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Season tickets are priced below what you would spend buying tickets to individual shows.

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We hold preferred front-of-house seating for subscribers until two weeks prior to opening night.

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Subscribers are the primary voting body for our annual Anthony Awards honoring on-stage and behind-the-scenes achievements. You will receive a ballot for each show that you attend and are invited to the Awards Ceremony and Volunteer Recognition Reception at the end of the season!

DISCOUNTS

If you find you need more tickets for a show, you receive \$2 off each additional ticket purchased.

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Audition & cast announcements • Online Anthony Awards Voting



Something Rotten!

July 21-30, 2023 Arts United Center

Musical

Rated: PG-13

Director:

Christopher J. Murphy

Show Credits

Book by:

Karey Kirkpatrick & John O'Farrell

Music & Lyrics by:

Wayne Kirkpatrick & Karey Kirkpatrick

Conceived by:

Karey Kirkpatrick & Wayne

Kirkpatrick

SOMETHING ROTTEN! is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com

Welcome to the Renaissance and the outrageous, crowd-pleasing musical farce, Something Rotten! Set in the 1590s, brothers Nick and Nigel Bottom are desperate to write a hit play but are stuck in the shadow of that Renaissance rock star known as "The Bard." When a local soothsaver foretells that the future of theatre involves singing, dancing, and acting at the same time, Nick and Nigel set out to write the world's very first musical. But amidst the scandalous excitement of opening night, the Bottom Brothers realize that reaching the top means being true to thine own self, and all that jazz. **Something Rotten!** is hailed as the funniest musical comedy in at least 400 years."

Something Rotten! features large song and dance numbers, and a wacky cast of over-the-top characters, each given their own special moment in the show to shine. It's become clear that "nothing's as amazing as a musical," so don't miss your chance to experience this history-twisting tale!



I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

Sept. 9-17, 2023 Arts United Center

Musical

Rated: PG-13

Director & Choreographer:

Doug King

Show Credits

Book & Lyrics by:

Joe DiPietro

Music by:

Jimmy Roberts

Orchestrations

Doug Katsaros

by:

I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals. www. concordtheatricals.com

The longest running off-Broadway musical revue in history has been revised for the 21st century! A celebration of the mating game, I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change takes on the truths and myths behind the contemporary conundrum known as "the relationship." Through sketches and songs, Act I explores the journey from dating and waiting to love and marriage, while Act II reveals the agonies and triumphs of in-laws and newborns, trips in the family car, and pick-up techniques of the geriatric set. This hilarious revue pays tribute to those who have loved and lost, to those who have fallen on their face at the portal of romance, and to those who have dared to ask, "Say, what are you doing Saturday night?"



Shrek The Musical

Nov. 4-19, Arts United 2023 Center

Musical Rated: G

Director: Gavin Thomas
Drew

Show Credits

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig

Book & David Lyrics by: Lindsay-Abaire

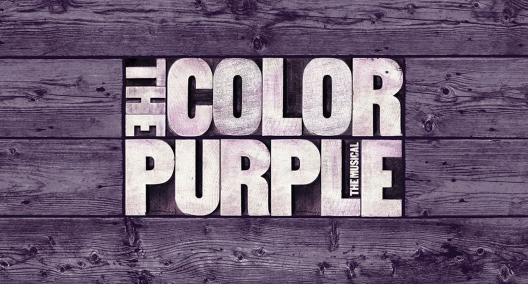
Music by: Jeanine Tesori

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Based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film, *Shrek The Musical* is a Tony Award-winning fairy tale adventure! Shrek brings all the beloved characters you know from the film to life on stage and proves there's more to the story than meets the ears.

"Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek..." And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short-tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude, and over a dozen other fairy tale misfits, and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero. Luckily, there's one on hand... and his name is Shrek. **Shrek** presents a treasure trove of creative opportunities, including costumes, sets, puppets (there is a fire-breathing dragon after all), and more! Irreverently fun for the whole family, **Shrek** proves that beauty is truly in the eye of the ogre.



The Color Purple

Feb. 9-18, Arts United 2024 Center

Musical Rated: PG

Director: Dianne Shaw

Show Credits

Based upon the novel written by Alice Walker and the Warner Bros./Amblin Entertainment Motion Picture

Book by: Marsha Norman

Music & Brenda Russell, Lyrics by: Allee Willis, & Stephen Bray

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The Color Purple is an inspiring family saga that tells the unforgettable story of a woman who, through love, finds the strength to triumph over adversity and discover her unique voice in the world. This musical adaptation of Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel (and the popular 1985 Steven Spielberg film) spotlights Celie, a downtrodden young woman whose personal awakening over the course of 40 years forms the arc of this epic story. With a joyous score featuring jazz, ragtime, gospel, African music, and blues, The Color Purple is a story of hope, a testament to the healing power of love, and a celebration of life.

