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Broadway Center’s 2018-19 Season offers more than 35 events!
The Pantages Theater celebrates 100 Years +
The national tours of Sue’s Tech Kitchen and
Michelangelo’s Sistine Chapel: The Exhibition at Tacoma’s historic Armory
+ The Wizard of Oz, Ailey II, An Evening with Dan Rather, Spamalot,
Legally Blonde, and Kinky Boots!

TACOMA, WASH. – Broadway Center for the Performing Arts in Tacoma’s historic Theater District announces a full 2018-19 season of events with more Broadway musicals than ever before, plus a wide range of performance genres including modern circus and magic acts, music, film, acrobatics, lecture, dance, and theater.

Tacoma’s Pantages Theater celebrates its 100th birthday this season with an extensive renovation! See the theater fully restored at its grand reopening this fall, premiering with The Hip Hop Nutcracker with MC Kurtis Blow on Nov. 15. Community members may contribute to the Pantages’ Centennial renovation while leaving a lasting legacy by sponsoring a seat! Visit our BroadwayCenter.org for information.

Single tickets are on sale now for:
- Indigo Girls: A Benefit for Arts Education on June 22,
- An Afternoon with Ira Glass on June 24,
- Lea DeLaria: A Man for All Seasons as part of Tacoma Pride Festival on July 13,
- Brew Five Three: Tacoma’s Beer and Music Festival on Aug. 11,
- Sue’s Tech Kitchen from Aug. 23-26, and

Subscription packages for three or more shows are on sale now; Broadway Center Members can access even more perks, discounts, and exclusive experiences while supporting Broadway Center’s wide-reaching and impactful arts education programs. Find out more at BroadwayCenter.org.

Buy tickets now by calling the Box Office at 253.591.5894, in person at 901 Broadway, or at BroadwayCenter.org. Group discounts are available.

Broadway Center’s 2018-19 Season At a Glance

JUNE

22  Indigo Girls: A Benefit for Arts Education | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $75
See this Grammy-Award winning duo, with special guest Lucy Wainwright Roche, in an intimate benefit concert for arts education at the historic Rialto Theater.

24  **Seven Things I’ve Learned: An Afternoon with Ira Glass** | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $29

Ira Glass is the creator, producer & host of NPR’s “This American Life,” the iconic weekly public radio program with millions of listeners around the world. Using audio clips, music, and video, Ira Glass delivers a unique talk, sharing lessons from his life and career in storytelling.

**JULY**

13  **Lea DeLaria: A Man for All Seasons** | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $39

The actor, comic, and jazz musician, best known for her role as Big Boo on “Orange is the New Black,” brings a no-holds-barred stand-up comedy performance to Tacoma’s Rialto Theater for Tacoma Pride! Two dollars from each ticket sold will benefit the Tacoma Rainbow Center.

**AUGUST**

11  **Brew Five Three: Tacoma’s Beer and Music Festival** | On Broadway between 9th & 11th | Tickets start at $25

Enjoy samples from 35+ Washington breweries and cideries, live music, and food trucks at the sixth annual festival, awarded the 2017 Public Places Award by the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce.

23—26  **Sue’s Tech Kitchen** | Tacoma Armory | Tickets start at $12

Event Launch Party: Thursday, August 23, 2018 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Friday, August 24, 2018 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 25, 2018 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 26, 2018 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m
Timed sessions hourly on the hour.

Conceptualized by serial entrepreneur, producer, and bestselling author Randi Zuckerberg and designed by a team of tech, entertainment, and education veterans, SUE’S TECH KITCHEN is a STEM-fueled adventure for the mouth and mind that empowers kids to engage with tomorrow’s tech and revolutionizes family dining in the process.

**SEPTEMBER**

20  **Chinese Warriors of Peking** | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $29

A culturally enriching experience filled with juggling, acrobatics, and live stage combat. Set during the Ming Dynasty (1368–1644), this is the tale of two rival martial arts disciplines competing in the ancient Chinese capital of Peking.
Michelangelo’s Sistine Chapel: The Exhibition | Tacoma Armory | Tickets start at $12
Michelangelo’s Sistine Chapel: The Exhibition recreates the awe and wonder of arguably one of mankind’s greatest artistic achievements and will let you experience this art from a new perspective. See this nationally touring exhibit at the Tacoma Armory, its only Washington State venue!

