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Dear Friend of the Hett,

Welcome to the Russel E. & Fern M. Hettenhausen Center for the Arts. At McKendree University, we are proud of our premier performing arts venue, and we are grateful for the unique opportunity it has given us to serve as a cultural leader for our region.

It is my pleasure to introduce our newest Director of the Hett, Michelle Radke Magnussen, and our Assistant Director of the Hett, Julia Hunt '16. Michelle has been teaching and directing at McKendree University since 2000, and Julia is a 2016 alumna who began working as our Assistant Technical Director upon graduation, followed by serving as the Executive Coordinator of Events. We are pleased to have these two outstanding women as our Director and Assistant Director, and I am confident that they will do great things for McKendree, the Hett, and our community.

We invite you to explore the pages ahead to discover all the amazing events that the Hett has to offer as your entertainment destination this year. There are several exciting acts coming to our campus, and we hope that you will join us for an upcoming performance. We look forward to welcoming you to the Hett and our campus soon, and I encourage you to become a regular attendee, a season ticket holder, or perhaps even an event sponsor.

Sincerely,

Daniel C. Dobbins '81
President • McKendree University

2023-2024 SEASON

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TO ALL OF OUR SUPPORTERS, FRIENDS & LOVERS OF LIVE PERFORMING ARTS—

Welcome to the 18th season at the Hettenhausen Center for the Arts. Our team is thrilled for the opportunity to continue the Hett tradition of bringing our community together to share the experience of live music, arts, and events.

We have an **exciting season** in store! Some of our favorite acts are returning this season, including Terry Barber, Janet Evra, The Traveling Salvation Show, and, of course, the ever-popular U.S. Air Force Band of Mid America's Christmas concerts.

New acts include music from the Red Hot Chilli Pipers, Michael Cavanaugh presenting the songs of Billy Joel and Elton John, and Head East. You'll also be able to enjoy exhilarating theatre performances like "Give 'Em Hell, Harry," performed by Harry Truman's grandson, awe-inspiring dance from Giordano Dance Chicago, and nostalgic cartoon characters with Animaniacs in Concert. Truly, this season has something for everyone - moments to delight and inspire you - all right here at McKendree's performing arts center.

Keeping the arts accessible and viable is imperative to the health of our region. Our success depends on the generosity of our community to thrive, and we are thankful for our donors, advertisers and show sponsors. If you are already a Friend of the Hett, thank you for your support! If you are not yet a Friend, we invite you to join us in making the magic happen by becoming a Friend of the Hett and helping to keep live arts experiences thriving in our community. Friend benefits, including early ticket sales, are listed on the last page of this magazine. For now, we invite you to sit back, relax and enjoy the show.

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Lanter Lecture Series: Anthony Clervi

Thursday, Oct 5, 2023

Business over Breakfast

8:30 am | Public is welcome to join us for coffee and donuts with Anthony Clervi in the Hett lobby.

Lanter Lecture with Anthony Clervi

6:30 pm | Anthony Clervi, Managing Partner of Una, has built a reputation for equipping, motivating, and empowering individuals within his organization. Join us at the Hett as he discusses and shares his experience and expertise.

This event is sponsored by the University's annual Wayne E. Lanter Series, which invites influential business leaders and entrepreneurs to share their insight and strategies for success. Admission is free and the public is welcome to attend the lecture in the Hett.





THURSDAY | 7:30 PM
August 31, 2023

RED HOT CHILLI PIPERS

BAGPIPES WITH ATTITUDE

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$36.00 / \$32.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$45.00 / \$40.00 / \$15.00

Bagpipes with attitude. Drums with a Scottish accent. A blazing rock band and show so hot, it carries its own health warning. It's the **Red Hot Chilli Pipers** – a 9-piece ensemble consisting of pipers, guitarists, keyboards, and drummers – who have been rocking the world from New York to Beijing to Melbourne and everywhere in between with musicianship of the highest order and a passion for pipes that will leave you breathless. Their trademarked sound is a unique fusion of traditional pipe tunes like "The Flowers of Scotland," "The Hills of Argyll," and "Amazing Grace" (done Chilli-style, of course!) and contemporary anthems like Queen's "We Will Rock You," Snow Patrol's "Chasing Cars," and a fantastic rock medley of "Deep Purple," "Smoke on the Water," and AC/DC's "Thunderstruck."



FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
September 8, 2023

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:
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Mrs. Mickey Dobbins '81**

BEST OF BROADWAY: THE MUSIC OF ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$28.00 / \$24.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$35.00 / \$30.00 / \$15.00

Join us as **Terry Barber** performs show-stopping hits from 10 of the world's most beloved musicals by Andrew Lloyd Webber. International countertenor Terry Barber presents a 90-minute show featuring music from musicals *Les Misérables*, *Hamilton*, and a special tribute to Andrew Lloyd Webber. It's the "Best of Broadway"! Plus, Terry will perform several songs by Freddie Mercury, who always wanted to appear on Broadway in opera. Freddie and Terry both have a 4-octave range, and *The LA Times* says, "If angels can sing, Terry should be given wings! He hits high notes so clear and beautiful that you'll shed tears of joy!"



