

RENAISSANCE CENTRE

FOR THE ARTS

You'll discover enriching experiences at the centre that will leave you feeling inspired.



African Folktales

Performances

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Join two talented African griots (storytellers) Akili and Jabari as they share stories that celebrate the vastness of the African landscape. Sing-alongs, stories and humor help celebrate world cultures, language and oral tradition in this inventive and high energy show! The 45-minute production by the Bright Star Touring Theatre is geared for students in grades K-5.

Ren Ctr	Feb 4	9:30 am	\$7
Ren Ctr	Feb 4	11:30 am	\$7

Black History Hall of Fame

The Bright Star Touring Theatre will offer two performances—one afternoon show at the Alston-Massenburg Center and an evening show at the Renaissance Centre. In just 45-minutes, young audiences will be introduced to over a dozen groundbreakers that have contributed to shaping our nation. You'll see everyone from Maya Angelou and Aretha Franklin to the Buffalo Soldiers and Mae Jemison. And that's just to name a few! Geared for students in grades K-5.



Alst Mass	Feb 13	1:00 pm	free
Ren Ctr	Feb 13	7:00 pm	free

Freedom Songs—The Music of Black History

Join the energetic actors of Bright Star Touring Theatre in this entertaining musical revue of the history of black music! From the work songs of slavery and the hymns of the Underground Railroad to the blues of Beale Street and the anthems of the Civil Rights Movement, music has always been an integral part of our nation's past. In this production, the actor/singers tell the stories behind these famous and forgotten hymns, work songs and musical styles while sampling songs that spread across continents and centuries. Lesson plans at brightstartheatre.com. Geared for students in grades 5-12.

Ren Ctr	Feb 18	9:30 am	\$7
Ren Ctr	Feb 18	11:30 am	\$7

Rockin' the Forest Concert Series

The Renaissance Centre is pleased to bring more musical talent to Wake Forest audiences through the new Rockin' the Forest concert series. The series debuts with Las Tres Chicas, an alternative country trio, performing on Friday, Jan. 30.



Tres Chicas

Ren Ctr	Jan 30	Tres Chicas	8:00 pm	\$10 adult, \$5 child 12 & under
Ren Ctr	Mar 19	The Backsliders	8:00 pm	\$10 adult, \$5 child 12 & under

Neck of the Woods

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! Cash bar for wine, beer and other refreshments. PRESENTED AND SPONSORED BY: Wake Forest ARTS

Ren Ctr	Feb 19	7:30 pm	\$5*
Ren Ctr	Jul 15	7:30 pm	\$5*

*Ticket prices do not include tax

Yesterday & Today: An Interactive Beatles Tribute Experience

Rock to the music of the Beatles in an all new interactive concert experience where the audience creates the playlist for the night. With dead-on musical precision, Billy McGuigan and the band deliver the soundtrack of our lives.



Ren Ctr	Feb 20	7:00 pm	advance: \$15; day of: \$18
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Cindabella—A Southern Fried Fairytale Musical

Relive a classic with a new southern twist! See Cindabella make it to the fish fry with the help of her Fairy Memaw! Watch Prince Beauregard try the bejeweled boot on every pretty prissy in town! Hear classic southern tunes done up fairytale style! This new original southern musical comes from the creator/producer of Girls Raised in the South-GRITS: The Musical. Cinderella ain't never been so charmin'. **PRESENTED BY:** McGee Communications & Entertainment

Ren Ctr	Feb 26	11:00 am	\$7
Ren Ctr	Feb 26	7:00 pm	\$7

Forest Moon Theater presents The Hundred Dresses

Bullying, friendship and forgiveness are the themes for this season's Youth Theater production. The musical is based on a 1945 Newbery Honor book by Eleanor Estes. Humor, colorful characters and memorable songs combine to create a timeless story.



Ren Ctr	Mar 3	9:30 am	\$7
Ren Ctr	Mar 3	11:30 am	\$7
Ren Ctr	Mar 4	7:30 pm	advance: \$10 adult, \$7 child 12 & under day of: \$13 adult, \$10 child 12 & under
Ren Ctr	Mar 5	7:30 pm	
Ren Ctr	Mar 6	3:00 pm	
Ren Ctr	Mar 11	7:30 pm	
Ren Ctr	Mar 12	7:30 pm	
Ren Ctr	Mar 13	3:00 pm	

Pirate School! Follow Your Compass

Strap in for the most fun anti-bullying, swashbuckling adventures ever! This riotous solo variety show created by David Engel, allows kids the chance to live the dream of the Golden Age of the Buccaneer while promoting everyday polite and social courage. The show features eye-popping puppetry, adept magic, a misbehaving cannon and the world's coolest wearable pirate ship.

