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Mesa Arts Center Announces New Performances for 2025–2026 Season

Tickets go on sale Aug. 15 at 10 a.m.



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Mesa, **AZ** – Mesa Arts Center announces an exciting mix of performances for all ages, from immersive, toddler-friendly theater to Motown legends, beloved comedians and iconic film experiences. Tickets for all newly announced shows go on sale Friday, Aug. 15 at 10 a.m. Get tickets at mesaartscenter.com or call the box office during regular business hours at 480-644-6500.

Theater for the Very Young Presents: RED Oct. 30–Nov. 9, 2025

Welcome to "Red," an immersive dance performance for 12–36-month-olds and their families. Developed through creative research sessions with very young children, this performance explores the big, bold experience of toddlerhood through joyful chaos and rough-and-tumble play. Performers and audience members dance together, co-creating a world that is unequivocally "Red."

Sister's Christmas Catechism: The Mystery of the Magi's Gold Nov. 28–Dec. 21, 2025

It's "CSI: Bethlehem" in this holiday mystery extravaganza, from the author of Late Nite Catechism, as Sister takes on the mystery that has intrigued historians throughout the ages — whatever happened to the Magi's gold? ("We know that Mary used the frankincense and myrrh as a sort of potpourri — they were in a barn after all.") Retelling the story of the nativity, as only Sister can, this hilarious holiday production is bound to become a yearly classic.

Home Free: Let Me Come Home Tour Nov. 29, 2025

This winter, all-vocal country sensation Home Free invites you to celebrate the season with their heartwarming holiday tour, Let Me Come Home — named after their touching original track from the brand-new 2024 holiday album, "Any Kind of Christmas."

Girls Night: The Musical Nov. 29, 2025

Girls Night: The Musical has been thrilling audiences and earning rave reviews since its sensational Off-Broadway debut. This touching and hilarious' tell-it-like-it-is' musical takes audiences on a journey into the lives of a group of female friends. Audience members can't help but laugh, cry and sing and dance in the aisles! Follow five friends as they visit their past, celebrate their present and look to the future on a wild and hilarious night out... and you'll recognize yourself in each of them!

The Temptations and The Four Tops Jan. 20, 2026

These two legendary Motown acts will unite for an evening you'll never forget! With a collection of hits that are the virtual history of American soul music – reminisce to classics like "My Girl," "The Way You Do the Things You Do," "I Can't Help Myself (Sugar Pie Honey Bunch)," "Baby I Need Your Loving" and more.

Blade Runner Live Jan. 25, 2026

Experience Ridley Scott's multi-Academy Award®-nominated cult classic, "Blade Runner" (2007 Final Cut), on a vast HD screen while Vangelis' synthesizer-led score is performed by The Avex Ensemble for the first time in-sync with the 1982 motion picture.

The Simon & Garfunkel Story Jan. 27, 2026

The Simon & Garfunkel Story is touring North America again this year! Using huge projection photos and original film footage, featuring a full live band performing all the hits including "Mrs. Robinson," "Cecilia," "Bridge Over Troubled Water," "Homeward Bound" and many more.

Paula Poundstone March 21, 2026 Iconic comedian Paula Poundstone is known for her smart, observational humor and a spontaneous wit that has become the stuff of legend. She regularly plays theaters across the country, hosts a weekly comedy podcast, "Nobody Listens to Paula Poundstone," and is a regular panelist on NPR's "Wait, Wait... Don't Tell Me." She also voiced the character Forgetter Paula in the feature films "Inside Out and Inside Out 2."

To purchase tickets, please visit <u>mesaartscenter.com</u> or call the box office during business hours at 480-644-6500.

About Mesa Arts Center

Mesa Arts Center, owned and operated by the City of Mesa, is a unique, architecturally stunning facility located in the heart of downtown Mesa. Arizona's largest arts center is home to four theaters, five art galleries and 14 art studios. Guests, patrons and students come to Mesa Arts Center to enjoy the finest live entertainment and performances, world-class visual art exhibitions and outstanding arts education classes. Mesa Arts Center's mission is to create meaningful arts experiences in Mesa for everyone. For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com.

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