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Sweet Seasons

A Celebration of the Life & Music of Carole King

The Pipestone Performing Arts Center is proud to present Sweet Seasons: The Music of Carole King, performed by Michelle Foster and a live band, on Saturday, September 14th at 7:30PM. The band creates an intimate atmosphere, featuring songs from Carole King's hit records like "I Feel the Earth Move," "It's Too Late," "Will You Love Me Tomorrow," "(You Make Me Feel Like A) Natural Woman," and more!

Sweet Seasons is the smash hit returning audiences nationwide to the generation shaped by the songs of the greatest female songwriter of all time: Carole King. You'll hear King's #1 hits as well as songs she wrote that were made famous by other renowned artists. Sweet Seasons takes a look back into the tapestry of not only the music, but also the professional life and times of Carole King. Events in her life defined King's music, and as it turned out, an entire generation.

Award-winning lead singer and piano prodigy Michelle Foster brings a vibrant and nuanced sound to the material you know and love. Come out for a reminiscent evening of simpler times...of Sweet Seasons.

Tickets are \$25.00 for adults, and \$15 for students. There is an early bird special of \$18 for adults for the first 100 tickets sold. Tickets can be purchased by visiting the PPAC website at www.pipestoneperformingartscenter.com, or by calling the Box Office at 507-825-2020 or 877-722-2787 (Tuesday through Friday, 12p-4p).

CELEBRATING season 31

About Michelle Foster

Michelle Foster is a New York-based singer, pianist, actress, and dancer, making herself a "quadruple threat." The band performing alongside her are multi-talented musicians bringing percussion, guitar and more at the highest professional level to capture the quality of King's canon of work.



Foster is a regular keyboardist with Gloria Gaynor's musical director, Mark Baron, and a keyboardist/vocal soloist with legendary doo-wop group, The Duprees. Foster was cast in her first professional musical at Axelrod Performing Arts Center. Foster was selected to perform as vocalist/keyboardist with the Mercury World Tour, produced by Terry Barber, at The Gallo Center for the Arts in Modesto, California. Michelle now tours internationally with Barber as a collaborative pianist and vocal soloist. While performing The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber in Canada, Michelle "stuck out as a clear talent" (The Palace Theatre).

Though Michelle's first love was always musical theater, her experience performing in Barber's various tour programs opened her up to a world where her diverse talents could merge. At 23 years old, Michelle self-produced, created and starred in Broadway 2020, an original musical review that showcases her mastery of voice, piano, drama and dance as she takes audiences on a journey through Broadway hits old and new. The show premiered at The Ritz Theatre in 2019. The Broadway 2020 album was released in the summer of 2020. Michelle is currently launching Sweet Seasons: The Music of Carole King, a second tour program that brings audiences on a look back at the music that shaped a generation. In addition to touring, Michelle works as a recording artist on Fiverr and is part-owner of the private music production company Tunedly. Michelle holds a Bachelor of Science from Fairleigh Dickinson University, with minors in chemistry and dance. She has continued her studies at The Juilliard School, Liz Caplan Vocal Studio, and one-on-one with the most prominent casting and creative directors in New York.

SATURDAY the 14th of SEPTEMBER
SHOWTIME AT 7:30 P.M.

SOCIAL HOUR WITH COMPLIMENTARY LIGHT HORS D'OEUVRES STARTING AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE LOBBY OF THE PAC

TICKETS ON SALE *Now.*

Fall Community Theatre
Play Selection
“The Bad Seed”

The 1954 play by American playwright Maxwell Anderson, adapted from the novel of the same name by American writer William March is this year's selection for the Calumet Players community theatre fall play.

The story: Rhoda Penmark is a “perfect little girl” — loving, lovely, and able to charm her way into getting everything she wants. However, a highly coveted penmanship medal is awarded by her teacher to Claude Daigle, one of Rhoda's classmates. Claude goes missing and mysteriously drowns during a school outing. Later Rhoda's mother Christine discovers Claude's penmanship medal concealed in Rhoda's room. Christine's fears that Rhoda was involved in Claude's death lead her to suspect her daughter's complicity in other unexplained deaths surrounding the family. Christine learns that she herself is adopted and her real mother was a serial killer. Could her precious perfect daughter Rhoda have inherited this “bad seed”?

