# UIS Performing Arts Center 2021-2022 Season Community Impact Report







# Dear loyal patrons and supporters of the UIS Performing Arts Center,

I am honored to take on the role of Chancellor of the University of Illinois Springfield, and as I learn about our campus and community, I am so impressed with the vitality of our Performing Arts Center.

Please join me in celebrating all that was accomplished during the 2021-22 season. We celebrate introducing children to the performing arts. We celebrate diversity and the increased opportunities for its growth within our local community. And of course, we celebrate high-quality entertainment provided at a reasonable cost to our local community and beyond.

As a whole, our campus is enthusiastic about how the UIS Performing Arts Center serves as a gift to the community—a center that brings a positive impact to our regional quality of life and directly affects the tens of thousands who attend our events each year.

Thank you to our patrons and donors for supporting UIS and the performing arts.

I can't wait to see what the 2022-23 season holds!

Janet L. Gooch, PhD
Chancellor
University of Illinois Springfield



### Dear patrons, donors, and FRIENDS,

This past season has been one of constant change. I know I speak for every team member when I say how happy we were to finally be able to open our doors and invite audiences back into the UIS Performing Arts Center last October. From that point on, we have seen audience sizes grow, shows and performers start traveling again, and COVID restrictions shrink. A key piece of our work is to bring large numbers of people to the University of Illinois Springfield campus, and we are thrilled to get back to that work.

As you read through this report, I know you will share my pride in all that has been accomplished during the last season. We have launched new programs, and I call your attention to Our Stage/Our Voices, which is one I am very excited about. We were finally able to again have onsite audiences for the Staley Class Acts series, and one of my favorite things was to walk out of the quiet of my office and into an auditorium filled with the excited voices of thousands of school age children-many of them getting ready to see a show for the very first time.

I ask you to share in the pride of these accomplishments, because they are also yours. Without your support, we could not serve our community by providing high quality entertainment at affordable prices. We could not introduce school children to the performing arts. And we could not highlight those in our community whose artistic voice deserves to be heard. We continue to be fiscally responsible with your contributions, and you will see many examples in these pages of how your dollars turn into priceless experiences.

I want to end by personally thanking each and every donor, regardless of contribution level, for their support to the UIS Performing Arts Center.

Join us in celebrating the 2021-2022 Season!

Bryan Rives, Director
UIS Performing Arts Services



Celebrate the 2021-2022 Season!

