

## **Colonial Theater Advisory Board Meeting January 29, 2026**

Present: Jared Guilmett, Karen Sullivan, Jim Rogato, Donna Gaudet-Hosmer, Brandon Caron, Cori Tessier, Pete Lally, and Seth Wingate

### **Call to Order**

2:06pm - Jared Guilmett

Minutes from meeting on 10/15/2024 accepted

### **Quarterly Update- Pete Lally**

- Quarter 4 was busy. Combination of Powerhouse, Spectacle, Pumpkinfest, LR Symphony, Safe Haven Ballet. Holiday shows were well received, but Spectacle is noticing that repeat holiday shows are not as well attended. Pete mentioned the lower sales may be attributed to the economy and people being very conscious of spending. Fizziwig After Dark was a huge success - great bar revenue. (See Attached)
- Looking at Q 1 2026: Justin McKinney's show sold out. They hope to schedule him twice a year. Kiev Ballet sold 300 tickets. It was their second time here and they plan on returning. Powerhouse has an upcoming spring production, several local school and community groups are also scheduled. There are three shows scheduled that are being brought in by outside promoters.
- Jared asked Pete if there are changes they would like to make for next year. Pete said they want to look closely at repeat Christmas shows and why ticket sales in general were down a bit. He also explained that because recent legislation requires that ticket prices include all fees the prices seem higher and perhaps that kept people from buying tickets. Meta changed their advertising algorithms which affected how shows were promoted and it took Spectacle a while to catch up with that. They are looking at what the right event load for the theater should be
- Pete handed out a document which highlighted the economic impact of the Colonial from 2021-26. (Attached) This document was also included in Spectacle's RFP submission to continue managing and operating the Theatre.
  - Their original contract was for a minimum of 5 shows a year. They average 30 shows a year.
  - Since 2021 Spectacle has invested 3.8 million dollars buying shows for the Colonial.
  - In addition they have spent \$750,000 on marketing these shows.
  - They have donated \$72,000 worth of tickets to Veterans and first responders.
  - They have also donated \$75,000 worth of tickets to the Laconia Community including the Boys' and Girls' Club and ticket donations for community fundraising events.
  - The Colonial Theater has hosted 352 community, non-profit, and educational events.
  - Total positive economic impact to Downtown Laconia is \$17,804,204. According to the National Independent Venue Association.
- Jim and Donna mentioned that they did not know that Spectacle was so giving. The board expressed their thanks for Spectacle's continued commitment to the community.

## **Expense Fund Update**

- Brandon Caron passed out the Advancement/Expense Fund figures for 2025. (See Attached)
- There was \$11,231 dollars in the account at year's end. This is a cumulative amount since the first show and includes the years the fund was in arrears and all expenditures.
- This now includes \$1,127 in point of sale donations – this was the initiative that started earlier this year allowing patrons to donate to the Theatre as part of their ticket purchase.
- HVAC maintenance is expected in Q1 which will be approximately \$5,000

## **State of the Facility**

- Brandon is working on updated numbers for projects that have been identified
- All safety concerns have been addressed.
- Karen asked about improving sound in “dead” areas. Pete stated that their plan was to sell some unused light fixtures to fund new speakers, but have not been able to find a buyer. It would be an expensive undertaking. Karen mentioned that could be something the non-profit could fundraise for.

## **Non-Profit Update**

- Jared asked Donna if there is any updated status of the non-profit board establishment.
- The board needs at least 5 members. Donna, Jim, are definite members. There was a brief discussion about other potential members and individuals that have expressed interest during this process.
- Jared suggested that members reach out to aforementioned individuals as soon as possible.
- Donna spoke about a conversation that she and Karen had with Courtney Wrigley from NH Charitable Fund. In order to apply for funds through NHCF we need to be addressing their overall goal and one of their five criteria. Their overall mission is “Helping NH Communities Thrive.” The five criteria areas are Early Childhood Education, Environment, Civic Health, Basic Needs and Education. A non profit such as ours could apply for funds that would serve an underserved population, such as the hearing impaired. Our best vehicle for funds would be through Donor Advised Funds. We need to be specific about the use of the funds, and tell our story in media outlets such as social media and the newspaper in order to achieve donor interest.
- Courtney suggested that the non profit could engage with the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance because of the historical nature of the building.
- She also said that they could reach out to the New Hampshire Non Profits Organization because NHCF works closely with them. We need to finalize our board members and identify projects and associated costs to do this.
- Pete mentioned that Charitable Gaming has supported other non profit groups and that this could be another avenue for funding. Donna said she would look into it.

