



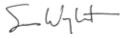
# An exciting season awaits

It feels like just yesterday that we were reopening our doors after a 17-month shutdown, but somehow a year has flown by and another Wisconsin summer is quickly coming to a close. It's certainly been a great summer here at The Grand, as the response to the upcoming season has been incredible. We are so excited for the season to come and can't wait to get it started this October!

Before we turn all our attention to the new season, I want to offer a word of thanks for your incredible support over the past year. Whether it was as ticket buyers, renters, sponsors or donors, you made our return to in-person performances an incredibly successful one! The support that we receive each year is truly amazing, and we are proud to be a part of a community that is so incredibly supportive of the performing arts.

As the new season approaches, we hope you'll stay connected as we announce additional shows, performances from our talented Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble, special pre-show events, shows in our new Lift Every Voice series, and programs in the Bridge Clinic Community Engagement Series, which allow you to experience the arts in new and different ways throughout the year.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to an amazing season!



The entire season at The Grand is supported by the Wisconsin Arts Board with funds from the State of Wisconsin and the National Endowment for the Arts. These performances are also supported by the Community Arts Grant program of the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin, the B.A. & Esther Greenheck Foundation, and the City of Wausau's Room Tax Funding.













# **GRAND THEATER** WAUSAU

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401 N. Fourth St. Downtown Wausau

TICKET OFFICE HOURS:

Mon-Fri 9:00 am-5:30 pm Sat. 9:00 am-noon Open Saturdays after Sept 6



# LIFT EVERY VOICE

Showcasing incredible performers from a variety of backgrounds, these concerts are FREE & will also include workshops, discussions, & more to allow audiences to explore perspectives different from their own.



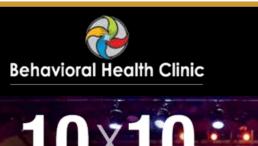
# **BASSEL & THE SUPERNATURALS**

THURS. SEPT 29 Syrian heart. Midwest Soul. 7:30 PM



#### **GINA CHAVEZ**

WED. APR 12 A high-energy journey through Latin America and beyond. 7:30 PM



# 10×10 SERIES

Discover new artists in an intimate setting on the stage of the historic Grand Theater! General admission tickets are available for just \$10 in advance.

Seats are limited. Contact the Ticket Office at 715-842-0988 or www.grandtheater.org for more information.



## TRAPPER SCHOEPP FRI SEPT 16

Milwaukee-based Trapper Schoepp and band defy the limitations of standard issue Americana by hopping genres.



Hailed as "having more kick than a bagged-up mule," this Ripon, WI-based group brings the inspiration fuel for self lovin'!



**RON ARTIS II** WED NOV 9

Fresh yet familiar songs that are both urgent and timeless. bluegrass, jazz, and



**BARBARO** 

FRI JAN 20 Eclectic sound inspired by chamber music.



**EMPIRE WILD** SAT APR 1

A signature mix of original music, covers, and twists on classical canon.



**TAYLOR ASHTON** TUES APR 25

Poignantly clever lyrical insights, acompanied on clawhammer banjo.



# THE DOO WOP PROJECT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

# "Oh, what a show!... Be sure to catch this fabulous act when you can."

--DC Theatre Arts

This Broadway-quality concert has elicited thunderous standing ovations across the U.S. for its energy, artistry and creativity as it takes audiences on a whirlwind tour of the distinctly American music genre, doo wop.

But this isn't just a playlist of oldies. The Doo Wop Project brings this genre into the 21st century and spikes it with contemporary flavors for new audiences. Love the sounds of Frankie Valli, The Drifters, or The Del-Vikings? Ever wonder what Maroon 5 or Jason Mraz would sound like in the Doo Wop era? That's the kind of music magic that will happen on stage when The Doo Wop Project opens the Grand Theater's 2022/23 season.

The Doo Wop Project traces the genre from its inception of groups singing tight harmonies on a street corner, all the way to the biggest hits on the radio today. DWP takes audiences on a journey from foundational tunes of groups like The Crests, The Belmonts, and The Flamingos through their influences on Smokey Robinson, The Temptations, and The Four Seasons.

You'll be thrilled by their DooWopified versions of modern songs by Michael Jackson, Jason Mraz, Maroon 5 and even Garth Brooks. The Doo Wop Project uses their vocal excellence to recreate—and in some cases entirely reimagine—some of the greatest music in American pop and rock history!





