

Capitol Theatre

The Stage of the Mountain State



HISTORY: Capitol Theatre

- Capitol Theatre opened in 1928
- Played a vital part in Wheeling's economy and image
- Home of legendary Jamboree USA broadcast live over WWVA Radio since 1933 Home to the Wheeling Symphony Orchestra and various other musical, dance, and theater groups
- ❖ WWVA ceased live Jamboree USA broadcasts in 2005, but remains 2nd longest live radio show in nation
- Capitol Music Hall ownership transferred from Clear Channel to Live Nation in January 2006
- Clear Channel in process of selling radio stations
- Live Nation in process of selling Capitol Music Hall
- Building closed May 2007



WHY?: Capitol Theatre

- Space for Wheeling Symphony, other performing arts and film
- Anchors and reinvigorates downtown
- Provides sense of continuity and heritage
- Prominent location and architecture reflects importance to community
- Multiple additional uses
- Job creation during and after rehabilitation
- Jobs for artists, managers, technicians
- Patronage for restaurants, hotels, parking lots
- Catalyst for investment in additional revitalization projects
- Protects nearby investment projects



ECONOMIC IMPACT: Capitol Theatre - ER	Baseline	Optimistic	
Visitors:			
-Number of Visitors - Resident Market		63,696	74,136
-Number of Visitors - Visitor Market		10,464	14,544
	Total Visitation	74,160	88,680
Expenditures:		2	
-Expenditures by Visitors - Resident Market		\$3,758,064	\$4,374,024
-Expenditures by Visitors - Visitor Market		\$1,925,376	\$2,676,096
Т	otal Expenditures	\$5,683,440	\$7,050,120
Permanent Employees			
-Estimated New Jobs		65	79
-Estimated New Wages		\$1,308,862	\$1,567,812
Tax Revenues			
-Resident - retail & food		\$66,881	\$77,843
-Visitor - retail & food		\$25,992	\$36,128
-Visitor - Lodging Wheeling 6%		\$40,433	\$56,198
-Visitor - Lodging WV 6%		\$40,433	\$56,198
To	otal Tax Revenues	\$173,739	\$226,367
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ECONOMIC IMPACT: Capitol Theatre - Wheeling CVB

Wheeling Festival of Lights 2005 vs 2006

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	Weekends 2005			Weekends 2006			
	Rooms	Buses *	Total	Rooms	Buses *		Total
Property #1	123	6	123	21		1	21
Property # 2	54	3	54	18		1	18
Property # 3	210	7	210	0		0	0
Property # 4	54	3	54	0			0
Property # 5	0	0	0	0			0
Property # 6	695	49	695	356		20	356
Property # 7	108	3	108	324		9	324
Property # 8	432	24	432	22		1	22
Total	1676	95	1676	741		32	741

Difference 935 room nights lost - avg 2 per room = 1,970 people

Passengers	Avg Ex	penditures***	Multiplier ***	Economic Impact***
1,970	overnight	\$183	1.6	\$576,816
4,000	day trip	\$100	1.6	\$640,000
5,970				\$1,216,816



PROPOSED STRATEGIES - Capitol Theatre

❖MANAGEMENT

PROGRAMMING

❖REHABILITATION BUDGET

STAKEHOLDERS



MANAGEMENT STRATEGY - Capitol Theatre

- Capitol Theatre , WesBanco Arena, and Wheeling Heritage Port are managed under the Wheeling Municipal Auditorium Board
- Advantages of Municipal Auditorium Board management
 - o Existing organization with a proven track record
 - o Knowledgeable staff with industry contacts
 - o Centralized/coordinated facility management
 - o Centralized/coordinated facility promotions, publicity, special events
 - Centralized/coordinated sales and ticketing
 - Centralized/coordinated programming care given that events at one venue do not compete with events scheduled for another
 - o Same ushers, security, stagehands and volunteers used at all facilities



PROGRAMMING STRATEGY - Capitol Theatre - Projected: 55-67 events - 74,160 - 88,680 attendees

- Wheeling Symphony Orchestra concerts
- Regional dance school programs
- · Public/private school productions
- Festival of Lights concerts rentals and theater promoted
- Up and coming country
- Wheeling Jamboree
- Christian/Gospel concerts
- Doo-wop/Motown/oldies concerts
- Jazz/blues/rock concerts
- Broadway productions rentals and theater promoted
- Comedians
- Youth theater/family shows
- Movies
 - o Film festivals
 - o Cartoon Saturdays
 - o Late night movies for teens
 - o Theme/holiday specials
- · Lecture/Chautauqua series
- Private functions parties, dinners, receptions, socials



BUDGET- Capitol Theatre - Code Corrections, Renovations & Upgrades

Priority	Estimated Cost	Cumulative
Code Deficiencies	\$1,912,000	
Structure-ADA-General Auditorium Operations	\$3,177,000	\$5,089,000
Balcony Code	\$68,000	\$5,157,000
Ballroom - Code and Upgrades	\$1,105,000	\$6,262,000
Performance Enhancements: Stage, Sound & Lights, Cinema, Dressing Rooms, Loading	\$1,565,000	\$7,827,000

Note: Prepared by McKinley & Associates. Estimated costs are 2006 dollars and include allowances for a 10% A/E fee, a 10% Design and Soft Cost Contingency and a 5% Construction Cost Contingency. Add 6% per year for future inflation and escalation in construction prices. Detailed construction activities and costs are provided separately.



STAKEHOLDERS - Capitol Theatre

The following people have participated over the last two years in the local effort to assess and reopen the Capitol:

Doug Dalby, Wheeling Park Commission
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