Next Meeting April 15 at 2pm

Meeting Adjourned 3:07pm.

**COLONIAL THEATRE EXPENSE FUND DETAIL 2025**

<u>Event by Date</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Deposit</u>	<u>City/Non-Profit Withdrawal</u>	<u>Non-Profit Withdrawal</u>	<u>Maintenance Withdrawal</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Martin Luther King Day Celebration - 2025/01/19	1/19/25	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$8,237.27
Just Duet! Fundraiser - 2025/01/25	1/25/25	\$71.70	\$0.00				\$8,308.97
Laconia School District: Elementary Band - 2025/01/27	1/27/25	\$67.20	\$550.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$7,826.17
Jim Norton - 2025/02/07	2/7/25	\$308.90	\$0.00				\$8,135.07
Powerhouse LOVE/SICK - 2025/02/14	2/14/25	\$63.30	\$0.00				\$8,198.37
Powerhouse LOVE/SICK - 2025/02/15	2/15/25	\$57.80	\$0.00				\$8,256.17
"Powerhouse/DARKER THE NIGHT, BRIGHTER THE STARS" - 2025/02/15	2/15/25	\$22.60	\$0.00				\$8,278.77
Powerhouse LOVE/SICK - 2025/02/16	2/16/25	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$8,278.77
Anthony Rodia - 2025/02/21	2/21/25	\$300.80	\$0.00				\$8,579.57
BK Systems Invoice #76514	2/21/25				\$ 2,184.00	Annual Fire Alarm System Inspection	\$6,395.57
Beginnings: A Celebration of the Music of Chicago - 2025/02/22	2/22/25	\$120.90	\$0.00				\$6,516.47
Live in Laconia -The Kirk Minihane Show - 2025/03/01	3/1/25	\$1,402.40	\$0.00				\$7,918.87
Red Hot Chili Pipers - 2025/03/02	3/2/25	\$172.60	\$0.00				\$8,091.47
The Irish Tenors - 2025/03/07	3/7/25	\$102.80	\$0.00				\$8,194.27
Port Lighting Invoice #44723	3/12/25				\$ 1,687.55	ETC Foundation Repair	\$6,506.72
Laconia HS District Choir Concert - 2025/03/17	3/17/25	\$27.20	\$550.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$5,983.92
So Good: The Neil Diamond Experience - 2025/03/30	3/30/25	\$248.90	\$0.00				\$6,232.82
The Breakers - 2025/04/05	4/5/25	\$222.80	\$0.00				\$6,455.62
BK Systems Invoice #50553	7/23/24				\$1,208.00	Circuit trouble on 6/24 and 7/19	\$5,247.62
Gary Gulman - 2025/04/11 - Colonial Theatre	4/11/25	\$207.20					\$5,454.82
Laconia Historical & Museum Society - Tour - Canal Street - 2025/04/24 - Colonial Theatre	4/24/25	\$0.00					\$5,454.82
Glen Burtnik's Summer of Love - 2025/04/26 - Colonial Theatre	4/26/25	\$176.20					\$5,631.02
Powerhouse -The Hunchback of Notre Dame - 2025/05/03 - Colonial Theatre	5/3/25	\$210.90					\$5,841.92
Powerhouse -The Hunchback of Notre Dame - 2025/05/04 - Colonial Theatre	5/4/25	\$200.60					\$6,042.52
Foreigners Journey - 2025/05/09 - Colonial Theatre	5/9/25	\$472.20					\$6,514.72
