

## About the Florida Theatre

The Florida Theatre Performing Arts Center, Inc. is the nonprofit corporation that has managed, programmed and preserved the historic Florida Theatre in downtown Jacksonville, Florida since 1987, in a public/private partnership with the City of Jacksonville, which owns the building. The 1,865-seat historic theatre first opened in 1927 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The venue promotes its own events, hosting over 200 individual performances this year. Annual attendance is consistently ranked by the concert industry magazine Pollstar as one of the Top 5 theatres in the nation under 2,000 seats. The Florida Theatre has been seen and heard nationally on Showtime (Larry Wilmore, 2012); Sirius Satellite Radio (Gregg Allman, New Year's Eve 2013); AXS TV Network (Lynyrd Skynyrd, 2015); National Public Radio (Michael Feldman's Whad'ya Know?, 2016); Netflix (Katt Williams, 2017); and on a worldwide Valentine's Day live stream by Air Supply (2021).



### 2024 Florida Theatre Annual Report

## Our Mission

The mission of the Florida Theatre, as a nonprofit organization, is to enhance the North Florida community's quality of life by providing diverse and memorable arts and entertainment experiences, and by preserving a unique historic Jacksonville landmark.

In The Groove!



## Letter to Our Supporters

### Hello Florida Theatre Supporters,

It is our pleasure to report to you about the results of the Florida Theatre's most recently completed fiscal year, which

ended on September 30, 2024.



The historic Florida Theatre is owned by the City of Jacksonville and has been managed and programmed by The Florida Theatre Performing Arts Center, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, since 1987. This is important for three reasons. One, the theatre is locally managed. Two, when we have a successful year, by law the money stays here, to be reinvested in the building and more programming. Three, we believe in transparency, and reporting to our supporters how we used their money.

This report is full of interesting facts and figures, but we are especially proud of these accomplishments this year:

- We staged memorably diverse performances from "A" (Ali Siddiq) to "Z" (ZZ Top) that attracted record attendance.
- It was the Florida Theatre's busiest year since 2007, with 209 performances taking the Florida Theatre stage. That also qualified as the fourth busiest year ever.
- Over 200,000 were served, the third most ever in a single year, and the most in a single year since 1997.
- The latest phase of the ongoing renovation of the Florida Theatre concluded with a ribbon cutting by Mayor Deegan on October 27, 2023.

The renovation and improvement of the Florida Theatre is ongoing. \$17.2 million of work has been completed in the last 5 years, and \$15 million of work remains, including an expansion of the first floor entry lobby, renovation

of the existing stage right dressing rooms, construction of a new green room and new dressing rooms on stage left, construction of a new artist hospitality suite on the third floor of the office building, renovation of the fourth floor administrative offices, demolition of an abandoned backstage chimney, and restoration of the marquee.

Whether you came to see Don's favorite show (Lords of 52nd Street) or Numa's favorite show (The Flaming Lips) this year, or something completely different, we value your support as a ticket buyer, and maybe even as a donor.

This building is literally a national treasure, and we thank you for your continuing support of it as a ticket buyer and maybe as a donor too. With your continued support, we will keep up the record pace of bookings, and we will keep improving the building to make the artist and audience experience as good as any venue anywhere.





Don Cameron Chairperson



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Numa Saisselin President

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Tom Keifer

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Warren Haynes

Wheel of Fortune Live

Whose Live Anyway?

