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38 Special holding on loosely to their roots

Band found success after moving away from Southern rock roots

BY STEVE PENHOLLOW

WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

When Donnie Van Zant and Don Barnes founded 38 Special in 1974, it was meant to be a Southern rock band in the tradition of Lynyrd Skynyrd and the Allman Brothers.

After all, Donnie was and is the brother of Lynyrd Skynyrd founder Ronnie Van Zant.

Unfortunately, strict adherence to the Southern rock tradition did not bring them commercial success.

"When you start out, you're kind of emulating what came before you," vocalist Don Barnes told the *St. Pete Catalyst*. "We were trying to do Skynyrd, or Charlie Daniels, or Marshall Tucker. People were saying 'Lynyrd Skynyrd Junior' and all that. We were trying to find a sound, a style that was different."

It was Ronnie Van Zant who, shortly before his death in 1977, told the band that they needed to move past the past.

38 SPECIAL

7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 11

Honeywell Center

275 W. Market St., Wabash

\$115-\$35 • (260) 563-1102

"Ronnie came to us and said, 'Quit trying to be a clone of what's already out there,'" Barnes recalled. "And that was just a great big light bulb. He said, 'Stop doing that because you're not going to get anywhere. What made your heart sing?'"

FINDING THEIR OWN SOUND

"We were fans of the British invasion, more melody, muscle, and that kind of thing. Animals and Beatles stuff. So we just re-fashioned it all. We were pretty accomplished guitar players, and we'd been trying to put the kitchen sink in there. So we just stripped it all down."

38 Special, performing Dec. 11 at the Honeywell Center in Wabash, shifted to a more radio-friendly, less explicitly Southern sound and scored hits with "Hold on Loosely," "Caught Up in You," and many other songs.

Van Zant was forced to leave the band in 2013 because of hearing loss. He would be fully deaf today if he hadn't quit, Barnes told the *Abilene*

Reporter News.

"It's not worth it," Barnes said. "If that was me, I'd be gone tomorrow. He wouldn't be able to hear at the Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner tables. He just walked away from it."

There had never been a single drop of bad blood between them, Barnes said.

"We weren't competitors on a team," he said. "It didn't matter who carried the ball."

CARRYING ON THE LEGACY

Barnes has continued to carry the torch for the band, and he doesn't plan to quit anytime soon.

"We have a line that we're going to do it until the wheels fall off," he told the *Aquarian*. "There is no better way to have your life go by than just going out and following the dream you had as young guys."

Barnes insists that he never tires of performing the band's hits.

"It's kind of like turning a child loose in the world and hope people respect them," he told the *Mitchell Republic*. "We see what it does to people and it amps us up."

"It's kind of a surreal experience to see 10,000 people singing the words to a song that you recall sitting around the kitchen table scratching the lyrics out to."

No place like the Castle for the holidays

Castle Gallery Fine Art at finest for Christmas

BY CHRIS HUPE
WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

Nestled snugly in the historic West Central neighborhood of Fort Wayne, The Castle Gallery is truly one of the Summit City's most beloved treasures. The gallery is open year-round, but if you want to experience it at its finest, there's no better time than during the annual Holiday Show, taking place through the end of December.

The Castle Gallery Holiday Show is widely recognized as one of the area's premiere art events with works on display by artists from all over the country. The show kicks off with a reception on Thursday, Dec. 2, from 5-9 p.m. inside the gallery at 1202 W. Wayne St., giving those in attendance the first look at what could end up on their own walls sometime in the near future... if someone else doesn't claim it first.

The interior of the gallery will be ready for the season, beginning with a fully decorated tree stationed strategically by the piano in the front room, standing at attention and ready to welcome visitors into the building. Piano music accompanies the evening with Mark Meussling tickling the ivories while a cash bar, operated by Wine Time, serves up spirits for the night.

"It's going to be a big, big party," said Mark Paul Smith in an interview with *Whatzup*. "Christmas shows at Castle Gallery are typically well attended and spirited event, particularly after a couple of cocktails."

2021 marks the 26th in which Castle Gallery Fine Art presents a Christmas show, Smith said, and it represents a return to normal for the gallery after a trying pandemic year.

"We're coming back bigger than ever. We've got the best artists in North America all clamoring to get into the show and we're already selling art as fast as its coming in."

NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ARTISTS

Works from CW Mundy, Jody Hemphill Smith, Don Lashore, Chuck Marshall, Randall Scott Harden, Beverly Bruntz, Jerry Smith, and Jill Stefani Wagner will be on display during the show, as well as fantastic pieces from other nationally recognized artists.

"Those names might not mean a lot to most, but they're big names in painting and we're proud to have them," Smith said. "If you want to change the atmosphere of any building or any home, you put a new painting in it and all of a sudden, everything changes. We like to say every home is an art gallery and no space is any better than the art within it."

Owned by Mark Paul Smith and his wife, Jody Hemphill Smith, The Castle Gallery is



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CASTLE GALLERY HOLIDAY SHOW

11 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday
through January 8

Castle Gallery Fine Art
1202 W. Wayne St., Fort Wayne

MARK PAUL SMITH BOOK SIGNING

5-9 p.m. Thursday, December 2
(260) 426-6568

open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., or by appointment anytime during the week. The former home of the Fort Wayne Museum of Art, the building had been privatized and turned into condominiums before the Smiths bought it a little over a quarter century ago, with an eye toward restoring it to its former function. They initially moved into one of the three condo, brought it up to par, and then continued to go through the walls to restore the building to its original size and structure.

"When we lived in Valparaiso, where Jody was a chair of the art department," Mark Paul Smith said, "we decided as a couple that we would make a stand for art, music, and literature. There simply was no better place to make that stand than the Castle Gallery and it has proved worthy of that task."

BOOK SIGNING ALSO SET FOR OPENING

In conjunction with the reception, Mark

Paul Smith will be signing copies of his newest book *The Reporter*. His fourth novel, *The Reporter* is based in a time when news told both sides of the story.

"It was formulated during my years as a reporter at the Fort Wayne *Journal Gazette*," Smith said.

In the story, the reporter rises from obituary writer to covering community events and is eventually promoted to feature writing.

"The reporter is also a musician, so as his journalistic career takes off, so does his musical career," Smith said. "What he realizes is that every story is like a pancake, it has two sides and you can't eat one without the other. By the end of the book, he finds that his story and his life also have two sides."

Smith went on to say that inspiration for this story came from his increasing disappointment and frustration with the parallel universes of television and cable news in today's America.

"There's Fox on the right and CNN on the left and nothing is balanced or fair," he said. "Who are you supposed to believe? We've got to get back to the old days of journalism where you had to tell both sides of the story."

Built in 1905, the Castle Gallery is a piece of art in and of itself. A 10,000-square-foot Romanesque granite building with a turret and arches.

"It is three stories of shock and awe and we live in it," Mark Paul Smith said. "We live in an



Jody Hemphill Smith and Mark Paul Smith

art gallery. There are no private areas. That is kind of a bizarre little existence. Not only do you have to keep everything neat and clean all the time, but you've got to be careful that you're fully robed whenever you're walking out of the bathroom."



COURTESY PHOTO

The Phil presents the sounds of the season

BY DEAN JACKSON

WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

Traditionalists and music lovers alike will find their toes tapping to holiday offerings from the Fort Wayne Philharmonic.

The sounds of the season will be presented in concert events over two weeks — both the Holiday Pops and the more classically focused Christmas by Candlelight promise to be events that will spark old memories and create new ones.

Emily Shannon said The Phil will delight the community.

“We have two different concerts for Holiday Pops – one that is at the Embassy Theater. That’s a large-scale concert with guest singers and generally Santa makes an appearance. There’s a lot of fun there.”

The other shows take place at venues in other cities around the region.

Lisa Vroman is the featured vocalist, accompanied by dozens of musicians and six other singers who will back up some of the pieces. Both the Fort Wayne and the road shows feature the full orchestra.

Pops serves as a good entry for most music lovers. It’s not steeped in what many would consider classic orchestra offerings.

“This is definitely for everyone,” Shannon said. “If you’re not sure if you love orchestral music, these are songs, pieces that you’ve probably heard your whole life during Christmas time. It puts everybody in that fun Christmas mood. Lots of traditional pieces, some sing-along parts. There’s an

excerpt of the Hallelujah Chorus (from Handel’s *Messiah*) in there where everyone stands up. So it’s definitely for anyone who loves the holidays... It puts you right into the spirit.”

MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO CATCH A SHOW

There are six shows at the Embassy. Holiday Pops opens Friday, Dec. 10, with a Saturday matinee and an evening performance on Dec. 11. The following weekend will have shows on Saturday, Dec. 18 in the afternoon and evening. The series will close with a Sunday, Dec. 19, matinee.

Tickets start at \$27, and The Phil also offers a family pack where you can purchase four tickets for \$100 for select seats.

If you can’t make it to downtown Fort Wayne, the Philharmonic are coming to several other northeast Indiana venues. They will perform in Albion Dec. 12 at Central Noble High School and Columbia City on Dec. 15 at Columbia City Church of God, both shows with free admission.

Holiday Pops events will also occur in Angola, Dec. 21, at Trine University’s T. Furth Center for the Arts, and Wabash, Dec. 22, at the Honeywell Center, with tickets ranging from \$35-\$45.

The regional concerts help give The Phil a larger footprint and reach in Northeast Indiana.

“It’s a great way to reach out to our further community,” Shannon said. “It’s a great way to connect with those that maybe don’t get a chance to come all the way into Fort Wayne and to showcase the orchestra and show them all the things that we can do.”

The regional shows vary slightly from the Pops concerts at the Embassy, according

FORT WAYNE PHILHARMONIC HOLIDAY POPS

7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10

2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11

2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18

2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19

Embassy Theatre

125 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne

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CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16

7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17

2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18

2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19

First Wayne Street United Methodist Church

300 E. Wayne St., Fort Wayne

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to Shannon. They have different musical selections and guest vocals.

“These are a little shorter, but still have great traditional holiday favorites that are performed with guest singer Stephanie Carlson,” Shannon said. “All of our Holiday Pops concerts are conducted by Andrew Constantine.”

Shannon said for those who want a more traditional, classical Christmas, there is the Christmas by Candlelight performance at First Wayne United Methodist Church in downtown Fort Wayne on Thursday, Dec. 16, and Friday, Dec. 17.

“These are led by our chorus conductor, Benjamin Rivera. There are some soloists

that will be performing. Some will perform along with the orchestra, and it’s filled with some fun classical Christmas favorites.”

It’s a uniquely different style of music from the pops concert.

“It’s more classical,” Shannon said. “There’s a Vaughan Williams piece, a piece from Bach. Then there will be an excerpt from Handel’s *Messiah*. It’ll be a really nice concert just without the full *Messiah*. It will be just a little different than what we’ve done in the past.”

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Whatever the musical styles, Shannon said any concert from The Phil is meant to be fun.

“The concerts are open for everyone,” she said. “There’s no dress code or anything like that. The Holiday Pops concerts tend to be a little bit more casual. There are some folks who dress up in all their fun Christmas clothes. You’ll see lots of red sweaters, and some people might wear their fun ugly sweaters or just festive holiday attire. But there’s not a dress code of any sort.”

Year after year, people return, making memories and keeping traditions.

“It’s just part of their family,” Shannon said. This is what they do “during the Christmas time. It’s fun to see new faces, too, because that happens and new folks that come to just try it out for the first time. So it’s just great to see all the people coming together to listen to music.”

Shannon’s favorite part is the creation of memories.

“It’s great to be part of something that’s part of people’s traditional holiday memories,” she said.

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Classic rockers Chicago set to storm Embassy stage

The Embassy Theatre announced that it will host the legendary rock band **Chicago** on Sunday, April 10. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductees are responsible for mega-hits such as “25 or 6 to 4,” “Saturday in the Park,” “Feelin’ Stronger Every Day,” and “You’re the Inspiration.”

Together, they have recorded 37 albums, sold more than 100 million records, and are one of the longest-running and best-selling music groups of all time. 2022 will mark the band’s 55th consecutive year of touring. From the signature sound of the Chicago horns and a few dozen classic hits, this show is a must see.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at Ticketmaster.com, fwembassytheatre.org, STAR Bank box office at the Embassy, or by calling (260) 424-5665.

Christmas at the Clyde to be special event

Get ready to rally the troops and head on over to Quimby Village on Sunday, Dec. 12, for a special Christmas celebration.

Christmas at The Clyde will take place throughout the Clyde complex that day where you will have the opportunity to visit with Santa on the Club Room stage, enjoy decorating sugar cookies and drinking cocoa with Mrs. Claus at Crescendo Coffee, and catch a show by **A Nashville Family Christmas** at The Clyde.

Originally formed to perform for The Nashville Network, A Nashville Family Christmas has celebrated the holiday season with dazzling country music performances for more than 20 years. Now performing across the Midwest, the group delights people of all ages by using music to bring Christmas cheer.

Tickets can be purchased at clydetheatre.com, by calling (800) 514-3849, or by visiting the Clyde Theatre’s box office, all Wooden Nickel locations, Neat Neat Neat Records, and Sweetwater Sound.

Please note, the events in the Club Room and Crescendo Coffee will run from 3-6 p.m. with the concert at The Clyde beginning at 7 p.m.

Ambrosia to host bevy of local musicians

Ambrosia Orchard, Cidery & Meadery will have an intimate music experience on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 4, from 7-9 p.m.

Performing will be the one and only **Atticus Sorrell**



Out and About

NICK BRAUN



(The Be Colony/Todd Harrold Collective). Sorrell will be performing an acoustic set full of ’60s and ’70s music, with a few originals thrown in — everything from Al Green to Neil Young to Merle Haggard. If you have witnessed Sorrell in action, you know what kind of spectacle you are in for.