SATURDAY | 7:30 PM
September 23, 2023

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:
Mr. Randy Wells

A NIGHT IN RIO feat. **JANET EVRA** BOSSA NOVA, JAZZ, BASSIST

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$28.00 / \$24.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$35.00 / \$30.00 / \$15.00

Janet Evra blends traditional bossa nova, samba, and Latin jazz with modern continental influences and an indie twist to produce fresh, lush, original music in English, Portuguese, Spanish, and French. Her favorites include Edith Piaf and Charles Trenet, including "La Mer" and "La Vie en Rose." From Gloucester, England, Janet is a vocalist, bassist, composer, and songwriter based in St. Louis. She released her debut album, *Ask Her to Dance*, to critical acclaim in 2018.



FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
October 6, 2023

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THE WEE HEAVIES

CELTIC A CAPELLA

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$28.00 / \$24.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$35.00 / \$30.00 / \$15.00

Back by popular demand! **The Wee Heavies** have won a following with their eclectic mix of Scottish, Irish, and American folk music, which combines tradition, innovative and original arrangements, and moving interpretation. Dedicated to music from and influenced by the Celtic tradition, tenors **Aaron Schiltz** and **Peter Merideth**, baritone **Jay Harkey**, and bass **Steve Neale** began singing together in St. Louis' Shaw neighborhood in 2013 after they observed a distinct lack of a cappella Celtic music at charitable events. They create a sound rich in harmony with unexpected twists and an energy that has audiences clapping, stomping, and singing along.



FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
October 20, 2023

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:

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THE FABULOUS THUNDERBIRDS

BLUES AND ROCK

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$44.00 / \$40.00 / \$16.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$55.00 / \$50.00 / \$20.00

Legendary musical group **The Fabulous Thunderbirds** will bring their iconic sound, style, and showmanship to the Hett stage in a performance that is sure to both bring back old memories and create new ones. For over 30 years, The Fabulous Thunderbirds have been the quintessential American band. The group's distinctive and powerful sound, influenced by a diversity of musical styles, manifested itself into a unique musical hybrid via such barnburners as "Tuff Enuff" and "Wrap It Up." Co-founder Kim Wilson, the sole original member, still spearheads the group as it evolves into its newest incarnation.



FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
November 10, 2023

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:
**Mr. Michael Gauble '66 &
Mrs. Kay Gauble '66**

MUSIC OF BILLY JOEL AND ELTON JOHN feat **MICHAEL CAVANAUGH**

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$44.00 / \$40.00 / \$16.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$55.00 / \$50.00 / \$20.00

The Music of Billy Joel and Elton John features the greatest hits of these two rock piano legends. Songs include "Piano Man," "Rocket Man," "Bennie and the Jets," "Movin' Out," "I'm Still Standing," "My Life," and many more. **Michael Cavanaugh** stars in this production – in fact, he was handpicked by Billy Joel to star in the hit Broadway musical *Movin' Out*, in which Michael received both Tony and Grammy nominations in the lead role. Billboard calls him the "New Voice of the American Rock and Roll Songbook." Broadway World has referred to Cavanaugh as "The New Piano Man" while Reuters has named Cavanaugh Entertainer of the Year.

