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Dominion Energy Center Renames Venue to Honor Bob Mooney

Dominion Energy Center, home to the historic Carpenter Theatre, holds a number of venues including a multi-purpose space, often used for jazz, cabaret, rehearsals, pre-performance lectures, and private events, on the first floor that features a Showcase Gallery overlooking Seventh Street. This venue was named Rhythm Hall when Richmond Performing Arts Alliance (RPAA) launched the capital campaign to fund the renovation of the Carpenter Theatre and the building of Dorothy Pauley Square back in the early 2000's to form the dynamic arts center that we know today as Dominion Energy Center. Today marks the renaming of that space to Bob & Sally Mooney Hall in honor of Bob Mooney and his leadership both with RPAA and the building throughout the years.

Now serving as the Vice Chair Emeritus of RPAA's Board, Mooney has held many leadership roles in the organization over the years and has been instrumental in guiding them in their overall success. He and Sally have generously given their time, talent, and treasure to RPAA in addition to many arts organizations in the Richmond community, standing as examples of what it means to be a true philanthropist.

Mooney Hall will be a featured location for RPAA's upcoming annual fundraising event, Party for the Arts, which will be held on November 3rd, showcasing both local and national artists. This event raises funds to support the venues as well as RPAA's work within arts education. Next year, Dominion Energy Center will celebrate its 15th Anniversary, and RPAA looks forward to welcoming the community into Mooney Hall and the other venues to collectively experience the transformative power of the arts.

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Richmond Performing Arts Alliance (RPAA)

RPAA advances the performing arts in the Richmond region through programs and resources that **SUPPORT** the artists of today, **NURTURE** the artists of tomorrow, and provide spaces for the arts to **THRIVE**. Its family of venues include Dominion Energy Center, home to the historic Carpenter Theatre, Libby S. Gottwald Playhouse, Rhythm Hall, and the Genworth BrightLights

Education Center, as well as Altria Theater – the largest performance venue between New York and Atlanta. RPAA's BrightLights Education Initiatives provide accessible arts education to children throughout the Richmond region in the public school system, at community centers, and in the venues.