Ambrosia is a family-friendly venue, so plan on bringing the crew. Best part: it’s free!

This show will be the first of many intimate shows coming to Ambrosia that include **Amara Gilraine** on Dec. 11, **Carolyn Martin** on Dec. 18, **Jess Thrower** on Jan. 8, **String Theory** on Jan. 14, and **The Goat’s Beard** on Jan. 22.

Get your fill of Pink Floyd at Piere’s

Calling all Pink Floyd fans out there! If you are pinching your pennies during this holiday season, there is good news because Piere’s is hosting a free Pink Floyd tribute show on Saturday, Dec. 4, at 8 p.m.

In the Flesh – Echoes of Pink Floyd will hit the stage that evening to recreate the unique and psychedelic sound of the legendary rock band.

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Sports & Music • 6179 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne • (260) 387-5063

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Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights winds its way through Franke Park in this aerial photo. The event will be open through December 31.

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Arts United names its 2022 award nominees

The 2020 Arts United Awards is Northeast Indiana's premier celebration of the people, organizations, and businesses that make significant contributions through arts and culture to communities throughout the 12-county region that includes Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Miami, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley counties.

The 2022 Arts United Award nominees are: Abby Leon, Adrian Curry, AiJaye Crowder, Amy Ford, Andy Planck, Ben Clemmer, Bonnie Andrews, Bryan Ballinger, Camille Curry, Campbell MacDonald, Carolyn Meyer and Karissa Kalb, Chris Ford, Circus Hall of Fame, Condra Ridley, Elaina Robbins, Elise Ramel, First Presbyterian Theatre cast of *The Wolves*, Fort Wayne Philharmonic, Fort Wayne Sister Cities, Foundation One, Green Hair Revolution, Greg Mendez, Heartland Sings, James Stover, Jennifer Beineke, Kelly Updike, Kip Bailey, Leah Reeder, Lee Rainboth, Mandie Kolkman and Fort Wayne Dance Collective, Mary Fink, Michael Johnson, Michael Patterson, Mindy Cox, Science Central Education Team, Sheila Moore and Jomare Bowers-Mizzell, Todd Frymier, Tyrone Cato, Warren Theatre Guild, and Zynette Paige.

The 2022 Awards will specifically highlight IDEA — recognizing individuals, teams, and organizations that demonstrate significant work in Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access.

Other categories include:

- Innovation, Creativity, and/or Artistry: Recognizing individuals, teams, and organizations that contribute to the communities of Northeast Indiana in ways that are especially innovative and/or creative, as well as those who demonstrate exceptional artistry within their medium of art.

- Leadership: Recognizing individuals, teams, and/or organizations that demonstrate extraordinary leadership, advocacy, philanthropy, or volunteerism.

- Arts Education and Community Engagement: Recognizing individuals, teams, and/or organizations that make an exceptional contribution to the people they serve through arts or cultural programming.

Breakfast with Santa at Avilla Fire Department

The Avilla Fire Department will host a pancake and sausage breakfast with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 8-10 a.m., at 200 Main St. in Avilla. Santa will arrive at 9 a.m. and a photographer will be on hand to take pictures of your family with Santa.



News and Venues

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Santa Cares Days at Glenbrook

Glenbrook Square will host two Santa Cares Days on Sunday, Dec. 5, and Sunday, Dec. 12, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Guests of all spectrums of special and sensory needs and abilities are invited to meet the big guy before the mall opens.

Tickets to those events are available at Eventbrite.. Search for "Sensory Friendly Event Glenbrook."

Holiday market at Fort Wayne Children's Zoo

Santa is coming to the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo on Dec. 4-5, 11-12, and 16-23, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. each of those days.

Decorate cookies, meet the animals on the farm from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., hear a Christmas tale during story time every hour on the half hour, from 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and have your picture taken with Santa Claus.

This event is free and does not require paid admission.

Fantasy of Lights delights through end of year

The 27th annual Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights is open through Dec. 31 with expanded hours: Sunday through Thursday, from 5:30-9 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 5:30-10 p.m. Admission is \$10 per car, \$20 per 15-passenger van, and \$40 per bus/trolley.

The route is two miles long with 140 scenes, including 13 new displays for the 2021 season.

If you spot the white monkey hidden on the route, let the person in the Candy Cane Cottage at the end of the route know and you'll receive a special treat. Doggie treats are also available at the pay station, courtesy of Humane Fort Wayne.

The Fantasy of Lights Christmas Village is returning for its second year and features an open-air walk-through village with unique food and craft vendors, holiday music, photo opportunities in displays, and additional holiday lights.

The village is located at the end of the route in the Foellinger Theatre overflow lot off Sherman Boulevard and is open December 2-5, 9-12, and 16-19 from 5:30-9 p.m. on Thursdays and Sundays, and 5:30-10 p.m. on Friday and Saturdays.

Komets seeking anthem singers

The Komets are searching for groups and individuals to sing the National Anthem at home games this season.

Singers, vocal groups, and choirs are invited to email aubrey@komets.com to learn more.

News and Venues covers Northeast Indiana's music and arts organizations, venues, and colleges, from large to small. Send your news items to info@whatzup.com.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

Jazz Combo Concert — Jazz at Rhinehart Recital Hall, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$4-\$7, (260) 481-6555

Nashville Thursdays — Country at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Pablo Francisco — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$15-\$30, (260) 844-8444

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety at teds beerhall, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

Blue Öyster Cult — Rock at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$30-\$99, (260) 486-1979

Bryan Edington — Variety at Sweetwater, Fort Wayne, noon-1 p.m. free, (260) 432-8176

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Jazz Ensemble Concert II — Jazz at Auer Performance Hall, Rhinehart Music Center, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$4-\$7, (260) 481-0777

The Lettermen: A Very Merry Christmas — Pop vocals at T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, 7 p.m. \$25-\$45, (260) 665-4990

Pablo Francisco — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$15-\$30, (260) 844-8444

Ron Rumbaugh — Variety at Brewskies Bar & Grill, Angola, 7 p.m. no cover, (260) 833-9676

Squirrel Cage w/Bad Demo and The Velvetheads — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-11 p.m. \$10, (260) 999-4108

Vince Carone w/Cavin Eggleston — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 9:15 p.m. \$25-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Water 2 Wine — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

Abbie Thomas — Acoustic variety at Charley Creek Inn, Wabash, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 563-0111

Grave Robber w/First Jason and B-Movie Monsters — Punk at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-11 p.m. \$10, (260) 999-4108

Handsome Jack — Rock at O'Sullivan's Italian Irish Pub, Fort Wayne, 10 p.m. no cover, (260) 422-5896

Here Come the Mummies — Funk/rock at The Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m.-midnight \$25-\$30, (260) 747-0989

Hubie Ashcraft — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

In The Flesh — Pink Floyd tribute at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m. no cover, (260) 486-1979

Pablo Francisco — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$15-\$30, (260) 844-8444

Vince Carone w/Cavin Eggleston — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. \$25-\$30, (260) 426-6339

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

Antidote NYHC w/Use of Force and Atomic Collapse — Metal at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$15, (260) 999-4108

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy — Holiday at The Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m.-midnight \$39.50-\$69.50, (260) 747-0989

Trine Choir and Chamber Orchestra — Holiday at T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, 3:30 p.m. free admission, (260) 665-4990

The Wizards of Winter — Christmas rock at Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Wert, OH, 7 p.m. \$25-\$49, (419) 238-6722

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

Home for the Holidays Concert — Choral ensembles and University and Community orchestras at Auer Performance Hall, Rhinehart Music Center, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$4-\$7, (260) 481-0777

Monday Blues Jam Sessions — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7

A Motown Christmas — Holiday at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$36-\$56, (260) 424-5665

Annie Hart — Pop at The B-Side @ One Lucky Guitar, Fort Wayne, 7:45 p.m. \$12-\$15, (260) 969-6672

Celtic Angels Christmas — Holiday concert at Honeywell Center, Wabash, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$25-\$69, (260) 563-1102

Smooth Tuesdays — Acoustic variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

Open Jam with Dylan Roldan — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 999-4108

Wednesday Jazz Sessions — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

Bands Concert II — *Church Windows* at Auer Performance Hall, Rhinehart Music Center, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$4-\$7, (260) 481-0777

Nashville Thursdays — Country at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

T.J. Miller — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$35-\$45, (260) 844-8444

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10

8420 Band — Classic rock at Rack & Helen's, New Haven, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 749-5396

Big Dick & The Penetrators — Variety at Wacky Jac's, Angola, 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. cover, (260) 665-9071

Christmas Spectacular — Three Rivers Music Theatre presents a joyful Christmas show, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 10-11, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, PPG Artslab, Fort Wayne, (260) 422-4226

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Jake Gamble — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

Jason Paul — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

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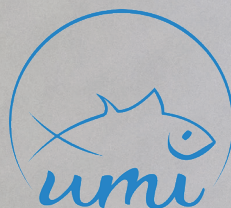
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Josh Arnold — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15-9:15 p.m. \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Liliac — Rock at The Eclectic Room, Angola, 7:30-10:30 p.m. \$17-\$195, (269) 625-8817

Matthew Langston — Variety at Sweetwater, Fort Wayne, noon-1 p.m. free, (800) 222-4700

Namen Namen, Piques, and Crayola Johnston — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m. \$8-\$10, (260) 999-4108

T.J. Miller — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$35-\$45, (260) 844-8444

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

38 Special — Classic rock at Honeywell Center Ford Theater, Wabash, 7:30 p.m. \$35-\$115, (260) 563-1102

The 906 Band — Rock/Cover Band at Spudz, New Haven, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 493-7292

Black Stone Cherry — Rock at The Eclectic Room, Angola, 7:30 p.m. \$25, (269) 625-8817

Brandon S. Olvera w/Jaydid, Mista, and Kosmic Jam — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$8-\$10, (260) 999-4108

C2G Christmas Show w/Jeff McRae & Rich Lysaght, The Paper Heart, Alicia Pyle & Mike Conley, Smooth Edge 2 — Holiday variety at Baker Street Centre, Fort Wayne, 6 p.m. \$10-\$20 plus canned good; proceeds go to Community Harvest Food Bank, (260) 426-6434

Dakota Parker — Variety at Charley Creek Inn, Wabash, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 563-0111

FLYTRSK — Classic rock at American Legion Post 409, Leo, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 627-2628

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 2-4 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Joe Justice — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

Josh Arnold — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15-9:15 p.m. \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Josh Pray — Comedy at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$20-\$30, (260) 486-1979

Laine Hardy — Country at Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Wert, Ohio, 7:30 p.m. \$16-\$39, (419) 238-6722

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety at Auburn Brewing Company, Auburn, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 333-7468

T.J. Miller — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$35-\$45, (260) 844-8444

Thunderstruck — AC/DC tribute at The Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m. \$15-\$18, (260) 747-0989

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

A Nashville Family Christmas — Holiday at The Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m.-midnight \$25-\$59, (260) 747-0989

Handel's Messiah — Steuben County Festival Choir at T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, 2 p.m. \$10, (260) 665-4990

NewSong w/Big Daddy Weave — Christmas at Honeywell Center, Wabash, 7:30 p.m. \$25-\$50, (260) 563-1102

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

Monday Blues Jam Sessions — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Dusty Leigh — Rap at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$20-\$50, (260) 486-1979

Smooth Tuesdays — Acoustic variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

Open Jam with Dylan Roldan — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 999-4108

Verivery — K-pop at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m. \$55-\$99, (260) 486-1979

Wednesday Jazz Sessions — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

Messiah by Candlelight — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at First Wayne Street United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$35, (260) 481-0770

Jim Brickman — Christmas at Eagles Theatre, Wabash, 7:30 p.m. \$29-\$69, (260) 563-1102

Last In Line — Rock at The Eclectic Room, Angola, 8 p.m. \$25-\$295, (269) 625-8817

Mikel James Watkins with Braxton Patten, Kash Makes Music, Brandon Olvera + More — Hip-hop at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-11 p.m. \$10, (260) 999-4108

Nashville Thursdays — Country at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Straight No Chaser — A Capella at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$36-\$66, (260) 424-5665

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

Messiah by Candlelight — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at First Wayne Street United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$35, (260) 481-0770

The 906 Band — Rock at American Legion Post 241, Waynedale, 8 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 747-7851

Adam Strack — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

Andy Woodhull — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. \$25-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Aries Spears — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

David Phelps — Christmas at First Assembly of God, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$20-\$35, (260) 484-1029

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GREAT THINGS TO DO IN FORT WAYNE AND BEYOND

Baker Street Centre Christmas Show

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Always a fun evening that can be shared with family

and friends alike, this show is also a fundraiser and “can-raiser” for Community Harvest Food Bank.

Not only do the proceeds from the price of admission go directly to that organization with an eye toward permanently alleviating hunger in our region, but attendees are encouraged to bring canned goods with them to donate as well.

New to this year's show is the “Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest.” By wearing your best — or worst — Christmas attire, you are entered for a chance to receive two tickets to a future Baker Street Centre concert. So make sure to dig deep into the closet and pull out some attention-getting attire before you head downtown.

The venue is already planning some big things for 2022 that you won't want to miss.