LAKES REGION SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA - 2025/05/10 - Colonial Theatre	5/10/25	\$155.10					\$6,669.82
Laconia Middle School Spring Concert - 2025/05/14 - Colonial Theatre	5/14/25	\$88.10	\$550.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$6,207.92
No Apologies Comedy Show - 2025/05/15 - Colonial Theatre	5/15/25	\$110.40					\$6,318.32
Lakes Region Community College Commencement Rehearsal - 2025/05/16 - Colonial Theatre	5/16/25	\$0.00					\$6,318.32
Lakes Region Community College Commencement - 2025/05/17 - Colonial Theatre	5/17/25	\$0.00					\$6,318.32
Sara Evans - 2025/05/18 - Colonial Theatre	5/18/25	\$270.00					\$6,588.32
Laconia High School Concert - 2025/05/21 - Colonial Theatre	5/21/25	\$28.70	\$550.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$6,067.02
Juston McKinney - 2025/05/24 - Colonial Theatre	5/24/25	\$314.40					\$6,381.42
Laconia School District : Elementary Band - 2025/05/28 - Colonial Theatre	5/28/25	\$87.70	\$550.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$5,919.12
Huot Celebration of Achievement - 2025/05/29 - Colonial Theatre	5/29/25	\$53.30	\$550.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$5,422.42
Laconia Motorcycle Week Press Conference - 2025/06/12 - Colonial Theatre	6/12/25	\$0.00	\$550.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$4,872.42
Another Tequila Sunrise -Eagles Tribute - 2025/06/14 - Colonial Theatre	6/14/25	\$246.50					\$5,118.92
The High Kings - 2025/07/10 - Colonial Theatre	7/10/25	\$227.60					\$5,346.52
Bob Marley (5:30pm) - 2025/07/12 - Colonial Theatre	7/12/25	\$440.50					\$5,787.02
Bob Marley (8pm) - 2025/07/12 - Colonial Theatre	7/12/25	\$429.30					\$6,216.32
Mary Chapin Carpenter & Brandy Clark - 2025/08/02 - Colonial Theatre	8/2/25	\$273.50					\$6,489.82
Powerhouse Elf the Musical - 2025/08/08 - Colonial Theatre	8/8/25	\$228.60					\$6,718.42
Powerhouse Elf the Musical - 2025/08/09 - Colonial Theatre	8/9/25	\$208.70					\$6,927.12
Powerhouse Elf the Musical - 2025/08/10 - Colonial Theatre	8/10/25	\$240.40					\$7,167.52
One Night of Queen - 2025/08/27 - Colonial Theatre	8/27/25	\$348.50					\$7,516.02
Putnam Fund Presents Fleetwood Heart - 2025/09/12 - Colonial Theatre	9/12/25	\$183.40	\$740.00			1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$6,959.42
Dirty Deeds - The AC/DC Experience - 2025/09/13 - Colonial Theatre	9/13/25	\$434.60					\$7,394.02
Celtic Thunder - 2025/09/18 - Colonial Theatre	9/18/25	\$144.10					\$7,538.12
Lori McKenna - 2025/09/20 - Colonial Theatre	9/20/25	\$167.40					\$7,705.52