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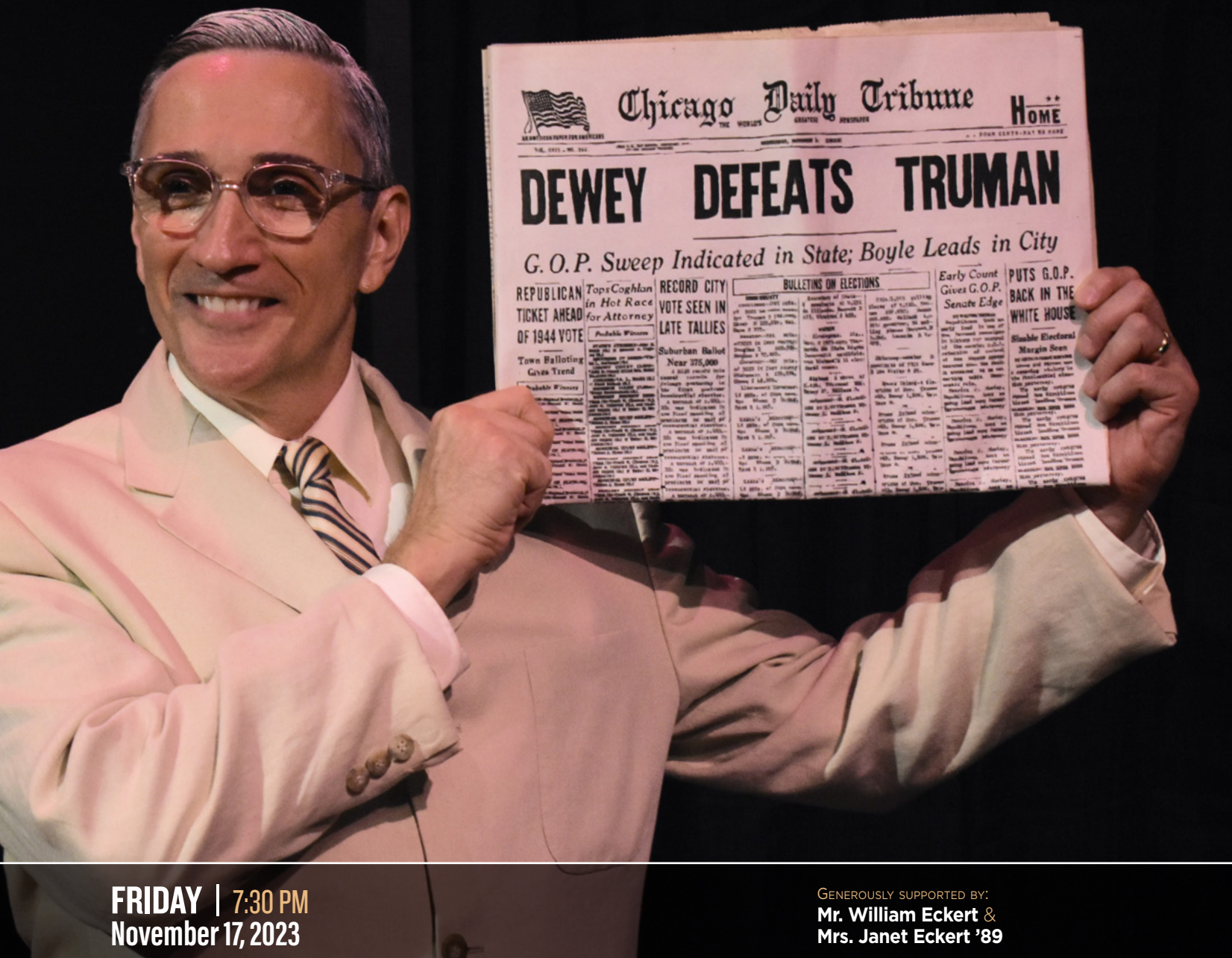
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FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
November 17, 2023

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GIVE 'EM HELL, HARRY!

feat **CLIFTON TRUMAN DANIEL**

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$28.00 / \$24.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$35.00 / \$30.00 / \$15.00

Written by Samuel Gallu, *Give 'Em Hell, Harry!* is a faithful and often humorous portrayal of President Harry S. Truman's life and presidency. It spans his childhood, his "political apprenticeship" as a judge in Jackson County, Missouri, his years in the U.S. Senate and his momentous two terms as president. Actor James Whitmore originated the role in 1975. **Clifton Truman Daniel** took up the mantle in October 2017, marking the first time in history a U.S. president would be portrayed onstage by a direct descendant – in this case, his oldest grandson.



FRIDAY | 7:00 PM
December 8, 2023

SATURDAY | 1:00 PM, 7:00 PM
December 9, 2023



USAF BAND OF MID-AMERICA

HOLIDAY CONCERT

FREE ADMISSION | TICKETS REQUIRED

This diverse, 45-piece ensemble's repertoire ranges from symphonic band masterworks to traditional marches, modern compositions, pop, and jazz. A Hett holiday tradition! The talented musical ambassadors of Headquarters Air Mobility Command at Scott Air Force Base return for three joyful, uplifting performances. The 45 enlisted musicians and vocalists of the Band of Mid-America's Concert Band represent the professionalism and excellence found throughout the U.S. Air Force. Their diverse repertoire includes symphonic masterworks, traditional marches, modern compositions, and jazz-inspired holiday music. Get your tickets early – these shows sell out fast!



FRIDAY | 6:30 PM
December 15, 2023

SATURDAY | 2:00 PM, 6:30 PM
December 16, 2023



THE NUTCRACKER

Co-Presented by **THE HETT AND STATE STREET DANCE COMPANY**

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$32.00 / \$28.00 / \$12.00

PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$40.00 / \$35.00 / \$15.00

The ballet classic returns to the Hett this holiday season! This timely holiday classic features local dance talent and principals from leading professional companies. **The Nutcracker**, a two-act Russian ballet with a famous score by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, premiered in 1892 and has become a beloved Christmas season tradition. The enchanting story follows young Clara and her Nutcracker doll from a fancy family Christmas party to a fierce battle with the evil Mouse King. Their magical adventure continues through the Land of Snow and the Kingdom of Sweets, featuring the Sugar Plum Fairy.