General admission tickets are \$10, Gold Circle seating is \$20, available via Etix.com. — *Chris Hupe*

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Ernie Haase and Signature Sound — Gospel at Honeywell Center, Wabash, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$25-\$75, (260) 563-1102

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety at Byler Lane Winery, Auburn, 5-8 p.m. no cover, (260) 920-4377

Sum Morz — Variety at Latch String Bar & Grill, Fort Wayne, 10 p.m. no cover, (260) 483-5526

Twiztid — Rock at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$20-\$75, (260) 486-1979

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

Andy Woodhull — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. \$25-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Aries Spears — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

The Beach Boys — Holiday concert at Honeywell Center, Wabash, 7:30 p.m. \$54-\$105, (260) 563-1102

Chris Robison — Variety at Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 854-9463

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 2-4 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Nita Strauss w/Black Satellite, Marc Rizzo, and Beyond the Fathoms — Rock at The Eclectic Room, Angola, 7-11 p.m. \$15-\$195, (269) 625-8817

Tantric w/Paralandra, Overcoats, the 906 Band, and Calloused — Post-grunge at Rockstar Lounge, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m.-1 a.m. \$15, (260) 444-2442

Texas Tenors — Country at Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Wert, Ohio, 7:30 p.m. \$35-\$65, (419) 238-6722

To Breathe Again w/Street Mutiny and Brandanowitz — Rock at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$8-\$10, (260) 999-4108

Will Certain — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

Aries Spears — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 2-4 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Raekwon w/Ghostface and GZA — Rap at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$40-\$99, (260) 486-1979

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

Monday Blues Jam Sessions — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, 7:30 p.m. \$35-\$45, (260) 665-4990

Smooth Tuesdays — Acoustic variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Honeywell Center, Wabash, 7:30 p.m. \$20, (260) 563-1102

Open Jam with Dylan Roldan — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 999-4108

Wednesday Jazz Sessions — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

Mike Cronin — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$15-\$23, (260) 844-8444

Nashville Thursdays — Country at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

Monday Blues Jam Sessions — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Ron Rumbaugh — Variety at StoryPoint Fort Wayne North, Fort Wayne, 3:30 p.m. free admission, (260) 483-5590

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

Smooth Tuesdays — Acoustic variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

Open Jam with Dylan Roldan — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 999-4108

Wednesday Jazz Sessions — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

Nashville Thursdays — Country at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Steve Rannazzisi — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$20-\$30, (260) 844-8444

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

The 906 Band — Variety at Eagles Post 248, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. call for reservation, (260) 478-2482

Chelsea Erickson — Acoustic variety at Edwin Coe Spirits, Churubusco, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 212-8827

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Mike Head w/Mike Conley — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 10 p.m. \$45-\$50, (260) 426-6339

Randy Blankenship w/Steele Rail Band — Variety at The Post, Pierceton, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. no cover, (574) 594-3010

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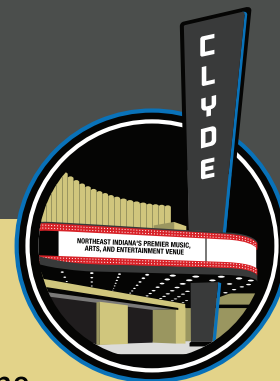
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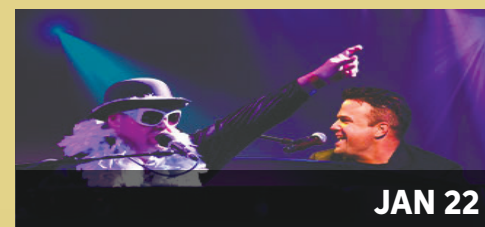
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Calling all talented musicians under 20

BY JOSHUA SCHIPPER
 WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

Have you seen a young, local musician whose talent blew your mind? *Whatzup* encourages you to nominate them for its annual 20 Under 20 Awards.

The Sweetwater Academy and Mynett Music are partnering with *Whatzup* to recognize the abundance of youthful musical talent in Northeast Indiana.

The *Whatzup* 20 Under 20 Awards highlight talented young musicians throughout the region.

"This will be the second year that *Whatzup* has selected 20 Under 20 honorees," said Jon Swerens, editor of *Whatzup*. "Last year's nominees were fantastic. We're really looking forward to seeing the next crop of musicians come in."

Whatzup will feature these 20 up-and-coming local stars in a future print issue, as well as at whatzup.com.



An expert panel of judges will lead in the selection of honored musicians based on criteria including:

- Musical skill and knowledge
- Community and school music activities
- Academic performance and more

Get morfe details and nominate a musician online at whatzup.com/20under20.

Live Music & Comedy LOCAL CALENDAR

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Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety at teds beerhall, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Steve Rannazzisi — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

Mike Head w/Mike Conley — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. \$25-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Steve Rannazzisi — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$20-\$30, (260) 844-8444

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

Monday Blues Jam Sessions — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

Smooth Tuesdays — Acoustic variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

Open Jam with Dylan Roldan — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 999-4108

Wednesday Jazz Sessions — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

Nashville Thursdays — Country at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Seckond Chaynce — Country at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$22-\$50, (260) 486-1979

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Katrina Brown w/Josh Springer — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 9:15 p.m. \$20-\$25, (260) 426-6339

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

Katrina Brown w/Josh Springer — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. \$20-\$25, (260) 426-6339

The Kid B Heart, J Sonnnny, TheManace, and Nate Fischer — Hip-hop at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-11 p.m. \$10, (260) 999-4108

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

The Cryptics w/Nifty Skullet, BeBop & the Rocksteadys — Punk at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-11 p.m. \$10, (260) 999-4108

Nonpoint w/Any Given Sin — Rock at Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$20-\$59, (260) 486-1979

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

Monday Blues Jam Sessions — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

Smooth Tuesdays — Acoustic variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Teenage Bottlerocket w/Tightwire, The Last Gang, Flamingo Nosebleed — Punk at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 6-11:15 p.m. \$20, (260) 999-4108

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

Open Jam with Dylan Roldan — Variety at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 999-4108

Last year, 20 young musicians with a diverse array of melodic talents were featured in *Whatzup* as winners of the competition.

Friends, family, parents, and music educators are encouraged to nominate local, talented young musicians for this award.

To be considered for the 20 Under 20 award, nominees must be under 20 years of age as of March 24, 2022, and live in one of the following Indiana counties: Allen, Wabash, Whitley, Noble, Wells, Adams, Huntington, Kosciusko, DeKalb, or Steuben.

Wednesday Jazz Sessions — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

Bryan Callen — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$25-\$40, (260) 844-8444

Nashville Thursdays — Country at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

Bryan Callen — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$25-\$40, (260) 844-8444

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Troy Davis — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

Bryan Callen — Comedy at Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. \$25-\$40, (260) 844-8444

Half Built Homes w/American Cheese, OLC — Punk at The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m.-11 a.m. \$10, (260) 999-4108

Troy Davis — Comedy at 469 Comedy: Fort Wayne Comedy Club, New Haven, 7:15 p.m. and 7 p.m. \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

Monday Blues Jam Sessions — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

Smooth Tuesdays — Acoustic variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

THE 2021 WHATZUP HOLIDAY CALENDAR

For a holly jolly Christmas, we're publishing our calendar every week this month!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Holiday Show — Experience the gallery decked out for Christmas and all its holiday offerings, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — Open-air walkthrough village with food and craft vendors, Christmas music, photo-taking opportunities, and Christmas lights and displays, 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-8 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Holiday Show — 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — National and local artists with ceramics, fiber, jewelry, mixed media, sculpture, glass, and metal, noon-6 p.m., The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-9 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Pictures with Santa — Bring your friends, family, and pets for a photo with Santa, 3-6 p.m., Promenade Park, Sweetwater Bandshell East, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 427-6028

Kris Kringle Village — Fort Wayne Ballet presents Food, entertainment, seasonal gifts, 4-10 p.m., Arts United Campus, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 484-9646

Le Chic Holiday Market — More than 120 vendors with gifts for the holidays, 5-9 p.m., Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 483-1111

Christmas Madrigal Dinner Theater — Dine amongst royalty accompanied by live comedy, music, and entertainment, wear your finest period clothing to participate in the costume contest, 6 p.m., Honeywell Center Legacy Hall, Wabash, \$49, (260) 563-1102

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

The Lettermen: A Very Merry Christmas — Pop vocals at T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, 7 p.m., \$25-\$45, (260) 665-4990

Elf the Musical — An orphan mistakenly transported to the North Pole is raised as an elf then embarks on a journey to find his birth father, 7 p.m., Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

The Nutcracker — Fort Wayne Ballet invites you to join Clara and her magical Nutcracker Prince as they journey to the Kingdom of Sweets in this holiday classic, 7:30 p.m., Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-0646

Dashing Through the Snow — A parade of eccentric guests arrive at the Snowflake Inn and deck the halls with holiday hilarity, 8 p.m., Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-8 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Gingerbread House Construction Extravaganza — Decorate a gingerbread house with pre-built houses and unlimited candy, 10 a.m.-noon, First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne, \$15, (260) 426-7421

Le Chic Holiday Market — More than 120 vendors with gifts for the holidays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 483-1111

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Artlink Winter Market — Contemporary crafts and handmade goods, 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Artlink Contemporary Art Gallery, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 424-7195

Holiday Show — 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

Women's Winter Art Fair — A wide array of imaginative art created by local women, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sophia's Portico, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 482-7402

Santa & Reindeer Saturdays — Pet holiday-dressed reindeer and pose for pictures with Santa, noon-4 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Festival of Gingerbread: Visit Santa Claus — Visit with the big man himself, noon-5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 426-2882

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-9 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Project Ballet's The Nutcracker — Clara and her magical Nutcracker Prince journey to the Kingdom of Sweets in this holiday classic, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, (260) 424-5665

The Nutcracker — 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-0646

Pictures with Santa — 3-6 p.m., Promenade Park, Sweetwater Bandshell East, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 427-6028

Kris Kringle Village — 4-10 p.m., Arts United Campus, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 484-9646

Cookies With Santa — Visit Santa and enjoy an Insomnia cookie, 5:30 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, (260) 424-5665



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Christmas Madrigal Dinner Theater — 6 p.m., Honeywell Center Legacy Hall, Wabash, \$49, (260) 563-1102

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

Elf the Musical — 7 p.m., Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

Dashing Through the Snow — 8 p.m., Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

Cookies With Santa — 11:30 a.m. Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, (260) 424-5665

Alpine Holiday Showcase — noon-4 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Festival of Gingerbread — noon-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Festival of Gingerbread: Holiday Storytelling — Hear holiday stories and explore all the gingerbread creations, **noon-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, regular museum admission, (260) 426-2882

Kris Kringle Village — noon-5 p.m., Arts United Campus, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 484-9646

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Project Ballet's The Nutcracker — 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, (260) 424-5665

The Nutcracker — 2 p.m., Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-0646

Dashing Through the Snow — 2 p.m., Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

Elf the Musical — 2 p.m., Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

Trine Choir and Chamber Orchestra — 3:30 p.m., T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, free, (260) 665-4990

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy — Holiday at The Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m., \$39.50-\$69.50, (260) 747-0989

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

The Wizards of Winter — Christmas rock at Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Wert, OH, 7 p.m. \$25-\$49, (419) 238-6722

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

Home for the Holidays Concert — Choral ensembles and University and Community orchestras at Auer Performance Hall, Rhinehart Music Center, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m., \$4-\$7, (260) 481-0777

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440



A Motown Christmas at the Embassy Theatre on December 7.

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Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

Celtic Angels Christmas — Holiday concert at Honeywell Center, Wabash, 7:30 p.m., \$25-\$69, (260) 563-1102

A Motown Christmas — Holiday at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$36-\$56, (260) 424-5665

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — noon-6 p.m., The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Show — 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — noon-6 p.m., The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Mistletoe Market — Holiday shopping for gifts and home decor, 5-9 p.m., Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, free admission, (260) 854-9463

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

The Nutcracker — 7:30 p.m., Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-0646

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-8 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Holiday Show — 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — noon-6 p.m., The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-9 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Pictures with Santa — 3-6 p.m., Promenade Park, Sweetwater Bandshell East, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 427-6028

Kris Kringle Village — 4-10 p.m., Arts United Campus, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 484-9646

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

Elf Jr. — Based on the classic Christmas film with some Broadway tunes for a holiday treat for the whole family, 7 p.m., Fort Wayne Youththeatre, First Presbyterian Church Theater, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$20, (260) 422-6900

Elf the Musical — 7 p.m., Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

The Nutcracker — 7:30 p.m., Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-0646

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Dashing Through the Snow — 8 p.m., Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

Christmas Spectacular — Three Rivers Music Theatre presents a joyful Christmas show, 8 p.m., PPG Artslab, Fort Wayne, (260) 422-4226

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

Gingerbread Pursuit 4-Mile Run — Four-mile race around downtown Fort Wayne benefitting The History Center, 8:30 a.m., race starts/ends at Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 427-6028

Festival of Gingerbread — 9 a.m.-8 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Breakfast in Bethlehem — Live nativity performance and breakfast buffet, 9 a.m., First Assembly of God, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$10, (260) 490-8585

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Artlink Winter Market — Contemporary crafts and handmade goods, 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Artlink Contemporary Art Gallery, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 424-7195

Holiday Show — 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

Santa & Reindeer Saturdays — Pet holiday-dressed reindeer and pose for pictures with Santa, noon-4 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Festival of Gingerbread Make & Take — Holiday cards, noon-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-9 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 2-4 p.m. \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

The Nutcracker — 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-0646

Elf Jr. — 3 p.m., Fort Wayne Youththeatre, First Presbyterian Church Theater, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$20, (260) 422-6900

Pictures with Santa — 3-6 p.m., Promenade Park, Sweetwater Bandshell East, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 427-6028

Kris Kringle Village — 4-10 p.m., Arts United Campus, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 484-9646

