

Strand Theatre Shelbyville, Inc.

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Strand Theatre Weekly Email: August 26, 2011

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Tonight is the 4th Friday of the month....that means FRIDAY NIGHT FRIGHTS.

The movies showing tonight, August 26, 2011, are classics from a time gone by. Gamera The Invincible (1966) and The Phantom From Space (1953). Two great (depending on your definition of great) movies for one price. These movies are fun and everyone has a good time. Come sit in the balcony and have a ball as we transform the Strand back into a movie theater with these frightful classics.

On Saturday August 26, 2011 magic and comedy will take the Strand's stage. Most people in Central Indiana remember Illusions Restaurant located on the North Side of Indianapolis from 1988 to 2002. Illusion?s was considered the Magic Castle of the Midwest during its more than a decade run. Providing only the finest quality magical entertainment, guests from all over the world, literally made this restaurant a destination. At long last, those fans-and new ones, too ? have the rare opportunity to see what everyone was talking about back then- Mind Twisting Comedy and Magic, Saturday, August 27th, 2011 on stage at the Strand Theater. Presented by Daddy Real Entertainment the show features three headliners from the famous eatery. Each performer in the show continued their careers performing in and out of the country for corporate clients, cruise ships and comedy clubs. Daddy Real Founder and CEO, Roger Upchurch tell us ?I loved the stage shows at Illusions and put my mind to bringing my favorite acts back together, this event is the beginning of a long series of shows we are producing to bring the best in entertainment to Indiana at affordable prices in extraordinary and, often, unique venues!?

We think he is talking about the Strand. This is a family show that we are sure you will enjoy. Please come and support the Strand and see our guest performers Pat Smith, Jeff Loeser and Dan Dygert. The show starts at 8:00pm and is sure to be a hit! Those of you who have been to the magic shows at the Strand know that we play our "magic" music before and after. See how many songs you know, Barry Manilow and all.

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We have had lots of activity in the past few weeks. First of all our web site was on the move....literally. (Warning, tech talk ahead). Our site is hosted free of charge on the servers of the Automotive Parts Network, Inc. APN is migrating their sites from a Linux server in Chandler Arizona to some very powerful servers in Chicago, Illinois. This project is the brainchild of web developer Shane K. for APN. He volunteers his time to make sure the Strand and a few other not-for-profit sites hosted on the server perform to perfection. This week the Strand was on the move list. Without us even knowing, the files were copied, DNS records were changed and the data base was tested. Thank you Shane for keeping us running smoothly.

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Strand volunteer and graphic designer Martin Sullivan opened an exhibit at the Grover Museum this week. Several of our posters have been designed by Marty. His splashy clean style look great in our windows. His photography at the museum is in a different league! The images transport the viewer to places far away with stories waiting to be discovered. We encourage you to stop by the museum and take a look, you'll be glad you did.

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Last week we had a lecture and film presentation by Kaitlynn Schiedler. Her subject was the building survivors of 9/11. There were only 19 people inside that survived the collapse. She chronicled their stories and feelings about being saved. It was a very powerful evening. Rarely are we struck with such emotion as what was given in her lecture and her film. As we approach the 10th anniversary of that day, we at the Strand are committed to our freedom, freedom of artistic expression and love of country. Thank you Kaitlynn for bringing the survivor's stories to the Strand.

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This week there was an event honoring Mayor Scott Furgeson. Clerk Treasurer Rod Meyerholtz served at the Master of Ceremonies. In his remarks he listed the accomplishments of the past 8 years of Mayor Furgeson's administration. In his list he mentioned the Strand. The Strand as we know it started because of a meeting called by Mayor Furgeson. At that meeting Steve Frazee, then president of the Shelby Arts Council, and David Finkel president of the Plan Commission, sat around the table in Scott's office with many other people. Steve and David had planned for that eventuality and were armed with a renovation and use plan for their newly formed group the Strand Theatre of Shelbyville, Inc. Scott made it clear that something needed to be done with the Strand. The new group volunteered for the task, even though at the time there were only 2 people involved. Things worked out and we are still growing. Thank you Mayor Furgeson...your accolades are well deserved.

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There are lots of wonderful events in the coming months. We look forward to each and every show at the Strand. We hope you will join us and experience what our community has to offer. Thank you for your support. All the volunteers associated with the Strand take great pride in what we as a community have been able to accomplish with our 95 year old theatre. We look forward to seeing you at the Strand.....tonight!

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