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Culture, Comedy, Classical Music and More: The Hawk Theatre Announces 2025/2026 Season

Located in the City of Farmington Hills, The Hawk Theatre will open its fourth season on Tuesday, Sept. 20 with a free Detroit Symphony Orchestra concert

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. (June 10, 2025) – The Hawk Theatre in the City of Farmington Hills is proud to announce its 2025/2026 season, which will run from Saturday, Sept. 20, 2025, through Friday, June 19, 2026. Located within the City’s award-winning recreation and arts venue, The Hawk, the Theatre’s fourth season will include performances by the classical music masterminds behind some of the region’s most influential institutions, cultural celebrations, special events and more. Through these programs, The Hawk Theatre will work toward its goal of exposing diverse metro Detroit audiences to high caliber performing arts experiences. **Tickets for the full 2025/2026 season are available at TheHawkTheatre.com.**

“We’re excited to build on the foundation of artistic excellence that patrons of The Hawk Theatre have come to expect during our first three seasons,” said Rachel Timlin, cultural arts supervisor for the City of Farmington Hills Special Services Department, which administers The Hawk Theatre programming. “Through continuing partnerships with some of the region’s most respected cultural institutions, like the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Detroit Opera, The Hawk Theatre will connect thousands of community members of all ages and interests with the arts through an exciting season featuring concerts, comedy, immersive cultural celebrations and more.”

The Hawk Theatre brings world-class talent to its Mainstage as part of a robust 13-concert classical series, featuring some of Michigan’s most lauded classical musicians. The Michigan Philharmonic will play two shows this season, including a concert featuring the timeless classics of Barbra Streisand. The Chamber Soloists of Detroit will also return to The Hawk Theatre for a four-concert series throughout the season, including a performance by the GRAMMY Award-winning Ehnes Quartet. The series will also feature the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, the University of Michigan, the Detroit Metropolitan Youth Symphony and the Farmington Concert Band.

In its Black Box, The Hawk Theatre will feature two intimate three-concert series, featuring regional jazz and acoustic artists. The acoustic series, Black Box Unplugged, will feature Jim Bizer, Mike Green, and Warren and Flick. The jazz series, Hawk’s Jazz Joint, will feature performances by the Paul Keller Trio, Tres Suite and Alice Tillman. The Hawk Theatre will also host special events in its Black Box during the 2025/2026 season, including a Gordon Lightfoot tribute concert, a true crime author panel, stand-up comedy and drag queen bingo.

As part of a commitment to highlighting diverse artists and recognizing important cultural touchstones in the City of Farmington Hills, The Hawk Theatre will host a six-event series of concerts and events. These immersive, educational events will recognize Native American

Heritage Month, Holocaust Remembrance Day, Lunar New Year, Black History Month, Pride Month and Juneteenth.

The Hawk Theatre's 2025/2026 season will also feature free concerts for the community, including a Detroit Symphony Orchestra performance in September and two performances featuring the University of Michigan Department of Chamber Music in November and March. Tickets for these performances must be reserved in advance at TheHawkTheatre.com.

Tickets for all events in The Hawk Theatre's 2025/2026 season are available in advance at TheHawkTheatre.com or by calling 248-473-1850. Tickets may also be purchased in person on the day of the event, starting one hour before the event, dependent on availability.

The City of Farmington Hills has the largest dedicated municipal Cultural Arts Division in the State of Michigan. The Division coordinates arts programming for the community, including classes, events, and activities in visual and performing arts, and year-round performances at The Hawk Theatre, to expose diverse populations to the arts. The Cultural Arts Division also coordinates ART on the GRAND, an annual juried fine art fair, that the City of Farmington Hills hosts in collaboration with the Farmington Downtown Development Authority. The City's Cultural Arts Division also works to empower makers of all ages and abilities in The Hawk Makerspace, an immersive facility that allows makers to access a variety of state-of-the-art tools and equipment, as well as a creative community with a wealth of resources and knowledge, to grow a new hobby or skill, from sewing to woodworking and more.

For more information, visit TheHawkTheatre.com or contact the Cultural Arts Division at 248-473-1850.