C2G Christmas Show w/Jeff McRae & Rich Ly-saght, The Paper Heart, Alicia Pyle & Mike Conley, Smooth Edge 2 — Holiday variety at Baker Street Centre, Fort Wayne, 6 p.m., \$10-\$20 plus canned good; proceeds go to Community Harvest Food Bank, (260) 426-6434

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

Elf the Musical — 7 p.m., Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m., \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Dashing Through the Snow — 8 p.m., Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

Christmas Spectacular — 8 p.m., PPG Artslab, Fort Wayne, (260) 422-4226

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

Breakfast in Bethlehem — Live nativity performance and breakfast buffet, **9 a.m.**, First Assembly of God, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$10, (260) 490-8585

Alpine Holiday Showcase — **noon-4 p.m.**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Festival of Gingerbread — **noon-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Kris Kringle Village — **noon-5 p.m.**, Arts United Campus, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 484-9646

Festival of Gingerbread Make & Take — Make snowflakes, **noon-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — **noon-8 p.m.**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Dashing Through the Snow — **2 p.m.**, Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

Elf the Musical — **2 p.m.**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

The Nutcracker — **2 p.m.**, Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-0646

Handel's Messiah — Steuben County Festival Choir, **2 p.m.**, T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, \$10, (260) 665-4990

Elf Jr. — **3 p.m.**, Fort Wayne Youtheatre, First Presbyterian Church Theater, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$20, (260) 422-6900

Manchester Symphony Orchestra — Cordier Auditorium, North Manchester, **3 p.m.** \$15, (260) 982-5285

Christmas Spectacular — **6 p.m.**, PPG Artslab, Fort Wayne, (260) 422-4226

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-9 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-9 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

A Nashville Family Christmas — Holiday at The Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, **7 p.m.**, \$25-\$59, (260) 747-0989

NewSong w/Big Daddy Weave — Christmas at Honeywell Center, Wabash, **7:30 p.m.**, \$25-\$50, (260) 563-1102

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

Festival of Gingerbread — **9 a.m.-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Holiday Art — **10 a.m.-6 p.m.**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927



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Fort Wayne Ballet's The Nutcracker.

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — **3-8 p.m.**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-9 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Festival of Gingerbread — **9 a.m.-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Alpine Holiday Showcase — **10 a.m.-5 p.m.**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — **10 a.m.-6 p.m.**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — **3-8 p.m.**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-9 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

Fort Wayne Area Community Band — Holiday at Rhinehart Recital Hall, Fort Wayne, **7:30 p.m.**, \$4-\$8, (260) 481-6555

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

Festival of Gingerbread — **9 a.m.-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Alpine Holiday Showcase — **10 a.m.-5 p.m.**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — **10 a.m.-6 p.m.**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — **noon-6 p.m.**, The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — **3-8 p.m.**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-9 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

Festival of Gingerbread — **9 a.m.-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Holiday Art — **10 a.m.-6 p.m.**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Alpine Holiday Showcase — **10 a.m.-8 p.m.**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Show — **11 a.m.-6 p.m.**, Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — **noon-6 p.m.**, The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — **3-8 p.m.**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-9 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-9 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

Messiah by Candlelight — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at First Wayne Street United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne, **7:30 p.m.**, \$35, (260) 481-0770

Jim Brickman — Christmas at Eagles Theatre, Wabash, **7:30 p.m.**, \$29-\$69, (260) 563-1102

Straight No Chaser — A Capella at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, **7:30 p.m.**, \$36-\$66, (260) 424-5665

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

Festival of Gingerbread — **9 a.m.-8 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Alpine Holiday Showcase — **10 a.m.-5 p.m.**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — **10 a.m.-6 p.m.**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Holiday Show — **11 a.m.-6 p.m.**, Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — **noon-6 p.m.**, The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — **noon-9 p.m.**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-10 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — **6-10 p.m.**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

Elf Jr. — **7 p.m.**, Fort Wayne Youtheatre, First Presbyterian Church Theater, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$20, (260) 422-6900

Elf the Musical — **7 p.m.**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

Messiah by Candlelight — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at First Wayne Street United Methodist Church, Fort Wayne, **7:30 p.m.**, \$35, (260) 481-0770

David Phelps — Christmas at First Assembly of God, Fort Wayne, **7:30 p.m.**, \$20-\$35, (260) 484-1029

Dashing Through the Snow — **8 p.m.**, Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

Breakfast with Santa — Meet and greet with Santa before enjoying breakfast, **8-11 a.m.**, Oakwood Resort, Syracuse, \$3-\$8, (574) 457-7100

Festival of Gingerbread — **9 a.m.-8 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Buddy's Breakfast with Santa — Character meet and greets, music, crafts, goodie bags, and ticket includes noon showing of *Elf Jr.*, **10 a.m.-noon**, First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$30, (260) 422-4226

Holiday Art — **10 a.m.-4 p.m.**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Alpine Holiday Showcase — **10 a.m.-5 p.m.**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Artlink Winter Market — Contemporary crafts and handmade goods, **11 a.m.-7:30 p.m.**, Artlink Contemporary Art Gallery, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 424-7195

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Santa & Reindeer Saturdays — Pet holiday-dressed reindeer and pose for pictures with Santa, **noon-4 p.m.**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Festival of Gingerbread: The Science of Sugary Structures — Create your own edible structure, **noon-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$8, (260) 426-2882

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-9 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, **2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.**, \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

Elf Jr. — 3 p.m., Fort Wayne Youththeatre, First Presbyterian Church Theater, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$20, (260) 422-6900

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

Elf the Musical — 7 p.m., Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

The Beach Boys — Holiday concert at Honeywell Center, Wabash, **7:30 p.m.** \$54-\$105, (260) 563-1102

Dashing Through the Snow — 8 p.m., Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

Alpine Holiday Showcase — noon-4 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Festival of Gingerbread — noon-5 p.m., The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6, (260) 426-2882

Festival of Gingerbread Make & Take — Cookie decorating party, **noon-5 p.m.**, The History Center, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$8, (260) 426-2882

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, **2 p.m.** \$27-\$86, (260) 481-0770

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at T. Furth Center, Trine University, Angola, **7:30 p.m.** \$35-\$45, (260) 665-4990

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

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Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

Holiday Pops — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at Honeywell Center, Wabash, **7:30 p.m.** \$20, (260) 563-1102

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Show — 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

Holiday Show — 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-10 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

Alpine Holiday Showcase — noon-4 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — noon-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — 3-8 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

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Blue Jacket's Fantasy of Lights — 6-9 p.m., Franke Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 744-1900

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

Holiday Art — 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 436-0927

Alpine Holiday Showcase — 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

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Icy Tour to cool off venues in summer

Twenty One Pilots celebrated the release of the deluxe version of their new album *Scaled and Icy* by announcing a 23-city arena outing. “The Icy Tour 2022,” launches Aug. 18 at Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, Minnesota, making stops in Detroit on Aug. 20, Cincinnati on Aug. 21, and Cleveland on Aug. 30.



Road Notes

CHRIS HUPE

Intimate performance in Ohio

Corey Taylor is doing a small set of shows before **Slipknot** heads out on their international tour in 2022 and he's heading to Columbus, Ohio, to hang out with fans at Jo Ann Davidson Theatre at the Riffe Center on Monday, Dec. 13.

During this “In Conversation” event, Taylor will have an intimate night with his fans, answering whatever the audience wants to know during a question-and-answer session. Photo ops and autographs will be available for purchase after the show at an additional cost during a special meet-and-greet.

Still touring in support of his solo album *CMFT*, Taylor just released a cover of Cosby, Stills, Nash & Young's “Carry On.”

Dream Theater sets 2022 tour

Back in September, **Dream Theater** announced that they were postponing their Fall 2021 tour due to COVID-19 concerns. Now, the progressive metal band has announced a full itinerary of rescheduled dates for 2022.

That tour will set off Feb. 2 in Mesa, Arizona, making its way to our region with a Feb. 16 stop in Cincinnati and eventually heading to Chicago on Feb. 20 and Detroit on Feb. 22.

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On the Road NATIONAL TOURS WITHIN DRIVING DISTANCE

Confirm with the venue about any event you plan to attend.

38 Special w/The Dane Clark Band	Dec. 9	Brown County Music Center	Nashville
38 Special	Dec. 11	Honeywell Center Ford Theater	Wabash
A Motown Christmas	Dec. 7	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
A Nashville Family Christmas	Dec. 12	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Aaron Lewis	Jan. 28 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
The Aces	Dec. 4	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Air Supply	June 11 '22	Foellinger Theatre	Fort Wayne
Alabama	Jan. 15 '22	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Alice Cooper	Jan. 28 '22	Andrew J. Brady Icon Music Center	Cincinnati
Alice Cooper	Jan. 31 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Alina Baraz	Jan. 26-27 '22	House of Blues	Chicago
All That Remains	Mar. 24 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Allen Stone	Dec. 13	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Allen Stone	Dec. 14	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Allman Family Revival	Dec. 12	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith	Dec. 9	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Amy Grant & Michael W. Smith	Dec. 10	Aronoff Center for the Arts	Cincinnati
Ana Popovic	Jan. 26 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Ana Popovic	Jan. 28 '22	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Anderson East	Dec. 18	Bogart's	Cincinnati
Andrea Bocelli	Dec. 2	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Andrea Bocelli	Dec. 5	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Andrew Peterson w/Behold the Lamb of God	Dec. 8	Lima Community Church	Lima, OH
Andy McKee w/Trevor Gordon Hall	Dec. 7	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Annie Hart	Dec. 4	Beachland Tavern	Cleveland
Annie Hart	Dec. 6	The Empty Bottle	Chicago
Annie Hart	Dec. 7	The B-Side @ One Lucky Guitar	Fort Wayne
Arielle	Mar. 5 '22	Sweetwater Perf. Theatre	Fort Wayne
Art Garfunkel	Apr. 22 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Ashley McBryde	Dec. 12	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Ashley McBryde	Jan. 13 '22	20 Monroe Live	Grand Rapids
Ashley McBryde	Jan. 14 '22	The Fillmore	Detroit
Ashley McBryde	Jan. 15 '22	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Ashley McBryde w/Ashland Craft	Feb. 26 '22	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Avery Sunshine	Jan. 6-9 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Badfish	Jan. 28 '22	House of Blues	Chicago
Badfish	Jan. 29 '22	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
Badfish w/Kash'd Out & The Z-Dubs	Jan. 30 '22	The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Barry Manilow	Dec. 19-21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Beabadoobee	Dec. 6	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Beabadoobee w/Christian Leave	Dec. 8	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
The Beach Boys	Dec. 18	Honeywell Center	Wabash
The Beach Boys	Dec. 19	Brown County Music Center	Nashville
Ben Ottewill & Ian Ball w/Buddy	Dec. 6	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Best Coast	Jan. 19 '22	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
The Beths	Jan. 28 '22	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy	Dec. 5	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy	Dec. 21	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy	Dec. 22	Brown County Music Center	Nashville
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy	Feb. 26 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Big Time Rush	Dec. 15	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Bill Burr	Dec. 16-17	Murat Theatre	Indianapolis
Bill Burr	Dec. 18	Clowes Memorial Hall	Indianapolis
Billy Strings	Dec. 30-Jan. 1	20 Monroe Live	Grand Rapids
The Black Angels w/The Vacant Lots	Feb. 1 '22	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Black Stone Cherry	Dec. 11	The Eclectic Room	Angola
Black Violin	May 7 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Blitzkid	Mar. 10 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Blue October	Dec. 11	The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Blue Oyster Cult	Dec. 2	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Blue Oyster Cult	Dec. 3	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
The Boys From The County Hell	Dec. 23	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
Brett Eldredge	Dec. 17-18	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Brian Fallon and the Howling Weather	Jan. 19 '22	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
Brian Fallon and The Howling Weather	Jan. 23 '22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit

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The band will be out in support of their recently released album *A View From the Top of the World*.

Comedian is ready to rant

Comedian **Lewis Black** is hitting the road for a tour in 2022. With plenty of world events that are sure to have him at a maximum agitation level, Black will set off on the “Off the Rails Tour” in January, finding himself in Cincinnati on April 21, Akron on April 22, Detroit on April 29, and Chicago on April 30.

Specializing in observational humor, Black's standup tends to devolve into rants about American history and politics.

Lights returns to stage in '22

Lights Poxleitner-Bokan, known professionally as **Lights**, teased a new album by releasing the song “Prodigal Daughter” last month. She now has announced plans to tour North America in 2022.

Next April and May, the singer will hit the road on the “Baby I’m Back Tour,” which will see the Canadian play 26 shows in preparation for the release of her yet untitled new album, due out in the summer.

Check her out April 25 in Columbus, Ohio, at the Newport Music Hall, May 4 at the House of Blues in Chicago, or May 6 at the Majestic Theatre in Detroit.

Bentley adds more tour stops

Dierks Bentley has extended his “Beers on Me Tour” into 2022. The country singer will remain on the road into March with a Feb. 24 show scheduled in Columbus, as well as a stop in Grand Rapids on March 3, Bloomington on March 4, and the tour finale in Toledo on March 5. **Jordan Davis** and **Lainey Wilson** will open all of those shows.

Road Notes covers concerts within driving distance of Northeast Indiana. Send your news items to info@whatzup.com.

