



UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING INDOOR YARD SALE
MAY 2 8AM-NOON
CLEARANCE SALE 12:30-2

STRAND'S GOT TALENT
MAY 15 @ 7PM

MICHAEL PRESLEY IN
CONCERT
THE REFLECTIONS TOUR
MAY 30 @ 7PM

ZOO TO YOU
LIBRARY EVENT
JUNE 2 @ 11AM FREE

RYSING STAR DANCE
ACADEMY RECITAL
JUNE 7 @ 1PM

FREDDIE FOSSIL DINO SHOW
LIBRARY EVENT
JUNE 9 @ 11AM FREE

SHRIMP BOIL
JUNE 13 @ 6PM

O'RYAN THE O'MAZING
LIBRARY EVENT
JUNE 16 @ 11AM FREE

TONY M. MUSIC
LIBRARY EVENT
JUNE 18 @ 11AM FREE

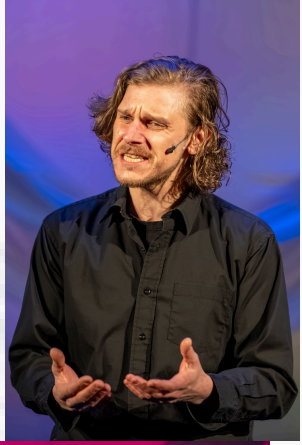
STRAND'S GOT TALENT

Mark your calendar for Strand's Got Talent! In the style of America's Got Talent, eight different acts will perform for a panel of judges during a live performance on Friday, May 15 at 7pm. Every performer will perform at least once. Following the first round of performances, our judges will determine the top three. The selected three acts will present a second round to determine first, second, and third prize. First place will win \$300 (sponsored by the City of Moundville Arts and Culture Commission) AND will be featured as an opening act for the July 10, 2026 Jefferson Friday event. Second place will win \$200 (sponsored by JMHS 69-79 Alumni Association). Third place will win \$100 (sponsored by GreenTab). While at the show, don't forget to make a monetary donation to vote for your people's choice award winner! Presale tickets are available at Frame and Fortunes and online at strandtheatreww.com/events. Adult tickets (18 and up) are \$15 and student tickets (17 and under) are \$12. Tickets will also be available at the door. Tony Summers will emcee the event.



Special thanks to everyone who
contributed to the success of the
Strand Theatre's production of
A Grand Night for Singing.
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*A Grand Night
for Singing*



HISTORIC MOUNDSVILLE
1828

STRAND

Theatre

MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE

Adapted by Michael McGill
Music & Lyrics by Michael McGill



MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE

There's no place like home...on the range.

The Missoula Children's Theatre Company returns to the Strand on June 22–26 offering a **FREE** acting workshop for children who have completed Kindergarten–age 18. During the week, participants will be immersed in many aspects related to the production of a live stage show, culminating with a public performance.

Those interested will pre-register online beginning on May 1 at the following link: www.strandtheatrewv.com/events. If spots are still available, on-site registration will also be open prior to auditions. Pre-registrants/on-site registrants will audition Monday, June 22 from 10am to 12pm. All participants will audition. No advance preparation is necessary. Those auditioning should arrive at 9:30am and plan to stay until 12pm. Some of the cast members will be asked to stay for a rehearsal immediately following the audition.

The Missoula Children's Theatre touring productions are complete with costumes, scenery, props and makeup. The MCT Tour Actor/Directors will conduct rehearsals throughout the week from 10am–2:15pm each day. One public performance of *The Wiz of the West* will be presented on Saturday, June 27 at 3pm at the Strand Theatre.

There is no cost to participate, but several additional enrichment workshops will be offered after daily rehearsals conclude. These workshops will immerse participants in more specific theatrical skills for a nominal fee. Workshop participation is not limited to the production cast. Come one, come all!

For more information, call 304.845.3009 or email progdirector@strandtheatrewv.com. Mark your calendars and spread the word about this exciting **FREE** opportunity for area youth.

The Missoula Children's Theatre residency is brought to you by the Strand Theatre with support from the Evan G. Roberts Charitable Trust. Pictured: Justin Jones, STPS Board President and Ashlie Costello, Truist Vice President, Cluster Branch Leader.





ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT SHRIMP BOIL SET FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 13

The ALL YOU CAN EAT Louisiana Shrimp Boil will be held on Saturday, June 13 at the 4th Street Red Barn in Moundsville. Doors open at 6pm and the first dump will be ready at 6:30pm.

No outside beverages are permitted. The price for admission is \$30/person. Drink tickets will be available on site. Mark Palmer will provide entertainment. Tickets are available beginning May 1 at www.strandtheatrewv.com/events or at Frame and Fortunes, 239 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville or Ruttenberg's, 238 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville. Call Becky for more info.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS: YARD SALE ON MAY 2



Mark your calendar and plan to come find your treasures and shop at our annual spring yard sale on Saturday, May 2 from 8am-12pm. We will close for thirty minutes, then re-open from 12:30-2pm for a clearance sale with 50% off individual items or fill a box for \$5. If you have questions about this event, please call Becky at 304.281.0647. Thank you Wheeling University volleyball team (pictured right) for helping us prepare for the event by moving tables and chairs. To help ensure a safe and comfortable shopping experience for everyone, we will limit capacity inside the sale to 40 guests at one time. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we try this new approach.

