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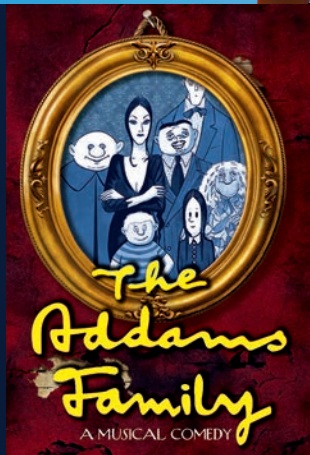
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Doubtfire
The New Musical Comedy



Tina

THE TINA TURNER MUSICAL

RICHARD
THOMAS
IN
MARK TWAIN
TONIGHT!
BY HAL HOLBROOK





Smash hits and stars of the stage

The past year has certainly been a memorable one. An incredible 29 sellouts, recognition again as one of Pollstar's Top Theaters in the world, and performances from amazing artists on our historic stage. Now, we're just as excited to share with you the 2025/26 Season, which brings more than 35 world-class performances to Wausau. Another fantastic Broadway Series comes to The Grand, including the Wausau debuts of blockbuster shows *Tina—The Tina Turner Musical* and *Mrs. Doubtfire*, the return of Tony-Award winners *Chicago* and *Kinky Boots*, plus smash hits *The Addams Family*, *Mark Twain Tonight!* starring Richard Thomas, and *Mama I'm a Big Girl Now*, featuring the original stars of the Tony-winner *Hairspray*.

Beyond Broadway, there is certainly something for everyone: music greats on their farewell tours The Righteous Brothers and The Oak Ridge Boys, comedy from Colin and Brad, the mesmerizing Celtic Thunder and the iconic Judy Collins, plus great family and holiday shows, the return of Wausau favorites, and so much more.

Exciting things are happening behind the scenes, too. During this upcoming season we'll share more details about The Grand's Second Century restoration project and how you can be a part of this transformational moment for our historic theater leading up to the 100th Anniversary in 2027. We are so grateful for our donors, sponsors, volunteers, and of course all of you. It's your support that allows The Grand to thrive. We hope you enjoy the upcoming season and look forward to seeing you at The Grand!

Sean Wright, Executive Director

JUNE 3

Season subscription orders (4 or more shows) begin

Order through the Ticket Office or online at grandtheater.org. Advance priority seating is assigned by best available and/or your preference, and by order of purchase (first come, first served). Refer to the center tear-out section of this brochure for details, and at grandtheater.org.

JUNE 30

Select-your-seat subscription orders begin

Season orders purchased online or through the Ticket Office starting June 30 offer the option to choose specific seats (as available) for each show.

JULY 8

Single shows on sale to the general public

Buy online, by phone, and in person. This is our biggest ticketing day of the year. It's typical to see limited seats remaining for the most popular shows by the end of this week!

Why subscribe?

Subscriptions begin with just FOUR or more shows!

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2025/26 Season at a glance

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THE ADDAMS FAMILY MUSICAL

OCTOBER 14 & 15

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TINA - THE TINA TURNER MUSICAL

NOVEMBER 25 & 26

TINA - The Tina Turner Musical is the triumphant story of the Queen of Rock and Roll set to the pulse-pounding soundtrack of her most beloved hits! TINA-The Tina Turner Musical presents Tina's journey against all odds to become one of the world's most beloved artists.

KINKY BOOTS

JANUARY 13 & 14

Broadway's Tony® and Grammy Award®-winning big-hearted musical hit, **Kinky Boots**, captivates and entertains audiences around the world with a score by Cyndi Lauper, book by Harvey Fierstein, and original direction and choreography by Jerry Mitchell.

MRS. DOUBTFIRE

FEBRUARY 7 (TWO SHOWS!)

Everyone's favorite Scottish nanny comes to Wausau in "a feel-good, family-friendly comedy that delivers" (*The Hollywood Reporter*). Based on the beloved film, it's "the lovable, big-hearted musical comedy we need right now" (*Chicago Tribune*) – one that proves we're better together.

MARK TWAIN TONIGHT

FEBRUARY 17

Emmy-Award® winning Actor **Richard Thomas** brings to life "the nation's one true comic genius" (*The New York Times*) in **Mark Twain Tonight!**, written and originally performed by Hal Holbrook. Join the millions who have cheered for the "uproariously funny" one-man show (*Time Magazine*).

CHICAGO

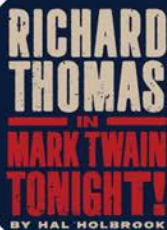
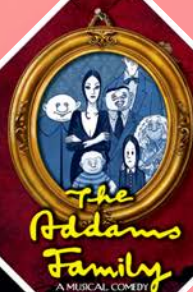
MARCH 3 & 4

CHICAGO is still the one musical with everything that makes Broadway shimmy-shake: a universal tale of fame, fortune, and all that jazz, with one show stopping song after another and the most astonishing dancing you've ever seen.

MAMA, I'M A BIG GIRL NOW

MAY 7

Tony Award winner Marissa Jaret Winokur (*Hairspray*), Tony Nominee Kerry Butler (*Xanadu*), Tony Nominee Laura Bell Bundy (*Legally Blonde*) celebrate 20 years of Broadway hits, motherhood, and lifelong friendship on a hilarious and meaningful musical journey.





FOLSOM PRISON EXPERIENCE

October 3

Unleash the rebel within as you become an inmate at Folsom Prison in 1968, immersing yourself in an electrifying Johnny Cash tribute show.



SIX ONE FIVE COLLECTIVE

November 14

This Grammy-nominated, award-winning group of country artists bring an eclectic mix of country and pop hits and original high-energy songs.



CIRQUE MUSICA - HOLIDAY WONDERLAND

November 22

Experience the magic of cirque like never before with this thrilling blend of world-class circus artistry and your favorite holiday music!



CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE: THE LITHIUM EXPERIENCE

JANUARY 24

Wausau favorite Classic Albums Live returns, bringing a selection of grunge and alternative hits, performed note for note, cut for cut.



THREE AMERICAN TROUBADOURS

February 12

This memorable production celebrates the lives and careers of 6-time Grammy winner James Taylor, Rock & Roll Hall of Famer Carly Simon, and legendary singer-songwriter Carole King.



CLASSIC ALBUMS LIVE: THE EAGLES - THEIR GREATEST HITS

March 20

The Eagles have sold more albums than any other artist in history, and Classic Albums Live brings Their Greatest Hits to the stage, performed note for note, cut for cut.



ELECTRIC AVENUE: THE 80s MTV EXPERIENCE

April 24

Electric Avenue meticulously and painstakingly recreates every nuance and flavor of your favorite 80s songs. Their show is a true labor of love.



Behavioral Health Clinic

2025/26 FAMILY SERIES

The Behavioral Health Clinic Family Series presents five family-friendly shows with discounted kids tickets available so that patrons of all ages and all families can enjoy the arts!



ILLUMINATE

OCTOBER 18

The mind-blowing, glow-in-the-dark dance sensation is unlike anything you've ever seen!



BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY

DECEMBER 10

Come out for a wild and swingin' holiday party as Big Bad VooDoo Daddy brings a fun and quirky take on holiday classics to you.



THE PEKING ACROBATS

FEBRUARY 19

For over three decades, The Peking Acrobats have performed daring maneuvers and amazing displays of acrobatics.



DRUM TAO

MARCH 15

Drum TAO blends wadaiko drums with a beautiful blend of Japanese harps and flutes for a show that surpasses expectations.



360 ALLSTARS

APRIL 22

BMX, basketball, breakdancing, acrobatics, drumming, and more! Don't miss your chance to see this global smash hit!

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PHILLIP-MICHAEL SCALES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025 | ROCK/BLUES

Phillip-Michael grew up with B.B. King calling him "nephew" and calls his music "Dive Bar Soul," a blend of indie rock storytelling and the passion of the blues.



JFDR

OCTOBER 2, 2025 | FOLK/POP

JFDR is Jófríður Ákadóttir. Her musical career explores the vast universe of experimental music while retaining a massive heart at her core.



BRASS QUEENS

NOVEMBER 18, 2025 | JAZZ/POP

This female-led, New York-based brass band signature sound sits right at the intersection of the Big Apple and the Big Easy.



