

BACKSTAGE
 THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF HARDY COUNTY'S PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
 MAY 2025

Concert Series



ASTORIA RETURNS TO MOOREFIELD AT McCOY'S GRAND!

McCOY'S GRAND SPRING CONCERT SERIES finishes up with a grand finale - **ASTORIA!** The show begins at 7pm with doors opening at 6:30pm. Tickets are now on sale on our website at mccoysgrand.org. Astoria is making a triumphant return to the stage at McCoy's Grand. Get ready to rock and roll with this Moorefield favorite! We got to sit down and ask members how the band reunited and what are their future plans.

WHAT MADE ASTORIA GET BACK TOGETHER TO PLAY AGAIN?

We just started as some casual jam sessions and it gave us the idea to bring the band back. It's been nice hearing the enthusiasm from the home crowd.

WHAT CAN AUDIENCES EXPECT FROM THE UPCOMING CONCERT?

Not what fans remembered of Astoria from the yesteryear. We've been rehearsing new songs, a different song list with a cool vibe.

HAS IT BEEN A GREAT REUNION FOR EVERYONE?

It has been fun playing together again with this arrangement of musicians. Some are new and some are old, but it's like we were never gone!

WHAT ARE THE FUTURE PLANS FOR ASTORIA?

Shooting from the hip, whatever comes up. No real plans. Just enjoying what we have going. And we're excited to share it with the audiences.

BUY YOUR TICKETS BELOW NOW! TICKETS ARE SELLING FAST!

[ASTORIA TICKETS](#)



McCOY'S GOT TALENT IS MAY 31ST!

McCOY'S GOT TALENT is back! Auditions are May 29th and you can sign-up by hitting the button below. There is a \$20 registration fee IF your act is picked to be in the show on **May 31 at 7pm!** Fill out the form and submit it to audition for this annual event. We have our Judges ready to pick the best featuring Marlene and Tom from Woodplay and from Drifter's Cafe. Tickets to the show are \$15.00 on May 31st beginning at 7pm. Get ready to cheer on your friends and win some great prizes. The top prize is \$250.00!!! See you on the McCoy Stage!

[Audition Registration](#)

[TICKETS TO McCOY'S GOT TALENT](#)



MEET THE CAST OF SPONGEBOB!

Plunge into this stunning all-singing, all-dancing dynamic show! When the citizens of Bikini Bottom discover that a volcano will soon erupt and destroy their humble home, SpongeBob and his friends must come together to save the fate of the undersea world. With lives hanging in the balance and all hope lost, a most unexpected hero rises. The power of optimism really can save the world!

Introducing the Cast!

- SpongeBob Squarepants - Brett Reel
- Patrick Star - David Imboden
- Sandy Cheeks - Lindsey Sites
- Squidward Tentacles - Sawyer Jenkins
- Sheldon J. Plankton - Lucus Orndorf
- Karen the Computer - Maddy Painter
- Mr. Eugene Krabs - Aaron Scott
- Peafish Krabs - Haylee Jones
- Perch Perkins - Kaden Berg
- Patchy the Pirate/Old Man Jenkins - Jed Blizzard
- Mayor of Bikini Bottom - Kristina Fox Goldizen
- Larry the Lobster - Daniel Smith
- French Narrator - Adam Howard
- Mrs. Puff - Kathran Richardson
- Buster the Bluetang - Jocelyn Rainey
- The Electric Skates - Daniel Smith, Erin Blaylock, Ryker Harvey, & Natalynn Daugherty

The Ensemble

- Demi Arbaugh, Melody Baker, Kaden Berg, Erin Blaylock, Jed Blizzard, Natalynn Daugherty, Gabrielle Goldizen, Kristina Fox Goldizen, Isabella Haines, Ryker Harvey, Adam Howard, Haylee Jones, Laightyn Keplinger, Ross Pownell, Jocelyn Rainey, Kathran Richardson, Cooper Roberson, Bella Sanchez-Richardson, Dominick Scott, Romi Scott, Gracie Simmons, Arayah Weese, Marlon Williams

SHOW PERFORMANCES

Friday, **July 18, 2025** @ 7:00pm, Saturday, **July 19, 2025** @ 7:00pm, Sunday, **July 20, 2025** @ 2:00pm

Friday, **July 25, 2025** @ 7:00pm, Saturday, **July 26, 2025** @ 7:00pm, Sunday, **July 27, 2025** @ 2:00pm

TICKETS PRICES: Adult: \$15, Student: \$10

RESERVE EARLY TO GUARANTEE YOURSELF A SEAT!

