Zeiterion welcomes veterans and service members to "Movie Monday" series FREE of charge

Zeiterion Performing Arts Center is pleased to offer veterans and service members complimentary tickets to all eight films in its Movie Monday series. The offer begins with Good Morning, Vietnam starring Robin Williams on Veterans Day, Monday, November 11, at 7:00 p.m. These complimentary tickets are available by phone 508-994-2900 or in person at the Zeiterion Box Office at 684 Purchase Street in New Bedford.

Movie Mondays is a once-monthly series of entertaining and quotable movies on select Mondays, all showtimes at 7:00 p.m. The full schedule is as follows:

- Good Morning, Vietnam November 11
- National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation December 9
- Waiting to Exhale January 6
- Groundhog Day February 3
- Moonstruck March 9
- A League of Their Own April 6
- Selena May 11
- Ferris Bueller's Day Off June 1

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The Taurids are here and will be putting on a cosmic "two for one" deal including "Halloween Fireballs"

If you are a stargazer nature will have quite the show for you this week: The Taurids. The Southern and Northern Taurids are famous for not only the frequency of meteors but they have been dubbed the "Halloween Fireballs" for a good reason: amid the shooting stars will be an occasional, slow, very bright yellow or orange shooting star.

What also makes the Taurids one of the best shows among any of the meteor showers is that the two Taurids are characterized by slow movement allowing you to snap a photo or two. In addition, the two Taurids slightly overlap making it appear to be one continual stream of entertainment – a cosmic "two for one" deal.

The Northern Taurids typically arrive in late October and show off through early December (peaking on Nov. 12) and the Southern Taurids (peaking Nov. 04) run from mid-September to mid-November. Unfortunately, there will be some "light pollution" on November 12th due to a full moon making it harder to see the shooting stars.

But worry not, since this just means that the best time to

view the dual meteor showers and "Halloween Fireballs" is between November 5th-12th with November 6th being the best night of all.

Which part of the sky to watch? Anywhere and everywhere!

So grab a blanket and your significant other to keep warm and head outside and watch the show. Be sure to send us pictures to share at info@newbedfordguide.com.

"Lights for Peace" flag honors veterans at Fort Taber – Fort Rodman military museum

For 48 years the "Lights for Peace" flag flew above the Old Glory Tower in the North End of New Bedford, through the efforts of the late Joseph Theodore, WWII veteran and Purple Heart recipient along with the late David Bancroft, former owner of the fire tower.

Due to the deterioration of the tower, the month of December 2018 was the final month the flag was flown to honor a local veteran, but beginning Sept.8th, the "Lights for Peace" flag began to fly at the Fort Taber – Fort Rodman Military Museum, beginning a new tradition, sponsored by Empire Ford.

The flag was first flown at the New Bedford City Hall on Feb. 15, 1968 and the second flag flew at the Old Glory Tower 3 years later on Labor Day 1971. The practice of illuminating the flag began to spread through the nation's city halls and statehouses, then in 1972, President Nixon proclaimed that a flag was to fly atop the White House and from every customs

port of entry in the country.

A total of 553 flags had flown atop the Old Glory Tower to honor local veterans over the past 48 years. Below is the list of veterans honored to date at the Fort Taber – Fort Rodman Military Museum.

November 2019 - Edward V. MacLean

October 2019 - Howard A Prescott, Jr.

September 2019 - Norman Chartier

Sobriety Checkpoint scheduled in Bristol County from Nov. 2 to Nov. 3

Colonel Kerry A. Gilpin, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police, announced that a "Sobriety Checkpoint" will be implemented by the Massachusetts State Police on a Public Way in Bristol County at some point between Saturday, November 2, 2019 into Sunday, November 3, 2019.

The purpose is to further educate the motoring public and strengthen the public's awareness to the need of detecting and removing those motorists who operate under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs from our roadways. It will be operated during varied hours, the selection of vehicles will not be arbitrary, safety will be assured, and any inconveniences to motorists will be minimized with advance notice to reduce fear and anxiety.

