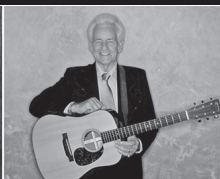


BLUE RIDGE AND BEYOND

At the Historic Earle Theatre



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Del McCoury Band



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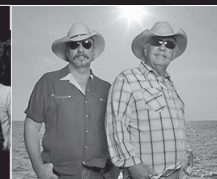
Earls of Leicester



Lonesome River Band



Seldom Scene



Bellamy Brothers



Balsam Range



Dailey & Vincent

THE DILLARD BAND featuring RODNEY DILLARD

with special guest Maggie Peterson-Mancuso
Friday, September 23, 2016, 3:00 pm
Andy Griffith Playhouse, \$30 preferred/\$25 Orchestra

THE MALPASS BROTHERS

Friday, September 23, 2016, 7:00 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$20 Orchestra/\$15 Balcony

CRAIG SOUTHERN and PHOENIX

Saturday, October 15, 2016, 6:30 pm
Blackmon Amphitheatre, Free
Craig Southern and Phoenix' diverse blend of genres with a local twist will have you up and dancing. Country and Americana

O'CONNOR BAND featuring MARK O'CONNOR

Saturday, November 19, 2016, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$35 preferred/\$30 orchestra/\$25 balcony
Superstar fiddler Mark O'Connor is an Americana, Progressive Bluegrass, Acoustic Pop, Indie Folk, Blues, Country, Classical, Composer, Jazz, and folk artist from New York. He has crossed over so many genres that this award winning musician has a sound and style that is totally his own!

THE DEL McCOURY BAND

Saturday, December 17, 2016, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$65 preferred/\$60 reserved/\$50 balcony
*50 "Early Bird" balcony seats will be sold for \$25
Del McCoury plays old and new in the old-fashioned way. As a teenager he played with Bill Monroe's Blue Grass Boys as lead singer and banjo player. Del was recently awarded the National Heritage Fellowship Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Endowment for the Arts.

BREAKING UP CHRISTMAS DANCES

Friday, December 30, 2016, 7:00 pm with ZEPHYR LIGHTNING BOLTS, and BUCKSTANKLE BOYS

Saturday, January 7, 2017, 7:00 pm with THE SLATE MOUNTAIN RAMBLERS

Historic Earle Theatre, \$6* or 2016 Season Pass
Award winning bands, the Zephyr Lightning Bolts, Buckstankle Boys, and Slate Mountain Ramblers have kept the old-time dance tradition alive around the areas of Northwest North Carolina and Southwest Virginia.

SHADOWGRASS

Saturday, January 21, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$8* or 2017 Season Pass
ShadowGrass is an award winning youth bluegrass band from Southwest VA and Western NC. The name was created when they came to realize that they were playing music in the 'shadow' of great players.

WPAQ 69TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saturday, February 4, 2017, 6:00 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, Free

JERRY DOUGLAS & THE EARLS OF LEICESTER

Friday, February 17, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$55 preferred/\$50 orchestra/\$35 balcony
The Earls of Leicester have discovered a kind of magic that, when harnessed, allows moments once relegated to memories to roar back to life. Old sounds rattle loose chains of space and time that have kept us from forgotten joys and who we once were. Suddenly, as we listen to and watch the Earls pick, saw, and croon, instead of contemplating once upon a time, we are living it.

VOICE OF THE BLUE RIDGE with host band

Travis Frye & Blue Mountain
Saturday, February 18, 2017, 7:30 pm, with The Marshall Brothers
Saturday, June 17, 2017, 7:30 pm, with Rich in Tradition
Saturday, July 15, 2017, 7:30 pm, with guest band
Historic Earle Theatre, \$7* or Season Pass

TOMMY JARRELL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Friday, March 3, 2017, 7:00 pm Dance
Historic Earle Theatre, \$11* or Season Pass
Saturday, March 4, 2017, 1:30 pm, Youth Competition, ages 4-18
The Tommy Jarrell Birthday Celebration features Surry County old-time music with special guest Verlen Clifton. Zephyr Lightning Bolts, Slate Mountain Ramblers, and the Buckstankle Boys will lead the dancing.

