

TRUENORTH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA ———— FEBRUARY 20, 2016 "Electric Light" Orchestra Concert:

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2016-2017 SEASON REVEAL PARTY — JUNE 18, 2016

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2016 Arts in the Park



Music Under the Stars 7:30 p.m., Lakeview Park, Lorain

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of music as the sun sets over Lake Erie.

- June 12 • July 10
- August 14
- September 11



Sunset Concert Series

7:00 pm, Every Friday in July, Lakeview Park, Lorain

Lounge on the beach as your favorite local musical acts jam at Lakeview Park. Kick back and enjoy Lorain's iconic sunsets.

Mill Hollow Concert Series

6:30 pm, Sundays, June 21 — August 23 Vermilion River Reservation

Fill your Sunday evenings with musical bliss at the Mill Hollow Summer Concert Series. The Bacon Woods amphitheater is known for its great acoustics and built-in seating.

Music on the Patio



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Join us in the garden at Miller Nature Preserve for live music, hors d'oeuvres by Chef Mario Izzo and a cash bar.

> 6:30 pm, 3rd Thursday of the month, June through September French Creek Nature & Arts Center

> > School Performances

also available!

Enjoy one of the most incredible views of the French Creek during a concert on the patio at French Creek Nature & Arts Center.

Road To Freedom:

An Interactive Underground Railroad Experience Public Performances in April

Pine Tree Picnic Area, French Creek Reservation

Face your fears and test your courage as you play the role of a pre-Civil War slave travelling the Underground Railroad. Blending performance with factual, historical and educational content, Lorain County Metro Parks and TrueNorth Arts' re-enactors will provide dramatic and emotion-evoking portrayals leaving a lasting impression.



Dear Friends,

Welcome to TrueNorth's 17th season! This year's lineup integrates diverse styles and art forms including theatre, music, dance, visual and literary arts. Last season over 15,000 people were witness to the transformative power of the arts through flourishing TrueNorth educational programs and performances. The stage is set ... TrueNorth Cultural Arts and Lorain County Metro Parks are excited for the season ahead and invite you to play your own special role as the arts illuminate and impact our community.

The 2015-16 Season features:

The TrueNorth Big Band, Chorale and Chamber Orchestra, Youth Choirs and Chamber Ensembles ... all in Concerts at multiple locations.

Private Music Lessons, Classes and Workshops.

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Galleries featuring Local Artists.

TrueNorth's Family Life Series is a wonderful vehicle for introducing the entire family to the magical world of theatre. Each production offers performance-based, educational activities at 1:30 p.m. every Sunday, directly before the Matinee.

Lorain County Metro Parks MainStage Series brings to life everything from slap-stick comedy, to musical drama with a brave and bold collection of shows. Featuring challenging new works and treasured classics, audiences will be inspired and entertained by the dynamic performances throughout the year.

The TrueNorth Annual Fundraiser Gala and Silent Auction will be Saturday, April 9th, 6:30 – 10 p.m. Come and experience highlights from the music, theatre and visual arts of TrueNorth, as well as the presentation of the 2016 Shining Star Award. The Gala will take place at Avon's Emerald Event Center part of the brand new Residence Inn by Marriott.

The 2016-2017 Season Reveal Party takes place Saturday, June 18th, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. at French Creek Nature & Arts Center: Come be a part of the announcement of the much anticipated 2016-2017 performance season. The evening will include hors d'oeurves, a cash bar, free ticket giveaways and the advance opportunity to purchase season tickets.

See you at many of our upcoming 120+ performances

-Richard A. Fortney, Artistic Director

Art Gallery

TrueNorth Cultural Arts represents over 150 different artists. We proudly display artwork at French Creek Nature & Arts Center and at Mercy Health & Recreation Center. There are numerous gallery shows, exhibits, and focus galleries that complement our theatrical production season. The beautiful art is for sale, and available for purchase during our regular daytime hours and during all performances. Please consider

supporting a local artist the next time you need that special gift for a loved one, or a unique piece of art for your home.

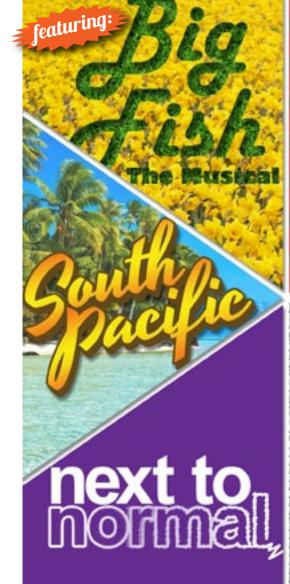
throughout the 2015-2016 season!