FORT FRANCES

JANUARY 16, 2026 | FOLK/ROCK

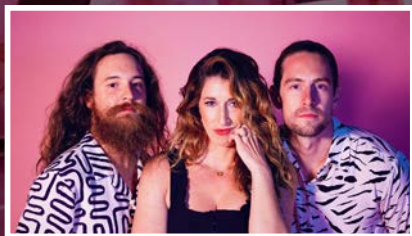
Returning to The Grand for the fourth time, Fort Frances brings songs exploring fears and joys around the flow of time.



LESLIE MENDELSON

MARCH 10, 2026 | FOLK/POP

With her enchanted voice and evocative songwriting, Leslie Mendelson has won the hearts and minds of both an adoring fanbase and fellow artists alike.



DAMN TALL BUILDINGS

APRIL 10, 2026 | BLUEGRASS/FOLK

Damn Tall Buildings is a celebrated folk-bluegrass band known for their soulful melodies and intricate instrumentals. They embody a unique blend of Americana roots.

PLUS ONE MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED!

General admission tickets just \$10 in advance.

Single tickets to each of the 10x10 Series shows will be available to purchase starting July 8, 2025. Please contact The Grand's Ticket Office for more information.



THE RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS

BILL MEDLEY & BUCKY HEARD

LOVIN' FEELIN' FAREWELL TOUR

INCLUDING THE #1 HITS: "UNCHAINED MELODY" (FROM "GHOST")
"(I'VE HAD) THE TIME OF MY LIFE" (FROM "DIRTY DANCING")
"YOU'VE LOST THAT LOVIN' FEELIN'" (FROM "TOP GUN")

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

7:30 PM

Join us for a soul-stirring, nostalgic concert experience. The Lovin' Feelin' Farewell Tour of the legendary Righteous Brothers promises a captivating musical odyssey, from the early days of rock and roll and era of Blue-Eyed Soul, to the 1987 hit movie *Dirty Dancing*. From heart-warming ballads to energetic rock anthems, every performance is a testament to the enduring power of The Righteous Brothers' music and their connection to fans across the globe. Bill Medley has been entertaining audiences for more than 60 years. His iconic bass-baritone voice helped earn The Righteous Brothers their place in the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and is interwoven with the cherished memories of a lifetime of fans.

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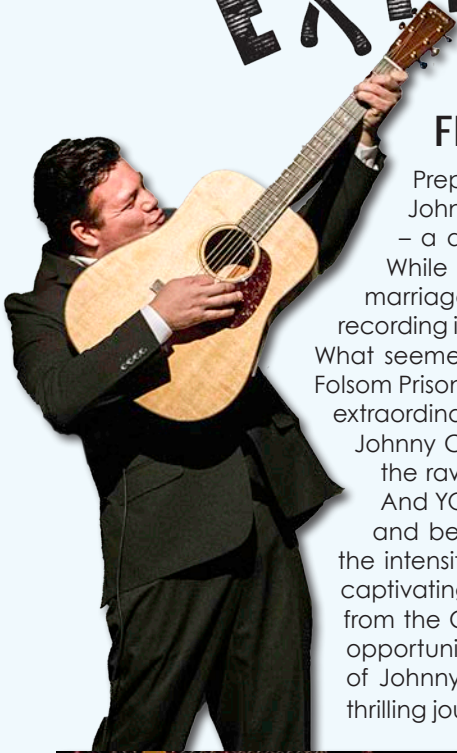


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FOLSOM PRISON EXPERIENCE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3 • 7:30 PM



Prepare for a high-intensity recreation of one of Johnny Cash's most significant moments in his career – a day history now looks back on with amazement. While Johnny was in a tough period after his first marriage ended, the band struggled to interest him in recording in the studio. Their solution? Record LIVE in a prison. What seemed simple turned into a whirlwind of drama! The Folsom Prison Experience is an immersive tribute drama of that extraordinary day. Witness the challenges and triumphs as Johnny Cash and his band face a captive audience and the raw emotions that shaped this iconic performance. And YOU can be a part of it! Dress in your finest jail attire and become one of the prisoners of Folsom. You'll feel the intensity of the moment as you immerse yourself in this captivating production, starring the incredible Jay Ernest from the Church of Cash. Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience the drama, music, and soul of Johnny Cash's historic Folsom Prison performance in a thrilling journey that will leave you cheering for more!



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CELTIC THUNDER

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

7:30 PM

An Intimate Evening with Celtic Thunder is more than just a concert—it's a journey through the group's incredible legacy. Featuring a carefully curated setlist of their greatest hits, this show will showcase the powerful harmonies, soaring ballads, and electrifying performances that have made Celtic Thunder a household name. From classic Irish folk songs to contemporary favorites, audiences can expect to hear the anthems that have defined Celtic Thunder's illustrious career. Celtic Thunder has captivated global audiences with its stunning performances and rich musical heritage. Known for their dynamic stage presence and ability to blend traditional Irish music with contemporary sounds, the group has sold millions of albums and performed on some of the world's most prestigious stages.

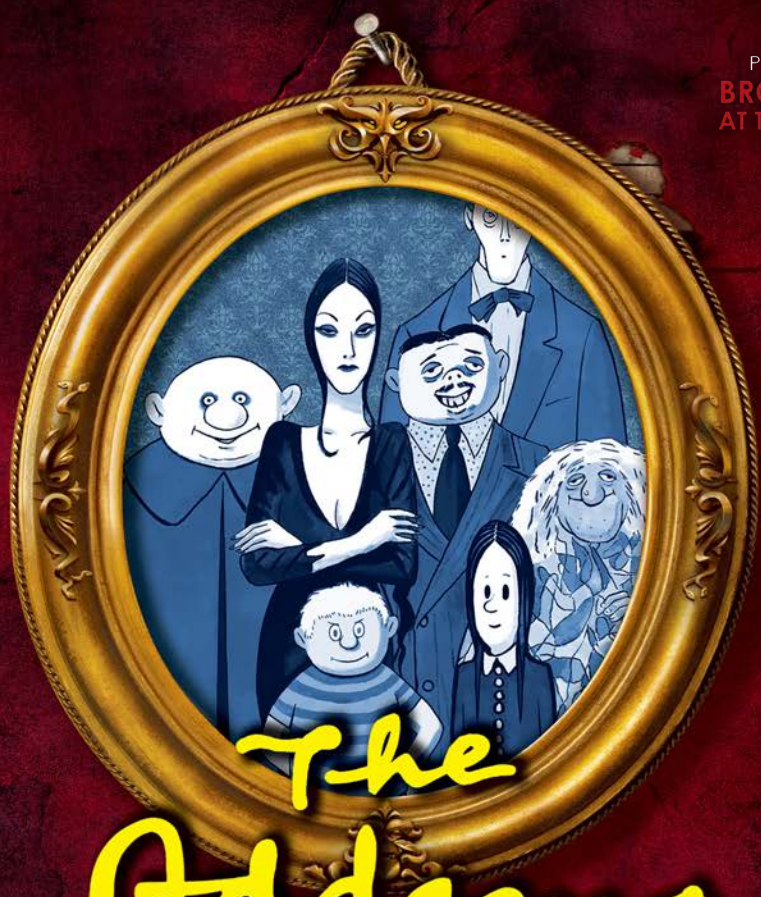
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The Addams Family

A MUSICAL COMEDY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14 • 7:30 PM
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 • 7:00 PM

A comical feast that embraces the wackiness in every family, THE ADDAMS FAMILY is the magnificently macabre hit musical featuring everyone's favorite creepy, kooky characters. Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family. A man her parents have never met. And if that weren't upsetting enough, she confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday's "normal" boyfriend and his parents. On the heels of the Netflix hit *Wednesday*, Big League Productions, Inc. presents this devilishly delightful musical comedy based on the bizarre and beloved characters by legendary cartoonist Charles Addams.

