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WELCOME



It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the 2016/17 season at the Renaissance Centre for the Arts! This season we continue to 'imagine the possibilities' with a fabulous line-up of theatre performances, live music concerts and other exciting cultural events.

Back by popular demand, the **Malpass Brothers** will open the season promoting the music of classic country artists such as Johnny Cash, Marty Robbins and Hank Williams, Sr. while showcasing their own original music rich with American culture.

Forest Moon Theater (Wake Forest's Community Theater) will produce four mainstage productions this year starting with the farcical black comedy ***Arsenic and Old Lace***, followed by the thought-provoking and powerful drama ***Agnes of God***.

Our new live music series, **Rockin' The Forest**, returns in October and will keep the Centre rockin' throughout the fall and winter months.

Mark your calendars in November for the **2016 Broadway Ball Annual Fundraiser**. The Renaissance Centre will commemorate its third year of bringing extraordinary cultural and performing arts experiences to our community and help raise money for its free community events and educational scholarships.

Join us in celebrating the holiday season with **Jeremy Davis & The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra**. Fashioned in the style and swagger of entertainers like Frank Sinatra and Michael Buble, this big band style orchestra are putting their own festive stamp on the holidays.

As the season for weddings and holiday celebrations draws near, consider the Renaissance Centre for your special event. The Grand Hall is a beautiful and versatile space that can accommodate parties of 250 or more. Our caring and experienced staff will work diligently to ensure that your event is one to remember.

We sincerely thank you for your support of the Renaissance Centre and understand that none of what we have been able to accomplish in the past three years would have been possible without the support of the Wake Forest community.

– **Cathy Gouge**

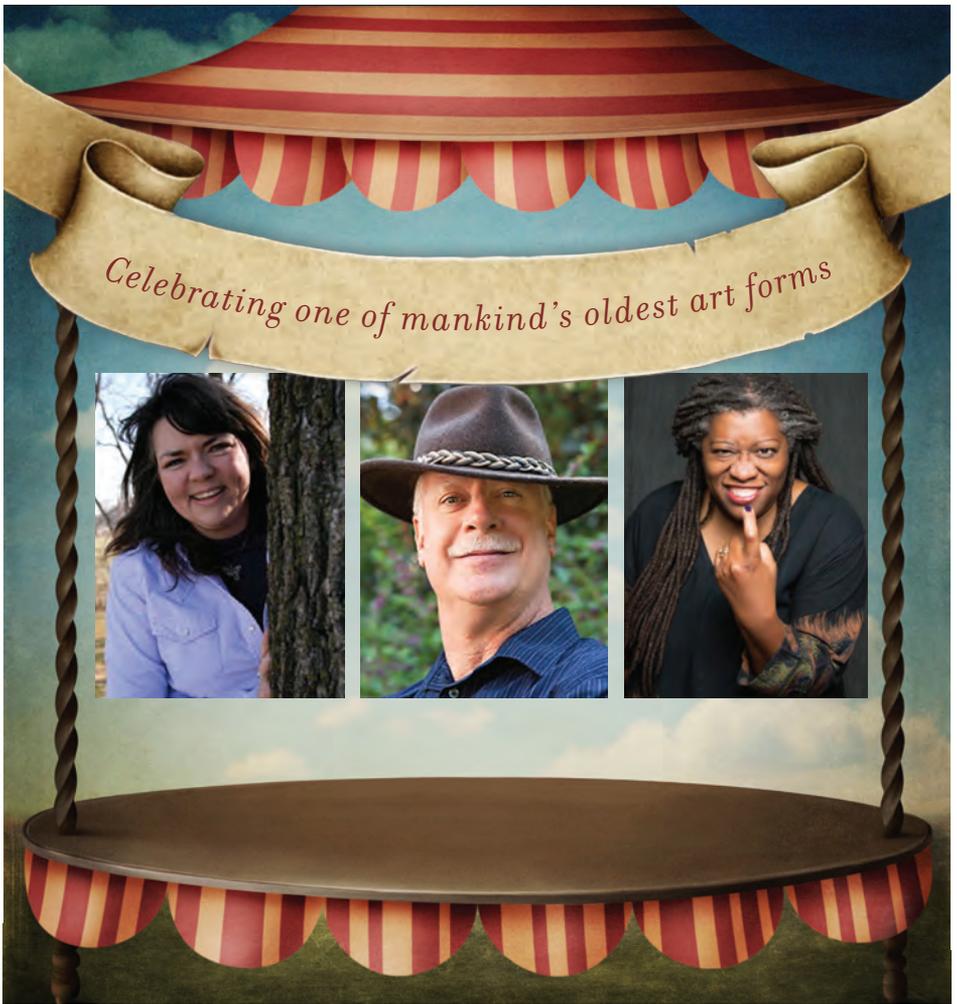
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Box Office: 919-435-9458
Open Mon-Fri 9 am-12 pm and 1-5 pm
Event Hotline: 919-435-9428

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2016 FOREST OF WAKE STORYFEST

Aug 6 | 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Featuring renowned professional storytellers, along with entertaining workshops and family-friendly concerts for all ages, Storyfest brings the art of live storytelling to the Wake Forest community, while celebrating one of mankind's oldest art forms. Guest storytellers: Donna Washington, Lona Bartlett and Dan Blaisdell. A free storytelling hour will be offered at 11:00 am for special needs children and their families.