Interested in becoming a TrueNorth Artist? Contact our Gallery Manager at (440) 949-5200 ext. 227 or send online portfolio samples to tnorth@ metroparks.cc Attn. Gallery Manager.



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its hilarious clash

of personalities! When his wife kicks him out of

Book by John August | Music & Lyrics by Andrew Lippa Based on the novel by Daniel Wallace and the Columbia Motion Picture written by John August Perhaps you've read the novel or seen the film, but you haven't experienced

By Neil Simon

Big Fish until you've seen the musical onstage! The relationship between Will

and his father, Edward, is strained as Edward nears the end of his battle with cancer, and Will struggles to find the truth behind the larger than life tales he was told as a young boy. When the fiction begins to fade and the facts of his father's life then and now become clear, Will must make peace with whom both he and his father truly are. Infused with magic and heart, Big Fish is the kind of production that reminds audiences how amazing live theatre can be!

Music & Lyrics by Irving Berlin

Based upon the Paramount Pictures Film written for the screen by Norman Krasna, Norman Panama and Melvin Frank Book by David Ives and Paul Blake

Featuring songs and a story that will warm even the most frigid the house, neat freak Felix Ungar is persuaded winter night, White Christmas is a present for all this holiday to move in with his poker playing, cigar smoking season! Bob and Phil team up to form a song-and-dance | pal, Oscar Madison. As the two bachelors spend duo following their service in the army, but no training has more and more time in close quarters, Felix's prepared them for the amorous battle of wits they encounter | fastidiousness and Oscar's boorishness lead to when they pursue a pair of singing sisters to a picturesque | a conflict of epic and uproarious proportions! Vermont Inn. Chocked to the brim with classic comedy, | Considered Neil Simon's magnum opus, don't sweeping romance and a bevy of Irving Berlin tunes including I miss out as we celebrate the 50th anniversary the standard "White Christmas," this glowing adaptation of the 1954 film is the coziest way to keep out the cold!

February 26 - March 13, 2016 Book by John Michael Tebelak

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz

Conceived and Originally Directed by John Tebelak | Based on The Gospel according to St. Matthew Artfully blending lessons from the gospels with an unforgettable soundtrack of pop-inspired songs, it's no surprise Godspell is still a favorite of theatres and audiences alike all over the world. The parables of The Good Samaritan, The Prodigal Son and a score of others are communicated through mime, clowning and vaudeville-style entertainment while the life of Jesus is played out against renowned hits like "All for the Best," "By My Side" and "Day by Day." With its combination of wisdom, humor and energetic music, Godspell is truly a treat for all ages!



Book and Lyrics by Brian Yorkey

Emotionally charged and unabashed, this 2010 Pulitzer Prize winner

their two children enjoy the idyllic, suburban lifestyle despite one major problem: Diana's manic depression. When about her life, but can their friendship withstand the pressures of fame and stardom? Bringing together characters from their ordinary, day-to-day routine comes crashing down due to Diana's unpredictable mood swings, they embark Sendak's Nutshell Library and set to songs with King's signature sound, treat your family to Really Rosie! on a journey to keep their intertwined lives from careening off and apart forever. Injected with a rocking score and complex characters, this unflinching musical will resonate with anyone who's ever dealt with mental illness.

Music by Richard Rogers | Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II Book by Oscar Hammerstein II and Joshua Logan 🍊 Adapted from the Pulitzer Prize winning novel

Its themes on war and race as relevant today as they were when it first premiered in 1949, South Pacific strikes a deep chord with its socially conscious story set to some of the most memorable songs ever written for the stage.

On an island in the South Pacific, two love stories run parallel as WWII rages in the background: Navy nurse Nellie Forbush falls for French expatriate Emile de Becque, and Marine Lieutenant Joe Cable is enamored by native islander Liat. Can their affections penetrate their ingrained prejudices? Be swept away to "Bali Ha'i" this summer, and set sail to South Pacific!