“Bad Seed”, one of Anderson's most famous plays, ran on Broadway for 334 performances. It was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, and Nancy Kelly (appearing as Christine Penmark) won the Tony Award for best actress. It was later adapted for film and was nominated for the Academy Award. Our local production is directed by Kaitlin Carr.

The Pipestone Performing Arts Center is located at 104 Main Street East (Pipestone). Guests can park in the freelots surrounding the theatre, in the First Farmers & Merchants Bank parking lot or the City Parking lot behind the Historic Calumet Inn Hotel. The Box Office is located in the lobby of the PPAC; this is where guests can check in, use the restrooms and be guided to their seats before enjoying the performance.

Tickets are on sale now, and are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students. Tickets can be purchased by visiting the PPAC website at www.pipestoneperformingartscenter.com, or by calling the Box Office at 507-825-2020 or 877-722-2787 (Tuesday through Friday, 12p-4p).



For little
Rhoda, murder
is child's play



October 11-13 &
October 18-20

Friday & Saturday Performances at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday Matinees at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets
on sale
now!

DIRECTED BY
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Dennis Warner

**GUITARIST &
VOCALIST**



**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 26th**

SHOWTIME AT 7:30 P.M.

Dennis Warner is a singer, songwriter and recording artist from Minnesota with 11 CD's to his credit and one very successful children's book, "Beads on One String", which is now in its Ninth Printing. He's performed in concert at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. as well as countless other theaters, festivals, universities, clubs and community events in all 50 states and beyond. In 2018, Dennis was invited to the RoundGlass Music Awards in New York City, celebrating "Enlightened musicians from around the globe who create music to make the world a better place." In March of 2023, Dennis completed a three week music tour in South Africa which included a concert at the historically significant Constitution Hill in Johannesburg.

Based on radio play around the world, his ninth CD "Seeds" was named one of the top albums in folk music in 2012. And in 2021, his latest album "Pilot Me" charted at #8 on the FolkDJ radio charts.

Dennis has also been featured on the nationally syndicated PBS TV show "Backroads".

We are excited to have him take our stage on Saturday, October 26th at 7:30 p.m. The Pipestone Performing Arts Center is located at 104 Main Street East (Pipestone). Guests can park in the freelots surrounding the theatre, in the First Farmers & Merchants Bank parking lot or the City Parking lot behind the Historic Calumet Inn Hotel. The Box Office is located in the lobby of the PPAC; this is where guests can check in, use the restrooms and be guided to their seats before enjoying the performance.

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*Christmas
With...*

Loriline
2024

It's so hard to believe! This is my 35th year of touring at Christmastime. And the fourth year of going solo. I'm coming by myself as I love the simplicity of being very up-close and personal with all of you.

I plan to play all your favorites, tell stories off-the-cuff and share the "good news" celebrating the true meaning of Christmas. I'll be performing both new and traditional holiday music from my years and years of previous recordings.

If you saw the show last year, you will recognize the special featured vocalist. Baritone opera singer Jimmy Finch is returning and I promise ... he is going to once again "wow" all of you!

The tour opens in Phoenix on November 20th and will travel to 32 cities. I'm stopping in my hometown of Reno at the brand new Performing Arts Center at my high school (kind of exciting).

So make plans now to come and see me when I stop in Pipestone.

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**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 27th**

SHOWTIME AT 7:00 P.M.

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Upcoming Events At The PAC



Featuring
Michelle Foster

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THE BAD SEED

Community Theatre Play

OCTOBER 11-13 & OCTOBER 18-20
Evenings at 7:30 p.m., Matinee at 2:00 p.m.



Dennis Warner

Folk / Americana

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th
Showtime at 7:30 p.m.



Lorieline

With Special Guest
Baritone Opera Singer
Jimmy Finch

2024
Christmas
Show

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27th
Showtime at 7:00 p.m.



