

Paramount Center for the Arts presents **Puttin' on the Ritz... Italia**

The Paramount Center for the Arts Foundation in Bristol held a Tuscan style event, Puttin' on the Ritz... Italia. The event was a fundraiser to benefit Bristol's crown jewel of the arts: The Paramount Center.

Puttin on the Ritz... Italia featured The Singing Chef, Andy LoRusso. The Singing Chef is the author of the best-selling cookbook, Sing & Cook Italian. The recording artist and celebrity chef is truly a one-of-a-kind phenomenon. Thousands for all over the world have raved over the fun-filled shows and magnificent meals of Chef LoRusso.

The event began with local talents Tommy Curtin, Cameron Lugo, and Rex Ward providing the amazing pre-dinner entertainment. Following the pre-dinner entertainment, guests had a fantastic time as the chef put on an incredible show by preparing an outstanding meal as he sang his way through the courses. The four-course dining event took guests through an amazing, authentic Italian experience. Silent and live auctions with magnificent items featured by area businesses rounded out the evening's events.

The Paramount Center, constructed in 1931, was restored in 1991 to the gorgeous venue that it is today. The interior is filled with Venetian-style murals that help the art deco ambience remain with phenomenal 1930's charm. As the area's top performing venue, the Center continues to bring the gift of the arts to the Tri-Cities.

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