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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

EXPERIENCE THE ARTS & HUMANITIES - BEV FORD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

If you are a faithful reader of the Applause newsletter, you already know how I feel about fall. The only thing I don't love about it is what follows behind it...winter. UGH!

But seriously, some of my favorite things about fall include cool, crisp mornings, watching the Buckeyes battle it out on Saturdays, sitting around our fire pit with family and friends, and big pots of warm soup. Yes, I've shared it before, but I'll say it again...fall is my favorite!

As I sit on my porch on Saturday mornings, I watch carefully for the first signs of fall colors. The vibrant hues of fall sunrises and sunsets are also among my favorite things. And a snuggly blanket with a hot cup of coffee? Yes!

But I want to tell you more about fall. There is one more favorite thing I'd like to share with you about this season. Fall also represents a time when the national spotlight focuses on the arts. Each October is National Arts and Humanities Month (NAHM), an observance celebrated from coast to coast. This recognition invites each of us and all of us to collectively recognize the importance of culture in America. It encourages us to grow our appreciation of and participation in the arts.

The invitation to you in this October issue of the Applause is to uncover new aspects of the arts. Explore the humanities. Grow. Learn. Enrich your life. There is a world of culture waiting to be experienced. Take in some public art. Visit The Guild. Appreciate Marion's unique architecture. View a film. Even enjoy the "art" of fall landscapes.

And while you're at it, make plans to visit the Palace. In Marion, we're fortunate to have this historic Theatre dedicated to presenting just such opportunities for growth, learning, and enrichment. You'll find details to some of upcoming shows, classes, and events in this newsletter.

All of us here at the Palace issue each of you a personal invitation to experience the value created by the lifelong habit of participation in the arts and humanities.

Happy fall!

Bev



CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

October 2019

- 4-6 DISNEY'S FROZEN, JR.**
A Palace Production directed by Kristi Wink
- 11-12 MOVIE WEEKEND**
Title To Be Announced
- 12 IMPROV IN THE MAY**
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- 18-20 MOVIE WEEKEND**
Title To Be Announced
- 19 A GRAND NIGHT WINE TASTING EVENT**
Music in the May Series
- 20 AUDITIONS!**
Christmas at the Palace 2019
- 25-27 MOVIE WEEKEND**
Title To Be Announced
- 26 MONSTER MASH**
Family Funday in the May

November 2019

- 1 JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY**
Main Stage Country Music Concert
- 2-3 MOVIE WEEKEND**
Title To Be Announced
- 8-10 ELF-THE MUSICAL**
Presented by Marion Harding HS Music Dept
- 15-17 MOVIE WEEKEND**
Title To Be Announced
- 16 ECO ARTS SHOW in May Pavilion**
Presented by Marion Co Recycling & Litter Prevention
- 22-24 MOVIE WEEKEND**
Title To Be Announced

Please note, the views and opinions expressed by those renting the facilities and/or those performing in the program do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of the Marion Palace Theatre and the Palace Cultural Arts Association.

THE FOUR C NOTES RECREATE THE MUSIC OF FRANKIE VALLI & THE FOUR SEASONS

On Sunday, October 13 at 2 pm, the Palace will throw it back to the heyday of 60s and 70s doo-wop music. Don't miss seeing THE FOUR C NOTES in concert as they transport us back to that thrilling musical era and relive the glory of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons.

Considered one of the best-selling musical groups of all times, Frankie Valli and Four Seasons catalogue includes a overabundance of iconic hits such as "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Walk like a Man," "Workin' My Way Back To You (Babe)," "Can't Take My Eyes Off Of You," and "Let's Hang On," just to name a few.

Recreating that legendary music is THE FOUR C NOTES, the Midwest's only tribute group (and quickly becoming the country's premier tribute) to Frankie Valli and Four Seasons. It is of little surprise how the show has experienced such success. Headlining the show are four talented guys who deliver a memorable concert with authenticity, impeccable vocals, and smart choreography, which compels audiences to sing along and remember where they were the first time they heard those beautiful tunes.

Backed by their live 7-piece band, THE FOUR C NOTES is headed up by John Michael Coppola, who understudied as Frankie Valli during the nearly 3-year run of the popular Chicago based musical "The Jersey Boys." In a news release about the creation of THE FOUR C NOTES, Coppola says, "I was asked to create a 30 minute set for a wedding performed to music tracks. I hired 3 friends of mine from the Chicago theater and music scene, and it sort of took off from there. It was as if the universe said, 'Yes! Go with that instinct.'"

Since the group's first show in 2013, the quartet has been busy ever since, performing at public and private events all over the country; from Des Moines, to Milwaukee, to Omaha, to Baltimore, to D.C. to Maine...and now to Marion, Ohio!

Get your tickets now by calling the Palace Box Office (740) 383-2101 or go online www.marionpalace.org. Ticket prices are \$34, \$30, \$26, \$22. *PCAA member discounts & group discounts may apply.



Taking Saturdays
to the Next Level



SHOVEL CITY IMPROV

Back for a second season is Marion's own improv troupe, Shovel City Improv. Think you've seen it all? No way! These crazy hometown comedians keep it fresh with new sketches each performance that YOU help create. Nothing is scripted, so it becomes a night of hilarious and unpredictable fun! This event is recommended for ages 16 and older. 7:30pm. \$6 admission.

