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Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Paramount Theater

BURLINGTON, NC— The Paramount Theater of Burlington celebrates the twenty-fifth anniversary of the major 1998 renovation on February 18th at 7:30pm with an evening of music and performances. Originally built in the 1928, The Paramount Theater underwent a \$1.8 million dollar renovation and restoration project, funded by the City of Burlington, the Alamance County Arts Council, (now Alamance Arts), and private donations. It reopened its doors on February 20, 1998. The first event was a production of *Much Ado About Nothing* by the National Shakespeare Company.

The city is currently in the process of planning and designing an expansion project for the Theater that includes two multi-purpose performance/event spaces as well as a roof-top entertainment space. The expansion project will set the course for the future of the Paramount as an event space and theater and will support the economic vitality of Downtown Burlington.

The twenty-fifth anniversary celebration will include special musical performances by local artists from theater groups, all drawn from previous productions at the Paramount. A brief video retrospective of past Paramount shows and national performers will be shown as well as a preview of the Paramount Event Center plans.

There will be drawings for door prizes, including two season passes to the theater.

The Paramount Theater, 128 E. Front St. Burlington Saturday, February 18 7:30 PM Admission is free, but you must make reservations at etix.com, 1.800.514.3849 or the Box Office

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