AL OPL&ND SINGERS

Ring In The Season, Rejoice With Song

DECEMBER 5, 6, 7 & 8
Evenings at 7:30 p.m., Matinee at 2:00 p.m.



Mick Sterling
Presents

"An Elvis Gospel Christmas

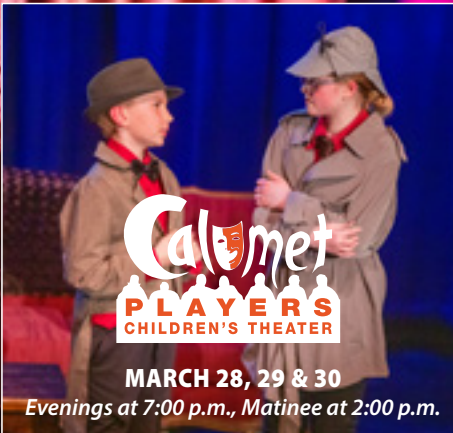
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Showtime at 7:30 p.m.



LOVE LOSS AND WHAT I WORE

Community Theatre Play

FEBRUARY 14-16 & FEBRUARY 21-23
Evenings at 7:30 p.m., Matinee at 2:00 p.m.



Calumet PLAYERS CHILDREN'S THEATER


MARCH 28, 29 & 30
Evenings at 7:00 p.m., Matinee at 2:00 p.m.



AL OPL&ND SINGERS

Spring Festival of Song

APRIL 24, 25, 26 & 27
Evenings at 7:30 p.m., Matinee at 2:00 p.m.



HONK!

THE AWARD-WINNING UGLY DUCKLING MUSICAL

Community Theatre Musical

JUNE 19-22 & JUNE 26-29
Evenings at 7:30 p.m., Matinee at 2:00 p.m.

FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR
MARK THODE



We wrapped up our summer season with the successful run of the musical “The Addams Family” in June, and Doug Allen Nash in July. Thank you to everyone who came out to support us this summer. Our space was also host to a few private events.

Keep the PAC in mind when you’re planning an event like a re-union, birthday party, or even a wedding. It was a great summer!

We have an exciting season planned for you in the coming year. Our new season will include a concert that celebrates the life and music of the legendary Carole King (presented by Michelle Foster and her band on Saturday, September 14th), and Dennis Warner on Saturday, October 26th. We will be bringing back pianist Lorie Line by popular demand as part of her Christmas tour on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving (November 27th), and Mick Sterling will be returning to present “An Elvis Gospel Christmas” on Saturday, December 14th. These Presenter Series events are

of course sprinkled among the many community arts events produced by the Al Opland Singers & the Calumet Players throughout the season.

The Calumet Players held auditions for their community theatre fall play selection of “The Bad Seed” in August, and have started rehearsals. The cast and crew will rehearse multiple nights a week for the next 9 weeks until opening night on October 11th. This play will take our stage for two weekends in October.

The Al Opland Singers will start rehearsals for their Christmas show “Ring In The Season, Rejoice With Song” shortly after Labor Day.

With a new season and needed upgrades to our facilities and equipment property, we are starting the 2024-2025 general fund campaign (running from September 2024 to August 2025). If you are willing and able, please consider donating so that we can continue making the performing arts accessible to our community.

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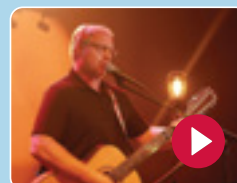
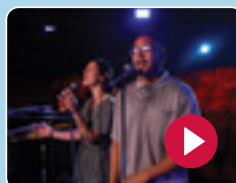
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virtual arts

During 2020, we missed the artists and volunteers that occupied our stage. Because of the global health crisis, we had to get creative so that we could continue to share the talents of artists and performers with our audience, as well as keeping the mission of the Pipestone Performing Arts Center in the periphery of the community, which is “to continuously engage a passion in the arts”. During the time of our venue’s shutdown, we worked with local performers in creating a virtual arts experience straight from the PPAC stage. You can still view these virtual arts performances on our YouTube channel.



Check out our YouTube Channel



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