BRYAN SUTTON BAND

Saturday, March 4, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$40 preferred/\$30 orchestra/\$25 balcony
Bryan Sutton is the most accomplished and awarded acoustic guitarist of his generation, an innovator who bridges the bluegrass flatpicking traditions of the 20th century with the dynamic roots music scene of the 21st. He is a Grammy Award winner and a nine time IBMA Guitar Player of the Year.

ZEPHYR LIGHTNING BOLTS OLD-TIME BAND

Saturday, March 18, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$7* or Season Pass

LONESOME RIVER BAND

Friday, March 31, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$25 preferred/\$20 orchestra/\$15 balcony
Led by five-time International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Banjo Player of the Year and Virginia Country Music Hall of Famer Sammy Shelor, the group holds a powerhouse line up of award-winning bluegrass musicians including Brandon Rickman on guitar, Mike Hartgrove on fiddle, Barry Reed on bass and Randy Jones on mandolin.

LARRY SIGMON & MARTHA SPENCER

Saturday, April 15, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$8* or Season Pass
Put your dancing shoes on, because you won't be able to sit still when master old-time musicians, Larry and Martha start playing.

CARSON PETERS AND IRON MOUNTAIN

Saturday, May 20, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$11*
Carson Peters made his debut at the Grand Ole Opry in 2014, where he played "Blue Moon of Kentucky" with Ricky Skaggs. He won first place in the Mount Airy Fiddlers Convention, youth division, when he was 4 years old. Carson recently appeared on "Little Big Shots" starring Steve Harvey and again this year on the Grand Ole Opry.

THE SELDOM SCENE

Friday, June 23, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$40 preferred/\$35 orchestra/\$25 balcony
This IBMA Hall of Fame band is legendary. The internationally known group is one of the single greatest contributors to the progression of bluegrass while at the same time setting a new standard and attracting new audiences to the genre. Their music includes country, rock, and even classical pop. They have performed at the White House many times. They do maintain their reputation of being "seldom seen."

WILL JONES BAND

Saturday, August 19, 2017, 7:30 pm
Blackmon Amphitheatre, \$11* or Season Pass
Having the band out playing shows since June of 2014, this group has found their groove with a uniquely designed show that will keep you on the edge of your seat or on the dance floor.

BELLAMY BROTHERS

Friday, September 22, 2017, 8:00 pm
Andy Griffith Playhouse, \$65 preferred/\$55 orchestra
Celebrating over 40 years of music success, Howard and David Bellamy have created a patent on the newly cool "duo" category in country music. In the era of the 2000's, The Bellamy Brothers hold the record in both the Academy of Country Music (ACM) and the Country Music Association Awards (CMA) for the most duo nominations. Numerous Grammy nods have also been directed toward the brothers. Particularly appropriate for Mayberry Days, David Bellamy wrote "I Wish Life Was Like The Andy Griffith Show." By the late '70's The Bellamys were emerging on the country charts with another bona fide smash. "If I Said You Had A Beautiful Body (Would You Hold It Against Me)," rocketed them to the top of the country charts the way "Let Your Love Flow," had done in the pop market just a few years earlier. It proved to be the first of a string of fourteen #1 singles in the U.S. alone.

BALSAM RANGE

Saturday, September 23, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$35 preferred/\$25 orchestra/\$20 balcony
2015 IBMA Vocal Group of the Year and 2015 IBMA Song of the year winners are not only great musicians but also great guys! Elements of jazz, country, gospel, swing and old-time music are all infused into the fresh sound of this unique band.

DAILEY & VINCENT

Saturday, December 9, 2017, 7:30 pm
Historic Earle Theatre, \$65 preferred/\$55 orchestra/\$40 balcony
Dubbed by CMT as the "Rockstars of Bluegrass," the Dailey & Vincent duo has been hailed throughout the music industry as one of the most exciting, reputable and elite Bluegrass bands in America. They have won numerous awards for their uniquely contagious and riveting music, including: three Grammy Award Nominations for the 2014 "Bluegrass Album of the Year;" 14 IBMA Awards as three-time "Entertainer of the Year," three-time "Vocal Group of the Year" and "Album of the Year" and four Dove Awards with three "Bluegrass Album of the Year" awards and "Bluegrass Song of the Year."

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