[TICKETS TO SPONGEBOB](#)

COMING THIS OCTOBER!

FALL FEST INCLUDES CONCERTS ON TWO STAGES, MUSEUM TOURS, BROADWAY BINGO, CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT, FACE PAINTING AND OUR FALL FEST PLAZA WITH 24 TENTS OF CRAFTS PLUS TICKET GIVEAWAYS & MORE! ALL EVENTS ARE FREE!
WE'RE LOOKING FOR CRAFTERS & ARTISANS TO SELL THEIR WARES ON OUR FALL FEST PLAZA! WE HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF SPOTS FOR A \$25 REGISTRATION FEE. RESERVE TODAY!
OCTOBER 25, 2025 11:30AM - 6PM
FOR INFORMATION EMAIL: mccoysgrand@icloud.com
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SIGN-UP TO BE A VENDOR AT OUR FALL FEST OPEN HOUSE!


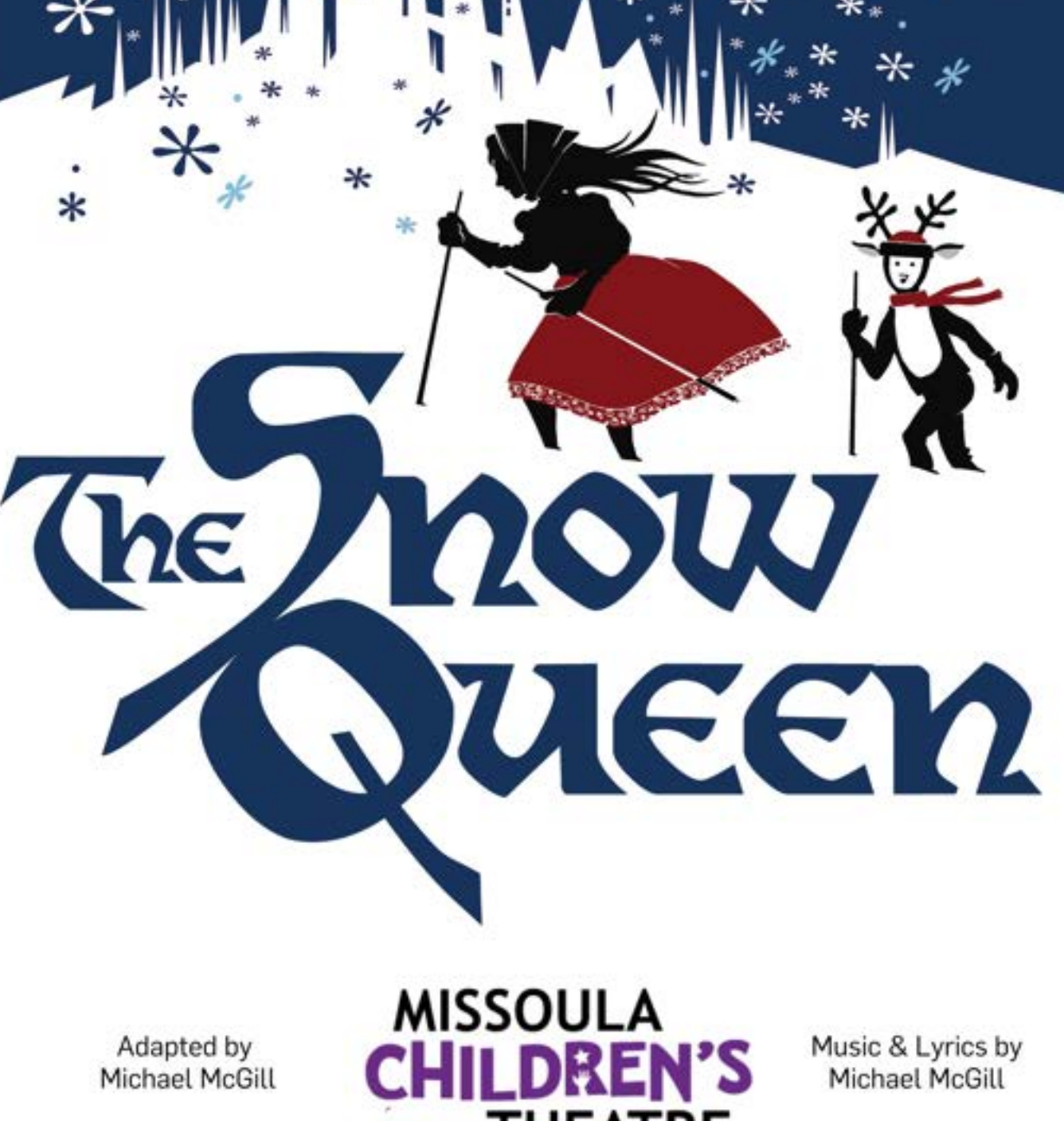
Sign-up now to be a vendor at our **FALL FEST OPEN HOUSE**. We're looking for all types of vendors for our **FALL FEST PLAZA**. The day includes free entertainment and games all day long from 11:30am to 6pm. It promises to be a great time for all. Spaces are limited so email mccoysgrand@icloud.com for more information or download the vendor reservation form below. All spaces are only \$25.00.

