

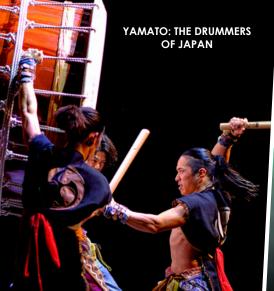




COLIN MOCHRIE

BRAD SHERWOOD









The 95th year of this beautiful gem of a theater is quickly coming to a close, and as 2022 ends we have much to be thankful for, as it has been another outstanding year: Over 135,000 patrons came through our doors; we were recognized again as one of Pollstar's Top 150 Theaters in the World; and we brought world-class artists from across genres to the stage of The Grand.

We thank all of you who have supported us this year and made it such a success!

As the calendar turns, we are very excited about what is to come in 2023. From Broadway hits Hairspray and Chicago, to visits from Wausau favorites Colin and Brad and so much more, there are so many amazing performances to come. Thanks for your support of The Grand in 2022! Best wishes to you and yours for a wonderful holiday season!



A stunning new show, on Earth

Some of most magnificent film footage of the natural world ever captured has become a breathtaking new stage production. You can be among the first to experience the grandeur of OUR PLANET LIVE IN CONCERT on March 16 when the Grand Theater hosts the only Wisconsin stop on the show's debut U.S. tour.

Prepare to be mesmerized as the landmark eight-part Our Planet documentary series becomes a two-hour live show filled with beautiful visuals and sound effects, all accompanied by a live orchestra on stage and narrated on screen by the voice of legendary broadcaster David Attenborough. The show brings the incredible cinematography of the series to the big screen in full HD quality, as dazzling, intelligent lighting effects create a concert experience unlike any other.

The Emmy Award-winning docuseries *Our Planet* took the world by storm when it was released on Netflix in April 2019, taking viewers on a spectacular journey of discovery and showcasing the beauty and increased fragility of our natural world. The producers of OUR PLANET LIVE IN CONCERT edited the most stunning sequences from the series to deliver a unique, compelling narrative meant for live audiences to experience on a great scale on stage.

Composer Steven Price's Emmy-nominated score has been reworked for this epic event, performed by an 18-piece orchestra. OUR PLANET LIVE IN CONCERT brings together some of the world's greatest creatives, filmmakers, musicians and conservationists to create a stage production unlike any other. A portion of the show's proceeds will benefit World Wildlife Fund, a producing partner of the documentary series.



A fossa in the dry forests of Madagascar. This is Madagascar's largest predator, and endemic to the island. ©JEFF WILSON/SILVERBACK/NETFLIX



A blue whale mother and her calf, taken in the Sea of Cortez, one of two places in the world where blue whales are known to give birth. These are some of the first ever images of a blue whale mother and calf.

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A kingfisher emerges from the river with its catch © IAN LLEWELLYN/SILVERBACK/NETFLIX

GRAND THEATER 2022/23 SEASON



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. On a wintery evening, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley have all gathered by chance at Sun Records. This electrifying tale of family, nostalgia, faith, heartbreak and revelry is filled with sounds of the season, along with the charttoppering hits that made these four famous. Laugh at the gang's antics in this journey through Christmas past, present, and future. It's a jam-packed evening of songs including "Ring of Fire," "Blue Christmas," "Santa Baby" and more.

PRESENTING









THE MIDTOWN MEN: HOLIDAY HITS LIVE IN CONCERT WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

Celebrate the holidays 60s style with classic choreography, vibrant vocals, and captivating chemistry. These stars from the original Broadway cast of Jersey Boys bring this evening of holiday songs and stories, featuring classics such as "Winter Wonderland," "Let It Snow," and The Midtown Men's signature renditions of the greatest rock and roll hits of the 1960s.

PRESENTING SPONSORS:













ALL IS CALM: THE CHRISTMAS TRUCE OF 1914

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Out of the violence a silence, then a song. A soldier steps into No Man's Land singing "Stille Nacht (Silent Night). Thus begins an extraordinary night of music and peace between enemies. Theatre Latté Da brings this astounding play that recalls the incredible moment during World War I when thousands of Allied and German soldiers laid down their arms and left their trenches to celebrate Christmas together. Told with words from the men who lived the moment, this emotion-filled production has become a must-see holiday classic. "An absolutely stunning piece of art" (Broadway World).

PRESENTING SPONSOR



FEATURED







THE JOHN ALTENBURGH CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

Johnny's back 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 Wisconsin tradition has long been the hottest holiday ticket in town. 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.

