

THE FLICKINGER CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Our mission is to provide Alamogordo, Otero and Lincoln Counties with a performing arts center, maintain and improve the facility to showcase world class entertainment and local talent, as well as reaching our local student population with live music, dance and theater.

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2020 - A Different Year

2020 STARTED MUCH LIKE ANY OTHER SEASON AT THE FLICKINGER, BUT IN EARLY MARCH WE WERE ORDERED BY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICES STATEWIDE HEALTH ORDER SHUT DOWN ACTIVITIES. WE POSTPONED AND EVENTUALLY CANCELLED ALL REMAINING SHOWS; AND SPENT OUR ENERGY FOCUSING ON FIXING, UPGRADING AND DREAMING.

PREMIER SERIES

We started the 2019 – 2020 Premier Season with a loud and wonderful noise featuring The United States Army Field Band and Soldiers Chorus.

October 16, 2019

The US Army Field Band & Soldiers Chorus The Tays Event Center Sponsored by Joe Weidner, NM State University, Alamogordo and Burt Broadcasting

September 21, 2019

Michael Martin Murphey

Sponsored by First National Bank, Heart of the Desert & WP Broadcasting

November 2, 2019

Channeling the King

Sponsored by Desert Sun Auto Group

November 23, 2019,

Honey House

Sponsored by Lowes Signature Market & Burt Broadcasting- Cool FM 107.9

December 17, 2019

Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol,"

Sponsored by Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center

January 16, 2020

Ballet Folclorico National De Mexico

Sponsored by Fillmore Eye Clinic & Fillmore Optical and Mountain View Dental

February 8, 2020

International Guitar Night & Chocolate Buffet

Sponsored by John D Wheeler & Associates

February 11, 2020

George Winston, Solo Piano Concert (add on show)

February 29, 2020

Sons of Mystro, including additional morning show for local school children

Sponsored by White Sands Construction & King's Treasure

On March 12, 2020 a health emergency order banning mass gatherings was issued and the remainder of our Premier Season was cancelled.

March 13, 2020

Socks in Frying Pan

Sponsored by Precure Chiropractic & Gloria Wood

March 28, 2020

Six Appeal

Sponsored by Joe Weidner, Twice Blessed & Lane Plumbing

April 11, 2020

The Jungle Book

Sponsored by Southern New Mexico Surgery Center & Alamogordo Physical Therapy







VIRTUAL TAILGATE

Late June, while under lockdown order, we wanted to bring music back to our audiences. A team effort using local musicians, our empty theater and our wonderful staff allowed us to stream four live 'virtual tailgate' shows.

June 27, 2020 ~ Rosewater Blues Band

July 11, 2020 ~ Sugarfoot Express

July 25, 2020 ~ Sorry About Your Sister

August 8, 2020 ~ Three Rivers Band



IN PERSON TAILGATE

Fall: We worked with the State and the New Mexico Museum of Space History to offer outdoor music in a Fall Tailgate series. Fall weather cooperated and it was amazing to hear live music again in that great outdoor venue. We did have to cancel Cadillac Kings and Mariachi Christmas Event in late November due to the reinstatement of restrictions.

<u>SPONSORS</u>: LOWE'S SIGNATURE MARKET, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, BURT BROADCASTING, WP BROADCASTING, ALAMOGORDO PHYSICAL THERAPY, UPTOWN RENTAL, KHII RADIO, JOE WEIDNER

September 26, 2020

"Rosewater Blues" Jazz, Blues, & Classic Rock

October 10, 2020

"Three Rivers Band" Americana, Ballads & Originals

October 24, 2020

"Frank Zona & the Urban Edge" Blues, Jazz, Contemporary

November 7, 2020

"Seven Stone" Rock, Pop, 80's Classics



CHALK ART

October 24 and October 31: This fun event drew several entries each session. We offered social distanced squares in front of Patron's Hall, Flickinger and our neighboring building for anyone to enter a chalk drawing contest. We charged a minimal fee per square. Contestants provided their own chalk and the entry fees were used to provide prizes.



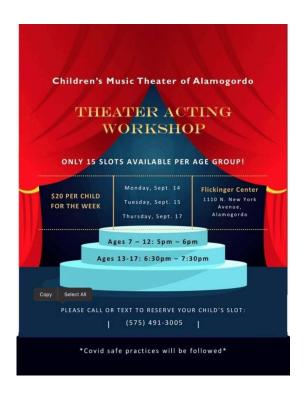
CHILDREN'S MUSIC THEATER (CMT)

Thank you to Heather Bash and helpers for involving our community's children in live theater. Heather offered several summer workshops. We did have to cancel The Hobbit due to restrictions.

"Spotlight on Gifts & Alice in Christmas Land"

December 19 @9:30am $^{\sim}$ Special School Show for Private/Home School Children December 19 & 20^{th} @7pm Public Shows







The Hobbit, a musical play; scheduled performances June 5, 6, 7, 11, & 12 Rehearsals continued via Zoom until May 22, 2020 CANCELLED DUE TO COVID SHUTDOWNS ON MAY 22, 2020

Theater Acting Workshop - ages 7-17; Sept. 14, 15, 17 Approx. 30 children attended

Film Acting Workshop - ages 7-17; Sept. 21, 22, 24 Approx. 15 children attended

Theater Acting Workshop - ages 7-17; Oct. 5, 6, 8 Approx. 30 children attended

Stage Acting, Singing, Dancing Workshop - ages 12-17; Nov. 2, 3, 5 Approx. 15 children attended

*Note: The Flickinger hosted an additional Children's school show on 10/19/19 Cashore Marionette Amazing Puppet Show.

