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Ritz Theater's New Season Offers Over 60 Events

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Get ready for a dazzling season of music, dance, theatricals, and more at the Ritz Theater at the Wayne Densch Performing Arts Center, where you can experience the magic of live entertainment all year long. The Ritz kicks off its new season on Saturday, July 13 at 7:30pm with a patriotic concert celebrating America featuring the Great American Big Band. Then, Celebrate: A Three Dog Night and Friends tribute returning to Sanford on Saturday, July 27 at 7:30pm. "We are thrilled to unveil a new season of performing arts, where the quality of community theater takes center stage. Our commitment is to bring you an affordable experience that not only entertains but also inspires and connects us all," says Ritz President and CEO Kathryn Townsend.

The 2024-25 season showcases an amazing line-up of tribute bands new to the Ritz including David Bowie (8/10), Fleetwood Mac (9/7), Rush (9/27), and Young Guns: Country Superstars Tribute (5/15/25). Returning will be the popular tributes to Billy Joel (9/14), Pink Floyd (9/28), The Eagles (1/4/25), and other immensely popular performers. Other highlights include Old School Motown (8/24), The Atlantic City Boys (1/25/25), and local groups such as Latin Music & Dance Festival (10/25) and Flamenco del Sol (12/8, 4/19/25).

New this year is an updated film series titled, RitzFlix launching with "Beetlejuice" on July 18; the triple feature "Monsters on Magnolia," on October 26; and an Austin Powers double feature on January 12. "As the chair of the Movie Committee, I believe in the magic of cinema that transcends time and genre. Our selection process is guided by a dual focus: to captivate a broad audience with films that resonate universally, and to honor the timeless allure of cult classics that have captured the hearts of dedicated fans," says Brian Casey. New this year, members of the Ritz Theater receive free admission to most RitzFlix movies. Tickets are \$5.

Their theatrical line-up opens October 11 with the wildly popular and hilarious show "The Mel Brooks Musical Young Frankenstein," followed by the generational favorite "Freaky Friday" in March 2025, the thrilling murder mystery "The Unexpected Guest by Agatha Christie" in May 2025, and the family favorite "The Wizard of Oz Youth Edition" in June 2025.

To see a complete lineup of events along with discounted ticket options (membership and season passes) visit our website at www.ritztheatersanford.com. Tickets may be purchased online or by calling the box office at 407-321-8111.

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