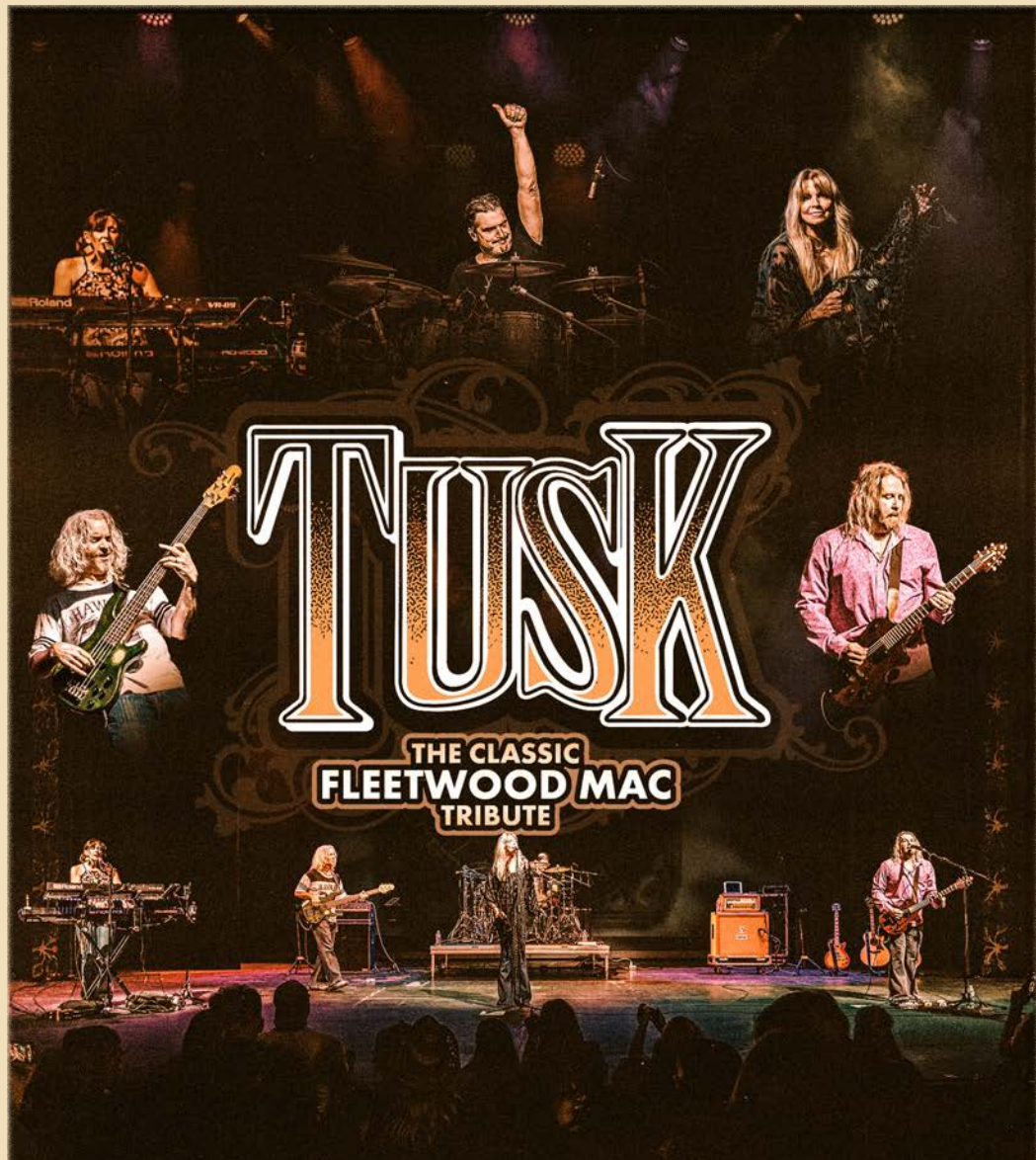
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

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Playing the hits and deep cuts spanning the careers of Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductees Fleetwood Mac, TUSK has been crisscrossing the country since 2008 as The Classic Fleetwood Mac Tribute. Five pro musicians turned into masters of their trade through decades of individual music study, live performance, creative risk, and devotion to the art. TUSK features note-perfect renditions of both the solo and full band songs, with each member specializing in one of the core lineup of Fleetwood Mac (Lindsey Buckingham, Stevie Nicks, Christine McVie, John McVie, and Mick Fleetwood). They possess an electric stage presence that can only come from well over a decade touring together. Truly the best at what they do, TUSK is unmatched in their tribute to one of the greatest bands of all time.

"SPECTACULAR! MAGICAL! DAZZLING!"

The New York Times



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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:30 PM

From the moment the lights fade to darkness, you are transported into another world, where the music moves you and the visuals are unlike anything you've ever seen. Welcome to iLuminate, named "Best New Act in America" by America's Got Talent in 2011. This fantastic fusion of technology and dance has been wowing the world and performing as one of Las Vegas' top shows. A brilliant cast of dancers perform to energetic music – including top pop and rock hits from the 70s, 80s, and 90s, plus a little jazz, a little Latin, a little hip hop and more. This mind-blowing, multi-sensory experience is incomparable to any other stage spectacular. This brand new touring show features new stories, new music, new dances and new suits! Each scene creates a another "room" inside Club iLuminate where an exhilarating blend of music, dance, illusion, technology and comedy comes to life for an experience that's sure to be

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FROM LONDON'S WEST END

Mamma Mia THE ABBA TRIBUTE



**“Close your eyes and it
could have been ABBA”**

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:30 PM

The world's number one touring ABBA tribute returns to give us another stellar concert party! The extraordinary musicians and performers of Mania: The ABBA Tribute deliver an unforgettable tribute to the legendary Swedish band. Stunning visuals, energetic choreography, and impeccable musicianship recreate the magic of ABBA's music in all its glory. From “Dancing Queen” to “Waterloo,” “Mamma Mia” and “Take a Chance on Me,” the band performs with passion and precision, transporting you back to the joyful disco era of the 1970s. Mania has toured in over 35 countries to sellout crowds, and their electrifying shows bring back fans every year! If you're looking for a reason to party, reminisce, or simply soak in the best music ever, reserve your seat now!

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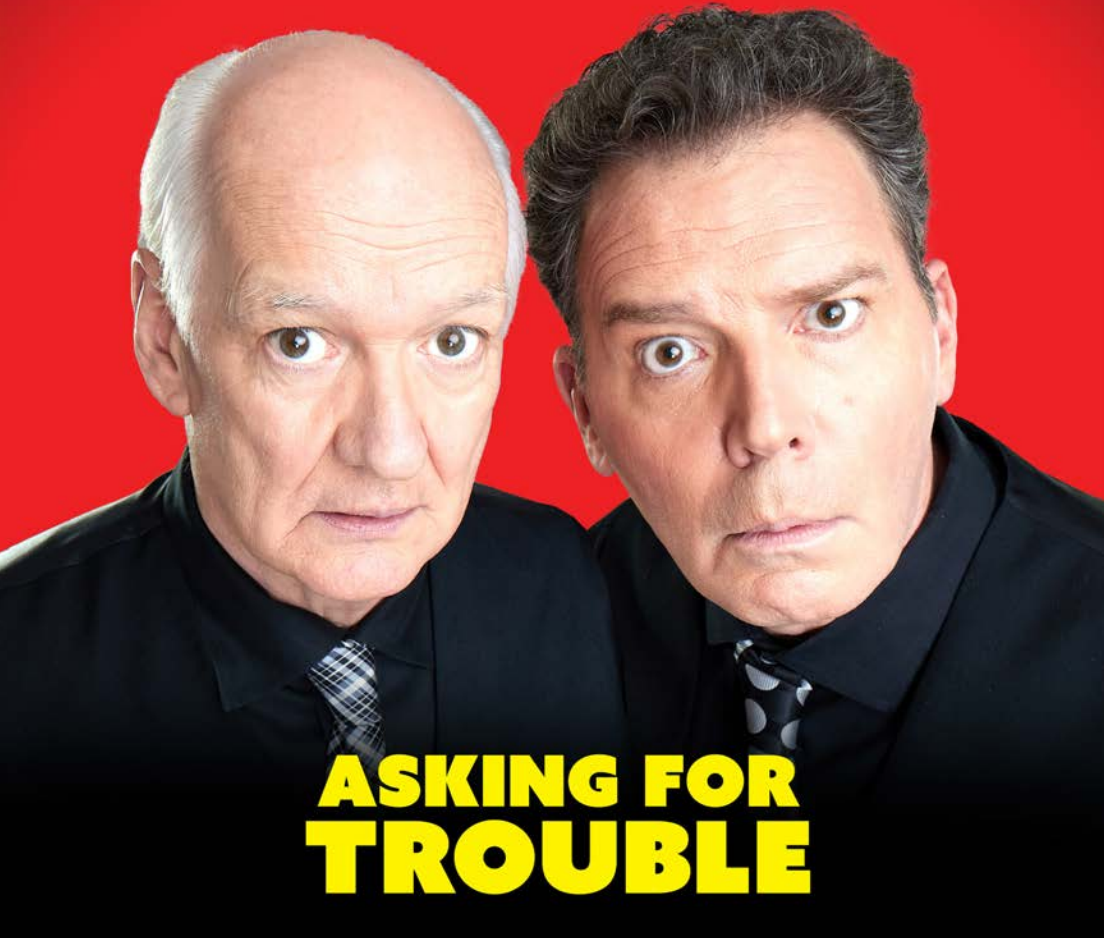
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WISCONSIN'S GREATEST HITS

COLIN & BRAD

MOCHRIE SHERWOOD

FROM TV'S **WHOSE LINE IS IT ANYWAY?**

TWO LEGENDS. NO SCRIPT. NO PROBLEM!



