



MARCH  
2025

## UPCOMING EVENTS

2025 FOTS CAMPAIGN  
KICK-OFF  
JOIN TODAY

MISS WEST VIRGINIA  
PRELIMINARY PAGEANT  
MARCH 1 @7PM

BEALTAINÉ IRISH CELTIC  
ROCK CONCERT  
MARCH 8 @7PM

STEELERS CHAPLAIN  
SOUTHERN BAPTIST  
CONFERENCE  
MARCH 15 @ 10AM

STRAND'S GOT TALENT  
AUDITIONS DIGITAL  
AUDITIONS DUE VIA  
STRAND WEBSITE APRIL 14  
AND LIVE AUDITIONS AT  
THEATRE APRIL 15, 6-7PM

DONATION DROP-OFF FOR  
SPRING INDOOR YARD  
SALE APRIL 19, 9AM-12PM  
AND APRIL 21-24  
9AM-5PM @ THE THEATRE

SPRING INDOOR YARD  
SALE APRIL 26 8AM-NOON

## BEALTAINÉ IRISH CELTIC FOLK CONCERT IN MEMORY OF LARRY FREELAND

We invite you to celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Strand for an evening of Irish revelry in memory of our dear friend, Larry Freeland. Larry's nephew, Conor Freeland, is a member of Bealtaine and credits his Uncle Larry as being the band's first fan. Bealtaine is a folk band based in Pittsburgh, striving to keep traditions alive while borrowing influence from the modern world. With roots in Irish and Scottish folk, songs from the Canadian Maritimes, traditional tunes, and working-class anthems, Bealtaine looks to make their own mark in the folk music world.

Join us on March 8 at 7pm for two full hours of shenanigans. Tickets are \$25. Tickets are available at Frame and Fortunes, online, and at the door on the night of the event. Doors open at 6:30, thirty minutes prior to showtime. Attendees must be 21 to purchase alcohol.



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# **SPRING YARD SALE PLANS ARE UNDERWAY!**

Would you like to share gently used items to benefit the Strand? We are accepting used household donations at the theatre on Saturday, April 19 from 9am-12pm and from 9am-5pm daily beginning Monday, April 21 thru Thursday April 24. Though we appreciate all of your donations, we cannot accept clothing and shoes. Mark your calendar and plan to come find your treasures and shop at our yard sale on Saturday, April 26 from 8am-12pm. We will close for thirty minutes, then re-open from 12:30-2pm for a clearance sale with 50% off individual items or fill a box for \$5. If you have questions about this event, please call Becky at 304.281.0647.

# **STRAND'S GOT TALENT AUDITIONS**

Do you have a talent you would like to share? Plans for the annual Strand's Got Talent competition are underway! In the style of America's Got Talent, several different acts (chosen from a screened audition process) will perform for a panel of three qualified judges during a live performance on Friday, May 9.

Those interested in performing will audition for a spot in the show. All acts are welcome-singing, dancing, standup comedy,-whatever you want to share with the world! Each act should not exceed five minutes. Following auditions, we will announce the acts that will perform in the show. Auditions for the show will be held on Tuesday, April 15 from 6-7pm at the Strand Theatre. You may also submit your audition digitally. To set up an audition time or to submit a video audition, email Kelley Bidka at [progdirector@strandtheatrewv.com](mailto:progdirector@strandtheatrewv.com). The deadline for video submissions is Monday, April 14 at 11:59pm.

Those selected will perform for the show on May 9 at 7pm. Every performer will perform once, and from there our three judges will determine the top three. Those three performers will present a second act to determine who will be awarded first, second, and third prize. First place will win \$300, second place will win \$200, and third place will win \$100. Price for admission to the show is \$15 Adults and \$12 students.

# **TRANSFORMED LIVING** WITH STEELERS CHAPLAIN, KENT CHEVALIER

Transformed Living, Sat March 15th 10:00AM - 2:30PM at the Strand Theatre in Moundsville, WV. Get your tickets today for this free event, Transformed Living, with Pittsburgh Steelers Chaplain Kent Chevalier! The event is scheduled for Saturday March 15 from 10am-2:30pm. Seating is limited to 400, Get your free tickets today! Register at [uovba.org](http://uovba.org) to get your FREE TICKETS! Be sure to register as soon as possible because tickets are limited.

For 25 years Kent has been speaking on stages and across coffee tables, in locker rooms and conference rooms, putting courage into people to overcome whatever is holding them back and helping them do what they think is impossible by simply sharing his story of taking a leap of faith. Kent has quite the story to share with you. It's powerful! But it can also be yours. Come hear Kent's story of journeying with pain, failure, grief, and uncertainty only to discover the gifts of renewed trust, active waiting, hard work, and ultimately his God-given purpose. We will be having 2 full sessions packed with worship and the Word from 10:00AM to 2:30PM. During intermission we will break to allow you to get lunch at one of the many great places to eat around Moundsville. YOU MUST SHOW TICKETS AT THE DOOR.