Yacht Rock Revue

Yellow Brick Road

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• ZZ Top

Untold Stories #9 - "Fall"

Untold Stories #10 - "Winter"

Untold Stories #11 - "Spring"

Untold Stories #12 - "Summer"

# Events in 2024

The Florida Theatre was pleased to bring these "mainstage performances" to the Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia region in the 2024 fiscal year:

- 38 Special
- A Charlie Brown Christmas
- A Drag Queen Christmas
- A Peter White Christmas featuring Mindi Abair & Vincent Ingala
- ABBA Mania
- Abducted by the 8os: Wang Chung, Men Without Hats, The Motels & Naked Eyes
- Air Supply
- Ali Siddiq
- Amy Grant
- Ancient Aliens
- Ann Wilson & Tripsitter
- Anthony Jeselnik
- Ashley McBride
- Batman in Concert
- Benise
- Blippi
- Bored Teachers of Comedy
- Brad "Scarface" Johnson
- Brad Williams
- Brian Culbertson
- Brit Floyd
- Brothers Again
- Celebrating Billy Joel

- Chris Botti
- Christopher Cross
- Cirque Musica
- Colin Quinn
  Croce Plays Croce: The 50th Anniversary Show
- Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
- Dave Koz & Friends Christmas
   Tour
- Desi BanksDinosaur Zoo Live
- Don Felder, Pablo Cruise & Firefall
- Donny Osmond
- Drew & Ellie Holcomb
- Elvis Birthday Bash
- Emo Orchestra
- Etta May
  - Extreme & Living Colour
  - Florida Ballet
  - Floyd Nation
  - Fortune FeimsterFrankie Valli
- Geoff Tate & Adrian Vandenburg
- Get the Led Out
- Gino Vanelli
- Gladys Knight

- Grace Potter
- Greensky Bluegrass
- Grupo Niche
- Hannah BernerHappy Together Tour
- Heather MacMahon
- Henry Rollins
- Here Come the Mummies
- Hotel California
- Il Divo
- Jacksonville Dance Theatre
- Jen Fullwiler
- Jeremy Camp
- Jesse Cook
- Jim Breuer
- Joe Satriani & Steve Vai
- Joey Fatone & AJ McClean
- John Waite
- Jon Crist
- Kansas
- Kenny G
- Kountry Wayne
- Lee Asher
  - Leela James
  - Leonid & Friends
- Lewis Black

- Little River Band
- Lords of 52nd Street
- Mame in Concert
- Manchester Orchestra
- Mark Normand
- Maren Morris
   Martin Barre
- Martin Bank
   Matt Fraser
- Matt Mathews
- Matt Mathews
   Michael Carbonaro
- Mike Birbiglia
- Napoleon Dynamite with John Heder, Jon Gries & Efren
- Ramirez
- Nate Jackson
- Neil Diamond Celebration
- Nickel Creek
- Nurse Blake
- Nutcracker! Magical Christmas Ballet
  - October London
  - One Night of Queen
  - ONES: The Beatles #1s
  - Pam Tillis
  - Pat McGann
    Pink Floyd La
    Pink Martini

Pink Floyd Laser Spectacular

- Postmodern Jukebox
- Rodrigo y Gabriela
- Rumours of Fleetwood Mac
- Sasha VelourSesame Street Live

Steve Hackett

Steve Trevino

Tanya Tucker

Terri Clark

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Tops

Shatner

Theresa Caputo

Straight No Chaser

Tay Tay Laser Party

Taylor Swift Laser Show

The Cancelled Podcast

The Classic Rock Show

The Flaming Lips

The SteelDrivers

The Gibson Brothers

The Princess Bride with Cary

The Psychology of Serial Killers

The Rocky Horror Picture Show

The Temptations and The Four

The Wrath of Kahn with William

Marcus Anderson, performed 11/30/23

Steep Canyon Rangers

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The Florida Theatre was pleased to be

the home of these performances, award

shows and benefit programs renting the

Florida Theatre during fiscal year 2024:

**Our 2024 Greatest Hits** 

## **Events** in 2024

The Florida Theatre's Theatreworks program was pleased to present these theatrically staged arts education performances on the Florida Theatre stage during fiscal 2024:

- Dot Dot Dot
  - The Velveteen Rabbit
  - Frosty the Snowman
  - Charlotte's Web
  - The Frog Prince
  - Harriett Tubman
  - Jungle Book
  - Rosie Revere