# **Event**Listing

2021

AUG. 18 UIS Sexual Assault Awareness Event

19 UIS Caps Skits\* ~

SEPT. 18 UIS 2020 Commencement ~

18 UIS Music Faculty Recital:
Featuring Amanda Pond and Julie Jamieson\* ~

28 Escape To Margaritaville

OCT. 2 Springfield Ballet Company: Rockballet

9 Illinois Symphony Orchestra: Outstanding Openings

17 UIS Orchestra and Illinois Symphony Orchestra Youth: Frankenstein! ~

21 #IMOMSOHARD: The Getaway Tour

21-30 UIS Theatre: STOP KISS\*

23 MasterChef Live!

26 Straight No Chaser

NOV. 6 Illinois Symphony Orchestra: Resounding and Romantic

> 6 UIS Music Faculty Recital: Featuring Suzanne Segredo\* ~

11 IEMA/IDPH Vaccination Training

12 UIS Music: Chamber Music Concert\* ~

13-14 Film: Gen Silent \*

18 RENT

19 Josh Turner

19 UIS Music & Illinois Symphony Orchestra
Solo Recital\* ~

20 UIS Music Jazz Café\* ~

21 UIS Orchestra Concert ~

28 IEMA/IDPH Vaccination Training

**STYX: #2** 1,739 tickets issued



Ron White: #1 1,924 tickets issued



DEC. 3 UIS Band and Glenwood High School Band ~

4 Cirque Musica Holiday Spectacular

4 UIS Chorus Concert\* ~

10 Springfield Ballet Company:
The Nutcracker "All Access" performance

11 Springfield Ballet Company: The Nutcracker

15 The Prophecy Show:

A Tribute to TRANS-SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA

17 Pink Floyd Laser Spectacular

18 Illinois Symphony Orchestra: Holiday Pops

19 Summer: The Donna Summer Musical

2022

JAN. 22 UIS Music Faculty Recital: Featuring Dr. Jun Seo\* ~

29 Illinois Symphony Orchestra: Incredibly Italian

30 ABBA Mania

FEB. 7 That Golden Girls Show: A Puppet Parody

7 Staley Class Acts: Jabari Dreams of Freedom\* ~

20 UIS Music: Lift Every Voice,
Black History Month Collage Concert~

25 UIS Music Faculty Recital: Featuring Carmen Abelson\* ~

26 Springfield Ballet Company: Enchanted Storybook Ballets

The Nutcracker: #3 1,596 tickets issued



MAR. 10 The Choir of Man

24 Fiddler on the Roof

31–APR. 9 UIS Theatre: A Doll's House, Part 2\*

APR. 4 Staley Class Acts: Rosie Revere, Engineer

5 All City Music Festival

6-8, & 11 Head Start field trip visits

12 Staley Class Acts: Doktor Kaboom and the Wheel of Science

15 Our Stage/Our Voices Event - Creativity, Collaboration, and Community^

19 Hairspray

22 Staley Class Acts: Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun

22 UIS Music Jazz Café\* ~

23 Illinois Symphony Orchestra Pops: The Best of Queen and Journey

24 UIS High School Honor Band Festival & Concert

28 Ron White

29 UIS Chorus Concert\* ~

30 UIS Music Faculty Recital: Featuring Dr. Adam Larison\* ~

MAY 1 The British Invasion

1 UIS Music: Solo Recital\* ~

4 Staley Class Acts: Illinois Symphony Orchestra Concert for Kids

5 STYX

6 UIS Orchestra and Illinois Symphony Youth Orchestra: Make Our Garden Grow

7 UIS Music and Illinois Symphony Youth Orchestra:Chamber Concert\* ~

13 Trey Kennedy: The Are You For Real? Tour

14 Illinois Symphony Orchestra: American Journey

15 Pleasant Plains High School Graduation

19 Our Stage/Our Voices Event - Ragtime Panel Discussion\* ~

21 SIU School of Medicine Graduation

27 Auburn Graduation

29 Williamsville Graduation

JUN. 2 An Officer and a Gentleman

4 Kinner & Company Dance Recital

8 Riverdance 25th Anniversary Show

11 Dance Creations Dance Studio Recital

23 Anastasia the Musical

29 Sangamon Experience: Relive the True Mother Road: The Edwards Trace\*

All events held in Sangamon Auditorium unless noted

Celebrate

**Amazing** 

Experiences

\* UIS Studio Theatre,

^ Brookens Auditorium,

~ Live Streamed

Riverdance: #4



Anastasia: #5
1,480 tickets issued



Celebrating over 30 years of performances, Staley Class Acts is our flagship education program presenting national touring shows specifically designed for young audiences.



Doktor Kaboom and the Wheel of Science



Jabari Dreams of Freedom





ISO Concert for Kids

### What teachers are saying:

"The Class Acts series is wonderful for children who never have the the opportunity to go to UIS or any auditorium and see live performances. It is great content with a terrific experience!"

"I love bringing my students to the auditorium every year and will continue to do so. It is a great experience all around. Thank you so much!"

"The Staley Class Acts have always been a hit with our 3rd grade classes. We enjoy coming to Springfield. It also gives our students an opportunity to see a play."

"This performance linked easily to our character education program. We discuss kindness and being respectful toward others, as well as appreciating differences throughout the school year."

"I will incorporate this experience into my classroom by acting out the stories read to the children. Just today we reenacted The Five Little Monkeys where the children were the monkeys... pretty awesome!"

## **Education Connections Program**

In addition to world-class performances, UIS Performing Arts Center strives to provide educational opportunities in the performing arts for the central Illinois community.

