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Fort Mill Community Playhouse

Setting the Stage for the Future

Capital Campaign



Mission

The Fort Mill Community Playhouse is a 501(c)(3) non-profit whose mission is to enrich our community through the performing arts.

History

From "The Times Trader" March, 1988

Robert Reid, then President of Leroy Springs and Company, first suggested the idea of a community theater in 1979. Several neighboring communities already had this type of activity and he felt that Fort Mill needed one too.

Reid proposed his idea to Steve McCrae, director of art services for Springs Industries, and Howard Knox, executive director of the Leroy Springs and Company recreation department in Fort Mill. "The Playhouse is a direct result of our philosophy," said Knox.

They recruited help from local residents interested in theater and soon selected their first play for production. That first play was held in May, 1980 under a large circus tent on the recreation complex grounds.

In October of 1980, the Fort Mill Community Playhouse was formed with Tom Beaty as the first chairman. It has run continuously for 36 seasons in various locations.

In the past 36 years the Playhouse has been able to enhance the area not only with great plays and musicals but in our support of the various arts and drama programs in the Fort Mill area, including our current youth programs.

As with any play that we produce, many volunteer hours of preparation behind the scenes allow the curtain to rise and the show to begin. In order to maintain the standard of excellence the Fort Mill community has grown to expect from the Playhouse, we heavily rely on our 15-member all-volunteer board and a host of other volunteers to present each show.

The Playhouse is enormously grateful to all of its members, volunteers, advertisers, donors and corporate sponsors for their wonderful support.

Yes, I would like to support the Fort Mill Community Playhouse Capital Campaign. I understand this pledge will assist Fort Mill Community Playhouse to purchase property and a building for the purpose of creating a permanent home for the Playhouse.

Total Pledge of \$ _____

Annual Pledge \$ _____

Will pay now _____ Please bill me yearly ____ over the next

1 2 3 4 5 years (circle one)

Please indicate what month you would like a reminder regarding your pledge:

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec (circle one)

Name(s) (as you would like displayed)

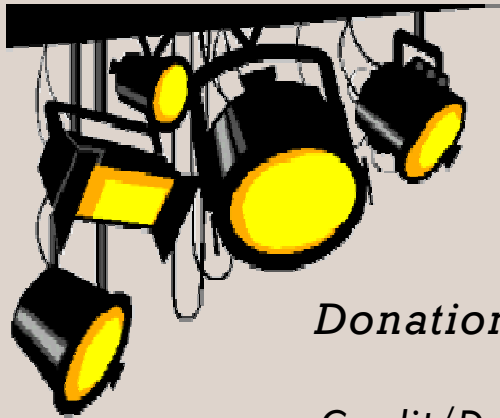
Address _____

City _____

State _____ **Zip** _____

Telephone _____

Please keep this pledge sheet for your records. Complete the pledge card insert, enclose your 2017 pledge, and mail to Fort Mill Community Playhouse at PO Box 354, Fort Mill, SC 29716.



Donation Payment Options

- *Credit/Debit Cards*
- *Cash*
- *Stock Options*
- *In Kind*
- *Annual Pledge*
- *Money Orders*
- *Cashiers Check*
- *Checks payable to:*

Fort Mill Community Playhouse

PO Box 354

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Campaign Objective

The Fort Mill Community Playhouse needs a permanent home. We began presenting plays under a tent in 1980. We moved into Fort Mill High School when it was built in 1987, and was given a home on Banks Street by the Leroy Springs Company from 2002 until 2015. We have learned to adapt through the years, but it is now time to own and design our own home to fit our specific needs.

Today

We are renting space at 220 Main Street in Fort Mill and the rent during 2016 was \$2,400 per month. We expect that to increase on an annual basis. *A new home is critical for the Playhouse to move forward.* Our present home only seats 67 patrons and the stage is very small. Due to our current situation, we have had to eliminate our Youth Productions and Dinner Theatres, in addition to the difficulty of finding plays we can produce in such a tight space.

Challenge

To raise at least \$1,000,000 for land and a building for a new Playhouse. This would be a permanent home for the Playhouse. We will be able to bring back our Youth Productions and audience favorite Dinner Theatres. To assist with on-going general expenses, space could be rented to interested parties during non-production periods.

Request

We have been searching for a building and looking at property for 2 years. With the explosive growth in Fort Mill, property has become quite expensive and we cannot purchase anything at this level without a capital campaign and donor support.

Thank you for your kind consideration and support!

Donor Naming Rights

<input type="checkbox"/> Fort Mill Community Playhouse <i>Name on Building</i>	\$250,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Playhouse Auditorium <i>Name on Wall in Auditorium</i>	\$150,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Education Center for the Arts <i>Name on Wall in the Center</i>	\$100,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Playhouse Lobby <i>Name on Wall in Lobby Area</i>	\$75,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Ticket/Service Desk Area <i>Name on Wall in Service Desk Area</i>	\$50,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Concession Area <i>Name on Wall in Concession Area</i>	\$50,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference Room <i>Name on Wall Outside Conference Room</i>	\$25,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dressing Rooms <i>(2 opportunities)</i>	SOLD \$25,000

All of the Naming Rights above can be shared.

Donor Opportunities

Name a Star on the Wall of Stars

<input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Star	\$10,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Gold Star	\$5,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Star	\$2,500
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Star	\$1,000

Name a Chair—have your name on a brass chair plate.

<input type="checkbox"/> Name a Chair	\$250
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Have your name on any of these opportunities or name 'in honor of' or 'in memory of' a family member or friend.



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