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Aug 13 | 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

Aug 14 | 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

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MALPASS BROTHERS

Aug 27 | 7:00 pm

Steeped in traditional country music, the Malpass Brothers feature a smooth vocal blend and skillful musicianship, while performing in the styles of Johnny Cash, Marty Robbins and Hank Williams Sr. The duo promotes the work and music of classic country artists they treasure, while creating new music and making their own mark in the lineage of a rich American cultural heritage. *Opening Artist:* Wake Forest Musician Justin Fouts (*pictured right*).



Tickets: \$15

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE Presented by Forest Moon Theater

Sept 16 | 7:30 pm
Sept 17 | 7:30 pm
Sept 18 | 3:00 pm
Sept 23 | 7:30 pm
Sept 24 | 7:30 pm
Sept 25 | 3:00 pm



This is the classic comedy about a pair of elderly ladies who fill the basement of their boarding house with the remains of socially and religiously "acceptable" residents.

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Day Of: \$18 adult, \$16 student/senior

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STORYTELLING PAJAMA NIGHT

Oct 14 | 6:30 pm Donna Washington
Dec 16 | 6:30 pm Rags to Riches Theatre

A fun night of cozying up, drinking hot chocolate and listening to great bedtime stories. On Oct. 14, multiple award winner Donna Washington will entertain the young audience with her stories. In Donna's own words, "Every story is true, except for the parts I make up." On Dec. 16, Rags to Riches Theatre will perform *The Gingerbread Man*.

Free

SPECIAL NEEDS MOVIE NIGHT

Nov 18 | 6:30 pm

This movie night allows children with special needs to enjoy a film in a safe and accepting environment. The event area will have added lighting, and the movie's volume will be lower. Audience members are invited to get up and dance, walk, shout or sing! The rule of the day: FUN without repercussions.

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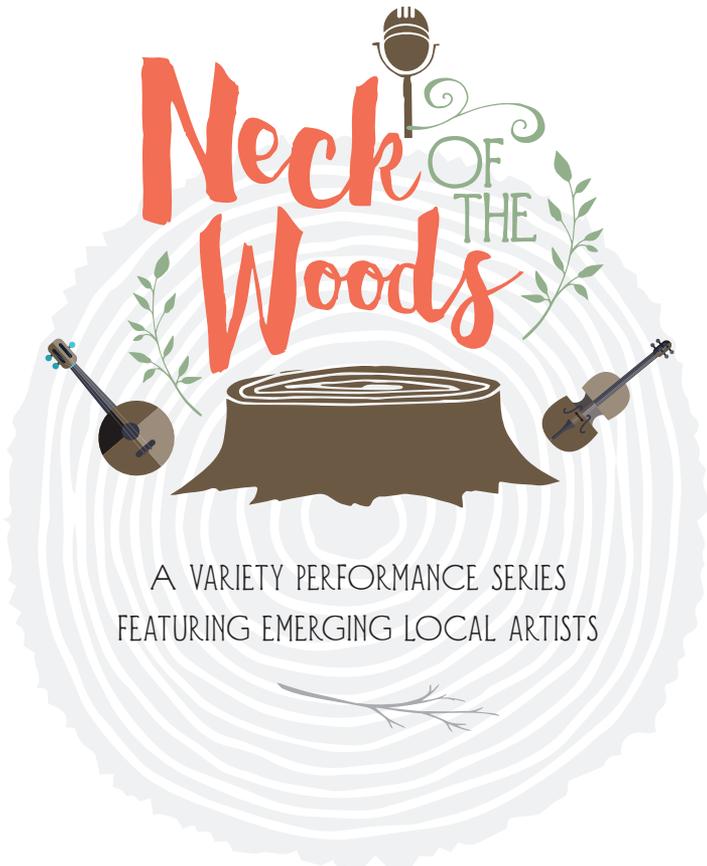
NECK OF THE WOODS Performance Series

Oct 21 | 7:30 pm

Feb 17 | 7:30 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.

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A VARIETY PERFORMANCE SERIES
FEATURING EMERGING LOCAL ARTISTS



ROCKIN' THE FOREST Concert Series

- Oct 28** | 8:00 pm Terry Anderson and the OAK Team
Nov 19 | 8:00 pm Johnny Folsom 4
Feb 24 | 8:00 pm Sarah Shook and the Disarmers

The Renaissance Centre is pleased to present "Rockin' the Forest" – a new music series. Performances will feature a variety of genres, including rock, Americana and power pop. Here's your chance to stay close to home and discover talented musicians, both established and emerging.

Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 child 12 & under

“BIG SCREEN CLASSICS” Movie Marathon Weekend

Nov 4 | 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm

Nov 5 | 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm

Join us for a weekend of unique and universal works of cinema that have transcended time and trends, with indefinable quality. There isn't a prize for making it through all the movies, but, chances are you'll impress your co-workers when you tell them about your weekend adventures. Concessions available for purchase. Call the event hotline for movie titles: 919-435-9428.