Powerhouse Presents - Granite Orpheus Movie Premiere Fundraiser - 2025/09/26 - Colonial Theatre	9/26/25	\$73.60			\$7,779.12
iLuminate - 2025/10/03 - Colonial Theatre	10/3/25	\$247.10			\$8,026.22
Tusk - 2025/10/04 - Colonial Theatre	10/4/25	\$500.80			\$8,527.02
Daniels Electric	10/6/25			\$986 Shore power plug on Canal	\$7,541.02
Powerhouse -The Diary of Anne Frank - 2025/10/10 - Colonial Theatre	10/10/25	\$70.00			\$7,611.02
Powerhouse -The Diary of Anne Frank - 2025/10/11 - Colonial Theatre	10/11/25	\$109.40			\$7,720.42
Powerhouse -The Diary of Anne Frank - 2025/10/12 - Colonial Theatre	10/12/25	\$104.60			\$7,825.02
Putnam Fund Presents The Bronx Wanderers - 2025/10/17 - Colonial Theatre	10/17/25	\$156.90	\$740.00	1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$7,241.92
Masters of Illusion - 2025/10/18 - Colonial Theatre	10/18/25	\$349.60			\$7,591.52
Powerhouse Season Announcement Party - 2025/10/19 - Colonial Theatre	10/19/25	\$12.50			\$7,604.02
Swan Lake presents by Grand Kyiv Ballet - 2025/10/21 - Colonial Theatre	10/21/25	\$52.60			\$7,656.62
Pumpkin Festival - 2025/10/25 - Colonial Theatre	10/25/25	\$65.10			\$7,721.72
Postmodern Jukebox - 2025/11/08 - Colonial Theatre	11/8/25	\$278.20			\$7,999.92
Voctave - 2025/11/13 - Colonial Theatre	11/13/25	\$41.30			\$8,041.22
Putnam Fund - The Troubadours - 2025/11/14 - Colonial Theatre	11/14/25	\$148.10	\$740.00	1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$7,449.32
Jimmy Dunn - 2025/11/15 - Colonial Theatre	11/15/25	\$256.50			\$7,705.82
Safe Haven Ballet Nutcracker - 2025/11/29 - Colonial Theatre	11/29/25	\$247.90			\$7,953.72
Vienna Boys Choir - 2025/12/03 - Colonial Theatre	12/3/25	\$85.20			\$8,038.92
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy - 2025/12/04 - Colonial Theatre	12/4/25	\$244.70			\$8,283.62
Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra Performance - 2025/12/06 - Colonial Theatre	12/6/25	\$167.10			\$8,450.72
Cancel - Lakes Region Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal - 2025/12/08 - Colonial Theatre	12/8/25	\$0.00			\$8,450.72
Powerhouse - A Christmas Carol - 2025/12/11 - Colonial Theatre	12/11/25	\$136.90			\$8,587.62
Powerhouse - A Christmas Carol - 2025/12/12 - Colonial Theatre	12/12/25	\$301.50			\$8,889.12
Powerhouse - A Christmas Carol - 2025/12/13 - Colonial Theatre	12/13/25	\$278.80			\$9,167.92
Powerhouse- Fezzwig's After Dark - 2025/12/13 - Colonial Theatre	12/13/25	\$340.20			\$9,508.12
Powerhouse - A Christmas Carol - 2025/12/14 - Colonial Theatre	12/14/25	\$286.80			\$9,794.92
Laconia High School Winter Concert - 2025/12/15 - Colonial Theatre	12/15/25	\$44.40	\$550.00	1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$9,289.32
Home Town Holiday Concert (City of Laconia) - 2025/12/16 - Colonial Theatre	12/16/25	\$104.70	\$550.00	1 AV Tech, 1 Cleaning Staff	\$8,844.02
Laconia Christian Academy Christmas Concert - 2025/12/17 - Colonial Theatre	12/17/25	\$112.80			\$8,956.82
Eileen Ivers - 2025/12/19 - Colonial Theatre	12/19/25	\$69.80			\$9,026.62
Christmas with the Celts - 2025/12/23 - Colonial Theatre	12/23/25	\$284.70			\$9,311.32
Warren Miller Ski Film - 2025/12/29 - Colonial Theatre	12/29/25	\$192.60			\$9,503.92

