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There's No Place Like Tulsa's Home to the Arts

Tulsa, OK Click your heels together and imagine yourself in the cool cushiness of the Tulsa Performing Arts Center. June's event highlights include the launch of **SummerStage's** 25th anniversary season, ***The Wizard of Oz***, and culinary wiz **Anthony Bourdain**.

All yellow brick roads lead downtown this summer. Celebrity Attractions closes its regular season at the PAC June 15-20 with the musical ***The Wizard of Oz***. This adaptation is true to Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg's classic score. Tickets are \$20-\$60. An additional matinee has been added on Thursday, June 17 at 1 p.m.

Celebrity Attractions brings back **1964 *The Tribute*** for its 25th consecutive summer in Tulsa on June 25. The era of *A Hard Day's Night* and *Can't Buy Me Love* — early, rockin' Beatles music — is revisited in what *Rolling Stone* magazine calls "the best Beatles tribute in the world." Tickets are \$25-\$46.

Flower children and music-lovers will enjoy LOOK's "Summer of Love" during SummerStage at the PAC this June and July. The musical comedy ***The Boy Friend***, set in the French Riviera during the 1920s, plays June 8-30. LOOK's ***Patience*** (June 10-26, July 2), a Gilbert and Sullivan comic opera, has been transported to 1967. *Patience*, an agricultural student majoring in dairy farming, discovers love, heartbreak and more in this fresh and funny spin on a classic. Cole Porter's ***Kiss Me Kate*** (June 23-27, July 1,3) is LOOK's third production in its "Summer of Love," featuring recognizable tunes such as "Another Op'nin, Another Show," "Brush Up Your Shakespeare," and "So In Love." *Kiss Me Kate* follows a divorced acting couple who, thrown into the lead parts in a new musical adaptation of Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*, recalls what tore them apart and what brought them together in the first place. LOOK shows range in price from \$15-\$29. Catch LOOK's popular cabaret performances June 13 and 20.

The PAC Trust's SummerStage celebrates its 25th season this year with 82 performances. Catch ***Horace and Daphne***, an original play by local talent **Tim Neller** on June 11, and another original piece June 18-19, ***Terra Incognita: Monologues and Songs about Women***, conceived and directed by Tulsa's **Michael Wright**. There's more theatre with The Actors Company of Tulsa's tragicomedy ***The Visit***, June 24-27, and Theatre Pops' staging of Molière's ***The Misanthrope*** June 24-26.

SummerStage music abounds with **The Sinatra Concept**, June 11-12, featuring trumpeter and vocalist **Jeff Shadley**, and the six-piece bluegrass band **Rockin' Acoustic Circus** on June 12. ***Time Changes Everything*** returns to SummerStage June 17-19. This one-act play about imaginary meetings between Bob Wills and Woody Guthrie was written by Tulsans **Thomas Conner** and **John Wooley** and showcases the music of the **Red Dirt Rangers**. Adding some sass to SummerStage is ***Salsa Tropical*** on June 17 with Oklahoma's newest salsa band, **Grupo Salsabor**.

The top SummerStage ticket price is \$29. Most shows fall in the \$10-\$15 range for adults, with added discounts for seniors, students and children.

Celebrity chef and Travel Channel guru **Anthony Bourdain** (*No Reservations*) won't be eating any beating cobra hearts or raw seal eyeballs on the Chapman Music Hall stage, but will share entertaining travel and dining tales. This provocateur, who has a proclivity for salty language and has been known to verbally fillet TV chefs like Bobby Flay and Rachael Ray, became internationally known through his 2000 bawdy memoir, *Kitchen Confidential*.

Tulsa **Mayor Dewey Bartlett** has proclaimed show day, June 12, as "Anthony Bourdain Day" in Tulsa. Tickets are \$35.50 and \$45.50. Recommended for mature audiences.

For more information on all Tulsa Performing Arts Center events, go to TulsaPAC.com. For tickets, access MyTicketOffice.com, 596-7111, purchase at the ticket office at Third and Cincinnati, or at all area Reasor's store locations.

IN THE GALLERY - June 3-30: *How About a Little Fire?* When sand, pigment and fire unite, the outcome is one-of-a-kind works of art. Tulsa Glassblowing Studio (TGS) presents an exhibit of glass creations made by 20 artists from TPS Street School, Phoenix Rising, Met-Lombard High School and Youth Services of Tulsa, as well as the staff of TGS. Featured among the displayed pieces will be "Ruby Slipper" and "Yellow Brick Road," referencing this month's presentation of *The Wizard of Oz*. All works will be for sale, and profits will directly benefit TGS' youth programming. The PAC Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.