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ART EXHIBITION Wake Forest Guild of Artists and Wake Forest ARTS

Nov 6 | 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Join the Wake Forest Guild of Artists and Wake Forest ARTS in their inaugural member art exhibition. Members of the Wake Forest Guild of Artists work in many mediums and in many styles. The exhibit may include acrylic, oil or watercolor paintings, sculpture, jewelry, glasswork, encaustic, woodworking and mixed media. This is an exciting opportunity to see what local artists offer the community. Work will be displayed and the event is open to the public.

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2016 BROADWAY BALL Annual Fundraiser

Nov 12 | 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

The Wake Forest Renaissance Centre for the Arts will commemorate its third year of bringing extraordinary cultural and performing arts experiences to our community and help raise money to offer free community events and cultural educational scholarships during the 2016 Renaissance Centre Broadway Ball. Enjoy an evening of dinner and dancing to the music of the JTL (Just a Touch of Love) Band. Ticket includes opening reception, one drink ticket per person, dinner and a photoshoot souvenir. Bar will be open for beer and wine purchases.

Tickets: \$50 per person or \$90 per couple

WAKE FOREST HOLIDAY ARTISANS MARKET

Dec 3 | 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Wake Forest ARTS and the Wake Forest Farmers Market are pleased to present the Wake Forest Holiday Artisans Market, an expansion of the annual farmers market holiday craft show. The market will feature handmade items in a wide range of prices. The Wake Forest Farmers Market winter booths will be open as usual in front of the Renaissance Centre. PRESENTED BY: Wake Forest Farmers Market and Wake Forest ARTS

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WAKE FOREST CHILDREN'S CHOIR Holiday Concert

Dec 4 | 3:00 pm

The Wake Forest Children's Choir will present an evening of holiday favorites under the direction of Kasie Ryan. Special music will be performed with the Northeast Piedmont Chorale.

Free





CHRISTMAS JUBILEE CONCERT The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra

Dec 10 | 7:30 pm

Join us in celebrating the holiday season with Jeremy Davis and The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra. Fashioned in the style and swagger of entertainers like Frank Sinatra and Michael Buble, this big band style orchestra is putting its own festive stamp on the holidays.

Tickets: \$15 adult, \$13 student/senior



ARTS FOR ALL Free Performance Series

Feb 4 | 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Mike Wiley will perform *Tired Souls*, a recount of Rosa Parks' decisive bus ride and the notable black citizens who laid the groundwork for this pivotal moment in history. Performance geared for grades 3 to adult.

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- Theater
- Painting, Drawing & Mixed Media
- Fused Glass
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- Lego Workshops



To see the complete program guide, go to wakeforestnc.gov and search for "RecConnect".

AGNES OF GOD Presented by Forest Moon Theater

Feb 10	7:30 pm
Feb 11	7:30 pm
Feb 12	3:00 pm
Feb 18	7:30 pm
Feb 19	3:00 pm



When a newborn child is found dead in a convent, a court psychiatrist must determine whether the nun accused of the crime is mentally fit to stand trial, with the question of the father's identity hanging in the balance.

Advance Tickets: \$15 adult, \$13 student/senior

Day Of: \$18 adult, \$16 student/senior

2017 STATE OF THE TOWN Address & Dinner

Feb 20 | 6 pm

All 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 in the coming months.

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Tickets: \$15; 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 p.m. at the conclusion of the dinner portion of the program. The mayor's address is expected to begin between 6:45 and 7 p.m.

The logo for Forest Moon Theater. The word "FOREST" is in a teal, serif font, with a large, full moon behind the letters "O" and "R". Below the moon is a silhouette of a forest. A teal swoosh curves from the bottom left of the moon towards the word "MOON". The word "MOON" is in a blue, sans-serif font, and "THEATER" is in a smaller blue, sans-serif font below it.

Wake Forest's Community Theater

Join Us for Our Fourth Season:

<i>Arsenic and Old Lace</i>	September 16-25
<i>Agnes of God</i>	February 10-19
<i>Anne of Green Gables</i>	March 10-19
<i>The Curious Savage</i>	June 16-25

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Sept 7 & 21	11:00 am	<i>The Three Bears</i>
Oct 5 & 19	11:00 am	<i>Having Fun and Being Safe at Halloween</i>
Nov 2 & 16	11:00 am	<i>Being Thankful</i>
Dec 7 & 21	11:00 am	<i>Everyone is Special</i>

Audiences may already know Ms. Poly and Ms. Ester, the wacky Gabardine Sisters and their super-duper star puppet Bartlet. These longtime entertainers performed at the former Kazoom Children's Theater in downtown Raleigh and now they're making regular appearances at the Renaissance Centre. Storytelling, music and puppetry are used to make these fast paced, interactive shows full of mayhem, a delightful experience for young children and you never know who might visit their stage! Each month boasts a different show theme. These shows are geared to children ages 3-7.

Tickets: \$5 (children under 3 admitted free)

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.



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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.

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Cathy Gouge, *Centre Manager*
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