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July, August, September 2025



at the Huber Opera House on July 19 & 20

The year is 1958, and the much-adored rock-and-roll idol -- Conrad Birdie (played by Ryder Brown) -- has been drafted into the US army. His songwriter and agent, Albert (Drake Rittenhouse), and Albert's secretary and some-time girlfriend, Rosie (Jordys Vance), hatch a plan for a farewell performance to take place on The Ed Sullivan Show, which they hope will help sell Birdie's new song "One Last Kiss," and ultimately save Almaelou records from going under. To cap off the performance, Birdie will actually give 'one last kiss' to Kim MacAfee (Jazlyn Sheets), an avid member of the Conrad Birdie Fan Club from Sweet Apple, Ohio.

When Albert and Rosie head to Sweet Apple to prepare for Birdie's arrival, things start to unravel. Kim's father (Jake Evans) is starstruck at the thought of being on The Ed Sullivan Show with his daughter, and Kim's new steady, Hugo (Brenton Wheeler) gets jealous at the thought of Kim kissing Conrad on national television.

Other characters that are entangled with the plot include: Albert's mother, Mrs. Peterson (Dani Frame); Kim's Mother, Mrs. McAfee (Leah Garmater); Kim's brother, Randolph (Aiden Weber); Kim's girlfriend, Ursula (Rachel Garmater); Harvey Johnson (Tate Herendeen); Gloria Rasputin (Katherine Green). Accompanying them are: Maude's Quartet (Alex Harris, Ben Harris, Jeremiah Hammon, John Marlin); The Conrad Birdie Fan Club (Raquel Graber, Rose Lobdell, Averie Rupp, Mikailah Smith, Esther Walters, Kayla Wonderly); Dancers: Rosa Blalock, Claire Brown, Kasey Hedge, Maddy Hedge, Clara Harris; and the Company: McKenna Bergman, Greyson Combs, Hayley Lingenfelter, Layne Salisbury, Quintyn Smith, Lydia Trzynka, Emmy Valdez.

This production is a result of the Summer Youth Theater Academy, which serves ages 13-20. These talented teens attend only 12 days of academy along with one final week of tech and dress rehearsals. The program is directed by Julie Hall and Earlee Harris, and producer Chris Feichter, along with a host of guest presenters and adult supporters.

This musical is captivating and gives insight into the everyday life that is very much a part of us all. It is tops in imagination and frivolity. Come enjoy our local talent at the Huber for only two limited performances on Saturday, July 19 at 7 pm or Sunday, July 20 at 2 pm. More information and tickets sales are available online at huberoperahouse.org

MELLENCUGAR BAND: A TRIBUTE TO JOHN MELLENCAMP JULY 26 AT 8 PM

Mellencougar is the only tribute band that has featured people that played with John! You will enjoy John's music and dance to the songs that mean so much such as Small Town, R.O.C.K. In The U.S.A., Pink Houses, Key West Intermezzo, Rumbleseat, Crumblin' Down, I Need a Lover, Hurts So Good, Jack & Diane, Lonely Ol' Night, Rain On The Scarecrow and gratefully the list continues. We can't promise to change the world, but we do promise one incredible night of Rock and Roll at the Huber Opera House. Tickets available through a link on the Huber website at huberoperahouse.org.



HICKSVILLE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



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AUDITIONS FOR

Fiddler on the Roof

TO BE HELD

JULY 22 & 23

Auditions will be held at the Huber on July 22 from 5-7 pm and July 23 from 6-8 pm. Auditions are open to all ages. The show will be directed by Dave Snyder with performance dates of October 17, 18, & 19. Rehearsal schedules will be created at the first rehearsal and take into consideration work/school obligations. Please be prepared to do a cold read and prepare a song, preferably from the show. Bring your own accompaniment on your phone.

WIC CLINIC DATES

The Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) is a federally funded supplemental nutrition program. WIC aims to improve the health of the community by providing nutrition education, breastfeeding support, nutritious foods, and referrals to other health and human services agencies. The WIC program serves income eligible pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women, infants and children up to 5 years of age. Anyone interested in applying for WIC in Defiance County can do so by calling the Defiance County WIC office at 419-782-7770.

Health Department Clinics at the Huber:

July 22

August 26

Sept. 23

WIC Clinic Dates

July 7

Aug. 6

Sept. 3

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Comedian Adam Minnick to perform at Huber on Sept. 13

The Huber will host Adam Minnick for a performance on September 13 at 7 pm. Adam is originally from Napoleon, Ohio, and is excited to return to his hometown area to perform at the Huber. He has worked as a comedian at comedy clubs across the US including the Dry Bar Comedy Club in Provo, Utah, the Improv Comedy Club in Chicago, the Punch Line Philly in Philadelphia, and Harvey's Comedy Club in Portland, Oregon as well as abroad in Dublin, Perth, and Stockholm. Adam combines his act of observational humor with stories of traveling, teaching, sports, family and his wife to deliver a clean and intelligent act that entertains and engages audiences of all ages. Adam's unique view on life is due in no small part to having spent much of his youth in small town Napoleon, Ohio and Perth, Australia and traveling everywhere in-between. So, join us at the Huber on Sept. 13 for a great night of humor with Adam Minnick.