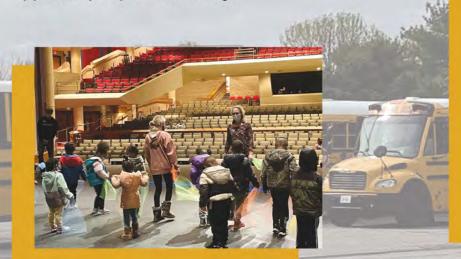




Celebrate Children



Through funding from PNC, local Head Start classes were visited by Education Connections staff prior to coming to campus for a backstage tour and the opportunity to perform onstage.







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Reggie's residency will conclude with a performance in February 2023 where he will collaborate with regional Black artists to explore and celebrate the Black experience in America.

### Our Stage/Our Voices

Our Stage / Our Voices is a brand new program developed and sponsored by the UIS Performing Arts Center which strives to make critical space for historically underrepresented communities in the performing arts through discussions, education and performance.

(Upper Left) Our inaugural artist-in-residence is Reggie Guyton.

(Left) Discussion on Creativity,
Collaboration and Community
between Reggie Guyton,
UIS Professor Missy
Thibodeaux-Thompson and
MacArthur Fellow Luis Alfaro.
The event was open to the public.

(Lower Left) Meeting with key UIS Performing Arts Center staff.

(Below) Reggie hosted a live-streamed discussion of "Ragtime", which he directed over the summer at the Springfield Muni Opera.





Former Interim UIS Chancellor Karen Whitney,
UIS Performing Arts Center Director Bryan
Rives, and Our Stage / Our Voices
Artist-in-Residence Reggie Guyton discuss
the 25th anniversary of RENT, the impact of
the AIDS crisis, and how the performing arts can affect lives.

# Celebrate Diversity



The UIS Performing Arts Center partnered with Springfield Ballet Company to present a sensory-friendly version of "The Nutcracker." House lights were kept up during the performance, a pre-show narrative was spoken and signed, and attendees were encouraged to move about as needed during the performance.



Partnering with AgeLinc and the Phoenix Center, a screening of the film "Gen Silent" was presented in the UIS Studio Theatre. The documentary follows the lives of six LGBT seniors who must choose if they will hide their sexuality in order to survive in the long-term healthcare system.



The UIS Performing Arts Center was awarded the Phoenix Center's Caitie Barker PRIDE award in recognition of assistance in presenting PrideFest 2021.



### 2021-2022 Season Members Honoring Gifts Received from July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

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# Celebrate **FRIENDS**

Director Bryan Rives provides



VIP photo op with Ron White.



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Sneak peak of Broadway show



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### Donors to Our Stage / Our Voices during the 2021–2022 Season

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# Celebrate Generosity

### **Broadway Media Sponsors**







### Meet Dale and Shauna Kuhn



Dale and Shauna Kuhn are both originally from Canton, Illinois, and graduates of the University of Illinois system. Although they have known each other since middle school, their lives headed in different directions after

high school. Dale began his career as a math and science teacher, basketball coach and bus driver. He then entered the utility industry where he began as a janitor and spent the next 30 years in a series of positions including CEO and earned his MBA from UIUC. Shauna graduated with an engineering degree and dove into a career that took her to 27 cities all across the globe. Her top two favorite

places to live were Scotland and Indonesia. Shauna says that her goal was to see the world. And she did!

About 10 years ago, Dale and Shauna reconnected and moved back to the Springfield area to be closer to home. They believe in supporting their local community and began attending shows at UIS Performing Arts Center. Shauna says Dale is an avid sports fan and they are season ticket holders for a variety of sports, but they go to the theatre for her. Along the way, Dale fell in love with performing arts as well.

When asked why they give to FRIENDS of the UIS
Performing Arts Center, Dale said "It's a great venue
with a good group of staff and a real sense of
professionalism." Shauna said "It's a hidden jewel and
such a wonderful evening out. With everything that
is going on, being in such a magical place for a little
while is just perfect."

#### Grants



Illinois Arts Council

- General operating support



The PNC Financial Services Group

- Grant support to provide arts experiences for Springfield Urban League Head Start students
- Support of the Staley Class Acts series



Shuttered Venue Operators Grant

 U.S. Small Business Administration grant to provide emergency assistance for eligible venues affected by COVID-19

### Performing Arts Center Volunteer Association (PAVA)

Honoring volunteers serving from July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022.