This event is hosted by the Upper Ohio Valley Baptist Association Discipleship Ministry.



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# FRIENDS OF THE STRAND JOIN TODAY!



As we stand at the threshold of a new year, it is with immense gratitude and pride that we reflect on the journey we undertook in 2024. From captivating theatrical productions and musical performances to educational offerings and community collaborations, the Strand Theatre has been a hub for creativity and cultural enrichment.

Highlights from 2024 included expanded programming opportunities, continued facility upgrades, and ongoing community collaborations. In 2023, 4,392 patrons attended theatre events. This past year the number of patrons grew to 6,510 for a 33% increase!! Our reach is also continuing to expand with 88 different municipalities being represented. These attendees experienced a variety of events including concerts, recitals, movies, and theatrical productions. Youth and family continued to be at the forefront of programming. Acting classes, summer theatre camp, movies, and our first self-produced student play fulfilled the Strand's mission to support the next generation of artists.

The Strand continues to improve upon safety throughout the theatre. In 2024, the Strand installed emergency lighting in the lobby and concession stand, installed lobby subflooring and carpet to address weak areas, rewired concession stand electricity, and converted all stage and house lighting from breakers to switches. With these safety upgrades, the Strand is looking forward to continued improvements to the stage and performance area of the theatre.

The Strand continued to build and strengthen community connections by partnering with organizations like the Marshall County Public Library, City of Moundsville Arts & Culture Commission, and area schools.

The Strand Theatre Preservation Society, driven by the slogan "Connecting Communities through Arts," aims to inspire, engage, and entertain our community through diverse programming. Our commitment extends beyond the stage, as we actively work towards training and supporting the next generation of artists. By becoming a Friend of the Strand, you contribute directly to the realization of this vision, helping us create a vibrant and inclusive cultural space for everyone. Your membership helps to ensure the ongoing preservation of the Strand. Together, we can secure its place as a cultural cornerstone in our community for generations to come.

We look forward to welcoming you as a Friend of the Strand in 2025!

# 2025 EVENT CALENDAR

**SUBJECT TO ADDITIONS/ADJUSTMENTS**

## **MARCH**

- 1 - MISS WEST VIRGINIA PRELIMINARY PAGEANT (7:00PM)
- 8 - BEALTAINÉ IRISH CELTIC FOLK CONCERT (7:00PM)
- 15 - STEELERS CHAPLAIN SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONFERENCE (10:00AM)
- 22 - WINTER CHILDREN'S ACTING CLASSES END

## **APRIL**

- 15 - STRAND'S GOT TALENT AUDITIONS (6:00PM)
- 26 - YARD SALE (8:00AM)

## **MAY**

- 2 - THUNDERBEARD ZZ TOPP TRIBUTE BAND (7:00PM)
- 9 - STRAND'S GOT TALENT (7:00 PM)
- 10 - CLASSIC ROCK TIME MACHINE (7:00PM)
- 27/28 - SUMMER MUSICAL AUDITIONS

## **JUNE**

- 16-21 - MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE

## **JULY**

- TBA - MUSICAL CABARET (7:00PM)
- 25-27 - SUMMER MUSICAL

## **AUGUST**

- 16 - SHRIMP BOIL

## **SEPTEMBER**

- 20 - YARD SALE (8:00AM)
- 27 - FALL CHILDREN'S ACTING CLASSES BEGIN

## **OCTOBER**

- 11 - OGLEBAY INSTITUTE YOUTH BALLET COMPANY (7:00PM)
- 25 - HALLOWEEN CRAFT & MOVIE (1:15PM/2:00PM)

## **NOVEMBER**

- 1 - FALL CHILDREN'S ACTING CLASSES END
- 8 - WV STATE & MID-ATLANTIC ZONE BODY BUILDING CHAMPIONSHIPS (9:00AM)
- 22 - PARADE VIEWING RAFFLE WINNER RECEPTION ROOM PARTY

## **DECEMBER**

- 6 - OGLEBAY INSTITUTE YOUTH BALLET COMPANY - NUTCRACKER (2:00PM)
- 12 - RON RETZER TRIO CHRISTMAS SHOW (7:00PM)
- 13 - CHRISTMAS CRAFT & MOVIE (1:15PM/2:00PM)
- 19 - CHRISTMAS CABARET (7:00PM)
- 20/21 - CHILDREN'S PRODUCTION (2:00 PM)



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