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Our renovations are complete and we are ready to *Imagine the Possibilities!* We are thrilled to open the 2018/19 season with a newly renovated Grand Hall. The changes allow us to offer an enhanced menu of live theatre performances, musical concerts and other exciting arts related events.

Our season begins with the third annual **Wake Forest Home & Garden Show** where every aspect of the home can be explored, from the smallest design detail to the largest house addition.

Professionals will be on hand to share their valuable knowledge to bring your ideas to life or inspire you with new ones.

Forest Moon Theater (Wake Forest's Community Theater) has a spectacular season of productions planned that will take place on the Renaissance Centre stage! Check out their website for show and audition information for **Crimes of the Heart**, **The Memory of Water**, **Vanya, Sonia, Masha & Spike** and their annual youth production, **I Never Saw Another Butterfly**.

In September, we will celebrate the diversity of Wake Forest at the inaugural **Trung Thu Moon Festival**. Steeped in tradition, this ancient Vietnamese celebration revolves around children. Families will enjoy learning about the Vietnamese culture through music, stories, dance, arts and crafts and food.

Mark your calendars in October for the **Wake Forest Lit Fest**. We have teamed up with Page 158 Books to offer literature lovers of all ages, a variety of activities all in one jam-packed weekend. The Lit Fest kicks off with a live production of **Biscuit** (the Yellow Puppy) and continues with a variety of workshops and activities and concludes with a sensational **Author Speed Dating Dinner**.

If you love soul and gospel music, you will not want to miss **The Shades of Gospel** in November! This concert will feature special performances by the Trinity Quartet and Grammy, Dove, and Stellar Award nominated artist, Tim Bowman Jr.

Join us for two magical holiday events that are sure to warm the hearts of your entire family – **Santa's Enchanted Workshop, the Musical** and **Celtic Christmas Angels**.

We look forward to showing you our new and beautiful arts space and serving our wonderful Wake Forest community during this 2018/19 season. At the Renaissance Centre for the Arts, there is something for everyone. Come see us!

– *Cathy Gouge*, CENTRE MANAGER

ON THE COVER: MAGIC PIPERS BAND



Wake Forest Renaissance Centre for the Arts
405 S. Brooks St., Wake Forest, NC 27587
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Box Office: 919-435-9458
Open Mon-Fri 9 am-12 pm and 1-5 pm
Event Hotline: 919-435-9428

Taxes apply to all ticket sales.

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19 Happy Dan the Magic Man

OCTOBER

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12 Neck of the Woods presented by Wake Forest ARTS

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NOVEMBER

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DECEMBER

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2 Memory Cafe Holiday Show

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14 Santa's Enchanted Workshop, The Musical

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28 Jim Quick & Coastline – **ROCKIN' THE FOREST**

JANUARY

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FEBRUARY

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18 2019 State of the Town Address & Dinner

22 Big Love – **ROCKIN' THE FOREST**

MARCH

15 The Catalinas – **ROCKIN' THE FOREST**



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SEP
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TRUNG THU MOON FESTIVAL



5:30-9:00 pm

Join us in celebrating the diversity of Wake Forest at the inaugural Trung Thu Moon Festival! Tet Trung Thu, as it is known in Vietnam, or the Mid-Autumn Moon festival as we refer to it in America, is one of the two most important festivals in the Vietnamese culture. Steeped in tradition, this ancient celebration revolves around children and is thought to be a time when parents had the opportunity to catch up with their loved ones after the busy summer harvest was completed. Families will enjoy learning about the Vietnamese culture through music, stories, dance, arts and crafts and food. The event will conclude with a children's lantern promenade.

Tickets: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors & children under 12

SEP
14-23

FOREST MOON THEATER PRESENTS

CRIMES OF THE HEART

7:30 pm	Sep 14, 15
3:00 pm	Sep 16
7:30 pm	Sep 21, 22
3:00 pm	Sep 23



Three sisters in a small Mississippi town await news from the hospital where their grandfather lives out his last hours. Each woman has experienced failure of a different kind, each hurt, yet each finds her own path to a promising new beginning. Along the way, the laughs and humor highlight the beauty in being human as the women take control of their future.

