



NIGHTLIFE ROCKS!

Entertainment in Myrtle Beach Pumps Up the Volume

Boasting a unique variety of award-winning music, dance, comedy, dinner shows and celebrity concerts, the Myrtle Beach area today is home to some of the best of the entertainment world. Several showplaces and thousands of seats provide the perfect venues for top-notch entertainment every night of the week – in addition to the Grand Strand’s music festivals and dancing scene. Whether travelers are looking for a family-friendly entertainment experience or a simple spot to let loose, the Myrtle Beach area has plenty of fantastically fun options for a night on the town.

~ Live Entertainment ~

The Alabama Theatre

Gaylord Entertainment presents ONE The Show at the Alabama Theatre, featuring multi-talented entertainers performing America’s favorite music including country, Broadway, bluegrass and gospel, as well as comedy, dance and more. The 2012 Guest Artists Concert Series will welcome touring acts such as Temptations and Four Tops, The Oak Ridge Boys, Loretta Lynn, =George Jones and many others. For more information, call (800) 342-2262 or visit www.Alabama-Theatre.com.

Atlantic Stage

In partnership with Coastal Carolina University, Atlantic Stage is the first and only professional theatre company in the Myrtle Beach area. Atlantic Stage was formed in August 2008 and is comprised of professional directors and designers, as well as professional actors and stage managers who are members of the Actors Equity Association. It is committed to bringing the Myrtle Beach area the best in Broadway, Off-Broadway and new plays from regional theatre across the United States. A not-for-profit theatre, Atlantic Stage is funded through ticket sales, private donations, and in kind donations from Coastal Carolina University and the Department of Theatre and individuals. For more information, visit www.atlanticstage.com.

Carolina Master Chorale

The Carolina Master Chorale is the oldest community chorus on the Grand Strand, founded in 1982. The volunteer chorus consists of over 70 auditioned members. Members, from all parts of the Grand Strand, north to Calabash and west to Conway, are of very diverse backgrounds of music experience. The group consists of locals, raised and newcomers, dedicated to filling the Grand Strand with music. The group is led by the music director and conductor, Dr. Timothy Koch, who is recognized as a champion of contemporary composers and as a leading interpreter of choral/orchestral masterworks. The Carolina Master Chorale not only contributes to the cultural and civic life of the Grand Strand, but acts as cultural ambassadors for the community through performances in other South Carolina cities, in other parts of the United States, and in other countries. It offers four concerts during its annual season, including the concert for combined choruses at the “Festival-By-the Sea,” a weekend-long choral workshop for invited choruses from the United States and Canada, featuring internationally known choral conductors. For more information, call (843) 444-5774 or visit www.carolinamasterchorale.com.

The Carolina Opry Presented by Calvin Gilmore

Calvin Gilmore Presents The Carolina Opry – consistently voted best show by readers of Myrtle Beach’s daily newspaper. The Opry also won the prestigious South Carolina Governor’s Cup for “Most Outstanding Attraction.” Guests will enjoy a variety of stellar music, dance and comedy acts performed by professional artists including “All

That!" of NBC's "America's Got Talent." Joining the Opry's repertoire on select nights is Good Vibrations, in which the Carolina Opry cast turns out hits from the '60s, '70s and '80s. For more information, call (800) 843-6779 or visit www.TheCarolinaOpry.com.

Celebration Music Theatre

The Celebration Music Theatre in Surfside Beach, SC is home to world-class entertainment, including the legendary tribute artist show SUPERSTARZ! Live and the Broadway Celebration Series. Celebration Music Theatre presents a variety of entertainment in the Grand Strand – from tribute artists to live bands to Broadway musical and comedy. For more information, visit www.celebrationmb.com

Coastal Carolina University Cultural Arts

Each year, Coastal Carolina University presents a dynamic cultural program for students, community and visitors to the area. The online calendar offers a detailed listing of the exciting program of events scheduled for the 2011 - 2012 season. For more information, call (843) 349-2502 or visit www.coastal.edu/culturalarts/.

