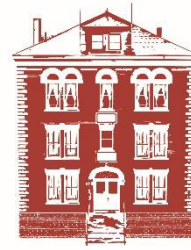


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Lydia - Heidi Chabot
Beetlejuice - Nicholas Henwood
Delia - Bailey Shy
Charles - Branden Giesecke
Adam - Tarrin Clark
Barbara - Allison Freeland

Sky - Isla King
Maxie - Jack Westhoven
Maxine - Sonnie Hysell
Otho - Lexie Dickison
Miss Argentina - Gwen Dilts
Juno - Anna Weber

Ensemble: Kiah Baer, Anna Bartos, Evan Bartos, Amélie Baum, Brianna Bigler, Reese Brunner, Ben Chabot, Carsyn Cox, Julia Damirov, Wren Dawson, Caysha DeBaltzo, Lia DeCarlo, Cora Dickison, Dalton Dilley, Elaina Dunfee, Emma Dunfee, Gabby George, Jocelyn Gribben, Leigha Hawkins, Heidi Hendershot, Lili Holland, Sara Joos, Emery Kandawalla, Dani Kuck, Shaylee McManus, Drew Morris, Nova Moyer, Brielle Schrader, Jai Shamblin, Paige Smith, Calen Vargas, Calia Vargas, Luke Widener, Franco Williamson, Kamryn Wilson

Direction by: Max DeBaltzo

Beetlejuice Jr. is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.

Victoria Players Children's Theater Is A Busy Place

The second production for VPCT's season 8 was Beetlejuice Jr. (a musical). The show was offered at Liberty Union High School at the end of July. It opened to large audiences and great reviews!

Congratulations to the entire cast, crew, and gang of supporting adults for a great production. And thanks too to Schaffner's Drive in for the Beetle Juice beverage they offered throughout July.



And the show could not go on without the support of our VPCT sponsors.

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In Memory of Joe Jenkins



VPCT's next show will be Goosebumps – Phantom of the Auditorium. This musical show will be staged at the Victoria Opera House Oct. 31-Nov. 2. **The VPCT will announce their next season of shows soon! Watch Facebook or our website for all the details.**

Need a Venue? Rent the Opera House For Your Event



No need to wait two years for your venue to be available! Make magical memories in this historic space. Contact the BDRC for wedding package options and rates. The VOH is also available for assorted parties, meetings, and rental events, offering flexible theater and ballroom spaces.

Thank You to Our Opera House Sponsors

The restoration of Baltimore's historic Opera House is ongoing, and would not be happening without local support. The BDRC would like to thank:

- Park National Bank
- Sherry Looney and the Loon Crew/Howard Hanna Realty
- Schaffner's Drive In
- Baum Law Office
- Landis Hometown Team/Key Realty
- VFW Post 3761


SAVE THE DATE: THE NOSTALGICS BIG BAND RETURN TO THE VICTORIA FOR A CHRISTMAS CONCERT DEC. 7 AT 3 PM!

OCT. 31-NOV 2, 2025
Goosebumps™
Phantom of the Auditorium

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| Brooke Rodgers - Calia Vargas | Emile - Dalton Dilley |
| Brian Colson - Ben Chabot | Cami - Lily LaShelle |
| Tina Powell - Cora Dickison | Anna - Kaitlyn McArthur |
| Zeke Matthews - Franco Williamson | Corey - Calen Vargas |
| Ms. Walker - Kamryn Wilson | Steve - Luke Widener |

Ensemble - Ellie Austin, Arya Bayless, Vincenzo Centofanti, Sophia Copley, Heidi Hendershot, Calvin Keener, Conrad Keener, Maddie Morris, Knox Docie, Claire Westhoven, Harry Westhoven

Direction by: Isaac Poe
 Music Direction by: Megan Hysell
 Choreography by: Faith Kaylor
 Performances at the Victoria Opera House



SCHOLASTIC

Goosebumps the Musical: Phantom at the Auditorium is presented through special arrangement with Scholastic. All authorized performance materials are also supplied by Scholastic.

The cast and crew from last December's A Christmas Carol also reunited in August to



present excerpts from the show at the Ohio Community Theatres Jr. Festival in Tiffin OH. Some of them were doing double duty, as they were also featured in Beetlejuice! Well done all!