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FEATURED







RODNEY CARRINGTON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17









PRESENTING

That was tremendous!"

happen around the theater, delighting all ages. Champions of Magic has sold out across the globe. Now see them in here! As Access Hollywood Live raves, "You have to check them out!



FEATURED SPONSORS:









Broadway's Tony Award-winning comedy phenomenon is back on tour! Join 16-year-old Tracy as she sets out to dance her way onto TV's most popular show. This all-new touring production brings this exhilarating musical to a new generation of theater audiences. Bop in your seats to the beloved hit songs including "Welcome to the 60s," "Good Morning Baltimore," and "You Can't Stop the Beat." You'll see why HAIRSPRAY is "fresh, winning, and deliriously tuneful!" (The New York Times).

MONDAY, JANUARY 16













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. You'll see and hear the beautiful, emotional ballads from Evita, Les Misérables, Wicked, and Phantom of the Opera, plus upbeat favorites from Dirty Dancing, Rock of Ages, and Mamma Mia. It's an unforgettable spectacle for the entire family, so get ready to sing along to all your favorite showtunes! "Absolutely phenomenal... Audience members cheered and were overjoyed." (Broadway World)







2022/23 SEASON



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. This complete concert experience features all the singing and dancing you'd expect, along with a live band and full production. You'll watch all the sweet hip thrusts and air grabs for an incredible throwback experience. They play to capacity crowds nationwide. Now join in on the fun at The Grand!





FEATURED SPONSORS:







"It's a big band with a big sound, and it's damn near perfect," says Madison Magazine. Fifteen of Dane County's best jazz and rock musicians created this band to faithfully reproduce the Steely Dan and Donald Fagen songbook with an energetic live-show experience for audiences. Steely Dan formed a whole new kind of sophisticated pop music with their fusion of jazz, rock, and R&B. "We consider ourselves to be more of a celebration of Steely Dan than a tribute," says musical codirector David Adler.





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. A program of the most soulful selections of America's classic songbook, Songs We Love was first presented as the 2016 season opener at Jazz at Lincoln Center in New York City.





FEATURED SPONSORS:





Grand theater 2022/23 season



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.

PRESENTING



FEATURED SPONSOR:





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.

PRESENTING SPONSOR:



FEATURED SPONSORS:





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, known as the golden voice of the original Riverdance.

FEATURED









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!

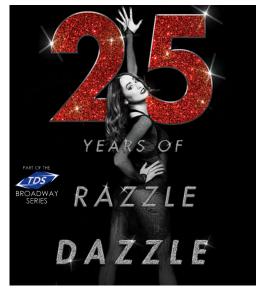














SUNDAY, MARCH 12

VERY LIMITED TICKETS REMAIN!

After 25 years, Chicago is still the one musical with everything that makes Broadway shimmy-shake: a tale of fame, fortune and all that jazz, show-stopping songs, and astonishing dance.















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

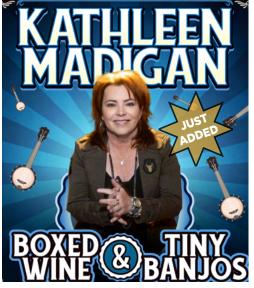
Songs, stories, and American rock by two legendary bands. Hear hits like "Aime," "Two Lane Highway," "Imaginary Lover" and more from these great performers. Their beloved best-selling albums and Top 40 singles have made PPL and ARS living legends of country and Southern rock.



FEATURED SPONSORS:





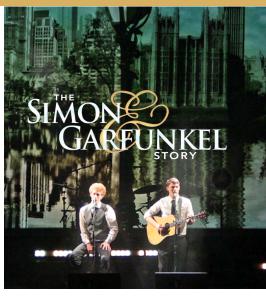


SATURDAY, MARCH 25

This comedian's 32-year career is showing no signs of slowing down. Madigan has three stand-up specials on Netflix and the highest selling and most played comedy album, Bothering Jesus, on streaming services since 2014. "So irreplaceable on the stage... she's one of the funniest stand-up comedians of her generation." (Detroit Free Press)







TUESDAY, MARCH 28

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















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. Some of these traditional instruments are huge! It's no wonder this production is known as phyiscal music. "Simply captivating!" says the Evening Post.





CHAPEL HART

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

This hot new country group wraps their Mississippi roots with Louisiana spice for listeners around the world. Sisters Danica and Devynn Hart and cousin Trea Swindle went from singing together as children in Hart's Chapel, to becoming a world class group with a colorful, contagious energy. Chapel Hart has an amazing ability to tug on your heartstrings with a tender yet powerful ballad, then have you pumping your fist to hard-hitting music. In summer 2022 they gained famed on TV's America's Got Talent, earning props from country legends like Dolly Parton. Their stop at The Grand is part of their new Glory Days tour.











