



FEBRUARY 2023

THE STRAND THEATRE

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH PERFORMANCE

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE THEATRE

Moundsville's Got Talent Auditions digital auditions due Feb. 1 and live auditions at theatre on Feb. 7 from 7-8PM

Children's Acting Classes begin, Feb. 25, **instructor Renee Storm**, register online

Ron Retzer Trio: A Strand of Love Feb. 11, 7PM, Admission \$15

Moundsville's Got Talent Performance March 11, 7PM, Admission: adults \$12 and students \$10, 5 & under FREE

Palette to Pen Seniors Arts Classes begin, March 7, 6-7PM, \$10, must register to participate

MOUNDVILLE'S GOT TALENT AUDITIONS

Do you have a talent you would like to share? Plans for the third annual *Moundsville's Got Talent* competition are underway! In the style of America's Got Talent, several different acts (chosen from a screened audition process) will perform for a panel of three qualified judges during a live performance on Saturday, March 11.

All acts are welcome-singing, dancing, standup comedy, whatever you want to share with the world! Auditions for the show will be held on Tuesday, February 7 from 7-8pm at the Strand Theatre. You may also submit your audition digitally at <https://www.strandtheatrewv.com/mgt> To set up an audition time or to submit a video audition, email Kelley Bidka at progdirector@strandtheatrewv.com. Each act should not exceed five minutes. Video submissions are due by 11:59PM on Tuesday, February 1. From auditions, we will choose up to ten acts to perform in the show.

Those selected will perform for the show on March 11 at 7PM. Every performer will perform once, and from there our three judges will determine the top three. Those three performers will present a second act to determine who will be awarded first, second, and third prize. First place will win \$300 and a chance to perform an opening act at the July 14 City of Moundsville Arts and Culture Commission's Jefferson Fridays event, second place will win \$200, and third place will win \$100. Price for admission to the show is \$12 Adults and \$10 students.

*Special thanks to the 2023
Moundsville's Got Talent Prize Sponsors:*

\$300 First Prize-The City of Moundsville

Arts and Culture Commission

\$200 Second Prize-GreenTab

\$100 Third Prize-TBD

Contact progdirector@strandtheatrewv.com if YOU would like to be a third prize sponsor.

RON RETZER TRIO-A STRAND OF LOVE

A **Strand of Love**, a Valentine Concert featuring the Ron Retzer Trio, will be held on Saturday, February 11th, at 7pm at the historic Strand Theatre. The concert will include multiple genres of your favorite love songs from several decades. The price for admission is \$15.

Ron Retzer is an outstanding pianist known as "The Voice of the Ohio Valley." He has performed with numerous stars on the Jamboree for over 25 years. Ron teamed up with Jennifer Galownia and Bob Wolfe to create The Ron Retzer Trio. Jen's melodic, smooth sound and Bob's strong, country voice combined with Ron's talents create not only a trio of perfect harmony, but three unique soloists.

Doors will open at 6pm. Visit <https://www.strandtheatrewv.com/events-1/strandoflove> for more information or to purchase tickets online. Tickets will also be available at Frame and Fortunes and at the door. Contact Bob Wolfe (304-281-9104) or Amber Wolfe (304-281-9637) for more information.



CHILDREN'S ACTING CLASSES INSTRUCTOR, RENEE STORM

Children's acting classes will begin on February 25. There will be three sessions taught by Renee Storm. Session 1 (Kindergarten-Grade 2) will meet from 9-9:45AM. Tuition for session 1 is \$50. Session 2 (Grades 3-5) will meet from 10-10:55am. Tuition for session 2 is \$75. Session 3 (Grades 6-8) will meet from 11AM-12PM. Tuition for session 3 is \$75.

To register or for more information visit www.strandtheatrewv.com/events. You can also register at the first class if spots are still available.

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[Donation Drop-off for Spring Indoor Yard Sale](#)
April 22 9am-12pm and April 24-27 9am-5pm @ the theatre

[Spring Indoor Yard Sale](#)
April 29

[Louisiana Shrimp Boil](#)
June 10, St. Jude Park

"PALETTE TO PEN" ARTS CLASS SERIES FOR SENIORS BEGIN MARCH 7

The Strand Theatre is offering an 8-week program for painting and creative writing for individuals aged 55 and above. The 75-minute workshops will be held in the Strand Theatre at 6:00 on Tuesdays beginning March 7. Each participant will create a group instruction painting which will serve as the inspiration for the creative writing. A final showcase of participants' work will be held May 2. There is a \$10 total cost to participate in the entire series. To register for the class please call the Marshall County Senior Center at 304-845-8200 or visit <https://www.strandtheatrewv.com/events-1/palette-to-paper>

Ruth Keim, a local middle school art teacher, will lead her class in creating a unique painting using one-point perspective. From the initial pencil sketch to the final acrylic painting, the students will gain understanding of process as well as learn how to create background color, add detail, and shading. The course goal is to encourage visual art as a form of self-expression and promote interest in continued art instructional opportunities in our area.

Local high school AP teacher, Jonna Kuskey, will guide her class in writing, assisting each person in developing their

style. Participants will seek inspiration through the painting they created. She will assist students in designing a plot structure for their story, labelling their plot structure, creating an extended moment at the climax of their story, traveling through creative stations to improve their story, learning ways to publish their story for others to enjoy, and finding ways to continue writing. The course goal will be for participants to have produced a text that tells a story of personal significance. This program is offered with the assistance of a grant from the West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History.

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