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INTERACTIVE GRAPHIC

It just takes a click of the mouse to learn more about the Palladium in this interactive tour. Get a bird's-eye view of the stage from various seats in the house. Tour the anterooms inside, or take a panoramic tour of the acoustically sound hall. Go to IndyStar.com/palladium.

VIDEO

Steven B. Libman, president and CEO of the Center for the Performing Arts, highlights the features inside the Palladium during this walking tour.

PHOTO GALLERIES

Take a photographic tour of the Palladium with these galleries of:

- » The touring musicians and resident companies set to perform at the Palladium, The Studio and The Tarkington theaters in 2011.
- » The people behind the Palladium and the Center for the Performing Arts, including Mayor Jim Brainard, Steven B. Libman and Michael Feinstein.
- » The architectural details.
- » The construction — from the beginning until now.
- » The auditions for Community Day.

THE COVER

Carmel Symphony first-chair violinist and concert master Larry Shapiro on the main stage of the Palladium before the orchestra's rehearsal.

Grab a bite before or after the show

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When the Center for the Performing Arts opens in Carmel this month, event attendees will find plenty of nearby dining options, with more to come as development in the area continues.

Kahn's Catering is the venue's exclusive food and beverage provider and will also operate a cafe at the center. To be called the Basile Café, after center donors and local philanthropists Frank and Katrina Basile, the small cafe inside the Palladium will be a "grab-and-go" spot, said the center's general manager, Doug Tatum.

Rachael Roberts, marketing and operations manager with Kahn's Catering, said the cafe offerings will be similar to those at Vine & Table, the company's gourmet market at 313 E. Carmel Drive.

Although the cafe's menu and opening date have not been determined, diners can expect a lunch menu of soups, salads, sandwiches and cheese plates. Prices will likely range from about \$6 to \$9.

Dining options near the Center for the Performing Arts will expand when the nearby Carmel City Center is completed. The multi-use development is expected to include up to 230,000 square feet of



CATHY KIGHTLINGER / The Star
Basile Café in the new performing-arts center is named for donors Frank and Katrina Basile.

retail and restaurant space. Shapiro's Delicatessen, 918 S. Range Line Road, opened in the development in 2002.

Melissa Averitt, vice president and director of marketing and sales with City Center developer Pedcor Companies, said several more restaurants should open this summer, including Italian restaurants, a pub, a high-end small-plate concept and a coffee and wine bar.

Blu Moon Café, a nearby breakfast and lunch spot, opened last summer within the Indiana Design Center at 200 S. Range Line Road. Carmel's Arts & Design District is within a quarter mile of the Center for the Performing Arts and is home to a variety of restaurants as well,

Averitt said, including La Mie Emile, a French bistro at 15 W. Main St., and the new Donatello's Italian Restaurant, a 32-seat white-tablecloth restaurant that opened late last month at 9 W. Main St.

John Hughey, public relations manager for the Center for the Performing Arts, noted that many casual restaurants and cafes are located nearby, such as Bub's Café, 220 Second St. S.W., Bub's Burgers and Ice Cream, 210 W. Main St., and Bazeaux Pizza, 11 W. Main St.

"One that often gets overlooked, and that I enjoy, is Thai Castle," he said of the restaurant at 19 E. 126th St.

For fine dining, Hughey said, Carmel offers Ruth's Chris Steak House at 96th Street and Keystone Avenue, Mitchell's Fish Market at 14311 Clay Terrace Blvd., and Grille 39 Restaurant at the Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel, 11925 N. Meridian St.

The Glass Chimney, 12901 Old Meridian St., and Woody's Library Restaurant, 40 E. Main St., are other upscale options.

Hughey added that Pizzology, a popular pizza restaurant at 13190 Hazel Dell Parkway, is less than a mile from the Palladium.

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OPENING SCHEDULE

Jan. 22 — Community Day

» 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Ceremonial ribbon-cutting and the first public performance (by Carmel Brass) will take place on stage. Free.
» 1 to 6 p.m.: Center stage performances by local music and dance groups. Free.

Jan. 23 — Open House

» 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Free tours of the Palladium and performances by Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre, the New World Youth Orchestra, the CSO String Quartet, Indiana University Jazz Group and Purdue University Glee Club.

Jan. 25 — Hard Hat Concert

» 7 p.m.: The Wright Brothers will perform during this celebration concert for the construction team that built the Palladium.

Jan. 29 — Grand Opening Gala

» 5 p.m. to 2 a.m.: This black-tie event begins with a cocktail reception, followed by the gala performance, starring Michael Feinstein, Dionne Warwick, Chris Botti, Neil Sedaka, Cheyenne Jackson and the Carmel Symphony Orchestra. The night includes dinner, dancing and an after party. Tickets: \$1,000 for individuals; \$200 concert only; \$100 for after party.

Jan. 30 — Inaugural Concert

» 3 p.m.: The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and the Miro Quartet with Lynn Harrell perform. Tickets are \$15 to \$90.

Tickets for the opening gala and inaugural concert can be purchased at the Palladium box office, by calling (317) 843-3800 or online at www.thecenterfortheperformingarts.org.

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