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Palace Theatre Announces Free Summer Movie Series for Children and Families

Summer in the City serves thousands from surrounding neighborhoods each year

ALBANY, N.Y. — The Palace Theatre's **Summer in the City Movie Series**, presented by Broadview Federal Credit Union will again offer eight free, family-friendly movies to children and families from neighborhoods around the Palace in downtown Albany, with targeted outreach to low-income and underserved families in the City. The movie series provides children with the opportunity to enjoy the excitement and beauty of the historic Palace Theatre, while offering fun, safe and positive opportunities to become engaged in the arts. For this series, the theatre opens one hour prior to showtime for fun & educational activities.

Summer in the City is part of the Palace Theatre's Community Engagement Initiative and is one of several free and low-cost arts and educational programs offered by the Palace that positively impacts local children and families each year.

For each show, doors open at Noon with educational activities provided by Whitney Young Health Center, Ten Broeck Mansion and other local partnering organizations. Movies begin at 1 p.m. Free popcorn is provided to all children 12 and under. For the Summer in the City finale on Tuesday, August 29 - immediately following the screening of *Minions: The Rise of Gru* - the Palace will host a special Ice Cream Social, with activities, giveaways and Free Ice Cream courtesy of **Stewart's Shops**. The Ice Cream Social is open to the public.

2023 SUMMER IN THE CITY SCHEDULE

For all events, doors open at Noon for activities; movies begin at 1:00 p.m.

Tue, July 11 Turning Red

Tue, July 18 Coco

Tue, July 25 DC League of Superpets

Wed, Aug. 2 Finding Nemo

Tue, Aug. 8 Puss in Boots: The Last Wish

Tue, Aug. 15 Sonic the Hedgehog 2

Tue, Aug. 22 Spy Kids

Tue, Aug. 29 Minions: The Rise of Gru

Free tickets are available in advance at the Palace Theatre Box Office at 19 Clinton Ave. during regular business hours or reserved online at <https://bit.ly/SITCPal>. Individual Groups, Day Care, and Summer Camps looking to reserve a block of tickets can call 518.465.3335, ext. 121 or email info@palacealbany.org. For more information, call 518.465.4663 or visit www.palacealbany.org

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About the Palace Theatre

The Palace has been Albany's iconic downtown landmark for the past eight decades, bringing the biggest names in entertainment to the Capital Region. The history and programming of the Palace is a unique and often untold story with roots dating back to the period of the Great Depression. The Palace Theatre, built in 1931, originally presented vaudeville acts, feature films and became a civic auditorium before closing its doors in 1969. The theatre maintains its original beauty and design and is a historical landmark in the City of Albany. The Palace Performing Arts Center was established in 1984 and incorporated as a nonprofit organization in 1989, created to operate the Palace Theatre. The mission of the Palace is to bring world-class arts and entertainment to New York's Capital Region, greatly enhancing the area's cultural and economic development. Our mission is carried out through core programming and community initiatives that include performing arts entertainment, free arts education, family-friendly performances, free summer movies and a classic movie program series. The Palace has a significant economic footprint with over \$3.5 million in ticket sales and 180,000 patrons.