Hooray for Hollywood at The Palace Theatre

Take a journey and relive some of the greatest movies and musicals from the last 50 years. The show features some of the greats in Hollywood film and music, such as Fred Astaire, Ginger Roberts, Judy Garland, Titanic, Friday Night Lights and Footloose! Viewers will watch the original on film and then watch as their favorites come to life on stage with this wonderful cast. Greatness is expected from the award winning producers that brought Myrtle Beach the Spirit of the Dance and Le Grand Cirque. For more information, visit <http://www.palacetheatremyrtlebeach.com/shows-hollywood-overview.cfm>.

House of Blues

The House of Blues attracts standouts in the world of blues, jazz, gospel and rock. Norah Jones, Edwin McCain, Keith Urban, Hootie & The Blowfish and Chris Isaak are just a few of the headliners who have appeared on the Myrtle Beach stage. Other big draws include the Sunday Gospel Brunch, Teen Dance Night, Murder Mystery Dinner Theater and the all-new Rockstar Karaoke, where amateurs take the stage to sing their favorite tunes, accompanied by a live band. For more information, call (843) 272-3000 or visit www.HoB.com.

Legends in Concert

The Legends in Concert show in Myrtle Beach is the greatest live, celebrity show of impersonators. The show features some of the best musical legends of our time. Since 1995, the show has had a successful run at its Surfside Beach location, but after 15 years, it's time for some change. In 2011, the show renovated a commercial building near Broadway at the Beach, next to Planet Hollywood in Myrtle Beach, For more information and ticket reservation, visit <http://www.legendsinconcert.com/locations/myrtle-beach>.

Le Grande Cirque Adrenaline at The Palace Theatre

The regal, 2,700-seat Palace Theatre is home to Le Grande Cirque Adrenaline, a mesmerizing spectacle of artistry and imagination performed by some of the world's greatest acrobatic and theatrical performers. Le Grande Cirque features a cast of more than 50 world-class acrobats, jugglers and performers from China, Russia, Monte Carlo and Europe, all in one exhilarating show. For more information, call (800) 905-4228 or visit www.PalaceTheatreMyrtleBeach.com.

LIGHT Presented by Calvin Gilmore

LIGHT is America's biggest multi-million dollar permanent laser light show, presented at the Gilmore Auditorium. The laser show is provided by Lightwave International, who provides lasers for big-name concert tours such as Madonna and Pink Floyd. The production can feature a number of themes, including Classic Rock, Christian, Patriotic, Family Fun, Beatles, Led Zeppelin, U2, Pink Floyd and Holiday. The 45-minute running time is ideal for patrons of all ages, while the spectacular show ensures that all visitors will be left delighted and amazed. For more information, call (800) 843- 6779 or visit www.TheCarolinaOpry.com.

The Long Bay Symphony

The Long Bay Symphony Orchestra has been performing 15-20 concerts each year since its founding in 1987. Offering a variety of classical music ranging from chamber music to a full orchestra and youth orchestra, The Long Bay Symphony provides a welcoming musical respite for visitors to the Myrtle Beach area. Adult tickets are available for \$20 - \$45 and student tickets are offered at \$10, making an evening at the symphony accessible for all family visitors.

The Magical Spirit of Ireland at The Palace Theatre

This production combines the sensational talents of the world renowned Spirit of the Dance performers with the Incredible Irish Tenors to immerse theater-goers in an Irish journey like no other. The performance includes traditional Irish folk songs, popular pop hits and even a few Broadway inspired numbers to entrance the audience and give them a sense of Irish culture at its finest. Located at the Palace Theater, the 90 minute production is not to be missed! For more information please call (800) 987-9852 or visit www.PalaceTheatreMyrtleBeach.com.

Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament

At Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament, the glory and chivalry of the Middle Ages come to life amid pageantry and thrilling tournament action. Guests enjoy a four-course banquet while six knights compete in medieval games of skill astride magnificent Andalusian stallions. For more information, call (888) We-Joust or visit www.MedievalTimes.com.