WRITTEN BY: Beth Henley. **PRODUCED BY:** Special arrangements with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

Tickets: ADVANCE: \$15 individual, \$13 student/senior; DAY OF: \$18 individual, \$16 student/senior. Seasonal and Flex Pass tickets available. Call the box office for more information.

SEP
19

OCT
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DEC
19

HAPPY DAN THE MAGIC MAN

11:00 am

Everyone laughs louder when Happy Dan is in the house! Children are quickly drawn into his tale of magical fantasy as they perform various feats of magic and more. The laughter never stops as Happy Dan struggles with his misbehaving props and the children fly to his rescue.

Tickets: \$5



OCT
7

TRIANGLE ALLIANCE CHORUS

NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH



3:00 pm

In recognition of National Disability Employment Awareness Month and in collaboration with the Arts Access Artist Link Directory project we welcome the music of The Triangle Alliance Chorus to our stage. **SPONSORED BY:** United Arts Council of Raleigh & Wake County.

Free Admission



OCT
12

JAN
25

WAKE FOREST ARTS PRESENTS

NECK OF THE WOODS

7:00 pm

Neck of the Woods is a variety performance series that features emerging local artists. An evening may consist of several performance arts acts. Each show is different and may include actors, dancers, musicians, comedians, writers and spoken word artists. Come out and enjoy a truly unique and entertaining event and support your local artists! Bar will be open for wine, beer and other refreshment purchases. **PRESENTED AND SPONSORED BY:** Wake Forest ARTS.

Tickets: \$5

OCT
14

SPECIAL SCREENING OF
THE WALL THAT HEALS



6:30 pm

Don't miss out on this special screening of *The Wall That Heals*, a 1997 documentary about the Vietnam Veterans Memorial narrated by Louis Gossett, Jr. This film is an excellent survey and a wonderful history of the black wall that fills a void in the hearts of family and friends of the fallen heroes who served in Vietnam. The traveling replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C and mobile education unit will be open 24 hrs a day to the public at E. Carroll Joyner Park, 701 Harris Road from Thursday, Oct. 18, 8 am, through Sunday, Oct. 21, 2 pm. **SPONSORED BY:** Wake Forest Purple Heart Foundation and the Town of Wake Forest.



Free Admission

OCT
19

ARTSPOWER NATIONAL TOURING THEATRE PRESENTS
BISCUIT



11:00 am & 6:30 pm

Young readers and their families will have the opportunity to witness the popular children's book *Biscuit* come to life on stage through the talent of ArtsPower National Touring Theatre. Based on the iconic series of books by Alyssa Satin Capucilli and illustrator Pat Schories, ArtsPower's popular musical features a frolicking little puppy who loves exploring, making new friends, and even stirring up some mischief. With over 23 million books in print, *Biscuit* is a modern classic!

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OCT
19-20

WAKE FOREST LIT FEST

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Celebrate the world of literature that opens doors, creates new opportunities and enriches lives. Page 158 Books and the Wake Forest Renaissance Centre for the Arts have joined forces to launch an immersive cultural experience for all ages. Lit Fest will feature locally- and nationally-recognized, best-selling authors from many different genres discussing their work, while also offering a variety of thought-provoking workshops, readings, and other activities in a friendly and informal setting.

Friday, Oct 19. 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM: BISCUIT. Young readers and their families will have the chance to see the children's book *Biscuit* come to life on stage (see page 9).