ALAMOGORDO MUSIC THEATER (AMT)

We love our community acting group \sim AMT. They were able to produce The Full Monty but had to cancel the spring 2020 show The Wedding Singer and their summer 2020 Tarzan the Stage Musical.

<u>Alamogordo Music Theater</u> Fall 2019 Show, *The Full Monty Musical*



PATRONS HALL

We love Patron's Hall. Patron's Hall opened October 5th for coffee, ice cream and homemade soups – yummy. We did have to cancel Open MIC and Tuesday evening "Live and Local Music" along with our Spirits Club. Finger crossed we are able to open these activities again soon.



Countryfied, a Patron's Hall favorite band.

LOOKING AHEAD

We have been improving and growing our wonderful facility during this year of quiet time. We advertised on a big billboard, painted, cleaned, organized and started working on a wonderful outdoor venue space south of Patron's Hall. Watch in 2021 for a shaded open space for outdoor music and entertainment. We appreciate the New Mexico CARES grant and volunteers help for providing this opportunity to improve.



Teresa Ham, Interim Executive Director Cynthia Stong, Board President January 31, 2021

CURRENT CAMPAIGN – KEEPING THE LIGHTS ON

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Flickinger Board of Directors launch "Keeping the Lights On Campaign" Dear Friends of the Flickinger,

In March of 2020 the Covid-19 pandemic forced the closure of the Flickinger and Patron's Hall. Who could have imagined all the difficult circumstances that have followed this past year? The Annual Campaign Kickoff was cancelled as well as theater rentals and scheduled events. The cost of losses is incalculable.

Providing 'quality of life' activities for our community remains the goal of the Flickinger Center. We've been working hard and getting creative to find ways to support our mission and support our community. Below are a few highlights.

- We held a Fall Tailgate Series at the Museum of Space History parking lot following Covid restrictions, with a great community response. It was unfortunately cut short when NM State restrictions were increased.
- Children's Music Theater conducted small workshops for children, following Covid safe guidelines, thanks to our Director Heather Bash.
- Patron's Hall reopened October 5th for take-out coffee, ice cream, and New delicious In-House made soups!
- We are excited to be working towards adding outdoor music & events this spring! A special state grant is helping with items needed for this project.

Normally our Premier Season and all other rental activities would be up and running, but currently that is not possible. Through the generosity of local donors, grants, and some limited cash reserves, we have been able to pay utilities, insurances, taxes, take care of facility maintenance, pay essential salaries and other expenses. This cost is about \$10K per month, and funds are being depleted.

We need your support now more than ever. Through our "Keeping the Lights On" campaign, we hope to continue to weather this storm and come out stronger on the other side. We can do that with your help! Please consider a cash contribution or monthly sustained giving pledge to this campaign. We greatly appreciate all levels of support and your gift will help keep the performing arts alive in Alamogordo. Don't let us flicker out, donate today!

Sincere Thanks,

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HELP KEEP THE PERFORMING ARTS ALIVE IN ALAMOGORDO!

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Levels of Contributions & Benefits

All donor names will be listed on a beautifully crafted poster in front of the Flickinger Center, and in Patron's Hall. Donors will also be recognized on the Flickinger Center's "Keeping the Lights On" webpage and through our social media platforms. This is just a small sign of our great appreciation for your support of the performing arts in Alamogordo.

Campaign Support Levels:

\$25 - \$99	Sustainers
\$100 - \$249	Contributors
\$250 - \$499	Supporters of the Stars
\$500 - \$999	Sponsor's Circle
\$1,000 - \$2,499	Patrons of the Arts
\$2,500 - \$4,999	Director's Circle
\$5,000 - \$9,999	Executive Council
\$10,000 & Above	Golden Donors

These generous donations can be divided into payments for sustained giving with credit card, bank withdrawals, or a one-time donation by contacting the Flickinger Center Office at 575-437-2202. Thank you for your continuous support of the Flickinger Center and Patron's Hall during these uncertain times.

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Sponsors

PREMIER SEASON SPONSORS~2020:

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- Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center
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- Joe Weidner, Twice Blessed & Lane Plumbing
- Southern New Mexico Surgery Center & Alamogordo Physical Therapy

Live Streaming ~ Virtual Tailgate:

GERALD CHAMPION REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER & Joe C Weidner

FALL TAILGATE at THE MUSEUM OF SPACE HISTORY, ALAMOGORDO:

 LOWE'S SIGNATURE MARKET, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, BURT BROADCASTING, WP BROADCASTING, ALAMOGORDO PHYSICAL THERAPY, UPTOWN RENTAL, KHII RADIO, JOE WEIDNER

THANK YOU TO SPONSORS AND VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you, volunteers! We have many volunteers including our wonderful guild led by Lee Selden.

Advisory board

Maria Ingold, London, United Kingdom Penelope Shuwarger, Alamogordo, NM Jeff Griggs, Long Beach, California Susie Hall, Las Cruces

Foundation board

Clayton Coburn, Tom French, Teresa Ham, Doreen Padilla, Joe Weidner Advisors: Scott Newton and Linda Schalk

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Ann Bagby, Mary Lynn Bardocz, Joan Griggs, Jennifer Ham, Teresa Ham, Joe Weidner

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Guild Members

84+ wonderful volunteers who give their time to usher, organize, raise money and keep our theater running. Thank you all!

Please contact us if you'd like to help. We always need volunteers for our shows, projects and various board committees, or to donate to our Foundation.

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