- Diggery Diggers Dino Show
- Aliens Alive
- · Super Me
- Cat Kid
- Zack Morgan
- Billy Jonas
- Alice Rocks Wonderland

- Abess Park Elementary
- Beaclerc Elementary School
- Camp St. John
- . Cornerstone Classical Academy
- Duval Charter at Baymeadows
- **Duval Charter Scholars**
- Freedom Crossing Academy
- Greenfield Elementary School
- Hilliard Elementary School
- Holy Family Catholic School
- John Stockton Elementary School
- Julington Creek Elementary School

- Kings Trail Elementary School
- Landrum Middle School
- Mandarin Oaks Elementary School
- Pinewood Christian Academy
- River City Science Academy
- San Mateo Elementary School
- St. Johns Classical Academy

  - School
- Waterleaf Elementary School
- Heather Blackwell
- Academy

- Jacksonville Jazz Festival **Piano Competition**
- Jax Centre of the Arts
- JEA
- Magic Men Australia Mary Pauline Dance
- Conservatory Mutts Gone Nuts
- Northeast Florida Scholastic Arts Awards
- Orchestra Noir
- The Golden Nutcracker
- The New York Bee Gees
- The Rock Orchestra by Candlelight
- Virginia Dell School of Dance
- World Ballet Series

Jacksonville Dance Theatre, performed 5/11/24

program was also pleased to bring 46

live arts education performances right into these First Coast area schools in fiscal 2024:

The Florida Theatre's Theatreworks

- - New Berlin Elementary School Ortega Elementary School
  - Osceola Elementary School

  - Timberlin Creek Elementary
  - St. Paul's Catholic School
    - - Florida Skills USA
        - Florida Sports Hall of Fame

Association

Abbie Snipe

Alina Chaney

Ballet Arts Centre

Bold City Church

Celtic Throne

Cathedral Arts Project

Communities In Schools

Community Nutcracker

First Coast Apartment

Auld & White Constructors

Britney Boyd Dance Company

- Gateway Conference
- Heather Loveland Dance







**Our 2024 Greatest Hits** 

# October 27th, 2023 **Ribbon Cutting**

Four months of renovations were concluded by a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with Mayor Donna Deegan, Florida Theatre President Numa Saisselin, Vice Chair of the Florida Theatre Board P.C. Bryant, and Auld & White Constructors CEO Nate Marty.



# November 1st, 2023 Dot Dot Dot



One of the first performances we presented after being closed for renovations was Dot Dot Dot, an exciting new musical based on the Creatrilogy trio of awardwinning picture books by New York Times bestselling author Peter H. Reynolds. Schools from all over the First Coast attended two performances, as well as 27 more in the Theatreworks program this fiscal year.

## October 28th, 2023 **The Rocky Horror Picture Show**

After being closed for four months of renovations, the first night back was the annual screening of the Rocky Horror Picture Show. It's a

Florida Theatre tradition! Hosted by Karissa Wade, the evening featured pre-movie live music supplied by Annie Dukes, a costume contest, sacrificing of the virgins (those attending Rocky Horror for the very first time) and after the movie, a group dance along to "The Time Warp."



### November 2nd, 2023 Here Come the Mummies

The Florida Theatre was already booked (Martin Barre of Jethro Tull) so we brought the great funk band Here Come the Mummies to the Ponte

Vedra Concert Hall. Just because we're already booked doesn't mean we can't find a way to bring great music to our community some other way.





**Our 2024 Greatest Hits** 

### November 9th, 2023 Untold Stories

# November 14th, 2023



The third season of Untold Stories begins. The Florida Theatre's original storytelling series, the 2023-2024 season featured over two dozen local residents telling their original stories about life in Northeast Florida. Untold Stories is also a podcast on WJCT Public Media.

