About Richard AZOONY Rinehart:

By day Rich Rinehart is a Manager of Computational Sciences and Emerging Technologies for DB Consultants at the **NASA Glenn Research Center** in Cleveland Ohio. By night he spends his time as a



A Philadelphia scene from the AZooNY "Shed My Night" video

singer/songwriter, composer, producer, and multi-media specialist.

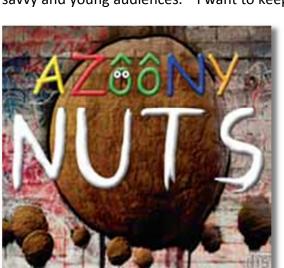
Musically, he has composed 3 symphonies, numerous soundtracks for video, and has most recently released his third CD, an Alternative Rock production of original music entitled **Nuts** under the artist name "**AZOONY**".

He is also President of the Grammy Award Winning *Cleveland Chamber Symphony* and

Vice-President of Cleveland's **Verb Ballets**, the region's leading contemporary dance company. To date Verb has choreographed and danced to four of his musical creations.

Rich states: "I love new music. But I also feel in this time of shortened attention spans, audiences need to be fully engaged and entertained via multi-media or interesting combinations of performance elements to stimulate both the eyes and ears."

In his current *Mars Opera* musical project, Rich inserts new technology into the show production, an element sure to capture techsavvy and young audiences. "I want to keep





Verb Ballets in the AZooNY "Nuts" production the technological demands on the production staff to a minimal, but it does require a technological awareness not usually employed in traditional theater".

A love for science and the arts combined with a good dosing of comical wit has fostered the creation of his *Mars Opera* Musical. "I've got it all in my Mars Opera: dance, science, social media, symphonic and rock-n-roll music, space aliens, and all in a light-hearted and comical presentation."

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