

Strand Theatre Shelbyville, Inc.

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Dear Strand Fan,

(editor's note: This didn't send on Friday...better late than never!)

Christmas at the Strand will feature songs of the season in an entertaining setting. This show will celebrate art and community at the Strand for the last 100 years. There are 24 performers (our dressing rooms will be busy). The youngest performer is 5, the oldest performer isn't. Performances are Friday and Saturday (December 9 & 10) at 7:30pm. The event is a great family show, with music you know and love. Tickets in advance are available at Mickey's T-Mart for \$10 adults, kids are only \$5. The performance starts at 7:30pm.

Christmas at the Strand is part of a larger holiday celebration downtown on Saturday December 10th. The day kicks off with Mainstreet's Winter Farmer's Market at the Grover Museum from 9-1pm. This farmers market will be indoors! The next event is at the Grover Museum too.

The Grover Museum's recent wintry change to the "Streets of Old Shelby" exhibit will come to life once more for the inaugural "Christmas in Old Shelby" The special event will be Saturday, Dec. 10th, 3-6:30 pm.

Like the other live events in the exhibit, the museum will open all of the shops, and guests will have the opportunity to interact with living historians who have taken on the role of the exhibit's community members or business owners. This time, however, snow, garland, trees and lights fill the shops and streets, making the scene a winter wonderland. Museum staff and volunteers will also serve free hot chocolate to visitors in the Emporium, and will have cookies available for purchase. At 4 p.m., Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive, and will set up in the Charlotte Jones Gallery, which currently is displaying the annual "Festival of the Trees" exhibit.

The Strand will have coupons to all attendees of the "Christmas in Old Shelby" good for a free small drink and box of popcorn at our performance that night! We want you to have the complete experience and are thrilled to be partnering with the Shelby County Historical Society on the day's events.

WALDRON HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR - December 13th. Waldron High School Choir will present their holiday concert "Cool Yule" on Tuesday December 13th. It will be a wonderful opportunity to hear these talented kids for Waldron. The concert is free and starts at 7:00pm.

BLUE RIVER COMMUNITY CHOIR - December 15th. The Blue River Community Choir will take the stage to present their holiday concert on Thursday December 15th at 7:30pm. This is a free event...but wait, there's more!

LIBERTY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CANTATA - December 15th. In the same program as the BRCC, LUMC will present their Christmas Cantata "One Small Child". This is a great opportunity to hear two wonderful programs, by two different and talented groups in the same night. Half the program will be the Cantata, the other half choir concert.

BROOKE ROE'S COUNTRY CHRISTMAS - December 16th. Talented country music artist Brooke Roe will return to the Strand for a holiday inspired concert on December 16th. Tickets are available at Mickey's T-Mart and BrownPaperTickets.com. Advance tickets are \$10 and kids are only \$5. This will be a great chance to get into the holiday spirit country style!

DONNIE BAKER - December 17th (2 shows). Donnie will be joined this year by Jay Steiners and Coach Kent Murphy. It will be funny. There are two shows, 7:00pm & 9:30pm. Tickets are only \$20 advance available at Mickey's T-Mart and BrownPaperTickets.com. 18 on the Square will be providing the bar. If you are going to the SHS basketball games, you will have plenty of time to catch the late show. How much better can a Saturday night get? The Strand wants to pack the place for both shows! Help support the Strand and live comedy on our stage.

Barring any late minute additions the Donnie Baker show will be our last performance of the 2016 season. We will take of

our operation hats and put on our renovation hats. We have lots of projects we would like to accomplish before we start again in February 2017.

Strand work crews have been hard at work moving our theater pipe organs to their new workshop. This space is where the rebuilding of the instruments will occur. It is the old press room of the Tippecanoe Press Building. We had three work sessions this week to move things. Thursday's session included 14 Shelbyville High School Band students! They did a fantastic job. We look forward to finishing sometime next week.

The Strand is continuing to work with the State Fire Marshal on our renovation plans. We hope to have some sort of resolution shortly. Many people are stepping up to help the Strand with this. It is a big deal and not the sort of stress we needed, but something we will deal with none the less. It is still a baffling issue.

This past weekend we were dark. For many years the Shelby County Players had their production the first weekend of December. This year they opted to have their play in November. We ended up not to fill the slot, giving our volunteers a holiday season weekend off. This is unusual! We will be back at it next weekend with Christmas at the Strand.

The Strand would like to congratulate our performance partners at the Shelbyville High School Theatre Department for their 4th place finish in the International Thespian Society Indiana theater competition. They presented their play "I Never Saw Another Butterfly" this weekend at Brown County High School. Great job SHS Theatre.

Thank you for your support. The Strand is dedicated to doing our core mission of providing a venue for live entertainment for our community. We are pleased to be able to bring together many diverse groups and talents. The Strand does this while respecting the variety of entertainment presented. We love it all, and hope you do too. See you at the Strand.

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