The Florida Theatre received the CREW (Commercial Real Estate Women) Impact Award, recognizing measurable impact on the promotion and advancement of the northeast Florida community.

## December 1st, 2023 Pollstar Ranking

The concert industry magazine Pollstar ranked the Florida Theatre's attendance as #84 in the Top 100 for theatres worldwide, in a year when we were closed for four months of renovations!

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# December 5th, 2023 Marquee Reception



Marquee level members of the theatre gathered at the home of Chad Labenz and Michael Myers to celebrate the holiday season.

# In The Groove!

### **Our 2024 Greatest Hits**

### January 5th, 2024 Elvis Birthday Bash

### January 6th, 2024 38 Special



The Elvis Birthday Bash starring Mike Albert and the Big E Band with Scot Bruce celebrated what would have been Elvis Presley's 89th birthday. A pre-Ed Sullivan Elvis famously performed six shows at the Florida Theatre in August, 1956.



38 Special celebrated the start of their 50th anniversary as a band with a hometown show at the Florida Theatre.

### January 10th, 2024 Jesse Cook



Florida Theatre and WJCT Public Media partnered up to present Canadian guitarist Jesse Cook at the WJCT Soundstage.

## January 21st, 2024 Batman in Concert

A screening of the 1989 feature film with live music by a symphony orchestra, Batman in Concert made the best of the Florida Theatre's history as a movie theatre, and its reputation as an acoustically great hall to hear live music.





**Our 2024 Greatest Hits** 

### February 9th, 2024 Florida Ballet

### March 3rd, 2024 Grupo Niche



We partnered with Florida Ballet on a program titled "From Bach to Rock," a mixed program including dances to the Goldberg Variations performed live by the Jacksonville Symphony String Quartet, and Red White and Ballet, with music from the American rock music canon.

Columbian salsa band Grupo Niche visited the Florida Theatre for the first time.

# April, 2024

# April 2nd, 2024 The VIP Concert



An infestation of honey bees next to the stage door caused a media sensation. They were safely relocated to Bee Friends Farm.



Once a year the Florida Theatre throws an invitationonly concert, the VIP Concert, to thank the theatre's most important supporters. In an intimate acoustic performance, Robin Zander of Cheap Trick treated the Florida Theatre faithful to acoustic performances of hits like "The Flame," "I Want You To Want Me," "Surrender" and more.





















### **Our 2024 Greatest Hits**

### April 4th, 2024 Jax River Jams

### April 13th, 2024 Mrs. Ropers



The Jax River Jams concert series kicked off. Booked by the Florida Theatre for Downtown Vision, four free riverfront concerts on Thursday evenings in April starred Country singer Rodney Atkins, Hip-hop duo EARTHGANG, singer-songwriter Andy Grammar, and alt-electro

pop musician Bishop Briggs, plus over a dozen local opening acts.



A mini-Mrs. Roper Romp visited the Florida Theatre for an appearance by the Long Island Medium, Theresa Caputo.

## May 18th, 2024 **11th Annual Florida Theatre Ball "Vegas Style"**



The Florida Theatre Ball is the major fundraiser for the nonprofit Florida Theatre. The Las Vegas theme this year featured a casino, an all-you-can-eat buffet, a wedding chapel where an Elvis minister actually married people, and live music for dancing by the Chris Thomas Project. Over \$200,000 was raised to support the theatre.

# May 23rd, 2024

Pianist Ross Margitza is the winner of the 2024 Jacksonville Jazz Piano Competition.















# i CAnnual Iorida Theatre Ball





# June 7th, 2024

# August 16th, 2024 Eagle Award



Ali Siddiq was just one of the 57 new artists the Florida Theatre presented this year. Historically, one-third of the performers every year are new to the Florida Theatre or Jacksonville.



The upgrade of the theatre's heating, ventilation and air conditioning system received an Excellence in Construction Eagle Award from the Associated Builders & Contractors Florida First Coast Chapter.

