

# THE GREAT AMERICAN MELODRAMA AND VAUDEVILLE

The Melodrama presents live professional theatre on California's beautiful Central Coast. At The Melodrama you'll find a comfortable atmosphere with honky tonk-piano music and fun in the air. Professional actors from across the United States gather here to present top-notch productions of great musicals, comedies, and classic melodramas in a lively cabaret setting at prices affordable for the whole family.

After every show we present a vaudeville revue full of song, dance, and comedy. You get two shows in one that are fun ages 4 to 104!

## DINE AT THE MELODRAMA

You can enjoy the show with food, beer, and wine. We have a full-service snack bar with... **FOOD** like the best jumbo hot dogs around, pulled pork sandwiches, baked potatoes, and delicious salads. **LOCAL CRAFT AND DOMESTIC BEERS**, Central Coast wines, and soft drinks. **TASTY SNACKS** like popcorn, nachos, pretzels, and a host of scrumptious desserts.

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## SHOWTIMES

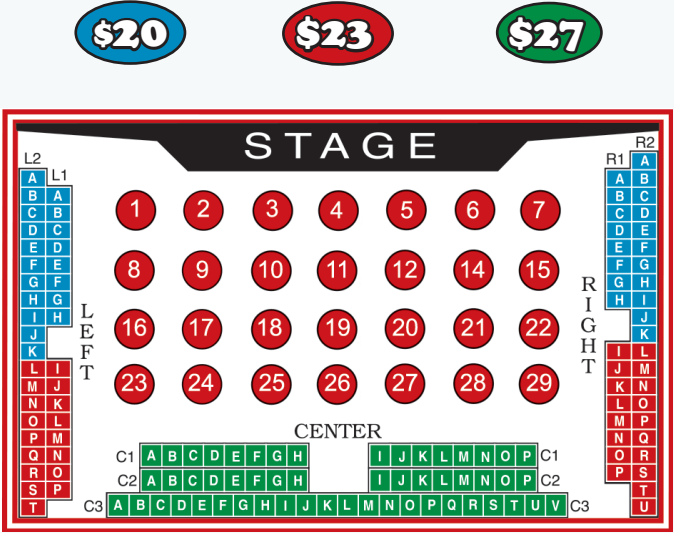
Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday ..... 7 pm  
Saturday..... 3 pm & 7 pm  
Sunday..... 6 pm

- Doors open 30 minutes before showtimes.
- *The Holiday Extravaganza* has different prices, varying showtimes, and added performances. Call for schedule or go to [www.americanmelodrama.com/calendar](http://www.americanmelodrama.com/calendar)
- No performances on April 16, Nov. 23, Dec. 24 & 25.

## BOX OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday..... 11:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Sunday..... 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

## ADMISSION



### MORE SPACE IN THE TABLE SEATS THIS YEAR!

**\$4 DISCOUNT** for **Children 12 and under**

**\$2 DISCOUNT** for **Seniors 62 and over), Students 13 and over, and Active Military.** A per-order handling fee is added to telephone and online orders. Prices subject to change and are higher during *The Holiday Extravaganza*.

## 2017 SEASON SUBSCRIPTIONS

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As a season passholder you receive an incredible discount, can exchange your tickets up to one day in advance, and get first crack at the best seats. For more information or to order today, call 805-489-2499.

## GROUP PRICES

The Melodrama is a great place to bring friends, family and business associates for any occasion. You can reserve as few as 20 seats or the entire 237-seat theater!

Call 805-489-2499 for the best deals!



Last season featured these crazy characters. Don't miss out on the fun this year!

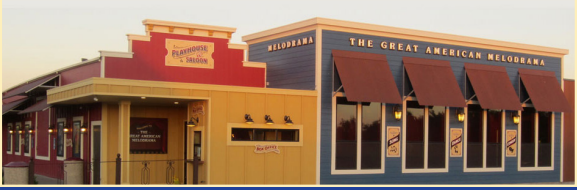
## NEW FOR 2017!

### More Room in the Table Seats!

We listened to you! We've reduced our capacity to increase your comfort. Now there's more elbow room for you and your family. Give our more expansive seating arrangement a try on your next visit.



