 13 – [Angela Puerta](#)

Angela Puerta incorporates Latin beats, Colombian folkloric music and other familiar songs in both English and Spanish for kids to sing along. Kids dance and further explore a wide variety of Afro-Latino songs while having fun. It is an interactive show with opportunities for the kids to play maracas, shakers, tambourines and more!

+Arts After Overture

Saturday, April 20 – [Beni Daiko](#)

Beni Daiko, Madison's Japanese Taiko group, was established in November 2012. "Beni" means "deep color of red," which represents Madison, and "Taiko" means "drum" in Japanese. The group teaches and performs the art of Taiko drumming, a form of traditional Japanese musical expression that combines mental discipline and physical demand and shares their Japanese culture through Taiko drumming and musical experiences.

Saturday, April 27 - [The Lullaby Project](#) (+LIVESTREAMED)

Join local musicians and teaching artists for a very special day of sharing songs created for the little ones in your life. Ranging from funny to sweet, calming to danceable and silly to empowering, the concert will include a range of musical styles and audience interaction featuring lullabies written with a local parent as part of Overture's Lullaby Project.

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