Answer key for puzzle on Page 24

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Brian Regan	Jan. 20 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Brian Regan	Jan. 21 '22	Palace Theatre	Columbus, OH
Brian Regan	Jan. 22 '22	The Fillmore	Detroit
Brian Regan	Jan. 23 '22	DeVos Performance Hall	Grand Rapids
Bruce Dickinson	Jan. 30 '22	The Fillmore	Detroit
Bryce Vine	Feb. 2 '22	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
Califone & Robyn Mineko Williams	Dec. 15	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Cameo and The Dazz Band	Jan. 16 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Casey Donahew	Dec. 11	8 Seconds Saloon	Indianapolis
Casting Crowns w/Mac Powell, Cain	Dec. 7	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Casting Crowns w/Mac Powell, Cain	Dec. 11	Huntington Center	Toledo
Cedric the Entertainer	Jan. 22 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Celtic Angels Christmas	Dec. 3	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Celtic Angels	Dec. 8	Paramount Theatre	Anderson
Chevy Chase	Dec. 9	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Chicago	Apr. 10 '22	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Chicano Batman w/Los Retros	Dec. 17	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Chris Janson	Dec. 9	Sound Board	Detroit
Christmas with the Celts	Dec. 10	Goodyear Theater	Akron, OH
Circa Survive	Jan. 9 '22	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
Circa Survive	Jan. 11 '22	The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Circa Survive	Jan. 12 '22	Deluxe	Indianapolis
Circa Survive	Jan. 15 '22	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Claudia Oshry	Dec. 3	The Fillmore	Detroit
cleopatricks	Jan. 23 '22	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Clutch	Dec. 29	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Clutch	Dec. 30	The Fillmore	Detroit
Clutch	Dec. 31	Andrew J. Brady Icon Music Center	Cincinnati
Cody Johnson w/Easton Corbin & Ian Munsick	Jan. 22 '22	Huntington Center	Toledo
Coin	Dec. 6	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Coin	Dec. 8	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
Coin	Dec. 10	Express Live!	Columbus, OH
Coin	Dec. 11	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Conya Doss & Frank McComb	Jan. 17 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Corey Taylor	Dec. 13	Jo Ann Davidson Theatre	Columbus, Ohio
Cory Wong w/Antwaun Stanley and Sierra Hull	Jan. 27 '22	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Courtney Barnett	Jan. 23 '22	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Courtney Barnett w/Julia Jackson	Jan. 25 '22	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
The Cybertronic Spree	Dec. 10	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
DaBaby	Jan. 15 '22	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Damien Escobar	Dec. 16	The Palladium	Carmel
Dan & Megan Rodriguez	Dec. 5	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Dan + Shay	Dec. 3	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Dan Burnell Band	Dec. 18	8 Seconds Saloon	Indianapolis
Dave Koz	Dec. 6	Sound Board	Detroit
Dave Koz	Dec. 11	The Palladium	Carmel
David Benoit	Dec. 7	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
David Phelps	Dec. 17	First Assembly of God	Fort Wayne
David Sedaris	Dec. 13	DeVos Performance Hall	Grand Rapids
David Sedaris	Dec. 15	The Palladium	Carmel
Debby Boone	Dec. 4	The Palladium	Carmel
Defeated Sanity	Mar. 16 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Dennis DeYoung	Feb. 19 '22	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Deon Cole	Dec. 2	Sound Board	Detroit
Diana Krall	Jan. 18 '22	DeVos Performance Hall	Grand Rapids
Diana Krall	Jan. 19 '22	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Diana Krall	Jan. 25 '22	The Palladium	Carmel
Dillion Francis w/Yung Gravy and Kittens	Jan. 12 '22	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Diplo, Vnsa, and Solardo	Dec. 11	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Dirty Honey and Mammoth WVH	Jan. 25 '22	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
DJ Jazzy Jeff w/Rakim and DJ Gil Grimm	Feb. 26 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Donnie Baker w/Catfish Cooley	Apr. 15 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Donnie Iris & The Cruisers	Dec. 11	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Dorian Electra	Jan. 29 '22	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Dragonforce	Mar. 29 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Drowning Pool w/III Nino and Hed PE	Mar. 23 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Dusty Leigh	Dec. 14	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Dylan Francis, Yung Gravy, and Kittens	Jan. 6 '22	Icon Music Center	Cincinnati

Earthquake and Luenell	Jan. 13 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Emily Jane White	Jan. 21 '22	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Emmaline	Dec. 11	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Emo Night Brooklyn	Dec. 10	House of Blues	Chicago
The Empty Pockets	Dec. 15	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Erasure w/Bag Raiders	Jan. 29 '22	Andrew J. Brady Icon Music Center	Cincinnati
Eric Church	Jan. 21 '22	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Eric Church	Jan. 22 '22	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Eric Johnson	Mar. 13 '22	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Ernie Haase and Signature Sound	Dec. 17	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Erthe St. James	Dec. 3	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Evanescence	Dec. 9	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Evanescence and Halestorm	Dec. 11	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Evanescence and Halestorm	Dec. 12	Heritage Bank Center	Cincinnati
Face 2 Face	Jan. 22 '22	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Falling in Reverse w/Wage War	Jan. 15 '22	Icon Music Center	Cincinnati
Falling in Reverse w/Wage War	Jan. 24 '22	The Fillmore	Detroit
The Fly Honeys	Dec. 30-31	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Fortune Feimster	Dec. 16	Clowes Memorial Hall	Indianapolis
G. Love & The Juice	Jan. 22 '22	House of Blues	Cleveland
Gary LeVox	Apr. 21 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Genesis	Dec. 8	Nationwide Arena	Columbus, OH
George Clinton and Parliament Funkadelic	Jan. 23 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Gimme Gimme Disco	Dec. 10	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Gimme Gimme Disco	Dec. 11	House of Blues	Chicago
The Glorious Sons w/Brother Elsey	Dec. 12	The Vogue	Indianapolis
The Glorious Sons w/Brother Elsey	Dec. 18	The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Goodie Mob	Dec. 29	The Sound Board	Detroit
Goose	Dec. 30-31	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Gordon Lightfoot	Jan. 30-31 '22	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Greensky Bluegrass	Feb. 3 '22	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Gregory Porter	Feb. 16 '22	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
The Guess Who w/The Sedonas	Jan. 29 '22	Goodyear Theater	Akron
Guster w/Ben Kweller	Jan. 21 '22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Guster w/Ben Kweller	Jan. 22 '22	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Handsome Jack	Dec. 4	O'Sullivan's Italian Irish Pub	Fort Wayne
Hasan Minhaj	Jan. 21 '22	Connor Palace at Playhouse Square	Cleveland
Hasan Minhaj	Jan. 22 '22	Palace Theatre	Columbus, OH
Hasan Minhaj	Jan. 23 '22	Aronoff Center for the Arts	Cincinnati
Hawthorne Heights w/Falling in Reverse	Jan. 25 '22	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Here Come the Mummies	Dec. 4	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Hodgetwins	Jan. 21-22 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Holographic Roy Orbison and Buddy Holly	Feb. 25 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Hot Club of Cowtown	Jan. 11 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Hot Mulligan	Dec. 16	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Hot Tune w/Steve Kimcock & Friends	Dec. 9	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Houndmouth w/Ona	Dec. 17-18	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Idkhow	Feb. 1 '22	House of Blues	Chicago
Idkhow	Feb. 2 '22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
The Iguanas w/Kevin Gordon	Jan. 14 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Imminent Sonic Destruction	Dec. 3	Token Lounge	Westland, MI
Inner Wave	Jan. 14 '22	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Islands	Dec. 3	Schubas Tavern	Chicago
Isley Brothers and Gladys Knight	Dec. 18	Fox Theatre	Detroit
J.B. Smoove	Jan. 30 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Jacquees	Jan. 15 '22	Morris P.A.C.	South Bend
James Taylor w/Jackson Browne	Dec. 10	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
James Taylor w/Jackson Browne	Dec. 11	Nationwide Arena	Columbus, OH
Jameson Rodgers	Dec. 2	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Jameson Rodgers w/Drew Parker	Dec. 10	8 Seconds Saloon	Indianapolis
Jameson Rodgers	Dec. 11	Bogart's	Cincinnati
Jason Isbell and the 400 Unit	Dec. 10-11	Icon Music Center	Cincinnati
Jason Isbell And The 400 Unit w/Adia Victoria	Jan. 16 '22	Palace Theatre	Columbus, OH
Jay Wheeler	Dec. 23	Rosemont Theatre	Rosemont, IL
Jazmine Sullivan w/Asaka	Dec. 11	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Jeff Dunham	Dec. 31	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Jeff Tweedy	Dec. 22-23	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Jelly Roll	Dec. 3	The Pavilion at Pan Am	Indianapolis

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Jim Brickman	Dec. 16	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Jim Brickman	Dec. 22	Southern Theatre	Columbus, OH
Jim Jefferies	Jan. 15 '22	Palace Theatre	Columbus, OH
Jimmy Vaughn	Mar. 24 '22	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
John Berry	Dec. 8	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
John Summit	Dec. 30	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Johnny Mathis	Dec. 11	Rosemont Theatre	Rosemont, IL
JoJo Siwa	Feb. 15 '22	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Jon Langston w/Noah Hicks	Dec. 3	8 Seconds Saloon	Indianapolis
Jon McLaughlin	Dec. 16	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Jordan Donica	Jan. 7 '22	The Palladium	Carmel
Jordan Smith	Dec. 9	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Jose James	Dec. 13	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Josh Pray	Dec. 11	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Josh Turner	Dec. 19	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Josh Turner	Feb. 24 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
JS McPherson w/Joel Paterson	Dec. 16	Thalia Hall	Chicago
The Juliana Theory w/Mae	Dec. 19	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Kacey Musgraves	Jan. 20 '22	United Center	Chicago
Kacey Musgraves	Jan. 23 '22	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Kaivon w/Neutral and Levity	Dec. 10	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Kaki King	Jan. 25 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Kaleo Wassman w/Shane Hall	Jan. 13 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Kane Brown	Jan. 6 '22	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Kane Brown	Jan. 22 '22	United Center	Chicago
Kansas	Dec. 3	The Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
Kathleen Madigan	Jan. 13 '22	Palace Theatre	Columbus, OH
Kaytranada and Sango	Dec. 31	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Keith Sweat and Jagged Edge	Dec. 11	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Keller Williams	Dec. 2	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Keller Williams	Dec. 3	The Vogue	Indianapolis
Kenny G	Dec. 4	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Kenny G	Dec. 5	Brown County Music Center	Nashville
Kenny G	Dec. 9	FireKeepers Casino	Battle Creek, MI
Kenny G	Dec. 12	Sound Board	Detroit
Khruangbin	Dec. 6	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Khruangbin w/Nick Hakim	Dec. 9-10	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
The Killers	Dec. 7	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Kindred the Family Soul	Dec. 8-9	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
The King's Singers	Dec. 12	The Palladium	Carmel
Kurt Elling	Dec. 19	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Laine Hardy	Dec. 11	Niswonger P.A.C.	Van Wert, Ohio
Larry Gatlin, Billy Dean, and Sylvia	Dec. 14	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Last In Line	Dec. 16	The Eclectic Room	Angola
LeAnn Rimes	Dec. 14	Brown County Music Center	Nashville
Leann Rimes	Dec. 15	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Leanne Morgan	Aug. 5 '22	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
The Lettermen: A Very Merry Christmas	Dec. 3	T. Furth Center, Trine University	Angola
Lil Baby, Moneybagg Yo, Megan Thee Stallion	Dec. 17	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Lil Durk, Lil Baby, City Girls, Moneybagg Yo	Dec. 18	United Center	Chicago
Lil Nas X w/AJR, Tate McRae, Doja Cat, Bazzi	Dec. 7	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Lilias	Dec. 10	The Eclectic Room	Angola
Limbs, Being As An Ocean, Capstan	Jan. 22 '22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Lindsey Stirling	Dec. 2	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Lindsey Stirling	Dec. 6	Brown County Music Center	Nashville
Liquid Stranger w/Mersiv, TVBOO	Jan. 21 '22	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Lloyd and Bobby V	Jan. 9 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Los Lobos	Dec. 30-31	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Low Cut Connie	Jan. 20 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Low Cut Connie	Jan. 25 '22	Buskirk-Chumley Theater	Bloomington, IN
The Lumineers	Dec. 7	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Luttrell	Dec. 18	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Lyfe Jennings and Chrisette Michele	Dec. 16	Sound Board	Detroit
Machine Gun Kelly	Dec. 18	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Maddie Poppe	Dec. 23	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Mammoth WVH & Dirty Honey	Jan. 21 '22	House of Blues	Chicago
Mammoth WVH and Dirty Honey	Jan. 24 '22	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
Mannheim Steamroller	Dec. 3	Palace Theatre	Columbus, OH

Mannheim Steamroller	Dec. 10	Rosemont Theatre	Rosemont, IL
Mannheim Steamroller	Dec. 18	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Mansionair	Jan. 27 '22	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Marie Osmond	Dec. 20	Sound Board	Detroit
Martina McBride	Dec. 17	The Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
Matt Stell	Dec. 17	8 Seconds Saloon	Indianapolis
Max Weinberg's Jukebox	Dec. 3	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Maysa	Jan. 15 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Meat Loaf Presents: Bat	Feb. 25 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Metz	Dec. 15	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Michael Bolton	Dec. 11	Four Winds Casino	New Buffalo, MI
Michael Bolton	Apr. 24 '22	Niswonger P.A.C.	Van Wert, Ohio
Michael Cavanaugh	Apr. 7 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash

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The Midnight Sun Band	Jan. 2 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
The Minimalists	Feb. 3 '22	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Mister Wives w/Frances Forever	Dec. 3	Thalia Hall	Chicago
MisterWives	Dec. 7	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Mitchel Tenpenny w/Drew Green	Dec. 18	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
MitiS	Jan. 1 '22	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Monatik	Jan. 14 '22	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Monsta X	Feb. 3 '22	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Morgan James	Dec. 11	Token Lounge	Westland, MI
Morgan James	Dec. 12	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Morgan James	Dec. 17	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Morgan James	Dec. 19	Hi-Fi Indy	Indianapolis
Morris Day and the Time	Feb. 3 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Mother Mother	Jan. 23 '22	Metro/Smart Bar	Chicago
Mother Mother	Jan. 25 '22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Motherfolk w/Sylmar	Dec. 17	Bogart's	Cincinnati
Motion City Soundtrack	Dec. 31	House of Blues	Chicago
Motion City Soundtrack	Jan. 2 '22	Bogart's	Cincinnati
Motion City Soundtrack	Jan. 4 '22	House of Blues	Cleveland
Motion City Soundtrack	Jan. 5 '22	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Motion City Soundtrack	Jan. 7 '22	The Fillmore	Detroit
Mt. Joy	Dec. 7	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Muscadine Bloodline	Dec. 17	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
My Name is NOT Mom	Feb. 18 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Najee	Jan. 15 '22	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Namen Namen, Piques, and Crayola Johnston	Dec. 10	The Muse on Main	Fort Wayne
Nate Bargatze	Dec. 4	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Nate Bargatze	Jan. 14 '22	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Nate Bargatze	Jan. 15 '22	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Neal Francis w/Dos Santos	Jan. 14 '22	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Neal McCoy	Dec. 4	8 Seconds Saloon	Indianapolis

Neal Morse Band	Feb. 20 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Nelly w/Blanco Brown and Harper Grace	Jan. 23 '22	The Pavilion at Pan Am	Indianapolis
Nelly, Ludacris, and Trina	Dec. 19	Fox Theatre	Detroit
NewSong w/Big Daddy Weave	Dec. 12	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Nile	Mar. 1 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Nita Strauss	Dec. 14	The Odeon	Cleveland
Nita Strauss	Dec. 15	Reggie's	Chicago
Nita Strauss w/Black Satellite, Marc Rizzo	Dec. 18	The Eclectic Room	Angola
Nonpoint w/Any Given Sin	Jan. 9 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Oak Ridge Boys	Feb. 6 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Okilly Dokilly w/Steaksauce Mustache	Apr. 28 '22	Brass Rail	Fort Wayne
Our Lady Peace	Dec. 18	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Over the Rhine	Dec. 4	Riffe Center Studio Theatres	Columbus, OH
Over the Rhine	Dec. 5	Old Town School of Folk Music	Chicago
Over the Rhine w/Carrie Newcomer	Dec. 11	Buskirk-Chumley Theater	Bloomington, IN
Over the Rhine	Dec. 17-19	Memorial Hall	Cincinnati
Papadosio	Dec. 30	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
Parker McCollum	Dec. 3	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Parker McCollum	Dec. 4	Goodyear Theater	Akron, OH
Patton Oswalt	Dec. 11	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Pentatonix	Dec. 12	Nationwide Arena	Columbus, OH
Pentatonix	Dec. 15	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Pentatonix	Dec. 16	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Peter Noone	Dec. 10	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Peter White w/Mindi Abair & Vincent Ingala	Dec. 4	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Polish Wieniawski Philharmonic Orchestra	Feb. 22 '22	Niswonger P.A.C.	Van Wert, Ohio
Polo G	Dec. 3	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Polo G	Dec. 6	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Postmodern Jukebox	Dec. 10	The Palladium	Carmel
Punch Brothers	Jan. 27 '22	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Raekwon w/Ghostface and GZA	Dec. 19	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Raekwon, Ghostface, GZA	Dec. 16	The Fillmore	Detroit
Raekwon, Ghostface, GZA	Dec. 17	House of Blues	Cleveland
Raekwon, Ghostface, and GZA	Dec. 18	The Vogue	Indianapolis
Randy Houser	Feb. 3 '22	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
Ratboys w/Retirement Party and Rat Tally	Dec. 23	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Reba	Jan. 20 '22	Huntington Center	Toledo
Rebirth Brass Band	Jan. 15 '22	Thalia Hall	Chicago
REO Speedwagon	Dec. 13	The Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
REO Speedwagon	Dec. 18	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Rick Springfield	Dec. 10	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Rick Springfield	Dec. 29	Andrew J. Brady Icon Music Center	Cincinnati
Robert Glasper	Dec. 17-18	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Rodney Carrington	Jan. 22 '22	Canton Palace Theatre	Canton, OH
Rodney Carrington	Feb. 24 '22	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Ron Pope	Jan. 22 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Ron White	Feb. 11 '22	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Ronnie Chieng	Dec. 4	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Ronny Chieng	Dec. 5	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Roosevelt w/Bilderbuch	Dec. 6	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Rotimi	Jan. 15 '22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Ryan Hurd	Jan. 13 '22	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
Ryan Hurd w/Conner Smith	Jan. 14 '22	The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Ryan Hurd	Jan. 16 '22	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Sal Vulcano & Chris Distefano	Dec. 31	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Samantha Fish w/King Solomon Hicks	Dec. 14	The Vogue	Indianapolis
Samia w/Annie DiRusso	Jan. 30 '22	Thalia Hall	Chicago
San Holo w/Kasbo, Devault, and Duskus	Dec. 4-5	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
San Holo	Dec. 8	Bogart's	Cincinnati
San Holo	Dec. 9	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Sebastian Maniscalco	Dec. 9	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Sebastian Maniscalco	Dec. 10	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Sebastian Maniscalco	Dec. 11-12	United Center	Chicago
Seckond Chaynece	Jan. 6 '22	Piere's Entertainment Center	Fort Wayne
Shakey Graves	Dec. 4	Bogart's	Cincinnati
Shakey Graves w/S.G. Goodman	Dec. 7	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Shakey Graves w/SG Goodman	Dec. 28-29	Thalia Hall	Chicago
She & Him	Dec. 7	Chicago Theatre	Chicago

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Sixteen Candles	Dec. 10	The Vogue	Indianapolis
Skylar Rogers	Jan. 15 '22	Key Palace Theatre	Redkey
Sleepy Hollow	Dec. 2	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Sleepy Hollow & Eli Fross	Dec. 3	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Sleepy Hollow w/Eli Fross	Dec. 5	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
Smith & Myers	Dec. 12	House of Blues	Cleveland
Smith & Myers	Dec. 14	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Smith & Myers	Dec. 16	Radius	Chicago
Smith & Myers	Dec. 17	The Fillmore	Detroit
Smith & Myers	Dec. 18	Icon Music Center	Cincinnati
Snail Mail w/Spencer and Hotline TNT	Dec. 13	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Soraia	Dec. 2	Token Lounge	Westland, MI
Squirrel Zipper Nuts	Dec. 18	Live at the Ludlow Garage	Cincinnati
Starset	Dec. 15	House of Blues	Chicago
Starset	Dec. 18	House of Blues Cleveland	Cleveland
Starset w/All Good Things and The Word Alive	Dec. 17	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Steel Panther	Dec. 9	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
Steel Panther	Dec. 10	Egyptian Room	Indianapolis
Steve Gunn & Jeff Parker	Dec. 2	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Steve Kimock & Friends	Dec. 11	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Steve-O	Jan. 15 '22	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Steven Curtis Chapman	Dec. 14	The Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
Stokely Williams	Jan. 20 '22	Sound Board	Detroit
Stone Senate and The Gasoline Gypsies	Dec. 18	Token Lounge	Westland, MI
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 11	Auditorium Theatre	Chicago
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 12	Connor Palace	Cleveland
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 15	Morris P.A.C.	South Bend
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 16	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 17	IU Auditorium	Bloomington
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 18-19	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 21	Palace Theatre	Columbus, OH
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 22	Schuster P.A.C.	Dayton, OH
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 23	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Strkr w/The Undercover Dream and Das Kope	Feb. 2 '22	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Subtronics	Feb. 1 '22	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Sullivan King w/Layz and Acemyth	Dec. 3	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Sullivan King w/Layz	Dec. 4	The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Taylor Tomlinson	Jan. 21 '22	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
TC Carson	Jan. 19 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Tchami w/AC Slater	Jan. 28 '22	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Tedeschi Trucks Band	Jan. 21,22,28,29	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Terisa Griffin	Dec. 26	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Terri Clark, Pam Tillis, and Suzy Bogguss	Mar. 10 '22	Niswonger P.A.C.	Van Wert, Ohio
The Texas Tenors	Dec. 11	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Texas Tenors	Dec. 18	Niswonger P.A.C.	Van Wert, Ohio
Thunderstruck	Dec. 11	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Thursday w/Cursive, Jeremy Enigk	Jan. 20 '22	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Tig Notaro	Jan. 13 '22	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Tig Notaro	Jan. 16 '22	Southern Theatre	Columbus, OH
Tom Papa	Jan. 21 '22	City Winery Chicago	Chicago
Tom Segura	May 20 '22	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Tommy Emmanuel	Dec. 8	Egyptian Room	Indianapolis
Tommy Emmanuel	Dec. 9	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Tommy Emmanuel	Dec. 14	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Trace Adkins	May 8 '22	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Trailer Park Boys: Sunnysvale Xmas	Dec. 4	Murat Theatre	Indianapolis
Trailer Park Boys: Sunnysvale Xmas	Dec. 7	Kalamazoo State Theatre	Kalamazoo
Trailer Park Boys: Sunnysvale Xmas	Dec. 14	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Trans-Siberian Orchestra	Dec. 2	Heritage Bank Arena	Cincinnati
Trans-Siberian Orchestra	Dec. 3	Huntington Center	Toledo
Trans-Siberian Orchestra	Dec. 4	Nutter Center, Wright State University	Dayton
Trans-Siberian Orchestra	Dec. 5	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Trans-Siberian Orchestra	Dec. 22	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Trans-Siberian Orchestra	Dec. 23	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Trans-Siberian Orchestra	Dec. 26	Nationwide Arena	Columbus
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Whitney Cummings	Dec. 11	Vic Theatre	Chicago
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Winter Jam w/Skillet, Tauren Wells, Newsong	Jan. 30 '22	EMU Convocation Center	Ypsilanti, MI
Winter Jam w/Skillet, Tauren Wells, Newsong	Feb. 17 '22	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
The Wizards of Winter	Dec. 5	Niswonger P.A.C.	Van Wert, OH
The Wombats	Jan. 31 '22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Wooli w/William Black and Ace Aura	Jan. 22 '22	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
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Guy Zensei

Demos & Delusions

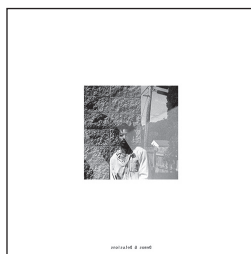
Fort Wayne artist Guy Zensei has assembled a few years worth of song ideas, snippets, and mental notes into the collection *Demos & Delusions*. This isn't an album of finished thoughts more than musical entries into one's own journal of life. Experimental in nature and lo-fi in fidelity, the album is an open book to Zensei's thoughts on the world and his own busy and contemplative mind.

If you're looking for singer/songwriter fare or party jams for the holiday road trip, then this is not going to be your jam. But if you can appreciate the vulnerability of an artist laying random thoughts out like an open book, then Guy Zensei has a few journal entries for you to check out.

Demos & Delusions is like early Sebadoh-level vulnerability combined with coffeehouse poetry vibes featuring guitars strummed with abandon, whispered vocals, and the rawness of 2 a.m. confessionals. Zensei seems to have locked into more performance art than songwriting. Tracks like "Dark Nights, Black Boy," "love, drugs, and other things," and "blood on my lips" show moments of free-form creation while attempting to push those ideas into song structures.

As the title eludes to, these are demos. Demos of what? Songs? I'm not sure. I do hear ideas and depth in Zensei's tracks, but this isn't quite what I'd think of when I'd call something "release-ready." It feels personal and private, as if he is woodshedding thoughts for future songs, poems, stories, or prose. I'd be interested in hearing something more complete, as Zensei certainly has something to say.

If you prefer your albums to be complete ideas with the typical verse/chorus/verse scenario, this might not be your bag. But if you like your art a bit raw and more in tune with random jabs of thoughts, ideas, and contemplations, then Guy Zensei's *Demos & Delusions* might have something for you. — J Hubner

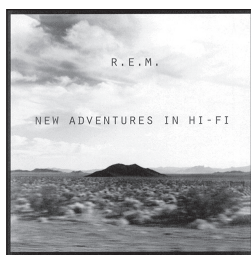


REM

New Adventures in Hi-Fi

REM's tenth album, *New Adventures in Hi-Fi*, was pivotal in quite a few ways. It was the last album featuring the band's original drummer, Bill Berry. It was the last time the band worked with long-time producer Scott Litt. It was also, unfortunately, the last REM album to get much respect from critics and many fans. This 25th-anniversary edition of the album includes a remastered version of the original tracks and a disc of bonus tracks.

With the release of *New Adventures* in 1996, REM was rebounding from its commercial breakthrough with 1991's *Out of Time* and the



reinvention of 1994's *Monster*, which was greeted with mixed feelings by many.

In retrospect, *New Adventures* feels like an attempt to create a bridge between the band's roots ("Bittersweet Me") and its exploratory future ("How the West Was Won and What It Got Us"). The future turned out to be not nearly as bright as REM's past, and the unevenness of *New Adventures* foreshadows that.

The bonus live versions of some of the songs are reminders of the band's vitality, and for the most part, they're more appealing than the smoothed-out versions on the original album. Perhaps the most striking bonus track is a cover of "Wichita Lineman," in which the band turns the pop classic into a gothic story evoking the best of the songs on *Document*.