GRAND THEATER 2022/23 SEASON



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 the most discerning fans. As Go Venue Magazine says, "They do make the hair on your arms stand up... If you're a fan of Rush, then you're a fan of The Rush Tribute Project."













LORRIE MORGAN

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

One of the most eloquent country singers of modern times, Lorrie Morgan has earned numerous awards and chart topping hits. On this tour she 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.

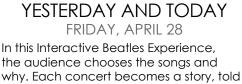












YOUR FAVORITE BEATLES SONG LAKE COM REASON WHY YOU CHOSE THIS SONG

through Beatles songs performed by an incredible band. It's so much more than a tribute concert. This innovative show proves why the music of The Beatles remains the soundtrack our lives.

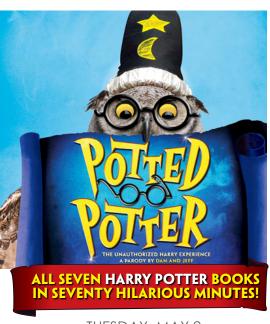












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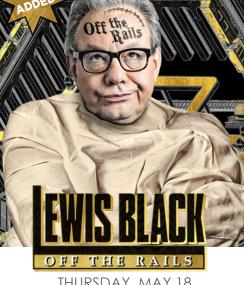
This "Unauthorized Harry Experience - A Parody" will make you roar with laughter, even if you don't know the difference between a horcrux and a Hufflepuff. It's a theatrical comedy for all ages, as creators Dan and Jeff perform all seven books into one hilarious show. "An ebullient joyride with just the right amount of snark." (Chicago Theater Beat).











THURSDAY, MAY 18

The King of Rant returns to Wausau! This award-winning comedian performs his critically acclaimed shows to sold-out audiences around the world, and is one of a few performers to sell out multiple renowned theaters, including Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, and the Mirage in Las Vegas. You won't stop laughing at his brilliant riffs on the absurdities of life.













ADAM JACOBS FRIDAY, JUNE 2

Broadway's original Aladdin performs from the prolific sonabook of Alan Menken, featuring songs from stage and film hits such as Newsies. The Little Mermaid, and Aladdin in this inspiring, family-friendly show. "Adam Jacobs and I have shared the most incredible journey," Menken says, "brought fully to life by this amazing and talented young man.'











BARBARO FRI JAN 20 Eclectic sound inspired by bluegrass, jazz, and chamber



EMPIRE WILD SAT APR 1 A signature mix of original music, covers, and twists on classical canon.



KING MARGO THURS MAR 2 High-energy, fun, and musically adept Americana.



TAYLOR ASHTON TUES APR 25 Poignantly clever lyrical insights, acompanied on clawhammer banjo.

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.













THE BOOK OF MORMON 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 June 2

THE ULTIMATE QUEEN CELEBRATION STARRING MARC MARTEL **LONESTAR** THE JOHN ALTENBURGH CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA CHAMPIONS OF MAGIC CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE: PINK FLOYD'S DARK SIDE OF THE MOON COLIN MOCHRIE & BRAD SHERWOOD: SCARED SCRIPTLESS **LORRIE MORGAN**



2022/23 **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.













CCESS FOR ALL SERIES

Everyone deserves the opportunity to experience the power and

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.



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 other.











GRAND THEATER CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

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

JANUARY 2023

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

FEBRUARY

- 1 The World of Musicals
- 3 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: Pete's Big Hollywood Adventure

- 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, featuring the Shanghai Circus
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- 24 County Materials Spotlight Series: Classic Albums Live: Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon
- 25 Broadway Rock of Ages Band
- 27 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: The Magic School Bus

MARCH

- 2 Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: King Margo
- 3 Ireland with Michael LIVE
- 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
- 25 Kathleen Madigan
- 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: Empire Wild
- 6 Chapel Hart: Glory Days Tour
- 12 Lift Every Voice Series: Gina Chavez
- 13 Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series: The Lightning Thief
- 14 The Rush Tribute Project
- 17 An Evening with Michael J. Fox: "No Time Like the Future"
- 21 County Materials Spotlight Series: Lorrie Morgan
- 25 Behavioral Health Clinic 10x10 Series: Taylor Ashton
- 28 Yesterday & Today: The Interactive Beatles Experience

MAY

- 2 Potted Potter The Unauthorized Harry Experience
- 18 Lewis Black: Off The Rails

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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