THURSDAY | 7:00 PM
January 25, 2024

U.S. NAVY FAIR WINDS

MILITARY CHAMBER GROUP

FREE ADMISSION | TICKETS REQUIRED

Comprised of professional musicians, **Navy Band Great Lakes** provides musical support for military and public engagements throughout the Midwest. These musicians perform more than 550 missions per year through support for military ceremonies, student education, and public performances. Fair Winds is a versatile woodwind ensemble with a repertoire consisting of a variety of styles including classical, military marches, and patriotic compositions. This small chamber group performs for military engagements, public concerts, recitals, and educational clinics and performs for audiences throughout the Midwest, supporting Navy recruiting missions.

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ANIMANIACS IN CONCERT

SATURDAY | 7:30 PM
February 3, 2024

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ANIMANIACS: IN CONCERT

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$36.00 / \$32.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$45.00 / \$40.00 / \$15.00

It's time for Animaniacs – IN CONCERT! Join the voices of *Animaniacs*, the iconic animated Warner Bros. series, for a “zany, animan-y, and totally insane-y” evening as they perform the world-famous songs from the beloved cartoon series backed by the original projected animation. **Animaniacs: In Concert** stars the show's original Emmy-winning composer, **Randy Rogel**, on piano and the voice talents of Emmy winner **Rob Pauslen** (Yakko Warner and Pinky on *Animaniacs*; Raphael on *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*) and **Maurice LaMarche** (The Brain on *Animaniacs*; The King in Disney's *Frozen*; Kif & Calculon on *Futurama*). With new episodes currently streaming on HULU, *Animaniacs* is a multigenerational animated favorite with universally recognized hit songs. Fans of all ages will experience the Animaniacs like never before, especially those who grew up watching the series.



SATURDAY | 7:30 PM
FEBRUARY 17, 2024

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:
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THE TRAVELING SALVATION SHOW

ROCK

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$32.00 / \$28.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$40.00 / \$35.00 / \$15.00

Think of it as Neil Diamond's greatest hits played by the Trans-Siberian Orchestra – and it's so good, so good. Neil Diamond rocks, and **The Traveling Salvation Show** will prove it to you. This up-tempo, rock-oriented tribute to the legendary Neil Diamond will have you dancing and singing along to all of the classic hits. The hard-driving band recreates the energy of Neil Diamond's live arena performances with its own rock flair. Wearing sequins is not required but highly encouraged!



SATURDAY | 7:30 PM
March 23, 2024

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:
**Mr. Frank Wojcik &
Mrs. Judith Wojcik '70**

GIORDANO DANCE CHICAGO

DANCE

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$36.00 / \$32.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$45.00 / \$40.00 / \$15.00

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FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
April 19, 2024

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HEAD EAST

70'S ROCK

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$32.00 / \$28.00 / \$12.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$40.00 / \$35.00 / \$15.00

The legendary classic rock band **Head East** has long set the standard for authentic, full-vocal, goodtime rock harmonies that few bands can equal. Their signature song, "Never Been Any Reason" with notable chorus "Save my life/I'm going down for the last time" has long been considered by many radio stations across the country as "The Rock & Roll National Anthem." This year Head East will be celebrating their 50th anniversary by performing most cuts off their iconic record, *Flat As A Pancake*.



OLD TIME RADIO SHOW
with the **MASTERWORKS CHORALE**

SUNDAY | 3:00 PM
March 10, 2024



FRIEND: A/S/Y \$16.00 / \$16.00 / \$16.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$20.00 / \$20.00 / \$20.00

Music from the Age of Swing and more, performed by the Masterworks Chorale and Jazz Ensemble and emcee, broadcaster Steve Jankowski. The Masterworks Chorale is an ensemble of auditioned singers who enrich the cultural environment of the Metro East with outstanding performances of significant choral literature. The membership represents a seven-county area in Illinois and Missouri and includes a wide variety of professions and musical backgrounds.

ARCADIA DANCE ORCHESTRA

FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
April 5, 2024

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:
**Mr. Mark Waltermire &
Mrs. Pamela Waltermire**

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**ST. LOUIS BRASS BAND +
THE ST. LOUIS ACADEMY BRASS BAND**

SUNDAY | 3:00 PM
April 28, 2024

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$16.00 / \$16.00 / \$16.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$20.00 / \$20.00 / \$20.00

The St. Louis Brass Band is comprised of thirty professional brass and percussion performers whose mission is to spread the repertoire of the traditional brass band through many high-quality performances in the Greater St. Louis Metropolitan area. The St. Louis Academy Brass Band brings together the finest student brass performers in the region to continue the mission into the next generation.