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:30 PM

Get ready for an evening of side-splitting laughter as Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood, the dynamic duo from TV's *Whose Line is it Anyway?*, take the stage in a one-night-only uproarious live show, COLIN MOCHRIE & BRAD SHERWOOD: ASKING FOR TROUBLE. Armed with their lightning-fast wits, Mochrie & Sherwood transform the audience's suggestions into an unpredictable evening of non-stop comedy gold. No script? No problem! ASKING FOR TROUBLE is a wild rollercoaster ride of hilarity, where two improv legends prove they are still the best in the business.

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THE ONLY SHOW OFFICIALLY ENDORSED BY MEAT LOAF!

Celebrating Meat Loaf



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

7:30 PM

Returning to The Grand after a sold-out show in 2024, this stunning concert is the only authentic reimagining of the legendary Meat Loaf and Jim Steinman songbook, performed brilliantly by world-class alumni of Meat Loaf's official band, The Neverland Express – the same musicians who brought his musical visions to life both in the studio and on stages around the world. Caleb Johnson returns with the band, having established his legitimacy as the premier lead vocalist for this timeless music through his powerful interpretations and furiously electrifying stage presence.

Led by Meat Loaf's longtime producer/ music director/ guitarist Paul Crook alongside fellow alumni John Miceli (drums), Randy Flowers (guitar), Lyssa Lynne (female lead/ backing vocals) and Danny Miranda (bass), the band and Caleb perform a curated setlist of Meat Loaf's best-loved classics such as "Bat Out of Hell," "Paradise by the Dashboard Light," "I Would Do Anything For Love," and more! As a Halloween season bonus, the second set includes hit songs from *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, in which Meat Loaf starred as luckless delivery driver Eddie and sang the showstopper "Hot Patootie, Bless My Soul."

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14
7:30 PM

The four talented artists of Six One Five Collective will wow you with their riveting mix of country, Americana, folk and pop! This Grammy-nominated, award-winning group of artists has blossomed into one of Music City's best. Their sound is an undeniable wall of distinctive harmonies and voices, reminiscent of great American bands like Fleetwood Mac, Little Big Town, and Old Dominion. You'll experience their eclectic mix of original music, hit songs they've written for other artists and high-energy songs that define the "Six One Five sound." They've toured around the world, opening for such diverse stars as John Legend, India Arie, John Hiatt, and Kenny Chesney, and their songs have been featured in TV shows such as *Nashville*, *Parenthood*, and *Virgin River*.

SIX ONE FIVE Collective





ONE VISION OF QUEEN

featuring **MARC MARTEL**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:30 PM

The incredible Marc Martel returns to The Grand after multiple sold-out shows! This highly-theatrical, eye-popping production rocks you from start to finish with all the songs that Queen made famous. Known around the world as "the vocal doppelganger of the Queen frontman," Martel delivers a show so entertaining and impressive, we had to bring him back by popular demand!

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AN ALL-NEW LIVE ACROBATIC EXPERIENCE



CIRQUE MUSICA

HOLIDAY WONDERLAND

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:30 PM

This holiday season, experience the magic of cirque like never before with the all-new Cirque Musica Holiday Wonderland! A thrilling blend of world-class circus artistry and your favorite holiday music, this spectacular production will transport you to a winter wonderland of awe and enchantment. With breathtaking acrobatics, soaring aerial performances, and an all-new production for this year, Cirque Musica Holiday Wonderland delivers an unforgettable holiday experience for the whole family. Feel the holiday spirit come to life with heart-pounding feats and beloved seasonal melodies. Don't miss this night of magic, wonder, excitement, and holiday cheer.

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THE TINA TURNER MUSICAL

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25 • 7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 • 7:00 PM

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An uplifting comeback story like no other, **TINA – The Tina Turner Musical** is the inspiring journey of a woman who broke barriers and became the Queen of Rock n' Roll. Set to the pulse-pounding soundtrack of her most beloved hits, this electrifying sensation will send you soaring to the rafters. One of the world's best-selling artists of all time, Tina Turner won 12 Grammy Awards and her live shows were seen by millions, with more concert tickets sold than any other solo performer in music history. Featuring her much loved songs, **TINA – The Tina Turner Musical** is written by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Katori Hall. **RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 14+**

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10 • 7:30 PM

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's world-famous take on swing and jazz comes to The Grand in their quirky Wild and Swingin' Holiday Party, an event for the whole family! You'll bounce to fun arrangements of holiday classics in Big Bad Voodoo Daddy style, including "Jingle Bells," "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," and "Winter Wonderland." You'll experience "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" performed like the Andrews Sisters meet the blues, while the classic Heat Miser song transports listeners back to another beloved holiday special. The band rips through Chuck Berry's "Run, Run Rudolph" and detours to New Orleans for "Frosty the Snowman," and to the Caribbean for a Calypso-style "Party for Santa." And of course you'll get plenty of Big Bad Voodoo Daddy originals written for the holidays. After 32 years, 11 records, over 3,000 live shows, and countless appearances in film and television, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy continues to remind the world that it's still cool to swing.

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PLAYING THE HITS AND ALL YOUR HOLIDAY FAVORITES



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

7:30 PM

After 50+ years of touring, legends of pop & country music The Oak Ridge Boys are bringing their incredible career to a close. But first, they'll make one last stop in Wausau on their American Made Christmas Farewell Tour. The show will feature the group's country and pop hits, songs that earned them Grammy, CMA, and ACM awards, plus holiday songs you know and love. It's an unforgettable night of entertainment for the entire family.

Theirs is one of the most distinctive and recognizable sounds in the music industry. The four-part harmonies and upbeat songs of The Oak Ridge Boys have spawned dozens of awards and accolades. Every time they step before an audience, the Oaks bring 50 years of tradition to a stage show widely acknowledged as among the most exciting anywhere.

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The Altenburgh **CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

7:30 PM

Johnny's back for the holidays to fill The Grand's stage with some of the finest and most fun musicians around the state. Nothing says Christmas in Wausau like John Altenburgh's Christmas Extravaganza. 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.



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—Chicago Tribune

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—Philadelphia Inquirer



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TUESDAY, JANUARY 13 • 7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14 • 7:00 PM

The boots are back! **Kinky Boots** will lift your spirits to high-heeled heights! Celebrated with six Tony Awards®, including Best Musical, a Grammy Award® for Best Musical Theatre Album, and London's Olivier Award for Best Musical, this big-hearted musical hit will have you strutting out of the theater saying "Yeah!"

Kinky Boots captivates and entertains audiences around the world with the dazzling Tony-winning score by pop legend Cyndi Lauper, hilarious and uplifting book by four-time Tony Award-winner Harvey Fierstein, and original direction and Tony-winning choreography by Jerry Mitchell.

Based on true events, **Kinky Boots** follows the journey of two people with nothing in common—or so they think. Charlie Price reluctantly inherits his father's shoe factory, which is on the verge of bankruptcy. Trying to live up to his father's legacy and save his family business, Charlie finds inspiration in the form of Lola, a fabulous entertainer in need of some sturdy stilettos. As Charlie and Lola work together to turn the factory around, this unlikely pair finds that they have more in common than they realized... and discover that you change the world when you change your mind.

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collin raye

25 top 10 records • 16 #1 hits
10-time CMA and ACM nominee

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

7:30 PM

One of country music's biggest stars of the 1990s, Collin Raye will bring a night of hits to The Grand! Few artists have had such a successful run, with four albums in a row reaching the top of the charts and gaining platinum status. Between 1991 and 2007, Raye charted 30 singles on the U.S. country charts, including four #1 hits: 1992's "Love, Me" and "In This Life," 1995's "My Kind of Girl," and 1998's "I Can Still Feel You." Collin continues to crank out soulful, heartfelt material with the honesty and richness that is signature to his vocals alone. This truly electrifying performer of his era remains one of the great voices of our time.