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John Michael MONTGOMERY

If you're a country music fan, you've likely sung the lyrics to *"Life's A Dance"* or maybe even played *"I Swear"* for your first wedding dance. John Michael Montgomery has turned an uncanny ability to relate to fans into one of country music's most storied careers. Behind the string of hit records, the roomful of awards and the critical and fan accolades that have defined his phenomenal success lies a connection that goes beyond his undeniable talent and his proven knack for picking hits. Since the days when *"Life's A Dance"* turned him from an unknown artist into a national star, John Michael's rich baritone has carried that most important of assets--believability. Few artists in any genre sing with more heart than this handsome Kentucky-born artist.

It is readily apparent in love songs that have helped set the standard for a generation. Songs like *"I Swear," "I Love the Way You Love Me"* and *"I Can Love You Like That"* still resonate across the landscape. It is apparent in the 2004 hit *"Letters From Home,"* one of the most moving tributes to the connection between soldiers and their families ever recorded, and in *"The Little Girl,"* a tale of redemption that examines both the harrowing and the uplifting. It is apparent even in the pure fun that has always found its way into John Michael's repertoire--songs like *"Be My Baby Tonight"* and *"Sold (The Grundy County Auction Incident),"* where John Michael's vocals take musical whimsy to another level.

John Michael Montgomery humble beginnings were in Danville, Kentucky, where he performed as lead singer in a band called Early

Tymz with his brother Eddie and their friend Troy Gentry. Nashville talent scouts began hearing about and then seeing John Michael perform and by the early '90s he had a record deal.

The hits followed steadily, with songs like *"Rope The Moon," "If You've Got Love," "No Man's Land," "Cowboy Love," "As Long As I Live," "Friends"* and *"How Was I To Know"* establishing him as one of the elite acts of the era. He received the CMA Horizon award and was named the ACM's Top New Vocalist, setting off a long series of awards that included the CMA's Single and Song of the Year, Billboard's Top Country Artist, and a Grammy nomination.

FRIDAY, NOV 1, 2019

7:30PM

Tickets \$50, \$44, \$38, \$32 *discounts may apply



A GRAND NIGHT

It will be a "Grand Night" for singing when Matthew Downing and Melinda Meginess fill the space with their beautiful vocal music while playing along on the grand piano. Complete the experience with a flight of white or red wines and/or a specially prepared cheeseboard for an added cost. 7:30pm. \$16 show; \$5 flight of 4 wines; \$15 cheese & food board.

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**FIRST FEDERAL
BANK**

MONSTER MASH

Don't miss the games, music, food, and fun as we turn the Palace May Pavilion into an affordable family-friendly Halloween bash. Hit the dance floor with music by DC Sound DJ Dennis Cametti and enter the costume contest for a chance to win a prize! Every child receives a goody bag to take home.

5-7pm. \$12 family of 4. Additional member \$3. Food items available for purchase.

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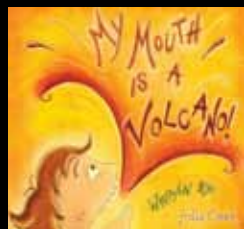


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The School Matinee Series and the Palace Academy of the Arts are educational programs that serve the PCAA mission *to foster appreciation, education and participation in the arts, while preserving and promoting the historic Marion Palace Theatre.*

The 2019-2020 School Matinee Series is programming that links the arts and education by offering students exposure to live performances that support curriculum content. Kicking off the 2019-20 School Matinee Series is A Stars Within Reach production of **MY MOUTH IS A VOLCANO**. Based on the award-winning book by Julia Cook, *My Mouth is a Volcano* teaches children the value of respecting others by listening and waiting for their turn to speak. Louis always interrupts! All of his thoughts are very important to him, and when he has something to say he ERUPTS (or interrupts). However, when others begin to interrupt Louis, he learns how to respectfully wait for his turn to talk. Recommended for grades PreK-4. 55 minutes.

Curriculum Connections: ► Family Relationships ► Literature Based ► Values Based ► Musical ► Language/Communication

Tickets \$3.50. For reservations please call (740) 383-2101.

Thank you to our 2019-2020 School Matinee Sponsors: Honda, Marion Public Library, and Ohio Arts Council.

My Mouth Is A Volcano
Monday, Oct 14, 2019
10am & 12:45pm



PALACE ACADEMY OF THE ARTS

Discover your hidden potential or develop your talent at the Palace Academy of the Arts this fall. Registration is now open for Fall Session 2, which begins Oct 14 & runs 7 weeks. Enroll by phone (740) 383-2101 or online marionpalace.org. Deadline one week before classes begin.

MONDAYS

Beginning Yoga 5^{30p}-7^p
Youth Acting (ages 8-10) 7^p-8^p
Adult Acting 7^{15p}-8^{15p}

TUESDAYS

Dance Basics (ages 6-8) 5^p-6^p
Youth Acting (ages 6-7) 6^p-7^p
Adult Tappercize 7^p-8^p

WEDNESDAYS

Advance Yoga 5^{30p}-7^p
Youth Acting (ages 11-14) 7^p-8^p
Youth Acting (ages 15-18) 8^{15p}-9^{15p}

THURSDAYS

Music in Motion (ages 3-5) 1^{30p}-2^p
Musical Theatre Dance (8-13) 5^p-6^p
Broadway Dancercize 7^p-8^p

CLASS FEES: \$84 adult & youth; \$70 preschool; \$56 yoga

TRY IT ON FOR SIZE: For just \$5, new students who register in advance may "try a class on for size" before making a 7-week commitment.

PRIVATE LESSONS: The staff of knowledgeable instructors includes Terri Malone (piano), Jami Rawlins (voice), Chelsea Sims (dance), and Kristi Wink (acting). More information, fees, and instructor bios can be found on the Palace website page marionpalace.org/classes-camps.