Zeiterion offers festive fun for everyone this holiday season, including return of Nebraska Theatre Caravan's "A Christmas Carol"

Zeiterion Performing Arts Center serves up five festive performances this holiday season, including the anticipated return of Nebraska Theatre Caravan's A Christmas Carol. The yuletide line-up of family-friendly shows, seasonal favorites, and holiday classics begins with The TEN Tenors on December 5. Tickets are available by calling 508-994-2900, online at https://zeiterion.org/, or at the Zeiterion Box Office at 684 Purchase Street in New Bedford. Group sales of 10 tickets or more for select shows are available at a discounted rate by calling 508-997-5664 x123.

The festive slate of holiday performances at the Zeiterion include:

The TEN Tenors: Home for the Holidays Thursday, December 5, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$36 / \$46 / \$56

Come home for the holidays with The TEN Tenors! With a generous mix of festive favorites and modern holidays hits, The TEN Tenors will take you through a musical winter wonderland that truly captures the essence of the holidays. Fun for the whole family, the show also features many of the rock and classical songs that have made this group world famous. There's nowhere in the world The TEN Tenors would rather be performing this show than in the USA during the holiday season!

A Christmas Carol

Saturday, December 7, 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Tickets: \$19/ \$29/ \$39

After a year hiatus, the celebrated adaptation of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol from Nebraska Theatre Caravan is back on The Z stage. The classic is rich with thrilling ensemble music, alive with color and movement and is created to tell this great and enduring tale in a manner that people of all ages will enjoy. Woven throughout this classic tale are beautiful new arrangements and moving renditions of holiday songs such as "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," "Wassail Wassail," "Good Christian Men Rejoice," "Away in a Manger," "Greensleeves," "The Boar's Head Carol," and many more. Featuring a cast of 23 performers, live musicians, and Broadway-style scenery and costumes, audiences cherish this sumptuous holiday classic.

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation Monday, December 9, 7:00 p.m. Tickets: \$3

Movie Mondays at The Z gets into the holiday spirit with the perennial favorite National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation! Clark Griswold (Chevy Chase) vows his clan will enjoy "the most fun-filled family Christmas ever." But before you can sing "Fa-la-la-la-lah," he decks the halls with howls of folly. There are 25,000 lights on the roof. An exploding turkey on the dining room table A SWAT team taking siege outside. With a supporting cast of Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Juliette Lews, William Hicky and more, it's full of wit, heart, and sheer goofiness. Yule love it!

NBSO Presents Holiday Pops Family Concert

Saturday, December 14, 3:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Tickets: \$10 / \$28 / \$35 / \$43

Share the joy of the season with friends and family at the best holiday concert in town! New Bedford Symphony's magnificent Orchestra plays all the holiday favorites, and the Southeastern Massachusetts Youth Orchestra and Showstoppers join in for a holiday performance that will make everyone merry! A family-friendly atmosphere, festively decorated theater, and two performance times make this the perfect family holiday outing.

Cultural Road Trip to Boston Ballet's The Nutcracker Sunday, December 15, 1:30 p.m. Tickets: \$169 / \$144 for Z Members

Come aboard a motor coach to the Boston Opera House for a holiday classic at the world-class Boston Ballet. Tickets include transportation with lunch, prime seating, and a postshow Boston Ballet dancer meet-and-greet.

Also in December, Chipper Lowell (from CW's Master of Illusion) brings his unusual blend of stand-up comedy, improvisation, and twisted visual magic in The Chipper Experience – Where Comedy & Magic Collide on Sunday, December 8, at 2:00 p.m. Plus, the Zeiterion's 2019/2020 Stage Door Live series kicks off with Popa Chubby on Thursday, December 12, 7:30 p.m. for an on-stage performance the melds The Stooges, Buddy Guy, Motörhead, Muddy Waters, Jimi Hendrix and Robert Johnson!

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New Bedford's Manuel F. Matos Memorial Soccer Field dedication POSTPONED

Due to recent heavy rains and field conditions, the Dedication Ceremony for the Manuel F. Matos Memorial Soccer Field has been postponed until Tuesday, October 29, 5:15 p.m.