# August 24th, 2024



Florida Theatre and Theatre Jax coproduced an inconcert production of the Broadway musical Mame, starring Linda Purl.

### September 12th, 2024 Blues, Brews, Bourbon & BBQ



The Florida Theatre celebrates the culinary arts once a year at Blues, Brews, Bourbon and BBQ, a fundraiser to benefit the theatre's nonprofit activities. Held this year at Bowing Oaks, over \$45,000 was raised for the theatre.



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# The Financials!



## **Statement of Financial Position**

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Assets

Current Assets:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$4,420,592	
Accounts receivable	76,803	
Grants receivable	79,823	
Pledges receivable, due within one year	51,656	
Inventory, at cost	54,654	
Prepaid expenses and artist deposits	489,436	
Total Current Assets	\$5,172,964	
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Pledges receivable, due after one year Beneficial interest in assets held by the	109,447	

**Total Assets** 

\$22,742,532

### Liabilities and Net Assets

#### Current liabilities:

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$464,343
Deferred revenue	3,042,175
Total current liabilities	\$3,506,518
Net assets:	
Without donor restrictions	17,062,150
With donor restrictions	2,173,864
Total net assets	19,236,014
Total liabilities and net assets	\$22,742,532



**Our 2024 Greatest Hits** 

## **Statement of Financial Activities**

Revenue and Support	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Contributions and memberships	\$ 1,246,001	\$ 829	\$ 1,246,830
Capital campaign contributions	-	815,410	815,410
In-kind contributions	202,476	-	202,476
City of Jacksonville: Capital Maintenance and Capital Improvements Costs Disbursement Agreement Cultural Services grants	- - - 619,739	- - 2,868,587 69,365	- - 2,868,587 689,104
State of Florida grants	77,653	579,823	657,476
Ticket sales	8,364,922	-	8,364,922
Rental income	618,772	-	618,772
Bar and concession revenues	1,438,574	-	1,438,574
School show revenues	153,158	-	153,158
Fundraising events	294,514	-	294,514
Investment and other income (loss)	67,067	286,932	353,999
Net assets released from restrictions	3,672,566	(3,672,566)	_
Total revenue and support	16,755,442	948,380	17,703,82

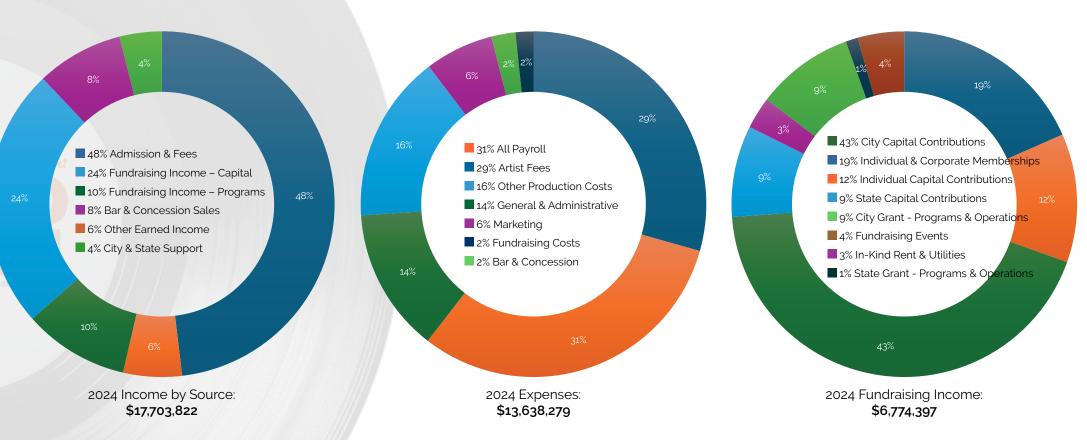
Expenses	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Program services	10,812,588	-	110,812,588
Supporting services	2,825,691	-	2,825,691
Total expenses	13,638,279	-	13,638,279
Change in net assets	3,117,163	948,380	4,065,543
Net assets at beginning of year, restated	13,944,987	1,225,484	15,170,471