Total Donations from eTix - 2025 \$1,727.45

2025 CAL YEAR	\$16,229.65	\$7,170.00	\$0.00	\$6,065.55	Current Balance:	\$11,231.37
	City/Non-Profit Deposits	Non-Profit Withdrawals	Non-Profit Withdrawals	Maintenance Withdrawals		
GRAND TOTAL	\$73,100.52	\$34,260.00	\$7,800.00	\$19,809.15	Current Balance:	\$11,231.37
	City/Non-Profit Deposits	Non-Profit Withdrawals	Non-Profit Withdrawals	Maintenance Withdrawals		

Date	EventName	EventTypeName
10/1/2025	Powerhouse Rehearsal (Anne Frank)	Community
10/3/2025	iLuminate	Spectacle
10/4/2025	Tusk	Spectacle
10/5/2025	Powerhouse Tech Week	Community
10/6/2025	Powerhouse Tech Week	Community
10/7/2025	Powerhouse Tech Week	Community
10/8/2025	Powerhouse Tech Week	Community
10/9/2025	Powerhouse Rehearsal @9:00am	Community
10/10/2025	Powerhouse Dairy of Anne Frank	Community
10/11/2025	Powerhouse Dairy of Anne Frank	Community
10/12/2025	Powerhouse Dairy of Anne Frank	Community
10/17/2025	Putnam Fund Presents The Bronx Wanderers	Community
10/18/2025	Masters Of Illusion	Spectacle
10/19/2025	Powerhouse Kickoff Party	Community
10/21/2025	Grand Kyiv Ballet - Swan Lake	Rental
10/25/2025	Pumpkin Festival	Community
10/26/2025	Powerhouse Rehearsal A Christmas Carol	Rental
11/8/2025	Scott Bradlee's Postmodern Jukebox	Spectacle
11/13/2025	Voctave	Spectacle
11/14/2025	Putnam Fund – The Troubadours Carol King/James Taylor	Community
11/15/2025	Jimmy Dunn	Spectacle
11/29/2025	Safe Haven - Nutcracker	Rental
12/3/2025	Vienna Boys Choir	Spectacle
12/4/2025	Big Bad Voodoo Daddy	Spectacle
12/6/2025	LAKES REGION SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA	Rental
12/7/2025	Powerhouse Teck week	Community
12/8/2025	Powerhouse Teck week	Community
12/9/2025	Powerhouse Teck week	Community
12/10/2025	Powerhouse Teck week	Community
12/11/2025	Powerhouse Opening Night	Community
12/12/2025	Powerhouse Show Day	Community
12/13/2025	Powerhouse Show Day	Community
12/14/2025	Powerhouse Show Day	Community
12/15/2025	Laconia High School Winter Concert	Community
12/16/2025	Hometown Holiday Concert - City of Laconia	Community
12/17/2025	Laconia Christian Academy Christmas Concert	Rental
12/19/2025	Eileen Ivers	Spectacle
12/23/2025	Christmas With The Celts	Spectacle
12/29/2025	Warren Miller	Spectacle

Date	EventName	VenueName	EventTypeName
1/3/2026	Juston McKinney - Year in Review	Colonial Theatre	Spectacle
1/21/2026	Giselle - Grand Kyiv Ballet	Colonial Theatre	Rental
1/27/2026	Laconia Elementary Band	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/8/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE REHEARSAL/TECH WEEK	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/9/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE REHEARSAL/TECH WEEK	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/10/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE REHEARSAL/TECH WEEK	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/11/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE REHEARSAL/TECH WEEK	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/12/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE REHEARSAL/TECH WEEK	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/13/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE - Midsummer Night's Dream	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/14/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE - Midsummer Night's Dream	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/15/2026	POWERHOUSE THEATRE - Midsummer Night's Dream	Colonial Theatre	Community
2/21/2026	Taylorville	Colonial Theatre	Spectacle
2/27/2026	Robert Cray	Colonial Theatre	Spectacle
3/9/2026	Laconia High School District Chorus Concert	Colonial Theatre	Community
3/14/2026	Rocky Mountain High Experience: A John Denver Tribute	Colonial Theatre	Rental
3/18/2026	The Music of The Lord of the Rings, The Hobbit & The Rings of Power – Live in Concert	Colonial Theatre	Rental
3/21/2026	Powerhouse - Just Duet Fundraiser 2026	Colonial Theatre	Spectacle/Community

# SPECTACLE LIVE AT THE COLONIAL THEATRE BY THE NUMBERS 2021-2026



**\$3.8 MILLION**

TOTAL INVESTMENT BY  
SPECTACLE LIVE IN **BUYING**  
NATIONAL TOURING ACTS



**\$750,000**

TOTAL **MARKETING DOLLARS**  
**INVESTED** BY SPECTACLE LIVE TO  
**BRING VISITORS TO LACONIA**



**\$72,000**

TOTAL **VALUE OF TICKETS**  
**DONATED** TO VETERANS AND  
FIRST RESPONDERS



**\$75,000**

TOTAL **VALUE OF TICKETS**  
**DONATED** TO THE LACONIA  
COMMUNITY



**352**

TOTAL **NUMBER OF COMMUNITY,**  
**NON-PROFIT, AND EDUCATIONAL**  
**EVENTS HOSTED** AT THE  
COLONIAL THEATRE



**\$17,804,270**

ESTIMATED **ECONOMIC IMPACT**  
ON DOWNTOWN LACONIA  
*ACCORDING TO THE*  
NATIONAL INDEPENDENT VENUE ASSOCIATION