

Welcome to Spring *at the Arts Center!*



It's a glorious time of the year: flowers are blooming, visitors are here, the RBC Heritage Classic thrills locals and tourists alike, temperatures are warmer ... the list goes on and on!

March kicks off the spring season at the Arts Center with our most lively month of the entire year, with two "Great Performances" presentations (Celtic Nights and Get the Led Out), our free community-wide Youth Arts Fest, and Island School Council for the Arts' Rising Stars talent competition.

On March 23, the spotlight shines on the Arts Center's "Bourbon Ball," starring several top-shelf distilleries – Buffalo Trace, Woodford Reserve, Maker's Mark, and signature bourbon cocktails from Lucky Rooster and Rollers. Not a bourbon drinker? No worries! There will be full open bars, including wines and champagne. The evening's highlight is a performance by Laura Bell Bundy! She was the original Elle in Broadway's *Legally Blonde*, a star in every way, and a native Kentucky-gal to boot!

A special thank you goes out to our amazing Bourbon Ball co-chairs Mark and Alora McAlister!

Hilton Head Dance Theatre's performance of *Terpsichore* graces our stage April 6 & 7, featuring both classical and contemporary dance. We are always delighted to have these talented dancers on our stage!

After the Heritage in April, it's time for the Tony-award winning *A Chorus Line* May 1 – June 2. We are so excited to produce for our audiences their number one musical selection.

April is Volunteer Month, and like the Heritage, we couldn't do what we do here without our host of those who donate their time and energy to this non-profit theater. In fact, both our festivals and fundraisers are fueled in large part by amazing individuals, caring and resourceful people with families, jobs and other commitments. We are completely indebted to all of them, and appreciate every job they do.

Generous people – from our board of directors to our dedicated ushers and special event volunteers – have given a part of themselves to our organization throughout these last 23 years. For their time so freely shared, we at the Arts Center would like to say a heartfelt "thank you."

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