September 25 - October 4, 2015 Musical – All Ages

Script and Lyrics by Mo Willems | Music by Michael Silversher Based on the book Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale by Mo Willems

From the mind of Caldecott-winning picture book author Mo Willems comes the story of a father and daughter's trip to the laundromat that

proves life's greatest adventures can happen anytime! When young Trixie accidentally loses her beloved Knuffle Bunny, retrieving the stuffed rabbit becomes priority number one even if slightly inept Dad doesn't quite understand her cries of distress. With music, comedy and spectacle that will entertain kids and adults alike, we "caution" you not to miss this show!

Play - Ages 10+ Midsummer Shakespeare's comedic masterpiece comes to life for the first

time on a TrueNorth stage! The classic tale of reckless romance, mistaken identity and magic spells is one of Shakespeare's most celebrated works, and this abridged version is the perfect introduction to the Bard! Mischief and hilarity reign supreme when four young lovers get tangled up with disapproving parents, royal fairies and amateur actors! As winter fast approaches, warm up one last time with A Midsummer Night's Dream!



February 5 - 14, 2016 Musical – All Ages

of this legendary show! Music by Bret Simmons | Book & Lyrics by David Howard Based on the Book The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig by Eugene Trivizas

Turning the familiar story upside down, this fun, musical version envisions a world where the pig huffs & puffs and the wolves are perpetually rebuilding their houses. Featuring a new, colorful cast of characters that includes a wheelbarrow-pushing flamingo and a kangaroo concrete salesman, this imaginative production is inspired by Eugene Trivizas' internationally bestselling picture book of the same title. With a new twist on the traditional ending, it's like seeing the fairytale for the first time... again!



By Deanna lent

Nominated for the 2013 Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Play, Falling takes an unflinching look at how a family affected autism lives, suffers and loves. The Martin's desperately try to navigate their wants, needs and dreams while providing unceasing care for their 18-year-old son and brother. The fragile balance they struggle to maintain daily is upheaved when grandma pays a visit. Tender, moving and bold, Falling asks audiences, "How do you love when it demands absolutely everything?"



Book and Lyrics by Maurice Sendak | Music by Carole King

With music by songwriter Carole King and book & lyrics by children's author

Maurice Sendak, Really Rosie unites two of the finest artists of the past 50 for Drama will leave audiences breathless. Diana, her husband Dan and years to remind audiences how magical, silly and joyful childhood is! Rosie's friends on Avenue Paudition to be in a movie

ust 12 - 14, 2016 - LIVE in the TrueNorth Theatre

Book by Michael Stewart | Music by Charles Strouse

Lyrics by Lee Adams | Originally Produced by Edward Padula

Mixing youthfulness with a healthy dose of nostalgia, Bye, Bye Birdie remains one of the most cherished musicals of all time. When a hip shaking, narcissistic musician invades the quiet Midwestern suburb of Sweet Apple, OH, a clash of generations erupts as the town's parents fight to keep their teenage children safe from the sinister influences of rock 'n' roll. Given new life by the students of Center Stage Camp, audiences won't be able to resist the rip-roaring music and beguiling story of Bye, Bye Birdie.



Big Band, ThinkFun! Music Ensemble and Children's Choirs For complete Concert Series Season, visit us online at www.TNCArts.org!

TrueNorth Chamber Orchestra and Friends

An Evening of Disney, Once Upon a Dream

Saturday, October 10, 2015 - 7:30 pmElvria High School, Performing Arts Center

Come experience the magic of Disney brought to life through The TrueNorth Chamber Orchestra and Friends including TrueNorth actors and singers.

TrueNorth Chorale and Chamber Orchestra with Great Lakes Light Opera*

A Day on Broadway, A Night at the Opera

Saturday, November 14, 2015 - 7:30 pm Bay Presbyterian Church

TrueNorth Big Band Concert

Sunday, November 22, 2015 - 3:00 pmElyria High School, Performing Arts Center

The Nutcracker: A Youth Musical

TrueNorth Children's Choirs

Peter Iloch Tchaikovsky, Ruth Artman; Mary Beall; Bob Lowden; ETA Hoffman

Saturday, December 5, 2015 - 4:30 pmElyria High School, Performing Arts Center

Chamber Orchestra rueNorth Christmas Concert

Avon Lake United Church of Christ

TrueNorth Chorale and | TrueNorth Chorale and **Chamber Orchestra** TrueNorth Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 19, 2015 - 7:30 pm Sunday, December 20, 2015 - 3:00 pmLorain St. Peter Parish