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BRITT FRANK

Licensed Psychotherapist and Author

TUESDAY | 7:00 PM
October 10, 2023

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$20.00 / \$16.00 / \$12.00

PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$25.00 / \$20.00 / \$15.00

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We all experience stuckness in our lives—in our relationships, careers, our bodies, habits, and more. We know we need to move forward, but don't know how, creating a loop of self-doubt that goes nowhere. The problem has been exacerbated by the isolation and setbacks of the pandemic, resulting in unprecedented levels of dissatisfaction and life questions. As a sought-after psychotherapist, Britt's work focuses on the mental health myths that keep us stuck, stressed, and burned out. With just a few key pieces of information about the brain, the capacity for choice returns and we can get back into the driver's seat of our lives.



WHAT'S YOUR MVP?

Leadership Lessons from the Coach who

Inspired Ted Lasso **DONNIE CAMPBELL**

TUESDAY | 7:00 PM
April 9, 2024

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PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$25.00 / \$20.00 / \$15.00

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Coach Donnie Campbell is not just an inspirational coach, but also in part, the impetus for the wise and ever so cheerful lead character of the Emmy Award Winning show, Ted Lasso. His colorful keynote provides valuable leadership lessons that can be seen on the court, but more importantly applied in the workplace.



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**MUSIC DEPARTMENT
SHOWCASE CONCERT**

MONDAY | 6:00 PM
October 9, 2023

**MCKENDREE BANDS,
PERCUSSION AND JAZZ CONCERT**

WEDNESDAY | 7:30 PM
November 15, 2023

**A MCKENDREE
CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
December 1, 2023

**SPIRIT
BAND CONCERT**

TUESDAY | 7:30 PM
April 16, 2024

**MCKENDREE UNIVERSITY
BANDS CONCERT**

THURSDAY | 7:30 PM
April 25, 2024

**CHORAL
CONCERT**

FRIDAY | 7:30 PM
May 3, 2024



Arts EDUCATION

HETTENHAUSEN CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The Hett is pleased to present a wide variety of professional touring companies programmed specifically for K-12. Our Arts Education Series offers daytime performances for students, exposing them to the transformational power of the arts. Attendance to any of our performances helps students meet Illinois Arts Learning Standards by responding and connecting to the arts. The Arts Education Series offers programs for all ages.

ALL PERFORMANCES BEGIN AT 10:00 AM

There are limited tickets available for all those interested in attending these daytime performances. Please note that adult and senior pricing will vary by performance and more information is on the performance ticket page.



The Music of Lewis & Clark

RECOMMENDED
K – 8

Thurs., October 12, 2023

Follow the amazing adventures of Lewis and Clark, with a musical journey from St. Louis, up the Missouri River, across the Rocky Mountains all the way to the Pacific Ocean!

*Presented in partnership with
The Sheldon and the Sheldon Band.*

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$15.00 / \$15.00 / \$5.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$15.00 / \$15.00 / \$5.00



USAF Band Holiday Concert

RECOMMENDED
K – 12

Fri., December 8, 2023

A Hett holiday tradition! The talented musical ambassadors of Headquarters Air Mobility Command at Scott Air Force Base return for a jazz-inspired holiday performance.

FREE ADMISSION
TICKET REQUIRED



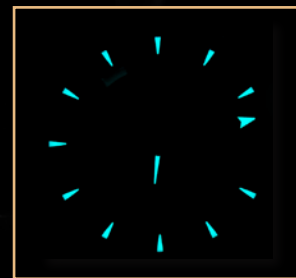
The Hett / State Street
Dance Company co-present:
The Nutcracker

RECOMMENDED
K – 12

Fri., December 15, 2023

This timely holiday classic features local dance talent and principals from leading professional companies. Join us for an abridged version of the beloved Christmas season tradition.

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$15.00 / \$15.00 / \$5.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$15.00 / \$15.00 / \$5.00



These Shining Lives

RECOMMENDED
K – 12

Thurs., February 29, 2024

Based on the true story of the women who painted watch faces for the Radium Dial Company in Ottawa, Illinois, in the 1920s.

FRIEND: A/S/Y \$5.00 / \$5.00 / \$5.00
PUBLIC: A/S/Y \$5.00 / \$5.00 / \$5.00

Reduced Prices for Groups

Call the box office at 618.537.6863 to purchase tickets, priced at \$5 per child; 1 free chaperone/adult after every 10 tickets purchased, unless noted as FREE above.

Educational Opportunities

Educational and study-guide materials are available. Visit theHett.com under Upcoming Events/Arts Education for more information.

GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED BY:
Mrs. Rene Tiede &
the late **Mr. Dennis Tiede**



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THEATRE

Cinderella Waltz

By Don Nigro

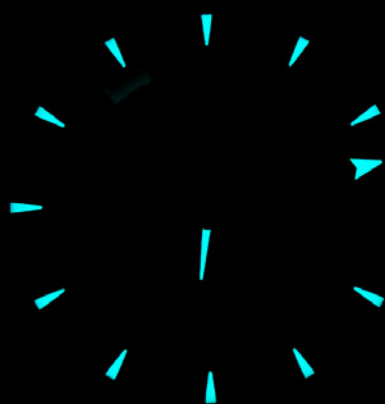
November 3 & 4 at 7:30 p.m.
November 5 at 2:30 p.m.

Cinderella Waltz by Don Nigro | Admission: \$5

Produced by arrangement with Concord Theatricals, Inc.

Rosey Snow is trapped in a fairy tale world that is by turns funny and a little frightening, with her stepsisters Goneril and Regan, her demented stepmother, her lecherous father, a bewildered Prince, a fairy godmother who sings salty old sailor songs, a troll and a possibly homicidal village idiot. This play investigates the archetypal origins of the world's most popular fairy tale, contrasting the familiar and charming Perrault version with the darker, more ancient and disturbing tale recorded by the brothers Grimm. Grotesque farce and romantic fantasy blend in a fairy tale for adults.

Friday, November 3 – 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, November 4 – 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, November 5 – 2:30 p.m.



These Shining Lives

By Melanie Marnich

March 1 & 2 at 7:30 p.m.
March 3 at 2:30 p.m.

These Shining Lives by Melanie March | Admission: \$5

Produced by arrangement with Dramatists Play Service

This play chronicles the strength and determination of women considered expendable in their day, exploring their true story and its continued resonance. Catherine and her friends are dying; it's true, but theirs is a story of survival in its most transcendent sense, as they refuse to allow the company that stole their health to kill their spirits—or endanger the lives of those who come after them.

Based on the true story of Catherine Donohue and the women who painted watch faces for the Radium Dial Company in Ottawa, Illinois, in the 1920s. Their employer assured them that the radium they were using was completely safe, even after many of them developed serious health issues. Their successful lawsuit became a cornerstone in the fight for workers' safety standards nationwide.

Thursday, February 29 – 10 a.m.
Friday, March 1 – 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 2 – 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 3 – 2:30 p.m.



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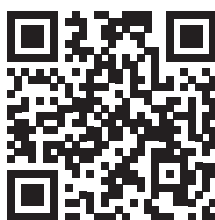
CENTER FOR THE ARTS



SEASON PREVIEW

Scan the QR code and hear
a sample of our '23-'24
McKendree Presents lineup!

pg. 30 McKENDREE PRESENTS 2023-2024 SEASON



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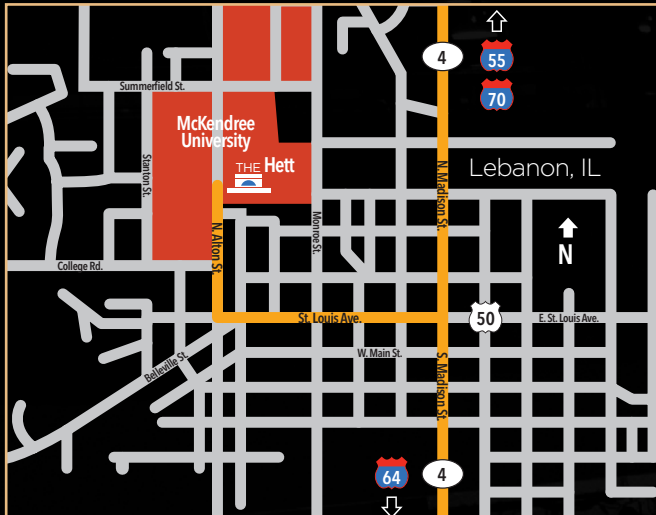
Are you looking for a unique,
upscale venue to host your
next big event?



Southern Illinois' premier performing arts center is available for rental and catering for special events!

Please contact us at
thehett@mckendree.edu
 for more information.

DIRECTIONS & PARKING



City of Lebanon



Surrounding Area

THE HETTENHAUSEN CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The Hett is located in Lebanon, IL on the picturesque campus of McKendree University at:

**400 N. Alton Street
Lebanon, IL 62254**

McKENDREE UNIVERSITY

McKendree University is conveniently located along Route 4, a mere 25 minutes from downtown St. Louis, Missouri and easily accessed from interstate highways 55, 57, 64 and 70.

PARKING & DIRECTIONS

Parking is free on the McKendree campus and theatre patrons can park for free in parking lots C, D, and E.

