





MAC PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

2026-2027



WELCOME TO
the Peggy R. McConnell Arts Center's
17TH SEASON!

As we begin our 17th season, we continue to celebrate our mission of *Building Pathways to Experience the Joy and Wonder of the Arts*. Since opening our doors in 2009, the MAC has grown into a vibrant gathering place where artists and audiences come together, ideas are shared, and creativity thrives. None of this would be possible without the support of our community, our artists, our partners, and YOU! Throughout the 2027–2028 season, we invite you to experience performances and films that entertain, inspire, and spark conversation. Continuing our commitment to accessibility, many MAC programs are free, offered as "pay what you can," or supported by scholarships—helping ensure everyone has an opportunity to experience the arts.

Our partners play an essential role in making each season extraordinary. Through longstanding collaborations and new partnerships, we welcome a wide range of artists, performers, filmmakers, and community voices to the MAC. Our deep partnerships with **Worthington Chorus, Worthington Community Theater, Dhvani India Performing Arts Society of Central Ohio, Songs at the Center, Worthington Libraries, the Worthington Historical Society, and Worthington Chamber Orchestra** broaden the experiences we offer while creating meaningful opportunities for connection.

We invite you to make the MAC part of your year—whether it's attending a concert, discovering a film, exploring a gallery, taking a class, or becoming a member. Members enjoy early class registration, invitations to exclusive events, and special discounts. However you choose to take part, you are a vital part of the MAC story. **Thank you for being here, for supporting the arts, and for being part of the MAC community. We're so glad you're with us!**



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ON STAGE at the MAC



Bluegrass Series

Jason Carter and Michael Cleveland

with Ramblin' Bluegrass Ensemble

Friday, November 20, 2026 | 7 pm

Jason Carter: A guitar player since childhood and a fiddler since 15, Carter took his talent as a fiddler on the road after graduating high school: first with the Goins Brothers, then at 19 with the Del McCoury Band. He's won three Grammy awards and he's taken home five IBMAs for "Fiddle Player of the Year," a staggering number that isn't quite so crazy once you realize how many bluegrass greats have turned to Carter for collaboration.

Michael Cleveland: Widely considered the bluegrass fiddler of his generation, Cleveland has been recognized 12 times as the IBMA's "Fiddler of the Year" and in 2018 was inducted into the National Fiddler's Hall of Fame. In 2019, Cleveland's amazing life of adversity and achievement was featured in the documentary film *Flamekeeper: The Michael Cleveland Story*.

Ramblin' Blugrass Ensemble draws much of their inspiration from bands like Don Reno & Red Smiley, The Stanley Brothers, The Louvin Brothers, Jim & Jesse, and a host of lesser known regional artists from the same era. Many have described them as the new Johnson Mountain Boys, interpreting classic era bluegrass through the fresh, perspective of today's generation. Maybe it is this quality that makes High Fidelity so warmly received and widely loved by every audience they perform for – both by the grandparents and the grandchildren.

Program support provided by the **Richard A. Baker Fund at the Columbus Foundation**

ON STAGE at the MAC

OCTOBER

Chasing the Light: Artists Speak on Stage | Multidisciplinary performance
Friday, October 2, 2026; 7 pm

Vanilla Fudge* with special guest Angela Perley | Psychedelic rock
Friday, October 9, 2026; 7 pm

High Fidelity with Ramblin' Bluegrass Ensemble
Friday, October 16, 2026; 7 pm

Scots Troubadour Jim Malcolm
Friday, October 23, 2026; 7 pm

Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play
Saturday, October 31, 2026; 7 pm

NOVEMBER

Magic Dick of the J Geils Band with Terry Davidson & the Gears
Friday, November 6, 2026; 7 pm

Jason Carter and Michael Cleveland with Ramblin' Bluegrass Ensemble
Friday, November 20, 2026; 7 pm

DECEMBER

Mad, Mad Men | Classic holiday favorites
Thursday - Saturday
December 17 - 19, 2026; 7 pm

JANUARY

Little Black Fish | Persian Folktale Play
Saturday, January 9, 2027; 7 pm

Connotes a **Cultural Connections** event.

* *The MAC is delighted to welcome members of the original band to the Bronwynn Theatre stage.*

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO & TO PURCHASE TICKETS!

FEBRUARY

Laura Camara and the Jake Reed Trio | Sarah Vaughan tribute
Saturday, February 6, 2027; 7 pm

Ballet Folclorico Xochihua | Mexican folk dancing
Saturday, February 20, 2027; 7 pm

MARCH

The John Jorgenson Bluegrass Band with Ramblin' Bluegrass Ensemble
Saturday, March 20, 2027; 7 pm

APRIL

Bill Cohen | Peter, Paul, and Mary tribute
Friday, April 2, 2027; 7 pm

Tennessee Bluegrass Band with Ramblin' Bluegrass Ensemble
Saturday, April 3, 2027; 7 pm

Patrice E. Turner | History of Gospel
Saturday, April 17, 2027; 7 pm

Rockin' Art at the MAC TBD* with special guest MojoFlo | Dance-pop
Saturday, April 24, 2027; 7 pm

MAY

Blue Highway with Ramblin' Bluegrass Ensemble
Saturday, May 8, 2027; 7 pm

Ekphrastic Expressions: Poetry Inspired by the Art in Transient Boundaries | Poetry
Thursday, May 20, 2027; 7 pm

The Family Stone* | Psychedelic soul
Saturday, May 22, 2027; 7 pm

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