Baltimore Festival Highlights

Thanks so much to the Baltimore Festival Committee for again saving us space at the Festival. We enjoyed chatting with everyone who stopped by our booth or purchased bicentennical merchandise. And contratulations to Judy Courtney for winning our gift basket of custom Baltimore swag!



Opera House Hosts Pageant

The Victoria Opera House was again delighted to host the Baltimore Festival Queens' Pageant. An impressive group of young women vied for the coveted crowns of Queen and Princess in three age categories. While it's always a bit sad to see the previous year's royalty step down, we look forward to seeing the new court in action over the upcoming year. Congratulations to all the winners!

- Miss Baltimore Festival Queen: Brianna Fink
- Miss Baltimore Festival Princess: Erica Lysinger
- Jr. Miss Baltimore Festival: Sara Young
- Jr. Miss Baltimore Princess: Becka Wolfe
- Little Miss Baltimore Festival Queen: Willow Bensonhaver
- Little Miss Baltimore Festival Princess: Rory Gaskill



The 2025 pageant winners are looking forward to many adventures



The 2024 winners had an amazing year but now say farewell



Special thanks to the Pageant for selling buttons depicting the beautiful Victoria Opera House! Get yours at baltimorefestivalpageant@gmail.com.

Victoria Players Children's Theater Receives FCF Grant

The VPCT applied for a grant this spring from the Fairfield County Foundation (FCF). The FCF offers several grant programs, and has been a generous supporter of the VPCT and BDRC in the past.

One of the grant programs is advised by the FCF's Youth Advisory Committee. The VPCT requested funds to replace numerous microphones that were no longer functional.

We are delighted to share that the application was successful! The VPCT received \$2,000 as a memorial gift from the George and Dollie L. Zimpfer Fund of the Fairfield County Foundation, in collaboration with the Youth Advisory Committee. That calls for a mic drop (but we'll drop the old mics, not the new ones!)



Bicentennial Merch Going, Going...

The BDRC has some unique bicentennial merchandise available for a limited time. We're sold out of Christmas ornaments, but we still have cow bells, note cards, steel water bottles, and picnic blankets. These can't be purchased in stores! Get your cow bell before LU football season starts!



Thanks For Supporting the BDRC

As a volunteer run 501 (c) 3 non-profit, the BDRC depends on revenue from donations, memberships, sponsorships, and events to operate. This is what makes all our programming and the ongoing restoration of the Victoria Opera House possible!

Memberships are available at different levels, and all new and renewed members score great custom swag. In addition, anyone who contributes \$500 or more per year has an annual recognition plaque hung in the Victoria Opera House.

Finally, annual sponsorships for the following programs and more are available.

- Victoria Players Children's Theater
- Victoria Opera House Restoration
- Flag Fund (flags on Main & Market St.)
- Holiday Decorations



We're now looking for vendors for our annual Holiday Market in Johnson Park on December 6. Interested? Email us at baltimoreohiofarmersmarket@gmail.com

Kroger Rewards Support the BDRC

Do you shop at Kroger? It's super easy to support the BDRC, VPCT, Farmers' Market, and Opera House by signing up for Kroger Community Rewards. Just go to Krogercommunityrewards.com, sign in with your Kroger Plus card, click enroll, and designate the BDRC (#KU440) as the organization you wish to support. Then Kroger sends us a quarterly check as a reward for your purchases.





An Evening at the Opera House – Call For Submissions

Coming November 7: An Evening at the Opera House celebrating poets and story tellers. Local writers are invited to submit original work for consideration (speakers must be 18+ years of age).

Poems and stories up to five minutes in length will be shared by the authors in a coffee house atmosphere fueled by Juniper & Ivy Coffee. The evening will finish with readings from the Poet Laureate of Ohio, Keri Gunter-Seymour.



Direct questions or submissions to Michele at morroneoh@gmail.com.
Deadline for submissions is October 10, 2025.



Historic Basil Firehouse Gets Makeover

This historic and unique structure in Bicentennial Park was looking a bit weathered. Thanks to the



Village and the Baltimore Bicentennial Committee for working together to give this local landmark a new paint job.

The crew from Good News Painting did a wonderful job with scraping and prep before putting the new paint on the weathered wood. The results speak for themselves!



Keep Up with Us on Social Media

The BDRC and its many programs are on Facebook at:

- Baltimore Downtown Restoration
- Victoria Opera House
- Victoria Players Children's Theater – VPCT
- Baltimore Farmers Market



And of course, our website is up to speed with current events and programs. Questions? Email us at:

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