New Adventures in Hi-Fi is far from the best album REM ever made, but it still stands above the band's decline in the early 2000s. A quarter century later, it deserves another listen. It may be the last REM album we'll be able to say that about, unless we feel generously nostalgic in 2026 when it's *Reveal*'s turn. — Evan Gillespie

Jack Russell's
Great White

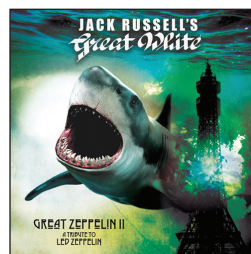
Great Zeppelin II

Jack Russell has never hidden his affinity for hard rock pioneers Led Zeppelin. In fact, he built a career playing music that emulated that band.

So, it should have been no surprise when Russell, as a member of Great White, released *Great Zeppelin: A Tribute to Led Zeppelin* in 1998. And it should be no surprise that Russell would want to do it again with his new band, Jack Russell's Great White.

Russell and crew refuse to shy away from the multiple challenges the music presents, even kicking off the disc with the iconic "Whole Lotta Love." Probably the song in which Russell sounds closest to Led Zeppelin singer Robert Plant, it is easy to see why they chose this to be the lead single off of the disc. "Good Times, Bad Times" and "Misty Mountain Hop" follow and are also very true to the originals. Russell struggles a bit on "Communication Breakdown" and "Houses of the Holy," both sounding as if they may have been "one take and we're done" type songs for him, but the band is stellar throughout. Guitarists Robby Lochner and Michael Olivieri shine on "No Quarter" and the often-imitated-but-never-duplicated "Stairway to Heaven," while drummer Dicki Fliszar pounds his way through the lengthy solo of "Moby Dick."

Russell repeats a few songs from the first *Great Zeppelin* for some reason. It seems a bit confusing as there are plenty of other songs to choose from in the Zep catalog, but, hey, it's a tribute album, and Russell, it seems, just wants to do what he wants to do. The top three streaming choices here are "Kashmir," "The Rover," and "Dancin' Days," but all of the songs are worth at least one listen as you pick out your own favorites.



Backtracks CLASSIC ALBUMS

Wings

London Town (1978)



Paul McCartney's Wings had garnered success in the early '70s since the former Beatle already had an established fan base. This was the sixth album from McCartney and guitarist/songwriter Denny Laine and explored a more pop sound as the decade was ending.

It opens with the title track, a subtle track that, due to vocals from Paul, sounds like something from *Let It Be*. But with wife Linda on the keyboards (and backing vocals), it does separate itself from the band he once led with John Lennon. The soft "I'm Carrying" continues the heartfelt, romantic vibe from earlier Wings, and "Backwards Traveler" picks up the trippy-pop sound that was more reflective from the *Band on the Run*. Side one closes with more romantic lyrics in front of Laine's disciplined guitar and the cooing vocals from wife Linda, especially in the ultra-pop number "Girlfriend."

Side two kicks off with a number one single in "With a Little Luck," a track that has aged very well and continues to be played on contemporary radio stations and charted well all over the world. It also makes you appreciate the keyboards and Linda's contribution to the band as more than just "Paul's wife."

"Famous Groupies" borrows from the *White Album* era. In fact, it sounds like something Ringo Starr could have written. The record closes with "Morse Moose and the Grey Goose," a progressive track that sort of elevates all the musicians to the top of their talents. It's pre-tentious yet groovy enough to be one of the album's better songs.

Wings produced just one more album a year later before McCartney took full control of his solo work, producing more than a dozen LPs himself. — Dennis Donahue

A bit long at 14 songs, *Great Zeppelin II* is not an attempt to imitate but, rather, it's Russell striving to pay homage to the band that inspired him so many years ago and likely still inspires him today. His voice is perfectly suited for most of the songs although he doesn't have the range Plant had in his 20s, but few do.

Surrounding himself with some great musicians that also seem to love playing the songs as they were meant to be played, Russell's offering is recommended for fans of Led Zeppelin and Great White alike. — Chris Hupe

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HOUSE OF GUCCI

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Lady Gaga stars as Patrizia Reggiani Gucci in the new film *House of Gucci*.

COURTESY IMAGE

Lady Gaga can't save mediocre Gucci retelling

At 83 years old, director Ridley Scott will take a crack at just about any story. He's headed up classics in the horror, sci-fi, and war genres, fine-tuning a chameleonic approach that has kept him sharp throughout his storied career.

With his latest project, the glamorous but lugubrious *House of Gucci*, he finds his latest tale to tell at the intersection of high crime and high fashion. He's tackled true crime stories before, most recently in 2017's *All the Money in the World*, but where that film generally plays it straight when recreating the kidnapping of John Paul



Reel Views

BRENT LEUTHOLD

Getty, Scott decided he wanted to dial up the camp considerably this time around.

It's not a bad call, given the talented cast that he's assembled, but when you take that element away from the film, you're left with a flimsy story that's not juicy enough to justify this big-screen retelling.

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she wants, allowing her to fast-track a meet-cute with fashion heir Maurizio Gucci (Adam Driver) into a swift marriage and pregnancy. Maurizio's father Rodolfo (Jeremy Irons) expresses his suspicions of Patrizia early and often, while Rodolfo's brother Aldo (Al Pacino) seems to favor Patrizia over his maladroit son Paolo (Jared Leto). Shake-ups in Rodolfo's health lead to Maurizio inheriting 50 percent stake in his family's prestigious brand, a shift that causes Maurizio to become more invested in the business than in his marriage.

BAD ITALIAN ACCENTS PILE UP

Shot with the same steel-tinted remove as *All the Money in the World*, *House of Gucci* is the second film Scott has released this season that doesn't exactly invite viewers into its potentially entrancing setting. Certainly, the production design and the costume design are as stellar as one would expect — Gaga's opulent outfits alone may be worth the price of admission for some — but there's a repeated color palette here that I wish Scott would sidestep next time.

He doesn't exactly reinvent the wheel from the aural perspective either, tapping overplayed late-era disco hits like "Heart of Glass" and "I Feel Love" to remind

us that we're in early 1980s New York and things are moving fast. The opera cuts are even more predictable; there's literally a scene where Patrizia and Paolo dance to "La donna è mobile" from Verdi's *Rigoletto* (trust me, you'd recognize it) in an oversized kitchen.

Scott and his performers can't quite decide how seriously we should be taking the pile of Italian clichés that stack up like knockoff handbags in an ignored bedroom closet. When characters don't have an espresso cup pressed up against their lips, they're speaking in a wide range of dialects that can best be categorized as "scattershot spaghetti." Jeremy Irons barely abandons his native English accent, while Jared Leto runs with a phonology that would be considered borderline offensive even in a Super Mario Bros. animated show. Gaga not only gives the film's best performance but also offers an accent that veers into Natasha Fatale territory at Patrizia's most sinister moments, but otherwise she is the most measured vocal work in the movie.

GAGA SHINES ONCE AGAIN

Bursting onto the Hollywood scene with an Oscar-nominated role in *A Star Is Born*, Gaga proves once again that she has the chops to dominate the music and film industries simultaneously. As the original Black Widow, she balances femme fatale proclivities with a woman doing her best to find her way in the world. It's a juicy role and it's no surprise fashionista Gaga would jump at the chance to play someone tied into Gucci's legacy.

But Scott and his screenwriters Becky Johnston and Roberto Bentivegna don't seem to have the same gusto in their assignments. The events that lead to the tragedy of Maurizio and Patrizia play out with too little personal perspective on the corresponding real-life events.

Like Disney's *Cruella* from earlier this year, *House of Gucci* has plenty of window dressing but not enough in the store to back it up.

NEW MOVIES COMING THIS WEEKEND

Premiering on Netflix is *The Power of the Dog*, a Western starring Benedict Cumberbatch and Kirsten Dunst about a charismatic rancher whose world is turned upside down when his brother brings home his new wife and her son.

Streaming on Disney+ is *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, an animated comedy starring Brady Noon and Chris Diamantopoulos about a beleaguered middle schooler who chronicles his hormonal hardships.

Playing at Cinema Center is *I Carry You With Me*, a Spanish-language drama starring Armando Espitia and Christian Vázquez about a decades-long romance that begins in Mexico between an aspiring chef and a teacher.

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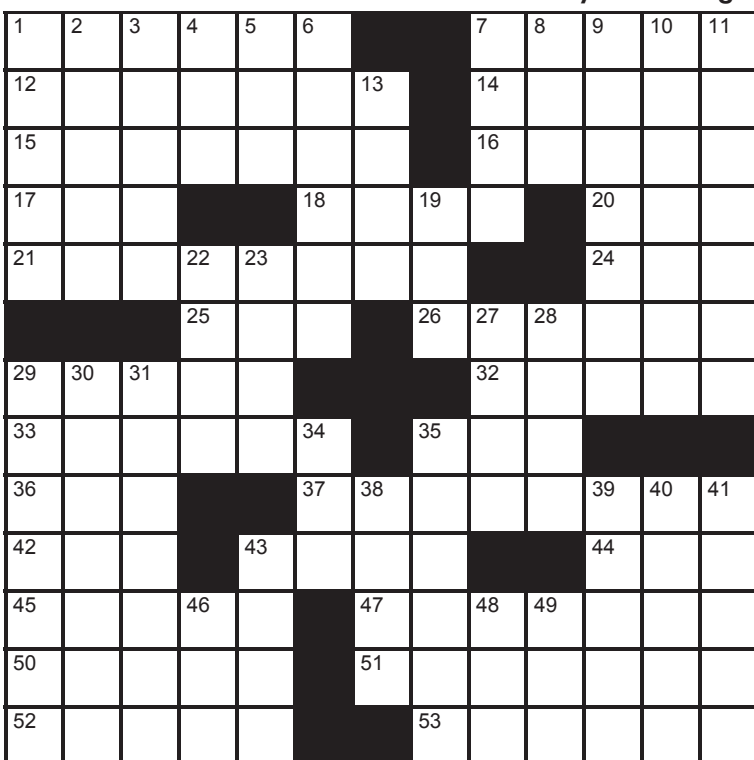


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14. "O Holy __," one of the Christmas songs being performed by the Fort Wayne Philharmonic at the Holiday Pops concert, along with 1, 33, and 44

15. Gather
16. Sleep disorder

17. Historic opening?

18. Orchard item

20. Bruin legend Bobby

21. Chuck Schumer and Mitch McConnell currently

24. "Understand?"

25. Parking place

26. Final year student

29. Macaroni shape

32. Haunted house sounds

33. "___ Night"

35. Epitome of easiness

36. Windy City rail inits.

37. Term for a handheld weapon

42. Call letters?

43. So-so

44. "___ Twelve Days of Christmas"

45. Christmas wish for Earth, often

47. More down-and-out

50. Sesame Street muppet

51. V-shaped

52. "Cómo ___?"

53. Slang for a foot

Down

1. Fasteners

2. Accustom

3. Turn red or yellow, say

4. Nile viper

5. Seinfeld uncle

6. Saddam Hussein, e.g.

7. Growl

8. Puppy's bite

9. Inability to recognize sensory stimuli

10. "___ Earth Is Carmen Sandiego?"

11. Fixed gazers

13. Does and bucks

19. Long-eared beast

22. Skin cream additive

23. "Santa Claus Is Coming to ___"

27. Disney's ___ and the Detectives

28. "The First ___"

29. Coop flier

30. Misses the trash container

31. Barefaced

34. Security at LAX

35. Bring up

38. *Lost in Space* actress Sundwall

39. Inclined

40. Flightless birds

41. "Have Yourself a ___ Little Christmas"

43. Charges

46. Spy org.

48. It may be easily bruised

49. Batman and Robin, e.g.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Disney's newest film, *Encanto*, secured the No. 1 spot at the box office this past weekend.

Disney's newest children's film on top at box office

Disney's adorable new children's film, *Encanto*, opened this past weekend to strong reviews and a No. 1 spot at the U.S. box office over the holiday weekend, bringing in a solid \$40 million in the U.S. and \$69 million worldwide over its first four days of release.

The kids win again. This one will no doubt continue to sell for a few more weeks before having a sure-thing long term run on streaming.



Screen Time

GREG W. LOCKE

no one sees it.

I saw the movie and enjoyed it quite a bit, but didn't feel like Smith's performance was Oscar-worthy.

New This Week

Wolf, a new flick from Nathalie Biancheri, will open wide. The film stars George MacKay, Lily-Rose Depp (in what's slated to be a star-making role), and Paddy Considine, in what is being described as "a high-concept art-house drama about a boy who believes he is a wolf." The trailer is great and Biancheri is a good talent. Looking forward to this one.

Also out in limited release: *Silent Night*; *Benedetta*; *Twisted Night*; and *True to the Game 3*. A pretty lame week of releases considering we're currently in the heart of the Oscar Bait Season. Don't worry, the rest of December is stacked.

Screen Rant

Paul Thomas Anderson is, for my money, by far the best working filmmaker right now. And has been off and on since he arrived in the mid-90s with *Hard Eight*. Well, get this.

PTA snuck out a trailer for his tenth feature film, *Licorice Pizza*, a few weeks ago, then basically snuck the film out onto a few screens this past weekend in limited release.

The flick is getting glowing reviews, but so far has only played maybe 20 times in the world as I type this. Can't wait for *Licorice Pizza* to expand and hopefully get a lot of butts into theater seats.