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THE Lithium Experience



Ultimate Grunge / Killer Alternative

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

7:30 PM

Step into The Lithium Experience, where 90s music takes center stage in a nostalgic journey. Featuring heavy grunge and killer alternative hits, this concert showcases the big names of the era: Stone Temple Pilots, Pearl Jam, Nirvana, Soundgarden, Jane's Addiction, Alanis Morissette, and more surprises. The Lithium Experience is a celebration that bridges generations, reminding us all of the pure joy and no bullsh*t ethos of 90s music.

"I wanted a nostalgic show. And while that term isn't often associated with grunge, you'll be surprised at just how emotional the show is. It's a trip down memory lane... in flannel and Doc Martens."

—Craig Martin, Founder, Classic Albums Live

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Mrs. Doubtfire

The New Musical Comedy

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

1:30 PM & 7:00 PM

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Everyone's favorite Scottish nanny is headed to Wausau in this internationally acclaimed hit musical critics call "wonderful, heart-warming, and laugh-out-loud funny" (Manchester Evening News) and "a feel-good, family-friendly comedy that delivers" (Hollywood Reporter). Based on the beloved film, MRS. DOUBTFIRE tells the hysterical and heartfelt story of an out-of-work actor who will do anything for his kids. It's "the lovable, big-hearted musical comedy we need right now," raves the Chicago Tribune – one that proves we're better together.

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THREE AMERICAN TROUBADOURS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:30 PM

"How Sweet It Is." "Country Road." "Shower The People." "Anticipation." "You're So Vain." "I Feel the Earth Move." "It's Too Late." "You've Got A Friend." These are just a few of the fantastic songs performed by Three American Troubadours. This memorable production celebrates the lives and careers of six-time Grammy winner James Taylor, Rock & Roll Hall of Famer Carly Simon with 13 Top 40 hits, and Carole King who wrote or co-wrote 118 Billboard Hot 100 pop hits. These three iconic singer/songwriters, whose personal lives and careers have intertwined throughout the years, continue to offer ageless inspiration. Audiences will fall in love with the show's powerhouse vocalists as they artfully deliver the classic hits, with unique arrangements of fan favorites, engaging storytelling, and multimedia projections to create a remarkable concert experience.

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RICHARD THOMAS

— IN —

MARK TWAIN TONIGHT!

BY HAL HOLBROOK

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7:30 PM

Emmy Award-winning actor Richard Thomas brings to life “the nation’s one true comic genius” (The New York Times) in MARK TWAIN TONIGHT!, written and originally performed by Hal Holbrook. Join the millions who have cheered for the legendary one-man show, bursting with Twain’s “uproariously funny” and “pungently wise” (Time Magazine) humor. Most recently seen on Broadway in *Our Town*, on tour as Atticus Finch in *To Kill a Mockingbird*, on Netflix’s *Ozark*, and beloved to generations as John-Boy Walton, Richard Thomas is the first and only actor authorized to perform the play since the original.



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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:30 PM



For 32 years, the Peking Acrobats have redefined audience perceptions of Chinese acrobatics. They perform daring maneuvers atop a precarious pagoda of chairs, and display their technical prowess at such arts as trick-cycling, precision tumbling, juggling, somersaulting, and gymnastics. They push the limits of human ability, defying gravity with amazing displays of contortion, flexibility, and control. Time-honored Chinese music coalesces with high-tech special effects and awe-inspiring acrobatic feats, creating an exuberant entertainment event with the festive pageantry of a Chinese Carnival.

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JUDY COLLINS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:30 PM

One of the most iconic voices in folk music, Judy Collins embodies over five decades of music history, inspiring generations with her stunning vocals, luminescent presence, powerful songwriting, and commitment to social causes. Her classics like "Both Sides Now" and "Send in the Clowns" have earned her Grammy Awards and widespread acclaim. She remains a beloved and active figure in folk music to this day. Indeed, her 55th album, *Spellbound*, earned a 2023 Grammy nomination for Best Folk Album.



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Celebrating



PERFORMED BY

HOT CLUB OF
COWTOWN

AND
TYLER
HILTON

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

7:30 PM

Known for its legendary catalog, including the early albums of Elvis Presley, **SUN STUDIOS** has left its mark on the history of rock music. In 2005, **TYLER HILTON** was cast to play Elvis in the blockbuster biopic *Walk the Line* (starring Joaquin Phoenix as Johnny Cash). Now Tyler has teamed up with the inimitable string trio **HOT CLUB OF COWTOWN** to bring Elvis' hits from the Sun Studio years to life on stage.



The acclaimed Austin, Texas-based **Hot Club of Cowtown** may be the world's most globe-trotting, effervescent string trio, whose joyful sound blends traditional Western swing with European hot jazz. The group reinterprets everything from hoedowns to American songbook standards in its own, original style. After 28 years and 15 albums, these fun, passionate musicians amass fans wherever they perform!

Along with his portrayal of Elvis Presley, **Tyler Hilton** has garnered a following as musician Chris Keller on the CW hit TV show *One Tree Hill*. As a musician, he has toured with the likes of Taylor Swift, Lady Antebellum and Joe Cocker.



CHICAGO

THE MUSICAL

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TUESDAY, MARCH 3 • 7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4 • 7:00 PM

CHICAGO is still the one musical with everything that makes Broadway shimmy-shake: a universal tale of fame, fortune, and all that jazz, with one showstopping song after another and the most astonishing dancing you've ever seen. In the whirlwind of Chicago's Jazz Age, two of the Cook County Jail's most notorious murderesses—vaudeville star Velma Kelly and chorus girl Roxie Hart—become fierce rivals as they compete for headlines amidst a media frenzy.

Broadway's longest-running musical has been dazzle dazzling audiences for over 28 years, and after more than 10,000 performances, 6 Tony Awards®, 2 Olivier Awards, and a Grammy®, we're just getting started.

Come on, babe! Head to CHICAGO! We're hotter than ever.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 5 • 7:30 PM

An evening of *craic* (fun), *ceol* (music), and *traidisiún* (tradition). Get swept away in the enchanting harmonies of the Celtic Angels as they present an impassioned homage to their beloved Emerald Isle. This gloriously evocative journey captivates audiences and will have you clapping hands, wiping tears and stomping feet. These dynamic divas enthrall and delight with their jaw-dropping performances and spine-tingling harmonies. With over 30 Irish traditional and contemporary tunes masterfully performed by the Trinity Ensemble, Celtic Angels, and Celtic Knights Dancers, it's a theatrical, spectacular night guaranteed to entertain and delight all ages.

EXCLUSIVE PRE-SHOW EVENT: TRADITIONAL IRISH DINNER

Enjoy a buffet-style meal catered by The Mint Cafe, prior to the show.
Limited tickets sold separately, on sale October 6.

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SUNDAY, MARCH 8

7:00 PM

Get ready! The vocal wonder from Down Under, THE TEN TENORS, are bringing their electrifying 30th Anniversary World Tour to Wausau after rave reviews, standing ovations, and sold-out tours across Europe and Australia. Celebrated globally for their unique blend of soaring harmonies, dynamic stage presence, and genre-defying performances, THE TEN TENORS deliver an unforgettable musical experience. This special anniversary show features a powerful mix of classical crossover, Neapolitan classics, and classic rock anthems—all delivered with their trademark Aussie charm and vocal brilliance.

You'll be treated to the group's signature medleys, including brand-new arrangements. Whether you're a longtime fan or a newcomer, this show promises an emotional, energetic, and deeply entertaining evening that showcases why THE TEN TENORS remain one of the most beloved vocal groups in the world.

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The TEN Tenors

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DRUM TAO

SUNDAY, MARCH 15 • 7:00 PM

DRUM TAO's stage is created through phenomenal performances and expressions consisting of incomparable "Wadaiko-drums" and the beautiful melody of Japanese flutes and harps. It is the "Japanese entertainment" for a new generation that surpassed all expectations. Since their founding in 1993, DRUM TAO has set out to create their own music, stage set-ups, and costumes to produce their one and only world of entertainment.

**"Extraordinarily talented
percussion artists and
alluring performers"**

—Chicago Tribune

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THE EAGLES THEIR GREATEST HITS

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

7:30 PM

The best-selling album of the 20th century, *Their Greatest Hits* (1971-75) features ten of The Eagles' biggest songs and has sold over 38 million copies since its release! Hear it performed live, note for note, cut for cut by the incredible musicians of Classic Albums Live... plus a second set full of more Eagles favorites from their incredible five-decade career.