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# THE OK FACTOR & JAERV

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

The classical-crossover duo The OK Factor returns to The Grand, this time with the award-winning Swedish quintet Jaerv. The two innovative folk groups collaborated in Sweden last summer, and are touring the U.S. together for the first time this fall. Their stop at The Grand to perform their program "Traditions" will culminate in a residency with local music students. With a genre-bending sound described as "pure magic," this concert will treat you to fresh, creative musicianship that blends vigorous traditional folk with classical, jazz, pop and fascinating instrumentation.

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#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13 | LIMITED TICKETS

This highly theatrical, eye-popping production incorporates 23 of Queen's most famous songs, performed by Marc Martel, known as the vocal doppelganger of Queen's late, great frontman, Freddie Mercury.

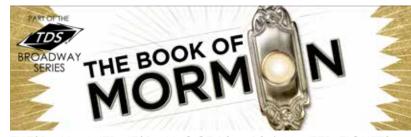
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#### TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, OCT 18 & 19 | LIMITED TICKETS

Called "the best musical of this century" (New York Times) and "the funniest musical of all time (Entertainment Weekly). Since opening in 2011, it's one of the most successful shows in Broadway history and the winner of nine Tony Awards.

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# **LONESTAR**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

For 30 years, Lonestar has delivered one chart-topping hit after another, and has won many top honors, including Academy of Country Music awards for New Vocal Group and Song Of The Year, along with Humanitarian Of The Year and International Artist Achievement awards. They're on tour for their forthcoming album TEN to 1, which takes a fresh look at 10 of their chart-topping hits including "Smile," "Tell Her," "What About Now," and "Amazed." Don't miss Dean, Michael, Keech and Drew when they bring their famously charismatic stage presence to Wausau.







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# ABT STUDIO COMPANY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

These rising stars of the prestigious American Ballet Theatre make their Wausau debut with an evening of incredible artistry. The repertoire features classical, neoclassical, and contemporary works mixed with new custom pieces commissioned each season, all showcasing the vibrancy of these young dancers. Over 80% of American Ballet Theatre's dancers are alumni of ABT Studio Company, including superstars like Misty Copeland. It's your chance to see the future of dance right here. Tickets also available for Tasting Barre, a whiskey, wine & hors d'oeuvres tasting preshow event, \$25 in addition to performance ticket.















# MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

From the creators of the award-winning Broadway hit Million Dollar Quartet comes this brand new, rollicking holiday musical. Imagine Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley gathering at Sun Records, now donned with a Christmas tree, garland, and mistletoe. Sounds of the season are ringing, along with the chart-toppering hits that made these four famous. Laugh at the gang's usual antics as we journey through a story of Christmas past, present, and future. It's a jampacked evening of holiday hits and classic characters.







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## **ALL IS CALM**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Theatre Latté Da brings this astounding story that recalls an incredible moment during WWI when Allied and German soldiers met in "No Man's Land" and laid down their arms to celebrate Christmas together by singing carols, sharing meals, and burying the dead. "The joy of 'Peace on Earth' rarely has seemed so real as it does in this sweet story of a Christmas Day when enemies embraced," says the Star Tribune. Twelve talented artists, traditional holiday songs, and first-hand accounts have made this remarkable production a must-see holiday classic. "An absolutely stunning piece of art" (Broadway World).

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# THE JOHN ALTENBURGH CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

Johnny's back for the holidays to fill the stage with some of the finest and most fun musicians around the state. Nothing says Christmas in Wausau like this evening. With years of sold-out shows, this true Wisconsin tradition has long been the hottest holiday ticket in town. And with an all-star lineup, it's a night of powerful jazz, blues, rock, gospel, and holiday standards, all performed with a local flair that leaves audiences filled with Christmas spirit.













# Holiday hits live in concert

CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS "SIXTIES STYLE" WITH THE MIDTOWN MEN!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

Classic choreography, vibrant vocals, and captivating chemistry. They took Broadway by storm in one of the biggest hits of all time, and now bring their magic to audiences across America. This evening of songs and stories features Yuletide classics such as "Winter Wonderland," "Let It Snow," and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas," as well as The Midtown Men's signature renditions of the greatest rock and roll hits of the 1960s, from the Four Seasons and the Beatles, to the Temptations, Motown and more!

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## CHAMPIONS OF MAGIC THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

Experience live entertainment like never before in this evening of impossible illusions and spectacular special effects. Described as "The Avengers of magic," this team of magicians presents original, phenomenal ensemble acts that happen all around the theater. They've sold out across the globe. Now see them here!

