Arts, Culture & Entertainment

The opportunities for cultural events, the arts, and entertainment abound in Florence. With a local community theatre, local plays showcase community talent throughout the year. The appreciation of the arts abounds in Florence with the South Carolina Dance Theatre, the Florence Symphony Orchestra and Masterworks Choir. Additionally, area schools and colleges provide numerous cultural opportunities for local audiences. The 10,000-seat Florence Civic Center is host for all kinds of variety in entertainment for Florence. New to downtown are the homes of the Florence Little Theater and the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center.

**FMU Performing Arts Center**

The Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center plays a vital role in the university’s mission to provide excellent education, stimulate inquiry and research, and serve the Pee Dee region of South Carolina. It is a multi-purpose facility that enriches the lives of students, faculty, and members of the community.

The Performing Arts Center serves Florence and the Pee Dee area in several ways. One is that it enriches the lives of culturally and ethnically diverse audiences by offering access to outstanding performances and presentations of professional and emerging local, national, and international groups.

Visit [www.fmupac.org](http://www.fmupac.org) for more information and to see a listing of events.
Florence Little Theater

FLT's Mission Statement

- To provide excellence in live theatre entertainment
- To reach out to the entire community, thereby, ensuring a diverse volunteer participation
- To educate people of all ages in the skills of live theatre and encourage them to reach their full potential as they participate in productions
- To introduce the youth in our local schools to the art of live theatre through our Children’s Theatre program
- To provide the best professional and volunteer leadership at all levels of the theatre’s operation
- To maintain good stewardship of finances so that contributors and supporters can be assured of the financial integrity of the Theatre
**Florence Civic Center**

*The Florence Civic Center is the hub for entertainment, exhibitions and civic events for the Florence, Pee Dee and surrounding area.*

The Center boasts 50,000 square feet of multipurpose space including meeting rooms, ballroom, 10,000 seat arena and break-out areas to accommodate events of all types and sizes. It has the advantage of a prime location on a spacious, manicured complex at the intersection of I-95 and I-20, just a few miles from the regional airport. The facility is close to dozens of national chain hotels, several of which are immediately adjacent and within walking distance. It is located just across the street from Florence’s premier shopping plaza and close to a variety of award winning restaurants.

Check out [www.florenceciviccenter.com](http://www.florenceciviccenter.com) for more information and schedule of events.