General Admission tickets available at huberoperahouse.org



FALL CONCERT SERIES AT THE HUBER

The Entertainment Series this year provides a variety of music genres to appeal to all concert enthusiasts. A free will offering will gladly be accepted at each concert. This offering will be split between the performing artists and the Huber.



LITTLE BIG BAND RETURNS TO THE HUBER ON SEPTEMBER 6

The Little Big Band is "the little band with the big band sound." The Little Big Band is just what the name implies, a scaled-down version of the big bands of the 1940's. The bands of that day contained five saxophones, four trumpets, four trombones, a piano, bass and drums. The Little Big Band contains four saxophones, two trumpets, two trombones, piano,

bass, vocalist and drums, but still retains the full big band sound. The band plays a variety of music from Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, Tommy Dorsey, Count Basie, as well as swing tunes by Louie Prima and other artists. Whether it is a slow dance you want to do, want a Latin beat, or just to tap your feet, the Little Big Band will supply the music. A free will donation will be accepted to support the Huber. So, no matter if you are dead-hooper or a jive bomber, join us at the Huber for a full evening of classic and enduring music.



THE ANNUAL SENIOR SAINTS CONCERT ON SEPTEMBER 18

The Senior Saints are a group of energetic seniors who love the Lord and music. They come from 25 different churches to harmonize together. Their goal is to be entertaining, bring smiles and bring a message of hope found in Jesus Christ. Look for them to appear at the Huber on Sept. 18 at 7pm. A free will offering will be accepted.

AMERICAN LEGION BAND OF FORT WAYNE ON SEPTEMBER 20

American Legion Band of Fort Wayne, directed by Eli Arnold, has been playing together as a group since 1919. Originally made up of WW I veterans, they have played everything from formal military concerts to light-hearted swing for some "Senior Proms" and most recently played for the return of Honor Flights at the airport. As one of the last remaining American legion Bands in the country, they are currently playing from a repertoire of over a hundred selections from their vast century-old music library. Join us at the Huber on September 20 at 7 pm for a presentation of swing, contemporary, and patriotic music by American Legion Band of Fort Wayne. A free will offering will be accepted.

★ SPOTLIGHT ON OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Board of Directors welcomes three new Board Members: Jennifer Bergman, Elizabeth Cline and Todd Green. They each bring a fresh perspective to the planning and operations development of the Huber.

JENNIFER BERGMAN has been very involved with performances and productions for over 14 years. She has volunteered or assisted with over 13 shows with the school in addition to concerts, coronation, recitals and summer music events. She has been married to Sean for 27 years and has five children ranging in ages from 14 to 25 who have all performed on the Huber stage. Bringing shows to life are her passion as she and her husband continue to support the summer theater camps which she feels is one of the most important activities the Huber does to support the youth and community to bring lifelong memories to our lives.

ELIZABETH CLINE is currently a part of the administrative team at The Wholesale House where she has worked for 35 years. Her loyalty as a patron of nearly all the shows for the past ten years including volunteering and providing sponsorships for the summer youth theater program. Her hobbies include gardening, reading, card games, backgammon, and learning new things. She had two sons and three grandchildren who keep her life busy. As a 40-year resident of Hicksville, she is a strong supporter of the mission of the Huber and is honored to serve on the Board.

TODD GREEN has been involved with the Huber since the reconstruction began. His mother, Dottie, helped with planning and fundraising, and his father, Richard, was one of the original "Huber Boys." Todd would help his dad with the staining and sealing jobs when he could. As a graduate of Hicksville High School, he is now retired from 32 years in a wholesale electrical career. Sara and Todd have been married for 35 years and have three sons and seven grandchildren. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, trapping, and attending all his grandchildren's events.

Huber Opera Lane Bricks

Buy a brick for the front walkway of the Huber Opera House in Hicksville, Ohio, and add your name among the greats of the Huber's legendary past. This unique opportunity provides a chance for you to be a part of the history of the community for generations to come. With the purchase of a brick you can commemorate a special event, recognize accomplishments, memorialize your



favorite verse or quote, or acknowledge an organization or business. Bricks are available in two sizes: 4 x 8" for \$150 or 8 x 8" squares for \$225 and tax deductible. Personalize your brick with names, sayings, dates, and logos. These bricks are laser engraved and become a permanent part of the sidewalk in front of the Huber and a part of local history. For more information on purchasing a brick, call the Huber office (419-542-9553).

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July 10..... Summer Patio Concert - 5:30-7
July 19 & 20 Bye Bye Birdie
July 22 & 23 Auditions for Fiddler on the Roof
July 26..... The Mellencougar Band: John Mellencamp Tribute
Aug. 7 Summer Patio Concert - 5:30-7
Sept. 6 Little Big Band – 7 pm
Sept. 13..... Comedian Adam Minnick – 7 pm
Sept. 18 Senior Saints - 7 pm
Sept. 20 - American Legion Band of Ft. Wayne – 7 pm
Oct. 17-18-19 Huber Dinner Show- Fiddler on the Roof
Nov. 7-8-9 Hicksville High School Musical
Dec. 6 & 7 Huber Christmas Show
Dec. 10 Christmas at the Huber
Dec. 12 Hicksville School Music Concert
Dec. 13 Five Star Dance Christmas Spectacular
Dec. 14 Siberian Solstice Concert

For details of Upcoming Shows and Upcoming Events go to huberoperahouse.org



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