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New volunteer training



### Meet Art Bowden



Art Bowden was born and raised in the Springfield area. He attended college in Jacksonville and earned a degree in Business and Economics. Following college, Art went to St. Louis, and then Quincy, and eventually worked his way back to Springfield where he spent 29' years with Horace Mann. He started in customer service and ultimately was promoted to Director of Regulatory Affairs. "The job was very interesting and never the same day twice."

Upon his retirement, Art gave himself six months of "vacation mode" and then he said it was time to get up off the couch. He considered a part time job but didn't want that level of daily responsibility. He chose to volunteer because it is much more accommodating to changes in schedule and a way to support local organizations. Art chose to volunteer at the UIS Performing Arts Center because he enjoys coming to see the shows.

He also volunteers at Memorial Hospital and will, from time to time, volunteer for a day or two with local marathons and fundraisers.

Since COVID, Art has accepted more responsibility, taking on a manager role with the UIS Performing Arts Center Volunteer Association but also still works as an usher. When asked about his favorite shows, Art says he likes the Broadway shows and has seen several amazing music performances that he just loved. He enjoys working the Staley Class Acts shows because the "kids are so wide-eyed entering the auditorium. They're little sponges for attention." Art says he really enjoys the social aspect of the places he volunteers and it encourages him to get out and meet new friends. "The reason you volunteer is always personal. It's a way to experience what you enjoy and also give back to the community.











The UIS Performing Arts Center is proud to work with amazing organizations both here on our campus and within the greater community.

In addition to a traditional season, the Illinois Symphony Orchestra also presents their Concert for Kids as part of The Staley Class Acts Series. This year the concert was 3,2,1 Blastoff!

For many, an annual Christmas tradition is coming to the UIS Performing Arts Center to see Springfield Ballet Company present The Nutcracker.

Students from Williamsville Junior High School attend a Broadway show every year with their Choral Director. This season, they came to see Fiddler on the Roof.

The UIS Theatre Department presents a student production each semester in the UIS Studio Theatre. The 2022 Spring production was A Doll's House, Part 2.

### Meet Meredith Crifasi

Meredith graduated from UIS in May 2022 with a BS in Biochemistry and a Minor in Music. Meredith was a part of the Camerata Scholarship Program for all four years, participating in violin, piano and voice. She loved the opportunity to be fully involved in music at UIS and shared how different it would have been if she attended any other university.



if she attended any other university. At UIS, she could still fully immerse herself in her primary studies with excellent professors in the biochemistry department while still nurturing her love of music. She was able to take private violin lessons, participate in various chamber music ensembles as well as a large orchestra combined with the community orchestra. She would not have been able to focus on her studies, connect with musicians her age, and continue to grow her love of music if it wasn't for the opportunities afforded her at UIS. Meredith performed in both the UIS Studio Theatre and Sangamon Auditorium. She's from the Springfield area and remembers growing up attending many Illinois Symphony Orchestra concerts held at Sangamon Auditorium and admiring their wonderfully talented musicians. It was a highlight for Meredith to end her time at college by playing a violin solo, Concerto in E minor, Opus 64 by Felix Mendelssohn, with the UIS Orchestra under the baton of

Maestro Logan Campbell onstage at UIS Performing Arts Center.

# Celebrate Campus & Community

### Meet Robert Rabin

Did you know that the UIS Performing Arts Center pays for at least one EMT (Emergency Medical Technician), sometimes two, to be onsite during events? "The safety and well-being of our patrons is our highest priority," says UIS Performing Arts Center Director Bryan Rives. Robert Rabin has been working with the Springfield Fire Department since 2005 and, prior to that, served in the U.S. Air Force and later Air National Guard. Robert was born and raised in the Springfield area and is the youngest of six children. Although he remembers watching "The Sound of Music" with his older sisters, Robert says it is his wife who truly introduced him to the performing arts. Also a Springfield native, his wife danced for Springfield Ballet Company. The couple has twin boys who are active in Hoogland Kids and the Muni, and Robert could not be more proud of their talent.