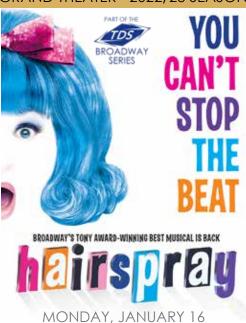












Broadway's Tony Award-winning musical comedy phenomenon is back on tour! Join 16-year-old Tracy in 1960s Baltimore as she sets out to dance her way onto TV's most popular show. HAIRSPRAY is "fresh, winning, and deliriously tuneful!" (The New York Times).













## THE WORLD OF MUSICALS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

All the hit songs from your favorite musicals, in one concert! This captivating journey through the great songs of Broadway and film will leave you spellbound. With ballads from Evita, Les Misérables, Wicked, Phantom of the Opera, plus upbeat favorites from Dirty Dancing, Rock of Ages, and Mamma Mia, this show is for everyone.









#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Everybody, rock your body right! Relive the best years singing along to the hits of NSYNC, Backstreet Boys, One Direction, Jonas Brothers and more with the greatest boy band tribute show in the U.S. You'll watch all the sweet hip thrusts and air grabs for an incredible throwback experience. They play to capacity crowds nationwide, so join the fun at the Grand!



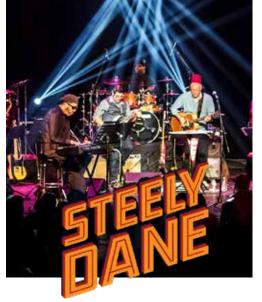












#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

"The large ensemble fills the hall with soul and smarts. It's a big band with a big sound, and it's damn near perfect," says Madison Magazine. It's 15 of Dane County's best jazz and rock musicians, dedicated to faithfully reproducing the Steely Dan and Donald Fagen songbook, while bringing an energetic live-show experience to audiences.







## SONGS WE LOVE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

You'll be transported by this incredible night of the music made famous by iconic singers such as Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald, Frank Sinatra, Judy Garland and more. This journey through the first 50 years of jazz song, beginning with the 1920s, features three amazing vocalists with an all-star band made of New York's rising stars in the jazz world.













## THE PEKING ACROBATS FEATURING THE SHANGHAI CIRCUS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

All ages will be thrilled by the daring maneuvers, trick-cycling, precision tumbling and juggling. These artists push the limits of human ability with awe-inspiring feats of physical control. Time-honored Chinese music combine with high-tech special effects to create the festive pageantry of a Chinese Carnival.

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## CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE: PINK FLOYD'S DARK SIDE OF THE MOON

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Experience live one of the most famous albums of all time, now celebrating its 50th anniversary. Hear the iconic songs "Breathe (In the Air)," "Money," "Brain Damage" and more. These professional musicians recreate the masterpiece album, note for note, cut for cut, in this must-see concert for rock fans.





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SUNDAY, MARCH 12 LIMITED TICKETS REMAIN! After 25 years,

everything that makes Broadway shimmyshake: a tale of fame, fortune and all

Chicago is still the one musical with

that jazz, show-stopping songs, and





IRELAND WITH MICHAEL LIVE FRIDAY, MARCH 3

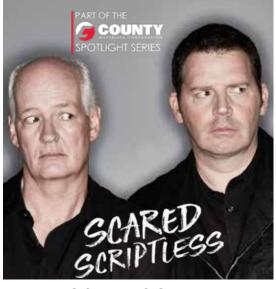
Enjoy a dazzling, delightful travelogue that features the music, places and stories of the Emerald Isle. This multimedia live concert version of the hit PBS show combines a five-piece band, champion dancers, video from the show, and host Michael Londra. Pre-show event: Separate tickets for the buffet-style traditional Irish dinner \$25, on sale Oct. 4.











## **COLIN MOCHRIE & BRAD SHERWOOD**

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

Great seats are still available but they won't last long for these improv comedy masters, known by TV audiences for Whose Line Is It Anyway? Colin and Brad improvise new material every show from audience participation. Get ready for a night of nonstop laughter!











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# **OUR PLANET** LIVE IN CONCERT

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

Take a journey of discovery across our beautiful world. The landmark Our Planet documentary series comes to Wausau as a two-hour live show filled with stunning visuals, sound effects, and mesmerizing music performed by a live orchestra on stage in a concert celebration of Earth.













#### ATLANTA RHYTHM SECTION and PURE PRAIRIE LEAGUE

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

Songs, stories, and American rock by two legendary bands. Hear hits like "Aime," "Two Lane Highway," "Imaginary Lover" and more from these great performers.

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# THE RUSH TRIBUTE PROJECT

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

The magic of Rush's famous live concerts comes alive. RTP painstakingly recreates that sound and energy with vintage instruments, projections, and virtuosity to thrill even the most discerning Rush fans.