OCTOBER

12
We Banjo 3 & Skerryvore | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $29
Irish band We Banjo 3 brings a lively “celtgrass“ sound and Skerryvore, hailing from Scotland, fuse rock, folk, and Americana in a lively evening sure to get your boots stomping.

14
Film Focus: Hocus Pocus* | Theater on the Square | Tickets: $7
Loaded with bewitching laughs, this Disney Halloween classic is an outrageously wild comedy that's sure to entertain everyone!

NOVEMBER

8—25
Vanya & Sonia and Masha & Spike | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $19
Christopher Durang’s Chekhov-inspired family comedy about the relationships – and dysfunctions – among siblings. A poignant and raucous play that is pure joy from start to finish! This is a local, professional production.

15
The Hip Hop Nutcracker with MC Kurtis Blow | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $29
Back by popular demand for opening night of the renovated Pantages Theater! A holiday mash-up for the entire family, The Hip Hop Nutcracker is a contemporary re-imagination of Tchaikovsky’s timeless music, blending artistic styles to celebrate the original material – with a decidedly modern twist.

23
Jane Lynch “A Swingin’ Little Christmas” | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $29
Kate Flannery (The Office) joins stars of Glee Jane Lynch and Tim Davis in a classic holiday show featuring the Big Band sounds of The Tony Guerrero Quintet in a night of rich music, funny and touching moments, and Christmas whimsy.

24
73rd Annual Holiday Tree Lighting | Pantages Theater | A free community event
Since World War II, the South Sound community has gathered to celebrate at the corner of 9th & Broadway in downtown Tacoma. Gather for carols and photos with Santa at this free community event!

24
Imago Theatre’s FROGZ | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $22
Whimsical and inventive, this show is a clever intersection of vaudeville, cirque, and mime. Stick around after the Holiday Tree Lighting for an imaginative show the whole family will enjoy!

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**DECEMBER**

7  **The 30th Anniversary of Windham Hill’s Winter Solstice | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $39**
Celebrate the winter solstice and its warm traditions with an acoustic concert drawn from the multi-platinum selling Winter Solstice series and many solo releases of the featured artists.

8  **Seattle Men’s Chorus | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $35**
A concert of heartfelt holiday magic sprinkled with festive humor, beloved carols, soaring holiday classics, and the antics you expect from this local tradition!

8  **Harry Potter & The Sacred Text | Theater on the Square | Tickets start at $22**
Join the host of the hit podcast “Harry Potter & The Sacred Text” Vanessa Zoltan as she brings thought, reflection and laughter to Harry Potter; not just as novels, but as instructive and inspirational texts that teach us about our own lives.

16  **Film Focus: National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation* | Theater on the Square | Tickets: $7**
A classic holiday with the Griswolds. Christmas chaos from extravagant lights to a wild squirrel and crazy cousin Eddie!

22  **Take 6: The Most Wonderful Time of the Year | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $19**
Take 6 is the most awarded a cappella group in history, with ten Grammys, ten Dove Awards (Gospel Music Awards), two NAACP Image Award nominations among many other accolades. Enjoy a concert that blends R&B, pop, gospel and more into a joyful take on seasonal favorites including “Joy to the World” and “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing.”

**JANUARY**

6  **Film Focus: Disney’s Bedknobs and Broomsticks* | Theater on the Square | Tickets: $7**
The classic Disney movie on the big screen! An aspiring apprentice witch, her three grandchildren, and a cynical friend take a wild adventure through Portabello Road, a wild underwater animal kingdom, and back again.

12  **Portland Cello Project plays Radiohead’s OK Computer | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $29**
Portland Cello Project is a huge ensemble including cellos, winds, a full rhythm section of drums and bass, and guest vocalists. This concert highlights the entirety of Radiohead’s chart-topping album “OK Computer.”

13  **Film Focus: Quest* | Theater on the Square | Tickets: $7**
An intimate documentary that captures ten years in the life of a family living in North Philadelphia.