Saturday, Oct 20. 10:00-11:00 AM & 1:00-4:00 PM: WORKSHOPS. Informative workshops will be offered in the Arts Annex and other downtown locations. Visit wakeforestrennecen.org for workshop titles, fees and locations. **10:00 AM: STORYTIME WITH PEPPA PIG & CRAFT ACTIVITY.** \$3 per child, parents admitted free. **6:00 PM: AUTHOR SPEED DATING DINNER.** An exciting and interactive literary experience where readers and writers of all ages and interests can find a book, share a dream and connect with kindred spirits! \$45 includes dinner.

Books will be available for purchase from Page 158 Books. Partial proceeds will go to the "Book Your Brain" project, which helps promote children's literacy by donating books to local schools and children's organizations.



OCT
26

ROCKIN' THE FOREST THE MAGIC PIPERS BAND



7:30 pm

ROCKIN' THE FOREST IS A LIVE CONCERT MUSIC SERIES FEATURING SOME OF THE TOP MUSICAL ACTS IN THE AREA. ■

The Magic Pipers is an energetic three-piece band that plays a variety of beach, funk, r&b and rock n roll. The bar will be open for wine, beer and other refreshment purchases.

Tickets: \$10



NOV
3

THE SHADES OF GOSPEL

5:00 pm

Join us for a lively and educational celebration of Gospel music that connects community members of all cultures, ages and backgrounds. This concert will highlight a range of traditional, southern and

contemporary gospel music with special performances by the Trinity Quartet and Grammy, Dove, and Stellar Award nominated artist, Tim Bowman Jr. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the joy of music from the soul!

PROGRAM SUPPORTED BY: National Endowment for the Arts



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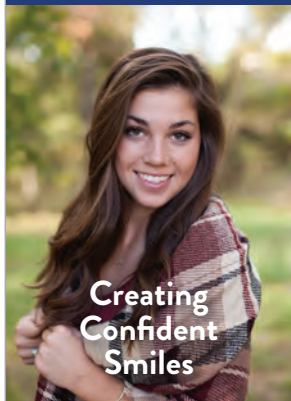
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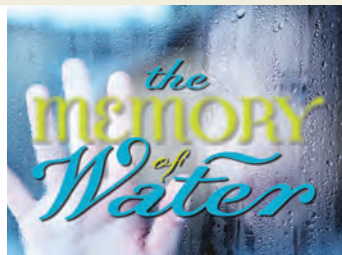
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NOV
9-18

FOREST MOON THEATER PRESENTS
THE MEMORY OF WATER

7:30 pm	Nov 9, 10
3:00 pm	Nov 11
7:30 pm	Nov 16, 17
3:00 pm	Nov 18



The death of their mother reunites sisters who at first could seem no more different from one another. Conflicting memories of the same events from their past highlight what separates them. On the eve of the funeral, haunted by their mother's ghost, confrontations amidst the laughter stir the waters and bring secrets to the surface. **WRITTEN BY:** Shelagh Stephenson. **PRODUCED BY:** Special arrangements with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

Tickets: ADVANCE: \$15 individual, \$13 student/senior; DAY OF: \$18 individual, \$16 student/senior. Seasonal and Flex Pass tickets available. Call the box office for more information.

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DEC
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9:00 am-3:00 pm

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MEMORY CAFÉ HOLIDAY SHOW

3:00 pm

This special holiday event offers an opportunity for persons diagnosed with early stage memory loss, their caregivers and family to engage in a holiday music singalong with the Wake Forest Community Choirs in a relaxed, unstructured environment. This café-type atmosphere promotes social engagement and support through interaction with others experiencing similar lifestyle changes. Limited seating is available for this performance.

SPONSORED BY: The Family of Irma M. Adams & Carillon Assisted Living of Wake Forest.

Free Admission



DEC
8-9

RENAISSANCE CENTRE'S CHRISTMAS JUBILEE CONCERT CELTIC ANGELS CHRISTMAS



7:30 pm | Dec 8

3:00 pm | Dec 9

The Renaissance Centre's Christmas Jubilee Concert will feature Celtic Angels Christmas. The Sheeva Quintet, Celtic Knights and Angel Dancers with Trinity Band Ensemble of Dublin, captivate audiences of all ages with the *Magic of Christmas* in an awe-inspiring show which encompasses vocal and instrumental seasonal and Irish favorites along with spectacular world class champion Irish dancing.