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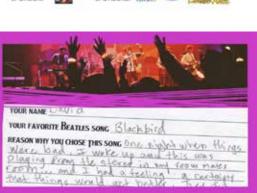












## YESTERDAY AND TODAY THE INTERACTIVE BEATLES EXPERIENCE

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

The audience chooses songs and why. Each concert then becomes a story, told through Beatles songs performed by an incredible band. You'll experience much more than just a Beatles tribute!











#### YAMATO: THE DRUMMERS OF JAPAN FRIDAY, MARCH 31

Bring the whole family to experience the thunderous music, astounding athleticism, and infectious showmanship that has mesmerized audiences across the globe. "Simply captivating!" says the Evening Post.









## LORRIE MORGAN

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

One of the most eloquent country singers of modern times performs her hits like "Five Minutes" and "I Didn't Know My Own Strength," plus unique reinventions of classics by Patsy Cline, Bob Dylan & more.

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Using huge projection photos and original film footage, this concert-style theatrical show features a full band performing all the hits including "Mrs. Robinson," "Cecilia," "Bridge Over Troubled Water," and "Homeward Bound." The story chronicles the amazing journey of the folk-rock duo from their humble beginnings, to incredible success and dramatic split. It culminates with the famed Concert in Central Park reunion in 1981.

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TUESDAY, MAY 2

This "Unauthorized Harry Experience - A Parody" will make you roar with laughter, even if you don't know the difference between a horcrux and a Hufflepuff. It's an evening of theatrical comedy for all ages.











# ADAM JACOBS

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

Broadway's original Aladdin and Grammy nominee performs from the prolific songbook of Alan Menken, featuring songs from stage and film hits such as Newsies, The Little Mermaid, Hercules, and Aladdin.

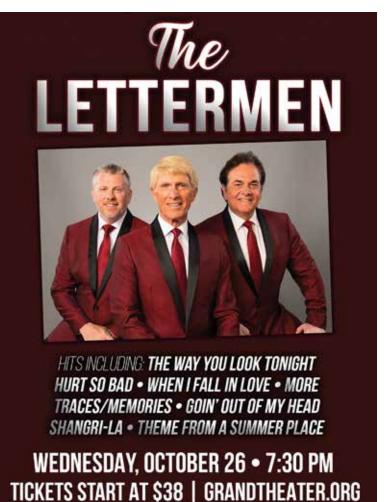














# HADLEY 2022/23 ACCESS FOR ALL SERIES

Everyone deserves the opportunity to experience the power and wonder of the arts.

This outreach program engages families and individuals, enabling them to experience the performing arts at The Grand regardless of economic status. By partnering with community groups to distribute tickets to individuals and families facing challenging circumstances, we hope to make the performing arts truly accessible for all.

We gratefully acknowledge the support of Hadley Family Trust in presenting this season's Access For All series.



# **2022-23 COMMUNITY**

The Grand Theater's mission to ENTERTAIN, EDUCATE, and ENRICH North Central Wisconsin pushes the performing arts from the stage into our community.

Through workshops, pre-show activities, free cultural events, and online activities, the Bridge Clinic Community Engagement Series connects our community to the performing arts and to each

We're proud to be the Community Engagement Series sponsor. Access is at the heart of our work, whether for health, wellness, or community connectedness. IENNIFER SMITH

BRIDGE COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



# 2022/23 **ARTS IN EDUCATION SERIES**

Celebrating over three decades of engaging students in the arts, The Grand is proud to present the 2022/2023 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series! Dedicated to serving schools, teachers, and students through educational and cultural experiences, the Arts In Education Series brings in over 17,000 students year after year to experience the transformative power of the arts.

This year at The Grand, students in grades Pre-K through 8 will meet classic characters as well as their current favorites, featuring performances from Yamato: The Drummers of Japan, Click, Clack, Moo, The Magic School Bus, and more!















2022/23 TDS

# **BROADWAY SERIES**



THE BOOK OF MORMON

TWO NIGHTS! October 18 & 19

MILLION DOLLAR **QUARTET CHRISTMAS** 

November 18

MIDTOWN MEN: **HOLIDAY HITS** 

December 7

**HAIRSPRAY** January 16

**CHICAGO** March 12

**ADAM JACOBS:** RIGHT WHERE I BELONG **SONGS OF ALAN MENKEN** June 2

THE BEST OF BROADWAY AND BEYOND!