Net assets at end of year

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## **Budget** Visualizations

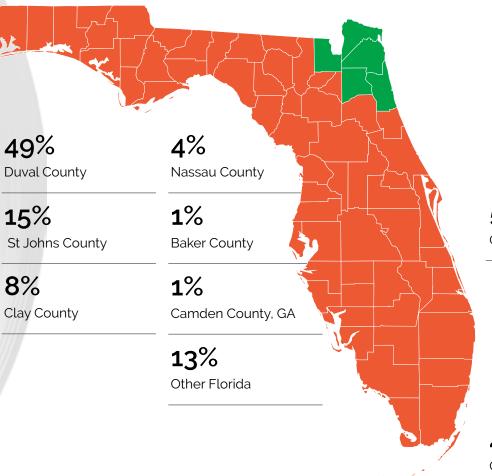


## Audience Demographics

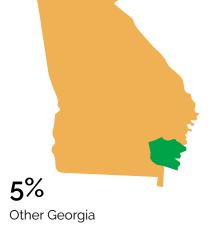
In fiscal 2024, customers came from all 50 United States, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, and almost two dozen foreign countries including Amsterdam, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, England, France, Germany, Holland, Hong Kong, Ireland, Kuala Lumpur, New Zealand, Saudi Arabia, Scotland and Slovakia.

### Economic Impact

Total economic impact	\$17,978,014
Jobs (full time equivalent)	562.7
Household income	\$13,818,305
Local government revenue	\$788,301
State government revenue	\$941,871
Source: American for the Arts, Arts Prosperity IV	s & Economic











## Capital Improvement

Since 2020, the Florida Theatre has been actively renovating and improving its historic building in time for its 100th anniversary in 2027. The intention of these investments is to increase our nonprofit's financial sustainability, and to improve the artist and customer experience.

### **Completed Projects**

Over five years, \$17 million has been raised and expended on these completed projects:

### 2020

- All 1,865 fixed theatre seats replaced with new, historically accurate seats (except for the famous Ghost Seats, which were restored and reinstalled).
- Safety enhancements included increased aisle lighting and more balcony handrails.
- · Wheelchair accessible seating is doubled.
- New L 'Acoustics concert sound system

### 2021

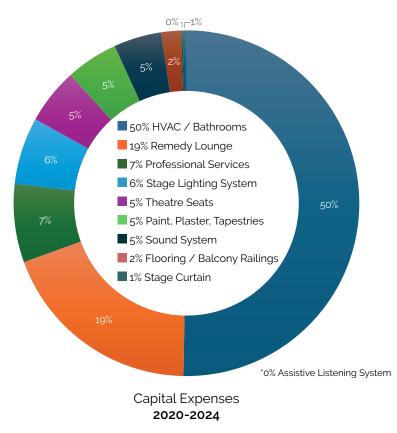
• New theatrical stage lighting system.

### 2022

- The Remedy Lounge is constructed from an empty suite of offices.
- Three new bathrooms in the Remedy Lounge.
- New Assistive Listening System for the hard of hearing.

### 2023-2024

- Decorative plaster of the interior lobbies and auditorium is repaired.
- Lobbies and auditorium are painted with fidelity to the 1927 palette of colors.
- All seven public bathrooms are modernized.
- A new men's room is constructed under the balcony.
- The 40-year old heating, ventilation and air conditioning system is replaced.
- New stage curtain.
- The four historic tapestries on the balcony walls are restored.
- Electrical vault moved from first to third floor, mitigating a flood risk, and clearing the way for a future renovation of the first-floor entry lobby.