15  **The Wizard of Oz | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $55**
A spectacular celebration of the iconic 1939 MGM film, this fully adapted Broadway musical will blow audiences away from the moment the tornado touches down and Dorothy is transported to a dazzling Oz, complete with munchkins and flying monkeys.
19 An Evening with Dan Rather | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $49
Longtime “CBS Evening News” anchor and author of “What Unites Us: Reflections on Patriotism” Dan Rather shares a wealth of anecdotes and insightful commentary from a career unrivalled in the world of journalism.

20 Ruby Bridges: A Civil Rights Journey | Theater on the Square | Free with Registration
Broadway Center’s Civil Rights Legacy Tour series brings American Civil Rights heroes to life for thousands of elementary and middle school students each year. On January 20, see the latest play in the series, telling the story of Ruby Bridges, the first African-American child to integrate into a white school in 1960 Missouri.

20 Across the Great Divide: A Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of The Band with The Dustbowl Revival and Hot Club of Cowtown | Rialto Theater | Tickets start at $29
In celebration of the 50th anniversary of The Band, two of today’s defining American roots groups join in an evening of their own songs and a special tribute to “Music from Big Pink” and “The Band.”

FEBRUARY

2 Jake Shimabukuro | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $29
The ukulele virtuoso returns to Tacoma by popular demand.

9 Kaleidoscope: A Benefit for Arts Education | Tacoma Armory | Tickets: $200
Broadway Center’s signature fundraising gala to benefit Arts Education.

17 Film Focus: Troop Beverly Hills* | Theater on the Square | Tickets: $7
A Beverly Hills socialite is determined to prove that she can follow through on a project by becoming a den mother to a troop of Beverly Hills Girl Scouts in this 80s comedy classic.

24 L.A. Theatreworks’ Steel Magnolias | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $19
Known for the popular film, this L.A. Theatre Works national tour of “Steel Magnolias” is a tour de force featuring an all-female cast in a commanding staged reading performance.

26 Kinky Boots | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $55
With songs by Grammy® and Tony® winning pop icon Cyndi Lauper, this joyous musical celebration is about the friendships we discover, and the belief that you can change the world when you change your mind.

MARCH

2 Ailey II | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $19
Ailey II is universally renowned for merging the spirit and energy of the country’s best young dance talent with the passion and creative vision of today’s most outstanding emerging choreographers.

9 Monty Python’s Spamalot | Pantages Theater | Tickets start at $55
This outrageous musical comedy is lovingly ripped off from the film classic “Monty Python and
the Holy Grail” with a book by Eric Idle and music and lyrics by the Grammy-Award-winning team of Mr. Idle and John Du Prez.

16 | **Cirque Eloize Saloon** | **Pantages Theater** | **Tickets start at $29**
An inspirational leader in contemporary circus from Quebec, Cirque Eloize thrills audiences with its rich sensory entertainment through its daring combination of circus disciplines and its highly imaginative use of visual arts and technologies.

20 | **Legally Blonde** | **Pantages Theater** | **Tickets start at $55**
Based on the beloved movie, “Legally Blonde - The Musical” will take you from the sorority house to the halls of justice with Broadway’s brightest new heroine and, of course, her Chihuahua, Bruiser.

31 | **John Pizzarelli Trio** | **Pantages Theater** | **Tickets start at $39**
World-renowned jazz guitarist and singer John Pizzarelli in a concert that goes beyond the Great American Songbook with hits from Paul McCartney, Joni Mitchell, Neil Young, Tom Waits, Antônio Carlos Jobim, and The Beatles.

**APRIL**

13 | **Make Believe** | **Theater on the Square** | **Tickets start at $22**
Spidey has been nominated Canadian Magician of the Year and was featured on Discovery Channel for his jaw-dropping, wild demonstrations.

20 | **6 Guitars** | **Theater on the Square** | **Tickets start at $19**
In this one-man show, see six different guitar playing characters; each sharing their own style of music with breathtaking musicianship ranging from Blues and Jazz to Rock, Classical, Folk and Country.

28 | **Anoushka Shankar** | **Pantages Theater** | **Tickets start at $9**
A world music superstar, Sitar player and composer Anoushka Shankar is a singular figure in the Indian classical and neotraditional genres.

**MAY**

2 - 19 | **ART** | **Theater on the Square** | **Tickets start at $19**
A comedy about the intersection of art and friendship. This is a regional, professional production.

* Indicates special event; subscription discounts do not apply.

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