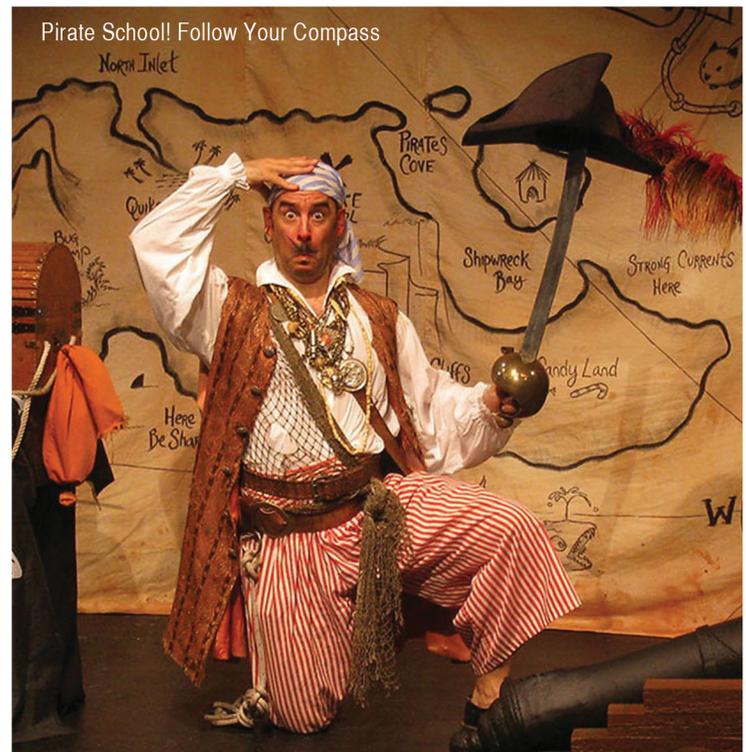
Ren Ctr	Apr 14	10:00 am	\$7
Ren Ctr	Apr 15	10:00 am	\$7
Ren Ctr	Apr 15	7:00 pm	\$7

Wake Forest Children's Choir Spring Concert

The Wake Forest Children's Choir will present an evening of favorite songs under the direction of Kasie Ryan and Terri Smith. The event is free and open to the public.



Ren Ctr	Apr 18	6:00 pm	free
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Lawn & Disorder

Comedy concert, *Lawn & Disorder*, is an instant audience favorite delighting theatre audiences around the country. Karen Morgan, a Southern belle, and Jim Colliton, a Boston Irishman, are both comedy veterans and parents who are married...just not to each other. Through standup comedy, improv and hilarious audience participation, Jim and Karen give parents of all ages a chance to laugh at the trials and tribulations of parenthood, marriage, family and everyday life in America. *Lawn & Disorder* is clean comedy for grownups.



Ren Ctr	May 14	7:00 pm	advance: \$15; day of: \$18
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Forest Moon Theater presents Shakespeare in Hollywood

It's 1934 and the famous Max Reinhardt is filming Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. When two of the bard's most famous fairies, Oberon and Puck, appear by magic on the Warner Brothers Hollywood set, the result is a hilarious combination of potent flowers, blonde bombshells, movie moguls and arrogant "asses" embroiled in multiple love triangles. Winner of the Helen Hayes Award for Best New Play in 2004, Ken Ludwig's take on Shakespeare's well-known comedy is a fun-filled romp that sparkles with wit and charm.



Ren Ctr	Jun 10	7:30 pm	advance: \$15 adult, \$13 student/senior day of: \$18 adult, \$16 student/senior
Ren Ctr	Jun 11	7:30 pm	
Ren Ctr	Jun 12	3:00 pm	
Ren Ctr	Jun 17	7:30 pm	
Ren Ctr	Jun 18	7:30 pm	
Ren Ctr	Jun 19	3:00 pm	

PURCHASE TICKETS

Tickets for shows may be purchased at wakeforestrecen.org or at the Renaissance Centre box office at 405 S. Brooks St., open Mon-Fri 9 am-12 pm and 1 pm-5 pm. 919-435-9458.

STAY CONNECTED

Sign up to receive email updates about upcoming events at the Renaissance Centre by visiting wakeforestrecen.org and clicking on "Join our Mailing List."



Monthly Events

First Friday Flix

Monthly movie showings feature a variety of film favorites. Call 919-435-9428 to hear the name of the movie. Free and open to the public. Concessions for sale.

Ren Ctr	First Friday of each month	7:00 pm	free
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Movie showings geared for ages 3-10. All shows are rated G or PG. Call 919-435-9428 to hear the name of the movie. Free and open to the public. Concessions for sale.

Ren Ctr	Second Monday of each month	10:30 am	free
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Free at Three

Monthly movie showings geared for the over fifty crowd. Call 919-435-9428 to hear the name of the movie.

Ren Ctr	Second Monday of each month	3:00 pm	free
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Carolina Puppet Theater

Storytelling, music and puppetry geared for ages 3-7. New shows each month. Tickets can be purchased online (wakeforestrecen.org) or at the Renaissance Centre box office located at 405 S. Brooks Street. On the day of the event, tickets may also be purchased at the door.

Ren Ctr	Feb 3 & 17	<i>Love, Colors & Shapes</i>	11:00 am	\$5*
Ren Ctr	Mar 2 & 16	<i>Barnyard</i>	11:00 am	\$5*
Ren Ctr	Apr 6 & 20	<i>Liking Yourself the Way You Are</i>	11:00 am	\$5*
Ren Ctr	May 4 & 18	<i>Variety Show</i>	11:00 am	\$5*
Ren Ctr	Jun 8 & 22	<i>Work Hard For What You Want</i>	11:00 am	\$5*

*Children under 3 admitted free

*Ticket prices do not include tax