[FALL FEST PLAZA RESERVATION](#)



McCOY'S GRAND CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR NEW LIGHTING AND SOUND

In October, McCoy's Grand embarked on a capital campaign - **CURTAIN UP! LIGHT THE LIGHTS!** to replace the existing lighting and sound equipment in the theatre. The current lighting instruments are over 30 years old and we can't even find replacement bulbs. The sound equipment is over 25 years old as well. The new campaign is underway with plans to make the new upgrades in August 2025. Working with Pittsburgh Stage, the new lighting and sound will be state of the art LED technology that will help increase productions as well as technical times at the theatre. We've raised \$144,500.00 so far toward our goal and look forward to completing the project in September - with our latest gift from **Hawse Health**. To learn more about the campaign email - mccoysgrand@icloud.com.



 Adapted by Michael McGill Music & Lyrics by Michael McGill
MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE
JUNE 23 - 28, 2025

Our annual summer Missoula Children's Theatre Workshop will be held June 23 - 28, 2025 with a production of **THE SNOW QUEEN**. Children in grades K-12 (ages 6-18) are eligible to participate! This weeklong workshop will conclude with two performances on June 28 at 3pm and 5:30pm. Registration is now open by clicking the button below.

THE SNOW QUEEN

Adapted by Michael McGill Inspired by the book by Hans Christian Andersen Music and Lyrics by Michael McGill

Although set in a "land of colored ice," this classic tale will warm your heart in its illustrative retelling by a group of fun-loving, imaginative hobgoblins. As they depict the journey of a young girl and her quest to find her best friend, you may just find yourself believing in malevolent mirrors, yetis, talking reindeer, and snow chickens! Blizzards can come at any moment, so strap on some snowshoes and get ready to discover what it takes to overcome chilling obstacles, keep resilience alive, and melt down the Snow Queen's icy walls.

[Missoula Sign-Up](#)

McCOY McMECHEN MUSEUM



A SNEAK PEEK AT THE NEW McCOY McMECHEN MUSEUM

THE NEW McCOY McMECHEN MUSEUM IS COMING IN JUNE!

The new museum at McCoy's Grand will get an unveiling in early June. The new museum tells the story of the building and founding of McCoy's Grand along with historical images and artifacts - many never before on display. The renovation was made possible by grants from **Walmart Spark Good** and **Hardman's Hardware**. The new museum will be open before all performances as well as at **Hardman's Hardware**. Come and check out this great new addition to McCoy's Grand and Moorefield.



FROM OUR FRIENDS AT THE LOST RIVER TRADING POST

Start the Memorial Day Weekend with a trip to the Lost River Trading Post to enjoy **THE FLY BIRDS** in a special outdoor concert on Saturday, May 24th. Music starts at 5:30 with **Alexander Holmes** and the **Fly Birds** will come on at 6:30pm. There will be beer and wine available to sit back and enjoy this acclaimed trio from Winchester. To reserve tickets go to: www.lostrivertadingpost.com



SPECIAL THANKS TO LARRY CURTIS - WHO SERVED ON THE McCOY'S GRAND BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR OVER A DECADE AND HAS RECENTLY RETIRED FROM THE BOARD. WE APPRECIATE AND THANK HIM FOR ALL HIS YEARS OF DEDICATION AND SERVICE.

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