"I bought this album on 8 track, then later on vinyl, then I owned it on cassette. Then, dammit, I bought the CD. I stopped there and dragged the songs from my CD to my iTunes. The voices on this album are complex. The harmonies and lush details take attention to detail and a trained ear. We've got it. Hearing "Take It to the Limit" performed live is a moving experience... "Best of My Love" makes you look differently at your partner... "One of These Nights" grooves. The Eagles are America's greatest band. We're going to pay this album the respect it deserves, note for note, cut for cut

—Craig Martin, Founder, Classic Albums Live

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the Linda Ronstadt experience




SUNDAY, MARCH 22 • 7:00 PM

American Idol Star Tristan McIntosh creates a stunning portrayal of Linda Ronstadt in the prime of her career. Supported by a superb band, Tristan's formidable vocals and stage presence transport you to a time when Ronstadt ruled the airwaves as one of the most popular female vocalists in music history. THE LINDA RONSTADT EXPERIENCE carries you through chart-topping hits such as "You're No Good," "When Will I Be Loved," "That'll Be The Day," and a particularly delicate, nuanced "Blue Bayou," plus classic hits by Jackson Brown, Elvis Costello, Neil Young, Warren Zevon, The Rolling Stones, and more. THE LINDA RONSTADT EXPERIENCE is performing to sold-out houses across the U.S. Catch them when you can. It's a shining experience that will buoy your spirits for days to come.



WOMEN of AMERICANA



A Celebration of American Music
From Bob Dylan to Bonnie Raitt

with **CRISTINA VANE & BRENNEN LEIGH**

Thursday, March 26 • 7:30 PM

Join us for a heartfelt celebration of early folk, gospel, and Western swing music. This isn't just a concert—it's an exuberant exploration of this expansive and singular American genre that planted the roots of American music. Featuring vocalists and instrumentalists **Cristina Vane** and **Brennen Leigh**, together they will perform iconic songs including "This Land is Your Land" (Woody Guthrie), "This Train" (Sister Rosetta Tharpe), "Just Like a Woman" (Bob Dylan), "Angel From Montgomery" (Bonnie Raitt and John Prine), "Car Wheels On a Gravel Road" (Lucinda Williams), and more! Coinciding with the upcoming Semiquincentennial (250th anniversary of the United States' founding), **WOMEN OF AMERICANA** will entertain and inspire you in this historic moment in our nation's history.



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◆ MATT VEE & THE KILLER VEES ◆
CELEBRATE THE MUSIC OF
NEIL DIAMOND

I am... He said

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

7:30 PM

This uplifting, crowd-pleasing show returns to The Grand by popular demand after selling out last season! In fact, this celebration of the amazing musical icon, Neil Diamond, is selling out shows across the Midwest! Matt, Jeff and Tommy Vee, nephew and sons of the legendary Bobby Vee, respectively, come together with an all-star band to celebrate the music from the timeless catalog of Neil Diamond. With songs like "Cracklin' Rosie," "Song Sung Blue," and "Sweet Caroline," Neil Diamond sold over 100 million records worldwide with music that became the soundtrack to one generation after another, spanning five decades. "This is not a tribute show," Tommy Vee says, "This is a celebration of an amazing musical icon we all love."

**"Our audience loved the show...
Matt is the perfect Neil Diamond,
and the band was killer. So good,
so good, so good!"**

(Big Top Chautauqua)

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DALLAS STRING QUARTET



STRINGS UNLEASHED

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

7:30 PM

Strings Unleashed: A Rock Fusion Experience with Dallas String Quartet is a brand new electric evening, perfect for a date night or the entire family! Brimming with your favorite rock songs - played on electric string instruments - your ears will be delighted, your feet will be tapping and you won't take your eyes off the captivating stage presence that is DSQ. The electric violin and viola instrumentation are accompanied by bass, guitar, and drums for a sonically thrilling, classic rock experience with favorites from Led Zeppelin, Metallica, ACDC, Journey, Bon Jovi, Guns N' Roses and more!

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22
7:30 PM

BMX, basketball, breakdancing, acrobatics, drumming and more!

The international smash hit returns! 360 ALLSTARS connects the street with the elite to deliver a supercharged urban circus. Boasting a stellar cast of world champion and world record-holding artists and athletes, this is a spectacular fusion of the extraordinary artistry that emerges from street culture.

A stunning live soundtrack delivered by award-winning musicians, coupled with spectacular video projections makes 360 ALLSTARS exciting to the ears and astounding to the eyes. A magnificent, colorful and astonishing expression of a generation that has reinvented the circus, 360 ALLSTARS is a revolutionary production that will leave you dizzy with excitement!

360 ALLSTARS



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ELECTRIC AVENUE

THE 80'S MTV EXPERIENCE



FRIDAY, APRIL 24

7:30 PM

What if you could experience all of the youthful energy and sonic celebration that was 1980s new wave and radio pop? Every sound. Every nuance. Every feeling. That's Electric Avenue. To meticulously and painstakingly recreate every flavor of your favorite 80s songs, these musicians delved into their personal stash of vintage synthesizers and rare signal processors. An Electric Avenue show is a true labor of love and as close to the original artists' sound as you can get. As artists, the musicians in Electric Avenue have worked with big stars such as Lionel Richie, Idina Menzel, Zac Brown Band, Boyz II Men and many more. They choose to perform these MTV-era songs because they love them as much as you do. At an Electric Avenue show, 80s music is as alive and well today as it has ever been!

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EVIL WOMAN THE AMERICAN ELO

PRESENTS
THE ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA
EXPERIENCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 26
7:00 PM

Back by popular demand! Evil Woman—The American ELO performs the eternally groovy music of Jeff Lynne's Electric Light Orchestra in a multimedia concert that transports you to the heady era of symphonic rock. Few bands have created more iconic songs as ELO, many of which are newly beloved by younger generations today thanks to the soundtracks of blockbuster movies like *Guardians of the Galaxy*. "Mr. Blue Sky," "Roll Over Beethoven," "Livin' Thing" and "Evil Woman" are among the many instantly recognizable, chart-topping hit songs.

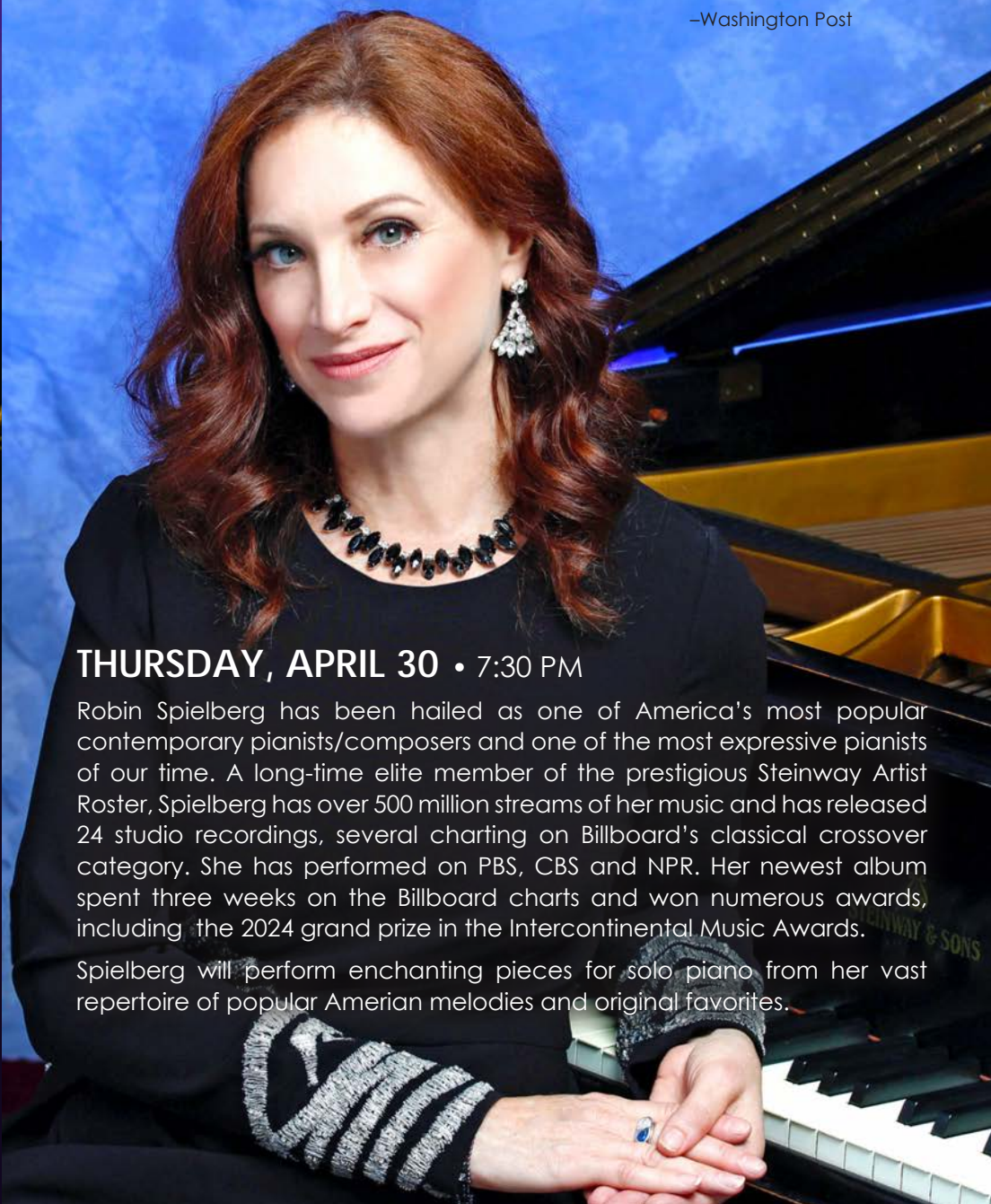
You will be spellbound by the flawless musicianship and vocals of Evil Woman's 12 musicians in this fusion of pop and orchestral arrangements where cellos co-exist with guitars, and classically tinged rock intersects with pop – just as Jeff Lynne intended. Hold on tight to your dream!