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About the City of Farmington Hills

The City of Farmington Hills is a place where everyone is welcome. Founded in 1973, it is one of the largest and most diverse communities in Oakland County. Farmington Hills is home to more than 83,000 residents who speak more than 60 languages, and more than 75 Fortune 500 businesses, including multinational corporations like Nissan and Bosch. The City is known for its extensive amenities, including over 600 acres of parks, 90 athletic fields, six miles of hiking and walking trails, the Farmington Hills Golf Club, and an Ice Arena. Farmington Hills is also home to The Hawk, an award-winning, 245,000-square-foot recreation and arts venue, which includes The Hawk Theatre and The Hawk Makerspace. For more information, visit www.fhgov.com.

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Chronological Listing of The Hawk Theatre's 2025/2026 Season

September Events

Detroit Symphony Orchestra (Free, tickets must be reserved in advance through the Detroit Symphony Orchestra website)
Saturday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m.

October Events

Drag Queen Bingo Halloween Extravaganza
Sunday, Oct. 12 at 11 a.m.

Chamber Soloists of Detroit

Sunday, Oct. 19 at 2 p.m.

Hawk's Jazz Joint: Paul Keller Trio
Thursday, Oct. 16 at 7 p.m.

Farmington Hills Youth Theatre Presents: Seussical Kids!
Friday, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 25 at 3 p.m.

True Crime Author Panel with Nina Innsted, host of true crime podcast Already Gone
Sunday, Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m.

November Events

Mike Fornes: The Gordon Lightfoot Tribute
Saturday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.

Detroit Metropolitan Youth Symphony
Sunday, Nov. 2 at 2 p.m.

University of Michigan Chamber Music (Free, tickets must be reserved in advance)
Friday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m.

A Celebration of Native American Culture with Reg and Marca Pettibone
Thursday, Nov. 6 at 7 p.m.

Farmington Hills Youth Theatre Presents: The SpongeBob Musical Jr.
Thursday, Nov. 13 through Sunday, Nov. 16 at various showtimes

Black Box Unplugged: Jim Bizer
Friday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m.

December Events

Farmington Hills Youth Theatre Presents: SCROOGE! The Musical
Friday, Dec. 5 through Sunday, Dec. 7 at various showtimes

Once Upon a December Eve
Sunday, Dec. 14 at 4 p.m.

January Events

Holocaust Remembrance Day with The Zekelman Holocaust Center
Sunday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.

Chamber Soloists of Detroit: Ehnes Quartet
Monday, Jan. 19 at 2 p.m.

Hawk's Jazz Joint: Tres Suite
Thursday, Jan. 22 at 7 p.m.

An Evening of Stand-Up Comedy
Saturday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m.

February Events

Michigan Philharmonic Presents: Anne Hampton Calloway and The Barbra Streisand Songbook
Friday, Feb. 13 at 7:30 p.m.

Lunar New Year Celebration with Xiao Dong Wei and Yuki Mack
Sunday, Feb. 15 at 2 p.m.

Black History Celebration with Amen Ra Dancers and Drummers
Sunday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m.

March Events

Blackthorn
Saturday, March 7 at 8 p.m.

Black Box Unplugged: Mike Green
Friday, March 13 at 7 p.m.

Farmington Concert Band
Sunday, March 15 at 3 p.m.

University of Michigan Chamber Music (Free, tickets must be reserved in advance)
Friday, March 20 at 7 p.m.

Farmington Hills Youth Theatre Presents: Finding Nemo Kids!
Friday, March 27 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, March 28 at 3 p.m.

April Events

Chamber Soloists of Detroit
Sunday, April 12 at 2 p.m.

Farmington Hills Youth Theatre Presents: High School Musical Jr.
Thursday, April 16 through Sunday, April 19 at various showtimes

Michigan Philharmonic: Sounds of the Pacific Rim
Friday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Center Stage with Detroit Opera - Arias and Selections
Saturday, April 25 at 8 p.m.

Hawk's Jazz Joint: Alice Tillman
Thursday, April 26 at 7 p.m.

May Events

Detroit Metropolitan Youth Symphony
Sunday, May 3 at 2 p.m.

Chamber Soloists of Detroit
Sunday, May 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Farmington Hills Youth Theatre Presents: The Addams Family A New Musical Comedy
Friday, May 15 through Sunday, May 17 at various showtimes

Black Box Unplugged: Warren and Flick
Friday, May 22 at 7 p.m.

June Events

Hawk Pride - An Evening of Drag Performances
Saturday, June 13 at 7 p.m.

Juneteenth Concert
Friday, June 19 at 7 p.m.