ONGOING SAFETY UPGRADES AT THE THEATRE FIRE CURTAIN INSTALLATION COMPLETE



With patron and performer safety always at the forefront of the Strand Theatre Preservation Society's mission, Pittsburgh Stage has recently completed the installation of a new state-of-the-art fire curtain. This important upgrade replaces the theatre's original 1920 asbestos-based curtain, bringing the facility into alignment with modern safety standards while preserving the historic integrity of the venue.

Fire curtains play a critical role in theatre safety, serving as a protective barrier designed to prevent the spread of fire between the stage and the audience area. The installation of this new system significantly enhances emergency preparedness and ensures a safer environment for all who enter the Strand Theatre—whether on stage, behind the scenes, or in the audience.

This \$158,000 project was made possible through the generous financial support of the Karl and Mildred Niekamp Charitable Foundation, the Marshall County Commission, the Wheeling Automobile Club Fund, and funding from a West Virginia Cultural Facilities grant. Their collective investment underscores a shared commitment to preserving both the cultural and physical vitality of this historic performance space.

We extend our sincere gratitude to these organizations for their support in helping us continue to provide our community with a venue that is not only beautiful and historically significant, but also safe and fully equipped for the performing arts today and into the future.



AUDITION **NOTICE**



The Strand Theatre announces auditions for its summer production, Disney's The Little Mermaid. Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories and the classic animated film, Disney's The Little Mermaid is a hauntingly beautiful love story for the ages. With music by eight-time Academy Award winner, Alan Menken, lyrics by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater and a compelling book by Doug Wright, this fishy fable will capture your heart with its irresistible songs, including "Under the Sea," "Kiss the Girl" and "Part of Your World."

Ariel, King Triton's youngest daughter, wishes to pursue the human Prince Eric in the world above, bargaining with the evil sea witch, Ursula, to trade her tail for legs. But the bargain is not what it seems, and Ariel needs the help of her colorful friends, Flounder the fish, Scuttle the seagull and Sebastian the crab to restore order under the sea.

Disney's The Little Mermaid will run July 24 and 25 at 7:00pm and July 26 at 2:00pm. Shelby Garrett will direct, Justin Jones will serve as music director, Stephanie Jingle will choreograph, and Meta Lasch will serve as technical director.

Auditions are Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30pm at the Strand. Please prepare 16-32 bars of a song from either a musical or an upbeat pop song. An accompanist will be provided. Auditionees are encouraged to listen to the cast recording for inspiration. Auditions will also consist of cold reads from the script as well as a dance combo, so wear comfortable shoes you can move in. Callbacks will take place on Wednesday, May 27, at 6:30pm. Audition ages are high school students through adults. The role of Flounder may be cast as young as a student who has completed 4th grade. Those interested in auditioning for Flounder must contact the director in advance to schedule an audition time.

Rehearsals will begin the week of June 8, and run Monday-Thursday evenings for approximately two to three hours per rehearsal. A complete schedule will be created following auditions and distributed at the first rehearsal. Please visit www.strandtheatrewv.com/mermaid for character descriptions and complete audition details. Contact Shelby Garrett (director) at shelby.garrett@strandtheatrewv.com with questions.

STRAND THEATRE

SUMMER MUSICAL INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Strand Theatre announces volunteer internship opportunities for its summer production, Disney's The Little Mermaid. Interns will be matched with a professional creative team member for a unique mentorship and hands-on experience. Applications are open to all community members. Please check the list of internship options on page 5 of this newsletter to learn more about each available position.

Application deadline is Friday, May 15, 2026. Interviews will be scheduled as needed the week of May 25, 2026. Please visit www.strandtheatrewv.com/internship to complete an application. Direct questions to strand@strandtheatrewv.com.

Assistant to the Director

As an Assistant to the Director, you will work closely with the director to help manage rehearsals, coordinate communication between the cast and crew, and assist in the overall creative process. You will gain valuable experience in directing, staging, and helping bring the production vision to life. Time commitment: Monday-Thursday (6:00-9:00pm) starting the week of June 15, 2026. Exact schedule TBD by the director

Assistant Stage Manager

The Assistant Stage Manager will support the Stage Manager in organizing rehearsal schedules, maintaining production paperwork, and managing backstage operations during performances. You will learn about the logistics of theatre productions, from managing props to ensuring smooth transitions during the show. Time commitment: Monday-Thursday (6:00-9:00pm) starting the week of June 15, 2026. Exact schedule TBD by the director

Set Build Crew

Join the Set Build Crew and work alongside our designers and carpenters to help construct the sets for the summer production. You'll gain hands-on experience with set design, construction, and painting, learning essential skills in building and transforming the stage environment. Time commitment: Flexible schedule will be set by the technical director