Parking lot B, the small lot adjacent to the Hett, is reserved for Hett Director Circle Donors unless otherwise noted.

ADDITIONAL DIRECTIONS

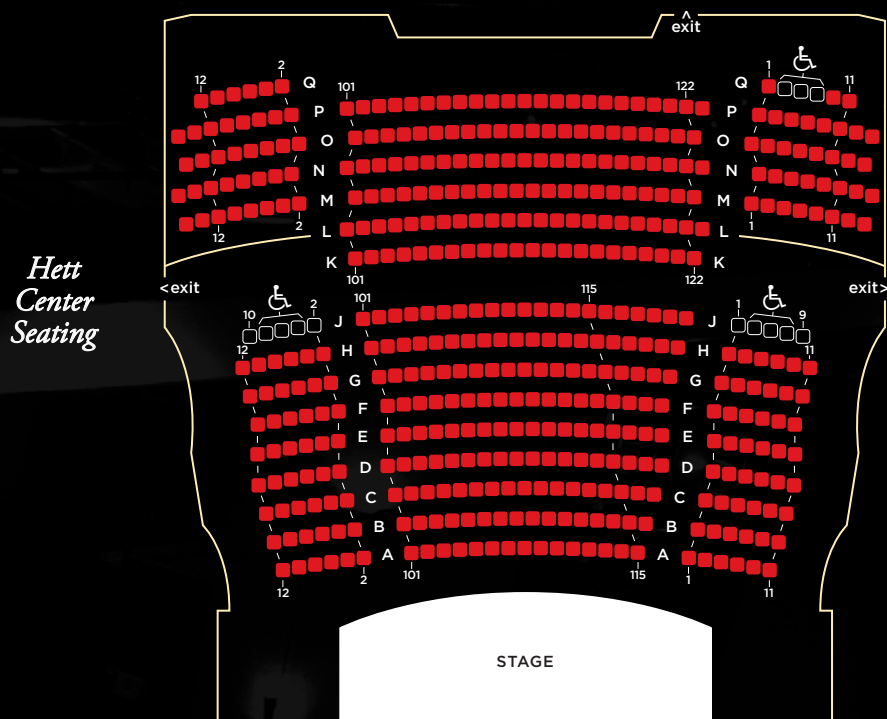
Complete driving directions are available on the McKendree University website in the "About McKendree" section:

www.mckendree.edu

For additional information, please visit our website:

www.theHett.com

SEATING & INFORMATION



BOX OFFICE

The box office is located in the main lobby of the Hettenhausen Center for the Arts, and will open for membership sales on Monday, August 7, 2023. It is open Monday through Friday from 12:00 pm-4:00 pm, plus one hour before scheduled performances. Special summer box office hours will be in effect for July and August, so please call ahead. Call (618) 537.6863 or visit www.theHett.com for ticket information.

DIRECTIONS

Directional maps are shown on pg. 30.

CAMERAS, PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Please silence your electronic devices. No flash photography during performances, please.

FOOD & DRINK

No food is permitted in the auditorium. Please limit your beverages to covered water.

LATE SEATING

Latecomers will be seated at the discretion of the house staff at an appropriate interval in the program. Fifteen minutes prior to the start of the program, any free ticket reservations will be released.

SPECIAL RATES

All McKendree University students with a current student ID are eligible for a free ticket to any event. Student pricing refers to any form of learning: preschool, K-12, or another college. Seniors are age 60 or older.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Please advise the box office staff prior to purchasing tickets if a guest requires accommodations. The Hett offers a wheelchair seating area, transfer seats with removable arms, an elevator, and hearing assistance devices.

REFUNDS/ EXCHANGES

Tickets are nonrefundable unless the event is cancelled, and programs are subject to change without notice. Exchanges are permissible for Friend of the Hett donors to an event within the same season. Tickets may be donated 48 hours before a performance to be given to McKendree University students.

TICKET DATES & POLICY

Friend of the Hett tickets on sale Monday, August 7th at 12 pm. Faculty/Staff and McKendree Students' tickets on sale Friday, August 11th at 12:00 pm. General Public tickets on sale Monday, August 14th at 12:00 pm. All orders are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Friend of the Hett Membership begins at \$100 and allows for early ticket purchasing and exchanges. All persons, regardless of age, must have a ticket.

TICKET ORDERS

Mail:

The Hettenhausen Center for the Arts,
McKendree University,
701 College Road,
Lebanon, IL 62254

Online:

www.theHett.com

Box Office:

Phone: 618.537.6863
Fax: 618.537.6570

SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for up-to-the-minute information and special promotions.

BECOME A FRIEND OF THE HETT!