TrueNorth Chorale*

Holocaust Cantata: International Memorial Day for the victims of the Holocaust

Wednesday, January 27, 2016 - 7:30 pmBay Presbyterian Church

TrueNorth Chamber "Electric Light" Orchestra

"Electric Light" Orchestra Concert: Modern rock and pop songs with classical overtones

Saturday, February 20, 2016 - 7:30 pm Elyria High School, Performing Arts Center

Chamber Orchestra

Saturday, March 19, 2016 - 7:30 pm Sunday, March 20, 2016 - 3:00 pm

TrueNorth Chorale and | TrueNorth Chorale and **Chamber Orchestra**

TrueNorth Chamber Orchestra and Big Band*

Saturday, April 30 - 7:30 pm & Sunday, May 1, 2016 - 3:00 pmThe Emerald Event Center, Avon Marriott

TrueNorth Chorale and Chamber Orchestra*

Saturday, June 25, 2016 - 7:30 pm | Thursday, June 30, 2016 - 7:00 pmThe Emerald Event Center Avon Marriott TrueNorth Cultural Arts is twice presenting its annual Patriotic Concert this summer. Each evening will be filled with red, white

and blue favorites like Battle Hymn of the Republic, When the Saints Go Marching In, America the Beautiful, Washington Post March, Stars and Stripes Forever, and God Bless America led by the TrueNorth Chorale and Chamber Orchestra.

*Not included with Season Ticket packages.

Individual Tickets

Season Tickets

Individual tickets are available for each performance. Purchase tickets by calling French Creek Nature & Arts Center at (440) 949-5200 ext. 221 or by visiting us online at www.TNCArts.org

MAINSTAGE THEATRE SERIES

Center Section —— \$18 Side Section -Student/Youth ----- \$10

FAMILY LIFE/CONCERT SERIES

- \$15 | Kids/Youth ------ \$10

All Mainstage and Family Life productions are located at French Creek Nature & Arts Cente

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Become a Season Ticket holder and enjoy great benefits. Choose he package that is right for you and your theatrical interest. Choose my combination of concerts, main stage and family life theatre roductions and save up to 33% on ticket prices! *(1 ticket per production)

Ticket Packages

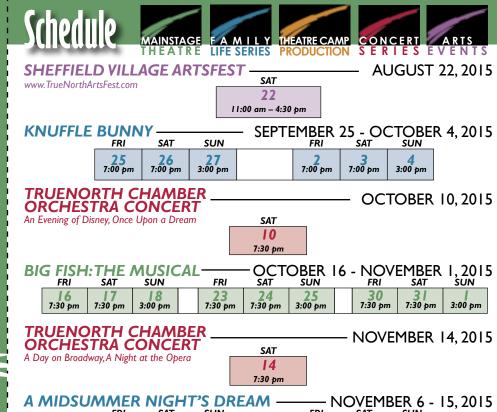
7 Performances/Concerts — **\$98**, up to 23% discount (\$14/ticket) 10 Performances/Concerts—\$130, up to 28% discount (\$13/ticket) 15 Performances/Concerts—\$180, up to 33% discount (\$12/ticket)

Season Ticket Holder Benefits:

- THE BEST SEATS Season Ticket Holders get access to great seats before groups and the general public.
- THE PRICE Season Ticket Holders save up to 33% versus purchasing tickets individually.
- TICKET EXCHANGE PRIVILEGES Allows you to choose an alternate date of the same production.
- E-MAIL UPDATES Monthly e-newsletters featuring special videos, links and interviews. E-mail reminders will be sent to you the week prior to performances.

"Take a Seat" Campaign Contact Rick Fortney at 440-949-5200 ext. 229 or rfortney@metroparks.cc

Help us make needed theatre improvements by purchasing a seat in Ewing Hall. Seats can be in your name, in honor or remembrance of someone special in your life, or a company or organization name. A brass plate will be engraved with that special name and will be placed on the seat to remember the tax-deductable gift.



TRUENORTH BIG BAND CONCERT — NOVEMBER 22, 2015

TRUENORTH CHILDREN'S CHOIRS - DECEMBER 5, 2015 Nutcracker, A Youth Musical adapted from The Nutcracker Suite

WHITE CHRISTMAS: THE MUSICAL DECEMBER 4 - 20, 2015

TRUENORTH CHAMBER - DECEMBER 19-20, 2015 **ORCHESTRA CONCERT** TrueNorth Christmas Concert

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TRUENORTH CHORALE — — IANUARY 27, 2016

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