The Color Purple was produced on Broadway at the Broadway Theater by Oprah Winfrey, Scott Sanders, Roy Furman, and Quincy Jones.

The world premiere of **The Color Purple** was produced by the Alliance Theatre, Atlanta, Georgia.



Six Degrees of Separation

March 15-24, 2024

Parkview Physicians Group ArtsLab

Play

Rated: R

Director:

Joel Grillo

Show Credits

Author:

John Guare

SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION is

presented by special arrangement with Broadway Licensing, LLC, servicing the Dramatists Play Service collection. www.dramatists.com Inspired by a true story, Six Degrees of Separation follows the trail of a young black con man, Paul, who insinuates himself into the lives of a wealthy New York couple, Ouisa and Flan Kittredge, claiming he knows their son at college. Paul tells them he is the son of actor Sidney Poitier, and that he has just been mugged and all his money is gone. Captivated by Paul's intelligence and his fascinating conversation, the Kittredges invite him to stay overnight. But in the morning, they discover him in bed with a young male hustler. After kicking him out, Ouisa and Flan discover that friends of theirs have had a similar run-in with the brash con artist. Intrigued, they turn detective and piece together the connections that gave Paul access to their lives.

Winner of the 1993 Olivier Award for Best Play and the New York Drama Critics Circle Award, no subject is left untouched in this comic, fast-paced, and affecting piece. The title refers to a statistical theory which states that any two people in the world can be connected through only six other people. The play is an examination of the threads of chance that link one person to another.



Jersey Boys

May 4-19, 2024

Arts United Center

Musical

Rated: R

Director & Choreographer: Beauchamp

Leslie

Show Credits

Book by:

Marshall Brickman & Rick Flice

Music by:

Bob Gaudio

Lyrics by:

Bob Crewe

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With phenomenal music, memorable characters, and great storytelling, *Jersey Boys* follows the fascinating evolution of four bluecollar kids who became one of the greatest successes in pop-music history. Winner of Best Musical at both the Tony Awards® and Olivier Awards®, Jersey Boys takes you behind the music of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons to discover the secret of a 40-year friendship as the foursome work their way from the streets of New Jersey to the heights of stardom. Enjoy the thrill of electrifying performances of chart-topping hits including "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," "Dawn," and "My Eyes Adored You," which brought The Four Seasons the highest honor: induction into the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame.

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FORT WAYNE CIVIC THEATRE



The Fort Wayne Civic Theatre launches its 96th Anniversary Season with highly popular, powerhouse productions such as *The Color Purple, Jersey Boys, Something Rotten!*, *Shrek*, and more. It is because of your continual support we can bring you these Broadway-caliber productions.

Unfortunately, the funding landscape of the arts in our community has changed both locally and at the state level. The Indiana Arts Commission restructured its funding which is impacting the larger arts organization across the state. Arts United is no longer a funding organization but restructured to be a service organization. Audiences are returning, but not quite back up to pre-pandemic levels of attendance. The Civic Theatre is being proactive in keeping our expenses in line with the current and future arts support funding trends in our community, especially with the rate of inflation in mind.

Tickets, subscriptions, and sponsorship sales make up 44% of our annual revenue, and donations make up 10%. We are blessed to have the support of our community through restricted and unrestricted grants, which is 31% of our budgeted income. Fundraisers and rentals make up the remaining 15%, and yet we are still projecting an estimated \$117,000 deficit budget that will take from our reserves.

For 96 years, the Civic Theatre has been and will continue to be fiscally responsible, as it is called Show "Business", not Show Fun. You are the community that makes up our community theatre, the community we showcase and inspire. The community we love to enrich and bring growth to our city as a downtown destination. Please join us with your support of a donation, large or small. Every dollar counts! Everyone counts!

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This season we are offering flex pass options so that we can best serve our patrons. Flex passes are good for any musical or play in the 2023-2024 season. You can choose to use them all to see one production or in any combination of shows.

Love having a full season of shows booked in advance? Fill out the order form available at fwcivic.org/order or call (260) 424-5220.

You can also call in show-by-show throughout the season to redeem your passes for tickets. Once tickets are issued/printed, exchange fees apply.

Flex passes must be used for 2023-2024 Season and expire on 5/19/2024

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