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**Our 2024 Greatest Hits** 

# Capital Improvement

### **Upcoming Projects**

Over the next five years, the ongoing renovation of the theatre will continue with a \$15 million slate of capital improvement projects including:

### 2025-2026

- Demolition of an abandoned chimney taking up valuable stage space.
- Restoration of the marquee.
- Construction of a new Green Room and a new stage left Dressing Room.

### 2027-2030

- Repurposing of the third-floor administrative offices into an artist hospitality suite.
- Improvement of the fourth-floor administrative offices.
- Renovation of three floors of stage right dressing rooms.
- Expansion of the first-floor entry lobby.

Greatest Hits







## Thank you Members and Supporters

The Florida Theatre Performing Arts Center, Inc. is the nonprofit corporation that has managed and programmed the historic Florida Theatre in a public/private partnership with the City of Jacksonville, which owns the building, since 1987. The Theatre earns 85% of its annual budget from the sale of tickets and other business activities. Donations and sponsorships from these individual, institutional and business members of the Florida Theatre, who made a gift between October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2024, helped to close the budget gap and preserve the Florida Theatre as the cultural anchor of downtown Jacksonville.

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# 2024

### Public Funding

The programs of the nonprofit Florida Theatre during the 2023-2024 fiscal year were made possible in part by:

The State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Arts and Culture, the Florida Council on Arts and Culture; and the City of Jacksonville and the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, Inc.

### Legacy Society

The following friends and supporters of the Florida Theatre have included the Florida Theatre in their estate planning:

Jacqueline Girard, Lisa Refling Gibbs, Meredith and Aaron Jespersen, Frank Mazza & Mary Miller-Mazza, Jennifer Pryor & Jolie Levene Pryor, Steven Rathel, Lesley Roberts, Juan Vegega and Hardee Mahoney.

### **Corporate Partners**

The Florida Theatre acknowledges these Corporate Partners who have supported the theatre this year (October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024) because they understand that the arts are good for business and our community:

Season Sponsor Community First Credit Union

1927 Club Citi Dex Imaging Remedy Staffing Times-Union Media Westminster Teak Wingard Executive Producers Club AVL Productions Bono's Bowing Oaks Florida Blue PNC TECO Gas

Producers Club Ameris Bank Ammerman Wealth Management Downtown Vision Inc. Eventcraft Fickling Construction First Coast Senior Living First Horizon Haskell Jon Smith Subs

### **In The Groope!** Our 2024 Greatest Hits

### Joseph's Pizza Liberty Landscape Main Street America Manifest Distilling Regions Bank Shore Manufacturing

### Centennial Campaign Supporters



Supporters The Centennial Campaign was founded in 2018 to improve the historic Florida Theatre and its physical assets in time for the Florida Theatre's 100th anniversary in 2027. To date, the campaign has funded \$17.1 million of investments in the Florida Theatre that increase the organization's ability to generate revenue; improve the customer experience; and reduce daily operating expenses through capital improvements. The campaign has already funded new and historically appropriate theatre seats; improved wheelchair access; a new concert sound system; a new theatrical lighting system; construction of the Remedy Lounge; a new heating, air conditioning and ventilation plant; modernization of all the public

restrooms; and painting of the interior with fidelity to the original 1927 palette of colors. Contributions to the campaign have been matched by the City of Jacksonville's Capital Improvement Program. These individuals and organizations, many of whom already make an annual membership gift, have made a significant contribution towards this campaign:

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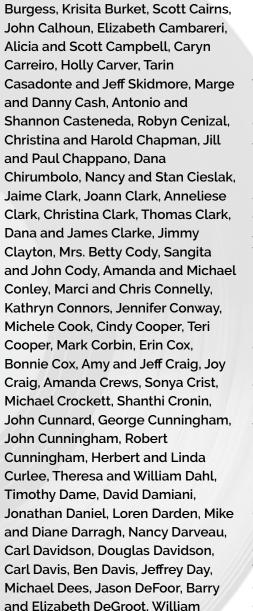
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