All **Friends of the Hett** receive a 20% discount on tickets, advance ticket purchase, wait list priority, ticket exchange program, and your name listed on the lobby poster. Tickets go on sale for Friends on August 7th!

	Supporter: \$100-249	Patron: \$250-499	Benefactor: \$500-999	Star: \$1,000-2,499	Director's Circle: \$2,500+
Unlimited Complimentary Beverages. (when served)					☆
Complimentary Parking in Lot B					☆
Exclusive Membership to the William McKendree Society (WMS)				☆	☆
Personally Selected Reserved Seats to all Your Ticketed Events				☆	☆
One-Time Complimentary Tickets to any Performance			2 Total	6 Total	12 Total
Exclusive Invitation for Two (2) to Annual Preview Event		☆	☆	☆	☆
Invitations to Private Receptions & Events Throughout the Season	☆	☆	☆	☆	☆
Seating Preference During Pre-Sale Period	5 Ticket per Show Cap	12 Ticket per Show Cap	No Cap	No Cap	No Cap
Inside Information & Announcements About Events	☆	☆	☆	☆	☆
20% Off Ticket Prices	☆	☆	☆	☆	☆

YOU MAKE THE MAGIC HAPPEN.

As a lover of the performing arts, you know how critical they are in maintaining the vigor and health of our society. We invite you to join us in our efforts to provide this essential service to our community by contributing to McKendree Presents. As a contributor, you will be recognized in our series program.

All contributions are tax deductible within current IRS guidelines. Deductions are dependent on the value of the benefits received.

The Hett gives McKendree University a unique opportunity to share new and interesting artistic work with the local community, strengthen its relationships with local businesses, and support economic growth and social interaction in the region. Support is paramount to ensuring the arts survive.

MORE WAYS TO GIVE:

MONTHLY GIFTS

Monthly recurring gifts are a convenient way for you to provide ongoing support without putting a strain on your budget. On our "Support the Hett" donation page, select "Recurring Gift" under additional information.

ADVERTISE

Our playbill magazine reaches thousands of people and aligns your brand with one that has a solid reputation for award-winning marketing pieces, first-class customer service and dynamic, engaging programming. Put your business in the spotlight by partnering with us. Contact the box office for more information at:

618.537.6863 or theHett@mckendree.edu.

SPONSOR A SHOW

The Hett offers the opportunity to develop philanthropic leadership in support of the arts through show sponsorships. For more information, contact **Michelle Magnussen**, Director of the Hettenhausen Center for the Arts, at:

618.537.6097 or MLMagnussen@mckendree.edu.

MEMORIAL GIVING

The Hettenhausen Center for the Arts building and the George E. McCammon Distinguished Speaker Series are the result of Memorial Giving. With a planned gift, you will help secure the future of the arts and create your own legacy of generosity to the cultural richness of our community.

REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS

If you'd like to reduce the effect of RMDs on your taxes, consider making a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) to the Hett. A QCD would exclude the amount you donate from taxable income and can be counted toward satisfying your RMD for the year. For more information, contact **Scott Billhartz** at:

618.537.6867 or SLBillhartz@mckendree.edu.

CORPORATE GIFT MATCHING

Many companies have programs through which they will "match" the charitable contributions made by their employees. Through corporate gift matching, your employer can multiply your gift to the Hett, making it go further.

Volunteer

Ushers and greeters ensure that each patron has an enjoyable experience at the Hett. For information on volunteering, contact the box office at theHett@mckendree.edu.

"One's blessings, like the arts, are gifts to be shared."

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BOX OFFICE

Hours: 12-4 p.m. Monday-Friday

Phone: 618.537.6863

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St. Louis, MO
Permit No. 1062

2023-2024 Season

- Aug. 31** Red Hot Chili Pipers
- Sept. 8** Best of Broadway: The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber featuring Terry Barber
- Sept. 23** A Night in Rio featuring Janet Evra
- Oct. 6** The Wee Heavies
- Oct. 10** Distinguished Speaker Series: Britt Frank
- Oct. 20** The Fabulous Thunderbirds ***Homecoming***
- Nov. 10** The Music of Billy Joel and Elton John featuring Michael Cavanaugh
- Nov. 17** Give 'Em Hell, Harry
- Dec. 8 & 9** USAF Band of Mid America Holiday Concert
- Dec. 15 & 16** Nutcracker
- Jan. 25** US Navy Fair Winds
- Feb. 3** Animaniacs in Concert
- Feb. 17** The Traveling Salvation Show
- Mar. 10** Old Time Radio Show with Masterworks Chorale
- Mar. 23** Giordano Dance Chicago
- Apr. 5** Arcadia Dance Orchestra
- Apr. 9** Distinguished Speaker Series: Donnie Campbell
- Apr. 19** Head East
- Apr. 28** St. Louis Brass Band and Academy Brass Band