Tickets: \$25

DEC
11

WAKE FOREST COMMUNITY YOUTH CHOIRS
HOLIDAY CONCERT



6:00 pm

The Wake Forest Children's Choir and the Wake Forest High School Chorale will present an evening of holiday music under the direction of choir director Kasie Brooks.

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DEC
14

SANTA'S ENCHANTED WORKSHOP

THE MUSICAL



11:00 am & 6:30 pm

For Stanley, Christmas has lost some of its magic. Stanley and his sister SuSu set out to the North Pole to find out for themselves about Christmas. Trapped in a blizzard, they wind up in a dilapidated gas station run by a mysterious old man named Nick who shows them the wonders of imagination and helps to bring his rundown gas station to life as a magic toyshop. One of the silliest villains you'll ever see, Mr. Gasket J. Wasket shows up and tries to spoil the day. Mr. Wasket is foiled and Stanley finds his renewed Christmas spirit and the real meaning of Christmas, keeping his imagination alive and believing in the magic of the holiday. **BOOK, MUSIC, AND LYRICS BY:** Richard Giersch. **ADDITIONAL LYRICS BY:** Bruce Craig Miller.

Tickets: ADVANCE: \$12; DAY OF: \$15

DEC
28

ROCKIN' THE FOREST
JIM QUICK & COASTLINE



7:30 pm

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Coastline truly define the sound of historical Southern music – from hard driving Carolina back

beats, to Georgia southern rock, from Cajun inspired grooves, to Texas and Delta blues. The bar will be open for wine, beer and other refreshment purchases.

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JAN
12

BACK TO THE '50s SOCK HOP

7:00 pm

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Tickets: ADVANCE: \$10, DAY OF: \$13

JAN
18

ROCKIN' THE FOREST THE LEGACY MOTOWN REVIEW



7:30 pm

ROCKIN' THE FOREST IS A LIVE CONCERT MUSIC SERIES FEATURING SOME OF THE TOP MUSICAL ACTS IN THE AREA. ■ The Legacy Motown Review pays tribute to the legendary icons of Motown. Backed by a horn band, the four talented performers dance, sing and transport you back to one of the most influential periods of musical history. The bar will be open for wine, beer and other refreshment purchases.

Tickets: \$10

**FEB
2**

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATER
DEATH BY DISCO**

6:30 pm

It's 1978, and it should be a night of disco, dancing and...possibly death! The highlight of the evening is the huge Disco Dance Contest.

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**FEB
8-17**

FOREST MOON THEATER PRESENTS

I NEVER SAW ANOTHER BUTTERFLY

7:30 pm	Feb 8, 9
3:00 pm	Feb 10
7:30 pm	Feb 15, 16
3:00 pm	Feb 17



At the height of Hitler's campaign to rid the world of Jews, children of the condemned arrive in Terezin, where they are assigned to a teacher, Raja, who watches over them until they are separated and sent to concentration camps. Raja survives to tell their story – a story about children who bring light to the dark, hope to the abject, and love to a place surrounded by hate. **WRITTEN BY:** Celeste Raspanti.

PRODUCED BY: Special arrangements with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

*Tickets: **ADVANCE:** \$15 individual, \$13 student/senior; **DAY OF:** \$18 individual, \$16 student/senior. Seasonal and Flex Pass tickets available. Call the box office for more information.*

**FEB
9**

BRIGHT STAR THEATER PRESENTS

THE STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM THE LIFE OF DR. KING



11:00 am & 6:30 pm*

The story of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is one of both triumph and tragedy. In this dramatic show, the audience comes to see that the rights won by the American Civil Rights Movement came with a heavy price. **SPONSORED BY:** United Arts Council of Raleigh & Wake County.