"I have been coming to Sangamon Auditorium since the very first, when the partnership with Springfield Fire Department was brand new," says Robert. He claims he got in early before anyone else realized what an awesome opportunity it is. "You get paid and you get to see amazing shows! Now, there are lots of guys who want to come." Robert says his favorite show so far is Blue Man Group, but he was hard pressed to pick. "So many people don't realize the quality of the shows here at the UIS Performing Arts Center. There are amazing Broadways shows, performers, and musicians." Even when he's not working, Robert still comes to see at least two to four shows a year and often brings his family.

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Donor support is often the only way that necessary upgrades and safety improvements can be made, ensuring future audiences have the same great experience that is available today. Up to date technology is also necessary to host most touring artists and events.



Donor Lounge The third floor lobby atrium space was repurposed this season into a private donor lounge.
Upcoming changes include new furniture to provide additional seating for visitors.







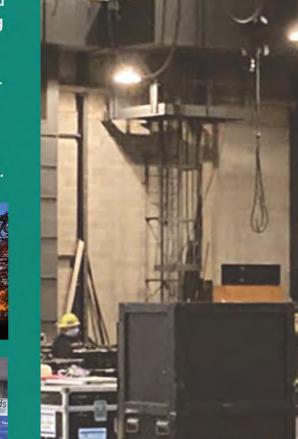
LED Lighting Upgrade:
Multiple spaces were upgraded
to energy-efficient LED lighting
including our main lobby.
In direct response to a
concern from a donor, exterior
entry/exit points received
new brighter LED lighting.
The UIS Studio Theatre lobby
also received new LED lighting.

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# **UIS Performing Arts Center Staff**

This list includes everyone who contributed to the success of the 2021-2022 season as an employee of the UIS Performing **Arts Center at any time** between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022.

#### **Administrative Staff**

Dwight Vaught..... House Manager

	- The State of the
John M. Abrell	Office Support Specialist (Finance)
	Director of Development
Jennie G. Davis	Office Support Specialist (Parking)
Rudolph "Chip" Deiss	Office Support Specialist (Operations)
Briana J. Fulton	
David K. Hecht	Assembly Stagehand
Rebekah Hecht	Ticket Sales Specialist
William Newton	
Craig Norman	
Betsy O'Brien	Education Connections Program Coordinator
Bryan Rives	Director
Carly Shank	Artistic Programs Director
Shannon D. Smith	Ticket Office Manager
Joe Taylor	
	Coordinator of Public Information and Market

#### **UIS Student Employees**

Priyanshi Alle **Precious Brown** Kinzy Buhrman Abigail Gallaghe **Andrew Myers** Adrena Reynolds

#### **Event Attendants** Part-Time, and Extra Help Staff

Brian Aarup Georgia Aarup Wesley Abbott Sarah Adams Eric Applegate Candee Arvin

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Mario Austin William Bauser Lisa Beam Rebecca Bettis Jennifer Bilyard Alexander Borisov Peter Brusky Lisa Burg **Wyatt Bussone** Janet Butler Courtney Caldwell Ace Cannon Daniel Cavanaua Vicky Chen Chelsea Coates Mark Cole **Justin Costello** Kaitlin Coultas Erin Cowger Daniel Cunningh **Dennis Darling** 

Elijah Davis

Michael Davis Noah Davis **Zachary Davis** Missy Dean Ann Dunn Roger Ellegood Brea Elston William Evans Alaine Ewina **Nancy Ferguson** Teri Fink Jennifer Fleenor Kevin Ford Dominick Garrison Leeann Gathard William T Geige Patrick Gilbert Kiev Glasscock Katherine Green

Christopher Griffit

Jacob Gulso

Sarah Haasis Lindy Hall Thomas Harvill Mark Haves Patricia Headman Kevin Henson **Christopher Higgins Donald Honiaman** Jennifer Hopper Holly Hopwood-Lemons Jeremy Hostetler Kari Hostetler Shannon Hughes Daniel lams Nancy Iberg Kathy Johnston

