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# Guitar Phenom Shaun Hopper Comes to The Grand

WAUSAU, WI –October 9, 2015 – Acoustic fingerstyle guitarist, Shaun Hopper will be sharing his talent with The Grand on Thursday, October 15 at 7:30 PM. Shaun Hopper's fingerstyle acoustic guitar is infused with a percussive element that creates not only a unique sound but, an unmatched visual performance. Influenced by the sounds of Chet Atkins along with Alternative, New Age, Pop, Classical, Jazz, Folk, and Irish music undertones, Shaun is well-known for his talent and stage presence.

"The kids got fingers of doom, no two ways about it. A true world class talent on fingerstyle flat-top acoustic guitar. Hopper effortlessly channels Chet Atkins, Tommy Emmanuel and Andre Segovia, blowing minds and dropping jaws everywhere."  
- Creative Loafing Magazine, Best of the Bay – 2009

Whether his listeners are guitar enthusiasts or not matters little, within a few seconds they soon realize that they are listening to a true virtuoso. Hopper's original compositions and arrangements of pop tunes are infused with all the cutting edge techniques and flavorings. You'll hear everything from *Somewhere Over the Rainbow* to classic favorites like *Come Together* and *Bohemian Rhapsody*.

"Shaun Hopper is simply one of the best guitar players in America" - Michael Marth, President - Tampa Bay Fingerstyle Guitar Guild

Shaun's stagecraft is equally impressive and engaging. Weaving in humorous tales from his small town Georgia roots and sharing an occasional glimpse into his "backwoods" childhood, he stirs his audience with both laughter and introspection.

Hopper's performance will be the culmination of a three day residency in the Wausau area. He'll be conducting workshops, lecture demonstrations, and performances in three school districts, a performance at the Boys and Girls Club, and a meet and greet and jam session at the Wausau Conservatory of music. The Meet and Jam event at the Conservatory is on Tuesday, October 13 at 7:00 PM, and is open to the public and free of charge.

Tickets are on sale now for the performance on Thursday! Contact the box office at 715.842.0988, online at [www.grandtheater.org](http://www.grandtheater.org), or stop in to the Ticket Office at 401 4th Street. Wausau, WI. 54403. It's not too late to subscribe. Season packages start at just four shows and feature a discount up to 15% depending. Subscribers also receive priority seating, free ticket exchanges, and an invitation to exclusive events.

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