### What do people say about the Melodrama?



"It's an absolute institution"  
KCET



"The acting ensemble is top-notch"  
SLO Tribune

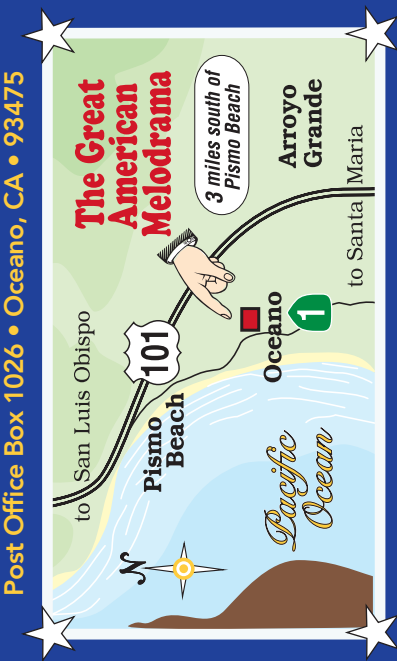


"An excellent year-round company"  
Sunset Magazine

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on the Central Coast!



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# 2017 PLAYBILL



By Larry Shue

**January 19 - March 5**

Shy Englishman Charlie Baker just needs to get away from it all. He finds himself in a rural Georgia fishing lodge where everyone comes to believe that he doesn't speak English. What could possibly go wrong? Well soon Charlie overhears some deep secrets and diabolical plans, and that's when the hilarity begins! Come see one of the funniest plays of the 20th Century when it returns to the Melodrama.



Book by Peter Welkin    Music by Ron Barnett  
Lyrics by Randi Wolf

**March 9 - April 23**

A villain (boo!), a hero (yay!), a heroine (aww!), and trusty sidekicks run amok in this musical romp. An orphaned farm girl, Constance Goodwin, attempts to save the family farm from the villainous Friedrich von Fouler. Can our strapping hero, Jack Strongfellow, stop the villain in time? Can he save Constance from her ironic fate and launch her dairy empire? Find out in the West Coast premiere of this new musical.



by Mark Twain    Adapted by Matt Koenig

**April 27 - June 11**

After a bump on the head, Hank Morgan awakens to find himself in the days of Camelot. Because of his knowledge of modern technology everyone is convinced that he's a magician. Soon King Arthur puts him in charge of industrializing the kingdom. It's a madcap adventure with knights in shining armor and damsels in distress. Don't miss this world premiere adaptation of an American classic.

**Vaudeville Revues Full of Song, Dance & Comedy Follow All Shows!**



**THE KARAOKE KID**

by Dan Schultz & Colleen Perry

**June 15 - September 16**

After relocating to Pismo Beach from the East Coast, poor Daniel just doesn't fit in. He has no friends, no car, and he's bullied by the cool kids at school. But then he meets a mysterious old master who teaches him how to fight back: karaoke. Can Daniel overcome his fears and win the Central Coast Karaoke Contest? You'll get the answer in this brand new musical featuring some of the biggest hits of the 80's and 90's.

Starting  
July 16  
these two  
shows will  
play on  
alternate  
evenings.  
Call for  
schedule.



By George M. Cohan

**July 13 - September 17**

In a lonely tavern on a dark and stormy night, a wild wind blows in all sorts of oddball characters - including a mysterious vagabond, an innocent ingenue and two thwarted lovers. A thief is on the loose, suspicions abound and no one is who they seem. This is a show that guarantees hearty laughs, mystery, and good old-fashioned fun. One of the most popular plays by one of America's greatest showmen.



by Michael Prince

**September 21 - Nov. 12**

In an effort to be taken seriously as a "legitimate theatre," the Melodrama decides to produce the most famous musical of all time, *The Phantom of the Opera*. But things go awry when off-stage drama, bad luck, and a mysterious figure derail the production. With a colorful cast of characters, hysterical song parodies, and witty dialogue, this is one show your family won't want to miss!



**The Holiday Extravaganza**  
**November 16 - December 31**

No holiday season is complete without the *The Holiday Extravaganza*. It features Charles Dicken's heartwarming *A Christmas Carol*, zany characters in a fractured fairytale opera, and the great music of the season in the *Holiday Vaudeville Revue*. The triple bill is a very special tradition that brings a year's worth of smiles to you and yours. Get your tickets early as this special production always sells out.