**Shows will be held at the Alston-Massenburg Center, 416 N. Taylor St.*

Free Admission



FEB
18

2019 STATE OF THE TOWN

ADDRESS & DINNER

6:00 pm

Area residents are invited to attend Wake Forest's annual State of the Town Address & Dinner. The occasion offers Wake Forest citizens the opportunity to reflect on the



Town's list of accomplishments during the previous year and learn about its goals for the coming months. Anyone not interested in eating dinner is welcome to attend the State of the Town Address without purchasing a ticket. Non-ticket buyers should arrive between 6:30 and 6:45 pm at the conclusion of the dinner portion of the program. *Mayor Vivian Jones'* address is expected to begin between 6:45 and 7 pm. **SPONSORED BY:** Wake Forest Rotary Club and the Town of Wake Forest.

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FEB
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ROCKIN' THE FOREST
BIG LOVE



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Tickets: \$10

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ROCKIN' THE FOREST
THE CATALINAS



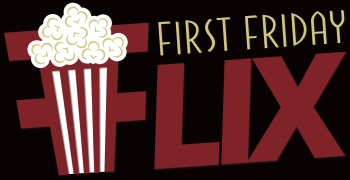
7:30 pm

ROCKIN' THE FOREST IS A LIVE CONCERT MUSIC SERIES FEATURES SOME OF THE TOP MUSICAL ACTS IN THE AREA. ■ **The Catalinas** are an American beach music band from the late 1950s. Their classic song *Summertime's Callin' Me* was originally recorded in 1975 and continues to be played by bands and DJs all over the world. The bar will be open for wine, beer and other refreshment purchases.

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Second Monday of each month ~ 10:30 am



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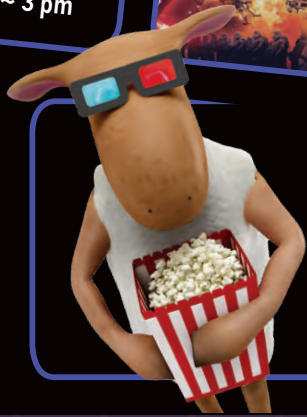
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About the Centre

MISSION

The Renaissance Centre for the Arts is dedicated to inspiring, engaging and educating the community through a variety of cultural arts programs. Through theatre, concerts, film screenings, workshops and related events, the Renaissance Centre offers enriching art experiences that bridge cultures, generations and disciplines.



OUR STORY

In response to the community's increased demand for cultural programming and entertainment, the Town of Wake Forest purchased two properties in downtown Wake Forest for the purpose of developing a cultural arts facility. The Renaissance Centre officially opened in November 2013 with a three-day Celebration of the Arts extravaganza. Located in the heart of Wake Forest's Renaissance District, the centre contributes to the economic growth and quality of life in our region by encouraging a flourishing arts community.

VERSATILE VENUE

Offering 5,000 square feet of meeting and event space, the Renaissance Centre can be configured to accommodate a variety of rental needs. Amenities include convenient parking, box office/reception area, Grand Hall with 4,700 feet of expo or gathering space, bar and staging area for caterers, LCD projector with automated screens and monitors, and free wireless internet. Also available is a 535 square foot stage and dressing rooms. Smaller breakout rooms are available in the Arts Annex next door.

SUPPORT THE CENTRE

The Renaissance Centre is appreciative of the generous support of the community. With your tax deductible donation, the centre can continue to provide high quality arts programs and become the region's premier cultural arts and event venue. We are committed to making our programs affordable and accessible to all people.

PURCHASE TICKETS

Online: Visit wakeforestrencen.org to order advance tickets. A convenience fee applies for online ticket orders.

In person: Purchase advance tickets at the Renaissance Centre box office.

Day of: Tickets may be purchased at the door on the day of the event if seating is available.

Taxes apply to all ticket sales.

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