Robin Spielberg

“Smart piano, reflective originals”

—Washington Post



THURSDAY, APRIL 30 • 7:30 PM

Robin Spielberg has been hailed as one of America's most popular contemporary pianists/composers and one of the most expressive pianists of our time. A long-time elite member of the prestigious Steinway Artist Roster, Spielberg has over 500 million streams of her music and has released 24 studio recordings, several charting on Billboard's classical crossover category. She has performed on PBS, CBS and NPR. Her newest album spent three weeks on the Billboard charts and won numerous awards, including the 2024 grand prize in the Intercontinental Music Awards.

Spielberg will perform enchanting pieces for solo piano from her vast repertoire of popular American melodies and original favorites.

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Mama I'm A Big Girl Now!

**3 LEADING LADIES, 16 BROADWAY SHOWS, 20 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP,
ALL IN 1 NIGHT!**



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THURSDAY, MAY 7

7:30 PM

Broadway's beloved leading ladies – Tony Nominee Kerry Butler, Tony Nominee Laura Bell Bundy, and Tony Winner Marissa Jaret Winokur – reunite for the first time since opening *Hairspray* together for a spectacular night of music, laughter, and heartfelt memories in **MAMA, I'M A BIG GIRL NOW!** You know them from their iconic roles in *Hairspray*, *Legally Blonde*, and *Beetlejuice*. Now they're back together with props, wigs, and full choreo to celebrate two decades of friendship, taking you on a journey of their lives and careers, finding love, and becoming "Mama's" themselves. It's a joy bomb wrapped in a dazzling array of popular songs that will have you laughing, crying, and reminiscing. Hear hits from beloved musicals including *Hairspray*, *Legally Blonde*, *Wicked*, *Beetlejuice*, *Sound of Music*, *Grease*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Lion King*, and many more.

"The girls' night out you've been waiting for!" –Theatre Mania

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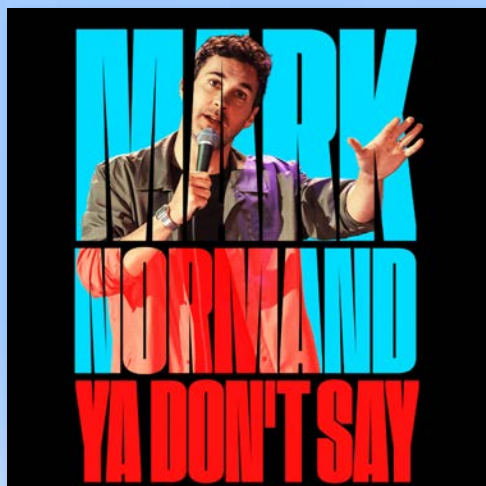


The entire season at The Grand is supported, in part, by the Wisconsin Arts Board with funds from the State of Wisconsin and the National Endowment for the Arts. These performances are also supported, in part, by the Community Arts Grant program of the Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin,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



DON'T FORGET ABOUT THESE GREAT SHOWS COMING SOON, **SUMMER/FALL 2025**

Previously announced add-ons, not eligible for subscription



FRIDAY, JUNE 20

7:00 PM

Mark Normand has quickly become one of the most talked-about touring comedians on the scene. His 2023 Netflix special, *SOUP TO NUTS*, was a Top Ten for several weeks. He also starred on Netflix's Season 3 of *THE STAND UPS* and has toured around the world. You also might have caught this New Orleans-born comedian on his many appearances on late night TV shows and as a frequent guest on Joe Rogan's podcast.



THURSDAY, JULY 10

7:30 PM

This two-time Grammy-winning Americana folk bluegrass band shot to fame with their 3x Platinum hit song "Wagon Wheel." Their rollicking punk-rock string band style is an electrifying tour through the heart of American music with newly composed masterpieces set comfortably alongside classics, all performed by a truly perfect five piece band with a line-up that was in equal parts ragtag and virtuosic.

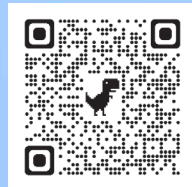


FRIDAY, JULY 18

7:30 PM

Limited tickets remain for Nitty Gritty Dirt Band's Farewell Tour concert. The group formed in 1966 as a Long Beach, California jug band, scored its first charting single in 1967, and embarked on a self-propelled ride through folk, country, rock 'n' roll, pop, blue- grass, and the amalgam now known as "Americana." The first major hit came in 1971 with the epic "Mr. Bojangles," and the rest is a Grammy-winning hit-filled history.

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by phone at 715-842-0988 or
online at tickets.grandtheater.org ➡



THURSDAY, JULY 31

7:30 PM

This male a cappella group is far from the image of students in blue blazers, ties, and khakis singing traditional college songs. Straight No Chaser (SNC) is neither strait-laced nor straight-faced. They have emerged as a phenomenon with a massive fanbase and a long list of accomplishments including 2 RIAA Gold Certified albums, over 1.5 million concert tickets sold, over 1 billion streams on Pandora, and over 2 million albums sold worldwide.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:30 PM

Here Come the Mummies is an eight-piece funk-rock band of 5,000 year-old Egyptian Mummies performing "terrifying funk from beyond the grave" to legions of followers who can't stop losing their minds over these mayhem-inducing mavens of mirth. Expect a traveling micro-music festival with short opening sets from B-3 wizard Lachy Doley and Platinum Moon, before HCTM takes you over, body and mind! So, leave the kiddos with the sitter and party like it's 1999 B.C.!



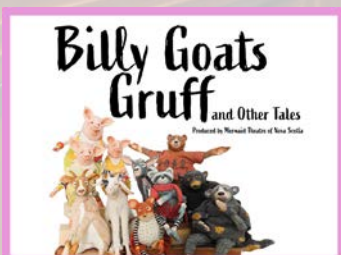
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7:00 PM

Long hair, tobacco, over-sized glasses and a trucker hat, Dusty Slay is the self-effacing bourbon-voiced Southern comedian next door with a knack for observational, blue-collar humor and the nerve to say what everyone else is thinking. He grew up the son of a single mom in an Alabama trailer park and evokes laughs about everything from Cracker Barrel to his aversion to soap.

The Performing Arts Foundation is dedicated to serving students and teachers in the region through educational and cultural experiences. The Grand brings curriculum-based matinee performances to students through the Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series, engaging kids in the arts, social studies, language arts, math, science, and more through the magic of live performances.

The Aspirus Health Arts In Education Series also supports the Jerry Awards in North Central Wisconsin, as well as the Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble. The Grand is proud to partner with Overture Center for the Arts in Madison to bring this program that encourages and honors excellence in high school musical theatre to our region. Now in its ninth year, the Central Wisconsin Jerry Ensemble furthers this mission by providing in-depth training and performance opportunities for local students in this premier performance group.



BRINGING 11 PERFORMANCES OF 7 SHOWS THIS SEASON!



