



# Virginia Repertory Theatre SUP Request

# Location Details

- The Scottish Rite Temple is home to the Freemasons and provides a diverse set of facilities for public and private functions. These same facilities will be used by the Virginia Repertory Theatre.
  - 4204 Hermitage Road
  - The former Scottish Rite Temple
  - Bellevue neighborhood
  - Hermitage Road City Old & Historic District

# Community Support

➤ This SUP Application has received enthusiasm and full support from the community. The City has received letters of support for the project from the following:

- Councilmember Ann-Frances Lambert
- Bellevue Civic Association
- Hermitage Road Historic District Association



# Bellevue Area





# The Building<sup>1</sup>

- Approximately 45,500 square foot assembly building;
- A six hundred fifty (650) seat theatre;
- A commercial kitchen; and
- A banquet hall with seating for four hundred fifty (450) people.

1. There is a 4,500 sq. ft. office adjacent to the main building that will continue to be used as a children's audiology clinic.

# Virginia Repertory Theatre

- Virginia Repertory Theatre (VRT) is a nonprofit, professional theatre company that provides performance venues and programming in Central Virginia.
- VRT is requesting a Special Use Permit (SUP) in order to use the Property as an arts and education center to serve metro Richmond's children, families, and schools.

# Special Use Permit

## ➤ Existing SUP:

- Currently, there is a Special Use Permit in place which allows the adjacent 4,500 square foot office building to operate as a children's audiology clinic. That Special Use Permit will continue to exist.

## ➤ New SUP:

- The new SUP will allow for the use of both buildings on the Property as an arts and education center for children, families, and schools.

# Primary Uses of Property

- Performance focused programming for children and families.
  - Weekend ticketed live performances with options for before or after show meals.
  - Weekday student matinee performances for school groups.
  - Before or after performance character lunches or dinners.
  - After-school theatre classes for school age children.
  - Talkbacks with cast members.
  - Occasional overnight camps for youth groups.
  - Theatre camps for students from Pre-K thru 12th grade.
  - Collaborative programming with the childhood learning center.
  - A seasonal production of the Gospel Nativity.
  - Home to VRT's Community Health + Wellness programs that utilize live theatre to address child and adult abuse prevention, audio-described theatre programming for the visually impaired, and modified programming for children on the autism spectrum.
- A meeting space for community groups.
- A rentable commercial kitchen space and dining hall.





















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