Assistant Sound

As the Assistant Sound intern, you will support the sound designer in setting up and operating the sound equipment for the production. This includes helping with microphones, sound checks, and ensuring proper sound levels during rehearsals and performances. You will develop skills in sound design and technical theatre. Time commitment: July 19-26 (evenings)

Assistant Lights

The Assistant Lighting intern will assist the lighting designer in setting up and operating the lighting equipment for the production. This role includes hanging lights, programming cues, and ensuring the correct lighting effects are achieved during the show. Learn about stage lighting, color mixing, and design implementation. Time commitment: July 19-26 (evenings)

Assistant Music Director

As the Assistant Music Director, you will help with rehearsal preparation and coordination, supporting the music director with vocal and instrumental rehearsals. This is a great opportunity to learn about music direction, vocal coaching, and musical interpretation for theatre productions. You will be required to demonstrate your musical skill for this position. Piano proficiency is required. Time commitment: Monday-Thursday (6:00-9:00pm) starting the week of June 15, 2026. Exact schedule TBD by the music director

Musician

Musicians will be involved in rehearsals and performances, playing live music to support the show. Whether playing in the pit or accompanying singers, you will work closely with the music director and other performers to bring the musical score to life. You will be required to demonstrate your musical skill for this position. Time commitment: July 19-26 (evenings)

Assistant Photographer

The Assistant Photographer will assist in capturing rehearsal and performance moments, including action shots, candid behind-the-scenes images, and promotional photos. You will help maintain the visual documentation of the production, which may be used for social media, marketing, and archival purposes. Time commitment: July 19-26 (evenings); as needed throughout rehearsal process

Assistant Front of House Manager

The Assistant Front of House Manager will work closely with the Front of House team to ensure smooth audience operations before, during, and after the performances. You will assist with managing box office duties, ushering, audience seating, and maintaining a welcoming environment for guests. These internship positions offer a unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the theatre industry, learn from professionals, and contribute to a community theatre production. Time commitment: June 9, July 7, July 22-26 (evenings)

2026 EVENT CALENDAR

SUBJECT TO ADDITIONS/ADJUSTMENTS

MAY



- 2 – YARD SALE (8:00AM)
- 15 – STRAND'S GOT TALENT (7:00 PM)
- 26/27 – SUMMER MUSICAL AUDITIONS - (6:30PM)
- 30 – MICHAEL PRESLEY IN CONCERT-THE REFLECTIONS TOUR (7:00PM)

JUNE



- 2 – ZOO TO YOU LIBRARY EVENT (11:00AM)
- 7 – RYSING STAR DANCE ACADEMY RECITAL (1:00PM)
- 9 – FREDDIE FOSSIL DINO SHOW LIBRARY EVENT (11:00AM)
- 13 – SHRIMP BOIL (6:00PM)
- 16 – O'RYAN THE O'MAZING LIBRARY EVENT (11:00AM)
- 18 – TONY M. MUSIC LIBRARY EVENT (11:00AM)
- 22-26 – MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE
- 27 – MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE PUBLIC PERFORMANCE THE WIZ OF THE WEST (3:00PM)



JULY

- 3 – BAD MOON RISING CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE EVENT (7:00PM)
- 9 – MUSICAL CABARET (7:00PM)
- 24 & 25 – SUMMER MUSICAL *DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID* (7:00PM)
- 26 – SUMMER MUSICAL *DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID* (2:00PM)

AUGUST

AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL. BOOK YOUR SPECIAL EVENT AT THE STRAND

SEPTEMBER



- 12-17 – YARD SALE DROP-OFF
- 19 – YARD SALE (8:00AM)
- 26 – FALL CHILDREN'S ACTING CLASSES BEGIN



OCTOBER

- 10 – OGLEBAY INSTITUTE YOUTH BALLET COMPANY "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST" (7:00PM)
- 24 – FAMILY HALLOWEEN MOVIE *LEMONY SNICKETT'S A SERIES OF UNFORTUNATE EVENTS* (2:00PM)
- 24 – HALLOWEEN MOVIE *HOUSE ON HAUNTED HILL* (7:00PM)
- 31 – FALL CHILDREN'S ACTING CLASSES END

NOVEMBER

- 6/7 – WV STATE & MID-ATLANTIC ZONE BODY BUILDING CHAMPIONSHIPS (9:00AM)
- 21 – PARADE VIEWING RAFFLE WINNER RECEPTION ROOM PARTY

DECEMBER

- 5 – OGLEBAY INSTITUTE YOUTH BALLET COMPANY "THE NUTCRACKER BALLET" (3:00PM)
- 11 – RON RETZER CHRISTMAS SHOW (7:00PM)
- 18 – CHRISTMAS CABARET (7:00PM)
- 19/20 – CHILDREN'S MUSICAL (2:00PM)

[CLICK HERE TO CHECK OUT OUR COMPLETE CALENDAR OF EVENTS](#)