Media and the public are cordially invited to attend the dedication ceremony of the Manuel F. Matos Memorial Soccer Field, located at the Dr. Paul F. Walsh Soccer Stadium on the campus of New Bedford High School. NBHS athletes, city and school officials, members of the Matos family and friends are scheduled to attend.

UMass Dartmouth to hold Homecoming Weekend alongside

Family Fun Day

A full day of activities for returning alums and current students, faculty, staff, and their families

On October 26, between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., current students, faculty, staff, and their families can take an opportunity to enjoy a fun-filled day at UMass Dartmouth.

Guests will be treated to a day of live music, food, photo booths, games, Arnie and mascots from the Red Sox, petting zoo and pony rides, performances by UMassD student organizations, pumpkin decorating, face painting, giveaways, and much more.

All events take place on the campus quad rain or shine.

Zeiterion presents "Broadway meets Bollywood" spectacular Taj Express: The Musical, Nov. 17

"Big-Hearted Bollywood Razzle-Dazzle." -London Evening Standard.

"Triumphant! Beautiful! Flawless!" -BroadwayWorld.com.

After numerous sold-out international tours, Taj Express: The Musical returns to North America and arrives at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center on Sunday, November 17, at 7:00 p.m. The cultural phenomenon showcases explosive dances, eyecatching costumes, and an endearing love story told in a way only Bollywood could dream up. Tickets to the song-and-dance extravaganza range from \$35 to \$49 (\$10 for students), and are available by calling 508-994-2900, online at https://zeiterion.org/, or at the Zeiterion Box Office at 684 Purchase Street in New Bedford. Group sales for 10 tickets or more can be purchased at a discounted rate by calling 508-997-5664 x123.

Set to an unforgettable soundtrack featuring the songs of Oscar winner A.R. Rahman, Taj Express answers the age-old question: do you think with your head or with your heart? The musical explodes with the sounds of India and Bollywood, capturing the vibrant, expressive spirit of the world of Bollywood movies that have been entertaining billions of people in India for generations. Told through a fusion of film, dance, and music, this dazzling international sensation has captivated audiences from London to Hong Kong (and everywhere in between) on a live cinematic journey through modern Indian culture and society.

Taj Express is choreographed by one of Bollywood's top young choreographers, Vaibhavi Merchant (Sultan, Befikre, Tiger Zinda Hai, Loveyatri) and directed by Shruti Merchant (Dhoom, Lakshya, Baghban, Devdas). They are joined by Toby Gough (writer), Salim and Sulaiman Merchant (music composers), Abhijit Vaghani (musical director), and Bipin Tanna (costume designer). Pranav Merchant serves as executive producer.

Leading the cast are some of Bollywood's biggest film stars: Mr. Ninad Samaddar Shankar, Mr. Rajitdev Easwardas (as Arjun) and Ms. Tanvi Patil (as Kareena Kaboom). They are joined by a company of eighteen dancers, plus Chandan Raina on guitar, Prathamesh Kandalkar on percussion and Avadhoot Phadke on flute.

Wareham Police Department will be participating in the 18th National Drug Take Back

The Wareham Police Department will be participating in the 18th National Take Back, which is scheduled to take place this Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

This drop off location will be at the Wareham Police Department, 2515 Cranberry Highway. This event provides a safe, convenient, and anonymous way to dispose of unwanted prescription medication. This year we will also be accepting vaping devices and cartridges. For safety reasons all batteries must be removed.

Sgt. Sean M. Gannon Memorial Playground to be dedicated on Thursday

A dedication and official ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Sgt. Sean M. Gannon Memorial Playground will be held at Elwyn G. Campbell Elementary School, 145 Essex Street, on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Sgt. Sean M. Gannon, a New Bedford native who grew up across the street from the Campbell Elementary School, was a Yarmouth police K-9 officer who was killed in the line of duty in April 2018. In May 2018, the School Committee voted to honor Sgt. Gannon by naming the new playground at Campbell in his honor.

The school's PTO and Playground Committee has raised funds since 2018 to support the construction of the playground. Thursday's dedication and ribbon-cutting will celebrate its completion and open the playground to the students of Campbell School.