In celebration of PTA having a new film, I figured I'd rank and rate his truly brilliant catalog:

9. *Junun* (80/100)
8. *Hard Eight* (85/100)
7. *Phantom Thread* (86/100)
6. *Inherent Vice* (95/100)
5. *Punch-Drunk Love* (96/100)
4. *Magnolia* (99/100)
3. *Boogie Nights* (100/100)
2. *There Will Be Blood* (100/100)
1. *The Master* (100/100)

Also at the Box

Jason Reitman's *Ghostbusters: Afterlife* stumbled a bit over its second weekend of release, taking the No. 2 spot with just \$24.5 million. So far, the flick, which stars Paul Rudd, has sold \$87 million in the U.S. and \$116 million worldwide. Oof.

Not great numbers for a movie with "Ghostbusters" in the title. I haven't seen the flick yet but I do plan to, and will be pretty excited about it.

Ridley Scott's very good second major release of 2021, *House of Gucci*, took the No. 3 spot over its first weekend, selling a decent \$22 million domestically. Add in foreign sales and it looks like this one might end up being pretty successful. If you've not yet seen it, I highly recommend it. Very fun and well made.

Next up at the No. 4 spot is Chloe Zhao's disappointing *Eternals*, which made \$7.9 million over the holiday weekend, upping the film's four-week worldwide sales total to \$368 million. Not bad but not exactly MCU numbers. Sorry, Chloe.

And, finally, at the No. 5 spot we have *Resident Evil: Welcome to Raccoon City*, a film I didn't even know was being made or released. The flick sold \$5.3 million in the U.S. over its first weekend. Woof.

Also of note: The excellent Will Smith vehicle, *King Richard*, sold another \$3.3 million over its second weekend of release, upping the flick's 10-day worldwide sales total to just \$16.6 million. Not great. This was supposed to be the film that got Smith his Oscar. Seems unlikely if

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Project Ballet's The Nutcracker — Clara and her magical Nutcracker Prince journey to the Kingdom of Sweets in this holiday classic, **2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, and 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5**, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, (260) 424-5665

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FEBRUARY

Dinosaur World Live — Join an intrepid explorer across uncharted territories to discover a prehistoric world of life-like dinosaurs, **7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3**, Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$15-\$35, (260) 563-1102

Sylvia — A Labradoodle becomes a bone of contention between husband and wife, **8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 4-5 and Feb. 11-12; 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6 and Feb. 13**, First Presbyterian Theater, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$16, (260) 422-4226

Art & Exhibits

CURRENT EXHIBITS

30+ Artist Exhibition — More than 30 artists' original works on display, **10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, through Jan. 7**, Crestwoods Frame Shop and Gallery, Roanoke, free admission, (260) 672-2080

The Art Farm Holiday Pop Up Gallery — National and local artists with ceramics, fiber, jewelry, mixed media, sculpture, glass, and metal, **noon-6 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 3-Jan. 9**, The Art Farm, Spencerville, free admission, (260) 740-8725

Artlink Winter Market — Contemporary crafts and handmade goods, **11 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, 11, and 18**, Artlink Contemporary Art Gallery, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 424-7195

Castle Gallery Holiday Show — Experience the gallery decked out for Christmas and all its holiday offerings, **11 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 2-Jan. 8**, Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

Fall 2021 BFA Exhibition — Candidates graduating from the Department of Art and Design will display senior thesis projects in the Visual Arts Gallery, **8 a.m.-9 p.m. Mondays-Fridays; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, through Dec. 12**, Purdue Fort Wayne College of Visual

and Performing Arts, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 481-6977

Fort Wayne Artists Guild at Three Rivers Apartments — Guild artists' exhibition in the gallery, **9 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, and noon-5 p.m. Sunday, through Dec. 31**, Three Rivers Apartments, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 423-9511

Fort Wayne Artists Guild Gallery — Original art including oil and acrylic paintings, watercolors, pastels, and drawings, as well as ceramics, jewelry, sculpture, cards, bookmarks, and fine art reproductions, **11 a.m.-7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, through Dec. 31**, Jefferson Pointe, fortwayneartistsguild.org

Glass and Paintings — Contemporary art exhibition featuring works from Hot Shop Valpo (Dave Lee and Bryan Lee) and Maurice Papier, **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, through Jan. 16**, First Presbyterian Church Gallery, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 426-7421

Holiday Art — Trees packed with ornaments, nativities, and other holiday themed art, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, through Dec. 31**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 436-0927

Our Forced Removal — Marking the 175th anniversary of the Miami Removal

from Indiana, **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and 9 a.m.-noon Friday, through September 2022**, Whitley County Historical Museum, Columbia City, free admission, (260) 244-6372

Simplicity by Jim Gabbard and Angela Green — Art exhibit consisting of photographs and original haiku readings, **5-8 p.m. Fridays, 4-7 p.m. Saturdays, 1-4 p.m. Sundays, and by appointment, through Dec. 19**, Garrett Museum of Art, Garrett, free admission, (260) 704-5400

USF Creative Arts Alumni/Faculty Exhibition — Exhibition showcasing alumni and faculty works, **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4-19**, Mimi and Ian Rolland Art Center, University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 399-7999

Women's Winter Art Fair — A wide array of imaginative art created by local women, **11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4**, Sophia's Portico, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 482-7402

COMING EXHIBITS

Third Saturday — Every third Saturday of each month resident Art05 artists open their private/working studios to the public, **10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18**, Art05 Studios, Fort Wayne, free admission, (916) 397-7589

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Directed By: Christopher J. Murphy

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Things To Do

LOCAL CALENDAR

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Alpine Holiday Showcase — The conservatory’s version of the Alps offsets the holiday poinsettia display, **10 a.m.- 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays; noon-4 p.m. Sundays, through Jan. 2**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Headwaters Park Ice Skating — Outdoor downtown Fort Wayne tradition continues, **3-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, noon-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, noon-8 p.m. Sunday, through Feb. 27** (closed Thanksgiving and Christmas Day), Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$4-\$6 to skate, \$3 skate rental, (260) 422-7625

Late Night Light Displays — Visit the Alpine Holiday display lighted for the season, **5-8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, through Dec. 17**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Mark Paul Smith Book Signing — Meet the author and get his autograph on his fourth novel, *The Reporter*, **5-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2**, Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, (260) 426-6568

Blue Jacket’s Fantasy of Lights — Drive through Franke Park to view more than 135 larger-than-life lighted displays, **6-9 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, 6-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through Dec. 31**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, \$10 car, \$20 12+ passenger van, \$40 bus, (260) 744-1900

The Christmas Village at Blue Jacket’s Fantasy of Lights — Open-air walk-through village with food and craft vendors, Christmas music, photo-taking opportunities, and Christmas lights and displays, **6-9 p.m. Thursday and Sunday, 6-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 2-5, 9-12, and 16-19**, Franke Park, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 744-1900

Pictures with Santa — Bring your friends, family, and pets for a photo with Santa, **3-6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 3-4 and 11-12**, Promenade Park, Sweetwater Bandshell East, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 427-6028

Kris Kringle Village — Fort Wayne Ballet presents Food, entertainment, seasonal gifts, **4-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 3-4 and 10-11; noon-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 and 12**, Arts United Campus, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 484-9646

Le Chic Holiday Market — More than 120 vendors with gifts for the holidays, **5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 483-1111

5th Annual City of Churches Tour — Self-guided tour of inner-city churches, **6-10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3**, Emmanuel Lutheran, St. John Lutheran, Broadway Christian, Trinity Episcopal, First Presbyterian, St. Paul Lutheran, Saint Peter Catholic, St. Patrick Catholic, First Missionary, St. John the Baptist Catholic, Peace Lutheran, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 705-0718

Santa & Reindeer Saturdays — Pet holiday-dressed reindeer and pose for pictures with Santa, **noon-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, 11, and 18**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Cookies With Santa — Visit Santa and enjoy an Insomnia cookie, **5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, and 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 5**, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, (260) 424-5665

Teti Sheri No. 60 Fundraising Holiday Wine Tasting — Wine tasting, heavy hors d’oeuvres, and silent auction hosted by nonprofit Daughters of the Nile, **6-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4**, Mizpah Shrine Center, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$25, (260) 755-9875

Wild & Scenic Film Festival — Land preservation, environmental justice, water and wildlife are among the topics of the 14 short-length nature films, **7-9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5**, Purdue Fort Wayne, Rhinehart Music Center, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$20, (260) 481-4739

FARMERS MARKETS

Fort Wayne’s Farmers Market — Farm foods, baked goods, homemade natural items, and unique works from regional artisans, **9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays**, Parkview Field, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6000

Historic Southside Farmers Market — Fort Wayne’s oldest continuously operating farmers market, **8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, through Dec. 18**, 3300 S. Warsaw St., Fort Wayne, free, (260) 244-3288

COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

Mistletoe Market — Holiday shopping for gifts and home decor, **5-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9**, Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, free admission, (260) 854-9463

Toy Shop Engineers — Special Abilities Day for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, along with their caregivers, **10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11**, Science Central, Fort Wayne, free admission with pre-registration, (260) 424-2400

Rumble in Fort Wayne — Two nights of indoor racing, **7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, and Saturday, Dec. 18**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$12-25, (260) 483-1111

ArtistoKrafts — Artisans, crafters, and food trucks along with Santa and live music, **noon-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, and noon-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19**, 1940 Bluffton Road, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 415-6605

Tales and Trails — Hear a tale and hike a trail with your preschooler to discover the natural wonders around you, **9-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21**, Merry Lea Environmental Learning, Albion, free admission, (260) 799-5869

Reverse New Years Party — Appetizers, champagne toast, DJ Adam Kugler, games and prizes, **noon-6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31**, Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, free admission, (260) 854-9463

JANUARY

All American Outdoor Expo — Boats, RVs, fishing, water sports, paddle sports, ATVs, golf carts, motorcycles, and patio, **noon to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$15, (260) 483-1111

Gun & Knife Show — Guns, knives, archery supplies, military collectibles, army surplus, survival gear, and related items, **9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9**,

Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$7, (260) 483-1111

Fort Wayne Farm Show — 1,100 booths, seminars, farm equipment, and auctions, **9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 483-1111

Monica Lewinsky: The Price of Shame — She unwittingly became a household name, but has since become a social activist advocating for a safer social media environment, **7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25**, Auer Performance Hall, Rhinehart Music Center, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 481-0777

FEBRUARY

The Political Scene According to Steele — Michael Steele broke barriers by becoming Maryland’s lieutenant governor in 2003, its first African American elected to a statewide office, and again in 2009 when he became the chairman of the Republican National Committee, **7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17**, Auer Performance Hall, Rhinehart Music Center, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 481-0777

MINOR LEAGUE SPORTS

HOCKEY

Komets — Upcoming home games at Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne
Friday, Dec. 3, vs. Iowa, **8 p.m.**
Saturday, Dec. 4, vs. Iowa, **7:30 p.m.**
Friday, Dec. 17, vs. Kalamazoo, **8 p.m.**
Saturday, Dec. 18, vs. Cincinnati, **7:30 p.m.**
Sunday, Dec. 19, vs. Cincinnati, **5 p.m.**
Sunday, Dec. 26, vs. Indy, **5 p.m.**
Monday, Dec. 27, vs. Cincinnati, **7:30 p.m.**
Friday, Dec. 31, vs. Iowa, **8 p.m.**
Wednesday, Jan 5, vs. Toledo, **7:30 p.m.**
Saturday, Jan. 8, vs. Toledo, **7:30 p.m.**
Friday, Jan. 14, vs. Indy, **8 p.m.**
Sunday, Jan. 16, vs. Kalamazoo, **5 p.m.**
Saturday, Jan. 22, vs. Cincinnati, **7:30 p.m.**
Wednesday, Feb. 9, vs. Indy, **7:30 p.m.**
Friday, Feb. 11, Cincinnati, **8 p.m.**
Wednesday, Feb. 16 , vs. Kalamazoo, **7:30 p.m.**
Friday, Feb. 18, vs. Toledo, **8 p.m.**
Saturday, Feb. 19, vs. Tulsa, **7:30 p.m.**
Sunday, Feb. 20, vs. Kalamazoo, **5 p.m.**
Wednesday, March 2, vs. Tulsa, **7:30 p.m.**
Saturday, March 5, vs. Cinicinnati, **7:30 p.m.**
Sunday, March 13, vs. Cincinnati, **5 p.m.**
Saturday, March 26, vs. Kalamazoo, **7:30 p.m.**
Sunday, March 27, vs. Wheeling, **5 p.m.**
Wednesday, March 30, vs. Wheeling, **7:30 p.m.**
Saturday, April 2, vs. Kalamazoo, **7:30 p.m.**
Wednesday, April 6, vs. Toledo, **7:30 p.m.**
Friday, April 8, vs. Toledo, **8 p.m.**
Saturday, April 17, vs. Wheeling, **7:30 p.m.**

BASKETBALL

Mad Ants — Upcoming home games at Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne
Friday, Dec. 10, vs. Iowa, **7 p.m.**
Saturday, Dec. 11, vs. Iowa, **7 p.m.**
Saturday, Jan. 1, vs. Grand Rapids, **3 p.m.**
Sunday, Jan. 2, vs. Greensboro, **5 p.m.**
Thursday, Jan. 6, vs. Mississauga, **7 p.m.**
Saturday, Jan. 8, vs. Mississauga, **1 p.m.**
Saturday, Jan. 15, vs. Westchester, **7 p.m.**
Friday, March 4, vs. Lakeland, **7 p.m.**
Sunday, March 6, vs. Windy City, **5 p.m.**
Saturday, March 12, vs. Cleveland, **7 p.m.**
Sunday, March 20, vs. Long Island, **5 p.m.**
Thursday, March 24, vs. Motor City, **11 a.m.**
Friday, March 25, vs. Motor City, **7 p.m.**

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