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values center around performance, education, and accessibility; to preserve classical music through public presentation; to promote arts education by introducing children to the wonders of orchestral and choral music; to make such music accessible to all residents; and to contribute vital energy to regional economic development and cultural tourism. The GSP performs at The Jay and Linda Grunin Center for the Arts at Ocean County College, The Strand Center For The Arts in Lakewood, Ocean County Library (at various branches), Stafford Township Arts Center in Manahawkin, and The Casino Ballroom at Georgian Court University in Lakewood.

HOUSE OF INDEPENDENTS 572 Cookman Avenue, Asbury Park (732) 977-5284; tickets: 866-777-8932 www.houseofindependents.com

Asbury Park's House of Independents has become the arts district's premier live entertainment venue hosting an eclectic mix of theatre, dance, film, comedy, oddities, late night fare, and of course the music that has placed Asbury on the global radar. 3-26: The Cybertronic Spree with MC Chris, Super Thrash Bros, doors open 7:00 PM

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY 400 Cedar Avenue, West Long Branch Box Office: (732) 263-6889 www.monmouth.edu/arts VIRTUAL EVENTS:

To register: www.monmouth.edu/mca Performing Arts - Livestream Series

3-18: A.J. Croce 'By Request' Album Release Show, 8:30 PM

3-25: A.J. Croce Performing a Retrospective of his 30-Year Career, 8:30 PM

ArtNow: Performance, Art, And Technology Virtual Series

3-25: Kerry Skarbakka - White Noise: Artist Talk and Discussion, 9:00 AM

Tuesday Night Book Club Visiting Writers via Zoom

3-30: Rebecca Skloot's The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, 7:30 PM

4-20: Colson Whitehead's The Underground

Railroad, 7:30 PM 5-11: Taylor Jenkins Reid's Daisy Jones and the Six,

Virtual Tuesday Night World Record Club via Zoom

4-6: Depeche Mode: Violator, 7:30 PM 5-4: Paul Simon: Graceland, 7:30 PM **Adult Education Virtual Series**

Thursdays 4-1 - 4-15: Songwriting: Unlocking Your Creativity, 7:30 PM

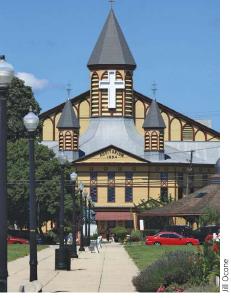
Thursdays 4-22 - 5-6: Understanding Climate

Change, 7:30 PM

Thursdays, 5-13-5-27: Poetry Appreciation, 7:30 PM POLLAK THEATRE: This recently renovated 700seat theatre presents live music, theatre, and dance by national touring artists. The Pollak also screens HD broadcasts of the MET Opera, the National Theatre of London, and the Bolshoi Ballet, along with children's theater and other programming presented by the Center for the Arts.

WILSON HALL AUDITORIUM: Built in the 1930s, this theater space seats between 175 and 200 people and offers classical concerts and other types of presentations.

LAUREN K, WOODS THEATRE: This 140-seat theater is used mainly for school productions during the school year. These can range from concerts to musicals to plays.



Ocean Grove Great Auditorium.

OCEAN COUNTY COLLEGE JAY AND LINDA GRUNIN **CENTER FOR THE ARTS** College Drive, Toms River, (732) 255-0500 www.grunincenter.org

The Jay and Linda Grunin Center for the Arts, located on the campus of Ocean County College (OCC), is home to the OCC Theatre Company and the OCC Concert Band. Professional programs include: Living Legends, Singer/Songwriters, Classical Music, Musical/Theatre, Country/Folk, Jazz, Dance, and Family. In addition, the Garden State Philharmonic is the orchestra-in-residence. Mid-Week Jazz Series concerts and School of Performing Arts productions take place all season long.

4-20: Alton Fitzgerald White - Virtual Event, 11:00 AM

6-3: JF Party Dragon presents: Comedy for a Cause 15 with Tony Rock, 7:00 PM

OCEAN GROVE GREAT AUDITORIUM AND YOUTH TEMPLE 54 Pitman Avenue, Ocean Grove (732) 775-0035 For tickets: 800-590-4064 www.oceangrove.org

The Ocean Grove Camp Meeting owns and maintains the 5,500-seat Great Auditorium that is more than 100 years old. The Great Auditorium hosts some of the great preachers in the world on Sunday mornings and wonderful family entertainment with top name Christian and popular entertainers on Saturday nights, Thursday Night chamber music concerts, light opera performances and organ recitals on the 100-year-old, world-famous Auditorium pipe organ. The Youth Temple replaces an original building that provides a home for youth music and dramatic events and Christian concerts and meeting space. Call or check the website for times and current schedule.

6-27: Monica Ziglar, Bishop Janes Tabernacle, 3:30 PM

PNC BANK ARTS CENTER Garden State Parkway Exit 116, Holmdel (732) 203-2500 www.livenation.com/venues/14235/pncbank-arts-center

Experience live music from your favorite artists either under the landmark amphitheater or from the over 10,000 lawn seats available for each show. Advance ticket purchase encouraged. 5-29: 5 Seconds of Summer: No Shame 2021 Tour, 7:00 PM (rescheduled from 2020) 6-11: Thomas Rhett: The Center Point Road Tour 2021, 7:30 PM (rescheduled from 2020)

STONE PONY AND STONE PONY SUMMER STAGE 913 Ocean Avenue, Asbury Park (732) 502-0060

www.stoneponyonline.com

The legendary Stone Pony has been a driving force of the Jersey Shore music scene since it first opened its doors in 1974. From independent, local talent to internationally known headline acts, music fans will never be disappointed with the Stone Pony's schedule of events. During the summer, enjoy open-air concerts at the Stone Pony Summer Stage. Advance ticket purchase recommended for both venues.

THE STONE PONY

4-22: White Reaper, 7:00 PM

THE STONE PONY SUMMER STAGE

5-29: Shadow of the City: Bleachers & More, 12:00 PM

6-25: Iration with special guests Tribal Seeds, 5:00 PM

6-26: Umphrey's McGee, 5:00 PM

THE STRAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS 400 Clifton Avenue, Lakewood (732) 367-7789 www.strand.org

Built in 1919, The Strand is known as one of the best acoustical theatres in the nation. This fully restored theatre features a variety of musical, dramatic, and comedic events by some of the country's top performers, as well as the Garden State Philharmonic and fine ballet.



Surflight Theatre in Beach Haven.

SURFLIGHT THEATRE **Engleside and Beach Avenues** Beach Haven, (609) 492-9477 www.surflight.org

Producing large-scale musicals and plays with a resident company of professional actors, the Surflight has been performing live theater in a classic summer stock situation since 1950. In addition, Surflight offers Children's Theater from mid-June through September and a Celebrity Concert series. Please call or visit the website for shows, times, prices, and group pricing.

TWO RIVER THEATER CO. 21 Bridge Avenue, Red Bank (732) 345-1400 www.tworivertheater.org

Opened in Red Bank in the fall of 2005, this is a state-of-the-art performance space. The main theater seats 350 people and is home to the main stage season. Centered around a thrust stage, the furthest seats are no more than thirty-six feet from the performers. The new facility also includes the 99-seat Marion Huber Theater, a black box theater that is host to more experimental works, readings, classes, and rehearsals. ◆