2025/2026 ACCESS FOR ALL SERIES

As part of our continued commitment to engage the community, the Performing Arts Foundation created the Access For All program. This outreach program enables families and individuals to experience the performing arts at The Grand regardless of economic status. By partnering with community groups and organizations to distribute tickets to individuals and families facing challenging circumstances, we hope to make the performing arts truly accessible for all.

"Throughout our lifetime, we've been incredibly fortunate to be part of this vibrant community. Now, we're excited to give back by supporting a program that opens up the world of performing arts to everyone. It's our way of saying 'thank you' for the unwavering support our business and family have received. Here's to creating more opportunities, spreading more joy, and making the rest of our journey even more spectacular."

-MARK & DEB HADLEY



Because **EVERYONE** deserves the opportunity to experience the power of the arts.



SECOND CENTURY

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Celebrating 100 Years of The Grand

For nearly 100 years, The Grand has been the heart of Wausau—a place where memories are made, community thrives, and the magic of the arts comes alive. As we approach our centennial in 2027, we're embarking on a transformative journey: the Second Century Campaign.

This ambitious \$17 million initiative will revitalize our beloved theater, ensuring its vibrancy for the next 100 years. Join us in preserving this legacy and building a future where The Grand remains second to none.

Our Vision



The total restoration of the historic Grand Theater, including beautiful and comfortable new seats.



Better patron amenities, acoustic improvements, and new portable stage facilities in the Great Hall.

Help make the Grand's Second Century as memorable as its first.
Visit grandtheater.org/secondcentury to learn more and donate!

We are all caretakers of this nearly 100-year-old
cornerstone of the community. Let's ensure
The Grand thrives for generations to come.

It's Time. It's an Investment.

It will take All of Us.

The Grand is more than a building; it's a shared experience. From children's recitals to first dates, from Aretha Franklin to Broadway tours, our community has woven a lifetime of memories within these walls. It's our turn to safeguard this legacy for future generations.



The Second Century Campaign will:

Restore the Theater: New seats and sightlines, curtains and carpet. A new roof, and HVAC. Inside and outside, we will revitalize The Grand.

Enhance the Experience: State-of-the-art technical upgrades, reimagined backstage areas, and improved patron amenities will elevate every visit.

Transform the Great Hall: Acoustical improvements, built in AV and lighting, and a flexible stage will transform the Great Hall for more intimate gatherings and diverse programming.

Ensure Accessibility: We are prioritizing accessibility and safety upgrades to make The Grand welcoming to all.



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It's my privilege to lead The Grand into its second century, and it's my goal that the Grand be absolutely 'second to none' at the completion of this campaign.

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The Grand: An Economic Engine

The Grand is more than a cultural gem; it's a vital economic driver.

- \$74.2 million economic impact in the last 22 years.
- \$6.7 million contributed to the local economy in the 2023/24 season alone.
- 1.2 million people have attended shows at The Grand since 2002.

JOIN THE SECOND CENTURY FOUNDERS CLUB!

Be a part of history! Donors will be recognized as members of the Second Century Founders Club with exclusive benefits at various giving levels. Naming opportunities are also available. Visit our website for details.

Ways to Give:

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- Multi-Year Gifts
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- Stock Donations
- Legacy Gifts

Name Your Seat!

Leave your legacy at The Grand by naming a seat! Starting at the \$1,000 level. Contact us for details!

Share Your Story!

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THE GRAND'S **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SERIES**



PUSHING THE PERFORMING ARTS FROM **THE STAGE** INTO OUR **COMMUNITY**

With a mission to ENTERTAIN, EDUCATE, and ENRICH North Central Wisconsin, The Grand is dedicated not only to making the arts more accessible to the community, but also to connecting people to the performing arts and to each other.

Through our **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** series, we are pleased to offer:

- DANCE CLASSES
- WORKSHOPS
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- INSTA-CHOIRS

and much more, all at no or low cost to our community.

In addition to arts programming, through the Community Engagement Series we partner with local nonprofit organizations in advancing their missions, helping bring important messages, actions, and partnerships into the community.



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GRAND THEATER CALENDAR

JULY 2025

- 10 Old Crow Medicine Show
- 18 Nitty Gritty Dirt Band
(low tickets)
- 31 Straight No Chaser

AUGUST

- 7 The Wallflowers
- 21 The Righteous Brothers:
Lovin' Feelin' Farewell Tour
- 29 Zach Williams

SEPTEMBER

- 11 *Hougum Law Firm 10x10 Series:*
Phillip-Michael Scales
- 20 Here Come the Mummies
- 25-27 CenterStage Band and
Show Choir

OCTOBER

- 2 *Hougum Law Firm 10x10 Series:*
JFDR
- 3 *County Materials Spotlight Series:*
Folsom Prison Experience
- 7 Celtic Thunder
- 11 *Wausau Dance Theatre:*
Thriller
- 14-15 *Broadway at The Grand Series:*
The Addams Family
Musical
- 16 TUSK: The Classic
Fleetwood Mac Tribute
- 18 *Behavioral Health Clinic Family
Series:* iLuminate
- 21 Mania: The ABBA Tribute
- 23 Colin & Brad: Asking For
Trouble
- 24 Celebrating Meat Loaf
- 28 *Aspirus Health Arts In Education
Series:* Cirque Mechanics:
Tilt!

NOVEMBER

- 8 11-11 The Party
- 13 Molly Tuttle
- 14 *County Materials Spotlight Series:*
Six One Five Collective
- 15 Journey From The Heart

- 18 *Hougum Law Firm 10x10 Series:*
Brass Queens
- 19 One Vision of Queen
- 21 Dusty Slay
- 22 *County Materials Spotlight Series:*
Cirque Musica Holiday
- 25-26 *Broadway at The Grand Series:*
TINA - The Tina Turner
Musical

DECEMBER

- 6-7 *Central Wisconsin School of Ballet:*
The Nutcracker
- 10 Big Bad Voodoo Daddy:
Wild & Swingin' Holiday
Party
- 11 Oak Ridge Boys: American
Made Christmas Farewell
Tour
- 12 Altenburgh Christmas
Extravaganza

JANUARY 2026

- 13-14 *Broadway at The Grand Series:*
Kinky Boots
- 16 *Hougum Law Firm 10x10 Series:*
Fort Frances
- 23 Collin Raye
- 24 *County Materials Spotlight Series:*
Classic Albums Live: The
Lithium Experience

FEBRUARY

- 7 *Broadway at The Grand Series:*
Mrs. Doubtfire
- 12 *County Materials Spotlight
Series:* Three American
Troubadours
- 17 *Broadway at The Grand Series:*
Mark Twain Tonight!
- 19 *Aspirus Health Arts In Education
Series:* The Peking Acrobats
- 19 *Behavioral Health Clinic Family
Series:* The Peking Acrobats
- 24 Judy Collins
- 26 *Aspirus Health Arts In Education
Series:* Click, Clack, Moo
- 27 Hot Club of Cowtown &
Tyler Hilton Celebrate Sun
Studios

MARCH

- 3-4 *Broadway at The Grand Series:*
Chicago
- 5 Celtic Angels Ireland
- 8 The TEN Tenors
- 10 *Hougum Law Firm 10x10 Series:*
Leslie Mendelson
- 15 *Behavioral Health Clinic Family
Series:* Drum TAO
- 16 *Aspirus Health Arts In Education
Series:* Drum TAO
- 20 *County Materials Spotlight Series:*
Classic Albums Live: The
Eagles' Greatest Hits
- 22 The Linda Ronstadt
Experience
- 24 *Aspirus Health Arts In Education
Series:* Hare & Tortoise
- 26 Women of Americana

APRIL

- 10 *Hougum Law Firm 10x10 Series:*
Damn Tall Buildings
- 11 I Am, He Said: Celebrating
Neil Diamond
- 16 Dallas String Quartet:
Strings Unleashed
- 17 *Aspirus Health Arts In Education
Series:* Billy Goats Gruff &
Other Tales
- 22 *Aspirus Health Arts In Education
Series:* 360 ALLSTARS
- 22 *Behavioral Health Clinic Family
Series:* 360 ALLSTARS
- 24 *County Materials Spotlight Series:*
Electric Avenue: The 80s
MTV Experience
- 26 Evil Woman:
The American ELO
- 30 Robin Spielberg

MAY

- 7 *Broadway at The Grand Series:*
Mama, I'm A Big Girl Now
- Stars of Hairspray

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