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Expend Enough Energy to Light Up a Small City
THE STEPCREW
at MATRIX:MIDLAND Festival 2011

When: Friday, June 10 • 8 pm

Where: Auditorium, Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd., Midland, MI 48640

Cost: \$30 & \$27 Adults | \$20 & \$16 Students | Family 4-Pack: \$69 (Rows N-GG)

Information: Call Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or www.mcfta.org

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MIDLAND – Fall into step with the international dance sensation **The StepCrew**, presented by MATRIX:MIDLAND Festival 2011 on Friday, June 10 at 8 pm at Midland Center for the Arts. The youthful troupe's style of tap and traditional dance is noteworthy for its sheer physicality, high energy and exceptional caliber of technique and artistry. Consisting of seven dancers, three of whom also fiddle like the wind and a five-piece band, the Canadian ensemble will show the audience the amazing similarities and differences between three captivating dance styles. The StepCrew is co-sponsored by Dow Corning Corporation and Dow Chemical Employees' Credit Union.

Tickets are \$30 and \$27 for adults, \$20 and \$16 for students. A Family 4-Pack (2 adults; 2 students) is available for \$69, Rows N – GG. Tickets are available at mcfta.org or by calling the MCFTA Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649.

The StepCrew, a fusion of fancy footwork, stars the world's top talents in three captivating dance styles – Irish Step, Ottawa Valley Step and Modern Tap – and three world-class fiddlers backed by an amazing five-piece ensemble comprised of some of the most talented and respected musicians in the Celtic music scene today featuring musicians from the likes of The Chieftains, Cherish the Ladies, and Bowfire! They are the very latest percussive dance sensation to take the United States by storm, transcending traditional dance forms and taking fiddling to new heights with dazzling original choreography, seamless transitions through traditional classics, and modern interpretations of Celtic dances. It's the dance journey of the year!

"The StepCrew is a show that very simply cannot be missed. The focus, energy, and sheer virtuosity on display from the entire cast is nothing short of mind-boggling." ~ *Jean Butler of Riverdance*

"The StepCrew does not simply draw their audience in, they take them by the hand and remind us what dance is meant to be about – fun." ~ *Paddy Moloney, The Chieftains*

"The StepCrew...sizzling, sensational, definitely a must-see event." ~ *Calgary Herald*

<http://stepcrew.com/>

MATRIX:MIDLAND presents professional, world-class entertainment to the mid-Michigan region. For over 30 years, Matrix has hosted an extraordinary schedule of cutting-edge entertainment including cinema, music, comedy, family programs, world-renowned authors and more.

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