LONESTAR October 20



THE JOHN ALTENBURGH CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA December 16

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CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE: PINK FLOYD'S DARK SIDE OF

COLIN MOCHRIE & BRAD SHERWOOD: THE SCARED SCRIPTLESS TOUR March 5



LORRIE MORGAN April 21

"County Materials is proud to support the performing arts in North Central Wisconsin. We believe the arts offer very positive and practical benefits for our community. They inspire each of us by fostering creativity and beauty. They improve well-being and express our values, and even build bridges between cultures. Most importantly, the arts are fundamental to creating a healthy and sustainable community, strengthening it socially, educationally and economically."

#### GRAND THEATER CALENDAR

#### **SEPTEMBER 2022**

- Wausau Community Theatre: 8-10 Disney's The Descendants
- Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: 16 Trapper Schoepp
- 20 Bridge Clinic Community Engagement Series: Swing Dancing
- CenterStage Band and Show Choir 22-24
- Lift Every Voice Series: 29 Bassel & The Supernaturals

#### **OCTOBER**

- 3 Tom Segura: I'm Coming Everywhere (SOLD OUT)
- 7 The Doo Wop Project
- 11 The OK Factor + Jaerv
- 12 Bridge Clinic Community Engagement Series: Barre Fitness Class
- 13 County Materials Spotlight Series: The Ultimate Queen Celebration Starring Marc Martel (LOW TICKETS)
- 18 Bridge Clinic Community Engagement Series: Broadway & Bagels
- 18-19 TDS Broadway Series: The Book of Mormon (LOW TICKETS)
- 20 County Materials Spotlight Series: Lonestar
- 22-23 Wausau Dance Theatre: Thriller - 25th **Anniversary**
- 26 The Lettermen
- 27 Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: TAE & The Neighborly
- 29 American Ballet Theatre Studio Company

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 3-5 Wausau Community Theatre: Young Frankenstein
- 9 Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: Ron Artis II & The Truth
- 10 Bridge Clinic Community Engagement Series: Broadway Karaoke
- 12 11-11: The Party
- 17 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: Click, Clack, Moo

- 18 TDS Broadway Series: Million Dollar Quartet Christmas
- 22 All Is Calm: The Christmas Truce of 1914

#### **DECEMBER**

- 3-4 Central Wisconsin School of Ballet: The Nutcracker
- 6 Christmas with John Berry
- TDS Broadway Series: The Midtown Men: Holiday Hits
- 9-11 Wausau Community Theatre: A Christmas Carol
- 13 An Evening with George Winston
- For Kids from 1-92 featuring Steve 14 March-Tormé and Michael Bailey (The Spirit of Christmas Music, Past & Present)
- 16 County Materials Spotlight Series: The John Altenburgh Christmas Extravaganza
- 17 Rodney Carrington

#### **JANUARY 2023**

- County Materials Spotlight Series: Champions Of Magic
- 16 TDS Broadway Series: Hairspray
- Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: 20 Barbaro

#### **FEBRUARY**

- The World of Musicals
- 3 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: Pete's Big Hollywood Adventure
- 4 The Prince Experience
- 9 Boy Band Review
- 10 Steely Dane
- 15 Jazz at Lincoln Center Presents: Songs We Love
- 17 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: The Peking Acrobats
- 17 The Peking Acrobats
- 24 County Materials Spotlight Series: Classic Albums Live: Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon

27 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: The Magic School Bus

#### **MARCH**

- Ireland with Michael LIVE 3
- 5 County Materials Spotlight Series: Colin Mochrie & Brad Sherwood: The Scared Scriptless Tour
- 9-11 Wausau Community Theatre: Spongebob Squarepants
  - 12 TDS Broadway Series: Chicago (LOW TICKETS)
  - 16 Our Planet Live in Concert
- 17 Atlanta Rhythm Section & Pure Prairie League - 50 Years Together
- 28 The Simon & Garfunkel Story
- 31 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: Yamato: The Drummers of Japan
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#### **APRIL**

- Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: 1 **Empire Wild**
- Lift Every Voice Series: Gina Chavez 12
- Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: 13 The Lightning Thief
- The Rush Tribute Project 14
- 17 An Evening with Michael J. Fox: "No Time Like the Future"
- 21 County Materials Spotlight Series: Lorrie Morgan
- Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: 25 Taylor Ashton
- Yesterday & Today: The Interactive 28 Beatles Experience

#### MAY

Potted Potter - The Unauthorized 2 Harry Experience

#### JUNE

- 2 TDS Broadway Series: Adam Jacobs: Right Where I Belong -Songs of Alan Menken
- 22-24 Wausau Community Theatre: Heathers

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