**DeCarlos Jones** Melody Jones **Ruth Jorgensen** Casey Julseth Jacqueline Keysea Antonio Kina

Virginia Klemm Stacy Kolaz Jerry Krumme Kevin Kulavic Richard Kuschel Rvan Lamantia Frank Lane Johanna Land Justin Law **Dennis Leach** Ashley Mason **Sharon Mather** John McAdams Stephen McCaffrey Tyler McKay Joan McMillan Devin McQuinn Luke Molen Rebecca Moler-Bill **Timothy Nielsen** 

John Nussbaum Godwin Ofurum Mary Oseland Jacob Pahde Joe Palumbo Stephen Parhomski onathan Parra Lawrence Perko Tamara Pettit James Rapps Bridget Ratz Christine Reineke Katherine Risse **Deidre Rosenberg** Dora Rotello Rvan Ruettiae Abigail Schafer James Schafer Edward Seelbach Katherine Seketa Rochelle Shelton

**Austin Sims** Mark Sims Samantha Sloman Jacob Smith Robert Stockwell Jason Stuebs Alex Taft Stephen Tankersley Molly Vasconcelles Elizabeth Verzo Lynn Vessini Kelley Wahl Sharon Warren **Courtney Wick** Maharshi Wijetunge **Anthony Williams DeWayne Williams Janet Williams** Regena Wilson Ashley Wise Donald Wisniewski

## **Financial Report**

	6/	30/21	6	/30/22	
OPERATING/MAINTENANCE RESERVES		\$ (552,698)		0	
ENDOWMENTS BALANCES					
UIS Sangamon Auditorium Maintenance Endowment	\$	104,460		104,460	
UIS Helen Hamilton Performing Arts Endowment for Youth Fund	\$	268,300		268,300	
UIS Auditorium Endowment Fund	\$	265,247		266,247	
UIS James L. Lundquist Endowment Fund	\$	224,578		224,578	
UIS Chapman-Staley Sangamon Auditorium Endowment Fund	\$	222,860		222,860	
QUASI ENDOWMENTS BALANCES					
UIS Staley Class Acts Sangamon Auditorium	\$	762,326		762,326	
UIS Auditorium Fund	\$	318,663		318,663	
SPECIAL PROJECTS BALANCES					
Sangamon Auditorium Special Projects - Piano Maintenance Fund	\$	5,770		5,770	
Sangamon Auditorium Special Projects - Partners in Education Fund	\$	1,030		1,030	
Our Stage Our Voices	\$	536		536	
OPERATING BALANCES					
Endowment Earnings Carried Forward to new fiscal year	\$	-	\$	88,087	
Annual Gifts Carried Forward to new fiscal year	\$	-	\$	37,809	
Operating Fund Balance Carried Forward to new fiscal year	\$	-	\$	275,233	
TOTAL BALANCE ALL FUNDS	\$	1,621,071	\$	2,575,899	



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OPERATING	2021-2022		
REVENUE			
Other Grants/Gifts	\$	1,481,916	
Ticket Sales	\$	645,215	
Facility Rental Income	\$	402,989	
State Support	\$	336,490	
Other Earned Revenue	\$	152,152	
Earnings on Endowment & Special Funds	\$	92,790	
FRIENDS Annual Fund	\$	56,218	
Concession Stand Revenue	\$	30,326	
TOTAL	\$	3,198,096	
EXPENSES			
Salaries & Wages	\$	1,158,982	
Artist Fees	\$	376,268	
Marketing Expenses	\$	211,135	
Other Event Expenses	\$	196,255	
Materials and Supplies	\$	137,661	
Other Admin Expenses	\$	75,317	
Equipment	\$	39,073	
Capital Projects/Maintenance	\$	21,935	
Fundraising	\$	17,492	
Concession Stand Cost of Goods Sold	\$	10,150	
SUBTOTAL	\$	2,244,268	
Endowment Earnings Carried Forward to FY23	\$	88,087	
Annual Gifts Carried Forward to FY23	\$	37,809	
Operating Fund Balance Carried Forward to FY23	\$	275,233	
Transfer to Reserves (elimate FY21 deficit)	\$	552,698	
TOTAL EXPENSE & TRANSFERS	\$	3,198,096	

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We are thrilled to announce that a contract has been signed with the Farnsworth Group to spend six months studying the UIS Performing Arts Center to prepare plans for a major building renovation!

More details to come soon!