Pirates Voyage

Dolly Parton set sail and opened the new Pirates Voyage show in Myrtle Beach 2011. Guests can experience the wonder, excitement and spirit of the pirates who docked on the shores of Myrtle Beach. In an interactive experience, viewers start out in the Pirate's Lair and Crow's Nest and then make their way in the Crimson and Sapphire pirate's camps in the main arena. Not only does the show feature brand new music by Dolly Parton and Mark Brymer, but the presentation also includes acrobatics and live animals. This new adventure attraction received over \$11 million in production upgrades. For more information call (843) 497-9700 or visit www.piratesvoyage.com.

Theatre of the Republic

The Theatre of the Republic's mission is to provide affordable and quality community theatre for everyone. The theatre is housed within a beautifully renovated historical building on Main Street in downtown Conway, and has entertained theatre lovers for over 40 years. In addition to six main season shows, Theatre of the Republic produces everything from musical revues, to holiday shows and children's theatre productions. The non-profit Theatre of the Republic was named the official theatre of Horry County in 1975. For more information call (843) 488-0821 or visit www.theatreoftherepublic.com.

~ Nightlife Aplenty ~

Casino Boats from Little River, SC

The Atlantic Ocean is home to Myrtle Beach's casino ships, providing guests with scenic and entertaining excursions that include gambling, fine-dining and live-entertainment. The five hour cruises set sail twice a day from beautiful Little River, just a short drive north from the central Myrtle Beach area.

Celebrity Square at Broadway at the Beach

Celebrity Square is a New-Orleans style boulevard bursting with 10 of Myrtle Beach's hottest clubs and nightspots, from the well-known Hard Rock Café and Margaritaville to haunts like Crocodile Rocks and Fat Tuesday. Travelers can eye out for in-season Happy Hours, street parties and daily specials; there is always something new to entertain visitors! For more information call (800) 386-4662 or visit www.broadwayatthebeach.com/nightlife.html.

Carolina Improv Company

Carolina Improv Company (CIC) presents interactive improv comedy, appropriate for all ages, in which the audience becomes a part of the show. Think *"Whose Line Is It Anyway?"*. CIC also offers improv classes to adults, as well as teambuilding and public speaking training to groups and organizations and is now located in its new home of Uptown at the Myrtle Beach Mall. Uptown is also available for meetings and facility rentals. For more information, visit www.carolinainprov.com or call 843.272.4242.

Stand Up Carolina

Stand Up Carolina is the Premier Comedy Club along the Grand Strand and the Myrtle Beach area. Located in beautiful Murrells Inlet, they bring in the best comedians from around the country as seen on Comedy Central, HBO, Showtime, and in movies. Stand Up Carolina features state of the art lighting and sound, non-smoking showroom, full food menu and free parking. Stand Up Carolina also has open mic nights and offers Stand Up Comedy classes. For more information call (843) 651-7819 or visit www.standupcarolina.com.

Shag Dancing

Myrtle Beach is home to the time-honored tradition of shag dancing - also known as the Carolina Beach Shag. The Shag dance started as a beach dance popular with young, college-aged adults back in the fifties and sixties. It has been referred to by some as "a sort of a lazy jitterbug" that used to be danced late at night on the beaches. The Ocean Drive section of North Myrtle Beach is where the Shag originated decades ago and continues to stand strong, housing a plethora of Shag dancing clubs such as Fat Harold's Beach Club, Duck's, and OD Lounge.

~ Seasonal Entertainment ~

Each Christmas season, the Myrtle Beach area's many theaters and attractions stage heart-warming and celebratory performances. Parades ring in the season all along the Grand Strand, while holiday displays like the Night of a Thousand Candles at Brookgreen Gardens and Festival of Trees at Ripley's Aquarium are festivities to be enjoyed. With great seasonal rates offered alongside with a wide array of holiday shopping options, the Grand Strand is an ideal place for families to spend the holidays.

The South's Grandest Christmas Show at The Alabama Theatre

Each Christmas season, The Alabama Theatre presents The South's Grandest Christmas Show, a festive spectacle of traditional carols and holiday musical favorites along with dance and comedy acts.

The Carolina Opry Christmas Special

The magic of the season comes to life each year at The Carolina Opry's colorful and eagerly awaited holiday music variety and comedy show.

For additional information on the Myrtle Beach Area, visit www.VisitMyrtleBeach.com or call 1.888.Myrtle1.

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