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Fox Theatre Institute partners with Georgia public libraries for exhibit on the  
Fox Theatre's history as an iconic landmark

**ATLANTA (April 9, 2019)** – The Fox Theatre Institute and Georgia Public Library Service are partnering to send the popular “Fox in a Box” exhibit on a statewide tour of public libraries.

“Fox in a Box” is an interactive banner exhibit that focuses on how important events in the Fox Theatre’s timeline intersect with American history, the Civil Rights Movement, economics and the importance of communities. Participants are challenged to think about how communities come together to share an experience and to protect what’s important to them.

“We are grateful and honored to partner with the Georgia Public Library Service to expand ‘Fox in a Box’ throughout Georgia,” said Leigh Burns, director of the Fox Theatre Institute. “Educating the community on the Fox Theatre’s role throughout history with this interactive, educational exhibit will help us increase awareness and sustainability of historic theaters and cultural centers beyond our home at the Fox Theatre.”

While hosting the exhibit, libraries will conduct immersive educational sessions for patrons using a history lesson provided by the Fox Theater Institute. The lesson takes patrons on a “tour” of the Fox’s history using a slideshow, video and archival images.

On May 1, the exhibit opens at its first stop, the Clarkesville-Habersham Library, part of the Northeast Georgia Regional Library system. From there, it will travel to 17 more library systems around Georgia going as far south as the Wayne County Library, part of the Three Rivers Regional Library System.

“Through partnerships with organizations across the state, Georgia’s public libraries provide families with educational and recreational opportunities to spend time together while saving money,” said State Librarian Julie Walker. “The ‘Fox in a Box’ exhibit is another fantastic benefit of your free library card, and we’re so pleased to partner with the Fox Theatre Institute in their outstanding cultural programming.”

The Fox Theatre Institute also donated a DVD copy of “The Legend Lives On: Atlanta’s Fox Theatre” by Georgia Public Broadcasting to each of the libraries. The exhibit tour is scheduled to wrap up in early 2021.

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### **About the Georgia Public Library Service**

The Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS) empowers libraries to improve the lives of all Georgians by encouraging reading, literacy and education through the continuing support and improvement of our public libraries. GPLS is a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. [www.georgialibraries.org](http://www.georgialibraries.org) #georgialibraries

### **About the Fox Theatre Institute**

The Fox Theatre Institute (FTI) is a dynamic outreach program offering historic preservation expertise, consultation and education to performing arts venues in Georgia and the region. Created by Atlanta’s Fox Theatre, an iconic attraction widely applauded for being a catalyst for positive change in the community, FTI pays it forward, helping other cultural institutions renew, reinvigorate and restore artistic vitality in their backyards and beyond. Keeping environmental and economic impact top of mind, FTI offers the financial assistance, restoration support and operations mentoring needed to leverage scarce resources and stimulate local economies. Not only that, but it keeps the artistic pulse of beloved communities beating for decades to come. FTI was recently featured on NPR’s Marketplace for its substantial impact on historical theatre restoration and community building throughout Georgia and the Southeast. For more information, visit [www.foxtheatreinstitute.org](http://www.foxtheatreinstitute.org).

### **About the Fox Theatre**

The Fox Theatre is one of Atlanta’s premier venues for live entertainment. Listed as No. 1 non-residency venue worldwide for the decade by Billboard Magazine, the Fox Theatre was most recently named as one of the 2018 “Top Stops Worldwide” by Venues Now magazine and landed in the top three of Pollstar magazine’s 2018 Worldwide Ticket Sales. Other notable accolades include nods for 2017 “Theatre of the Year” by the International Entertainment Buyers Association, Rolling Stone magazine’s “The Best Big Rooms in America” as part of their “Venues That Rock” series (2013) and the 2011 “Outstanding Historic Theatre of the Year” award by the League of Historic American Theatres. For the past decade, the Fox Theatre has consistently ranked in the top three non-residency theatres in North America for gross ticket sales by industry trade magazines, Pollstar, Billboard and Venues Now. The Fox Theatre has the No. 1 social media presence for any theatre or performing arts center in North America (2,000-5,000 seats) and for any Georgia venue according to the “Social Media Power 100” compiled by Venues Now magazine. With 4,665 seats in the theatre, the Fox hosts 250 performances a year, from rock concerts and Broadway productions to ballets, comedy and movies, attracting 500,000 visitors annually. In addition, the Fox hosts wedding receptions, trade shows, corporate meetings and association functions in its fabulous ballrooms, lounge and outdoor terrace.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization, the Fox Theatre stands today as a fiercely protected landmark and a nationally acclaimed theater and is celebrating its 90<sup>th</sup> year in 2019. The Fox Theatre proudly acknowledges its partners for their generous support: Coca-Cola, Lexus, Georgian Terrace Hotel, Georgia Natural Gas, Atlanta Beverage-Yuengling, Regions, Grady Health System and Whole Foods Market. Tickets for all events are available at the Fox Theatre Ticket Office, online at [FoxTheatre.org](http://FoxTheatre.org) or toll free at 855-285-8499. For group sales information contact the Fox Theatre at 404- 881-2000, or visit the Fox Theatre website at [foxtheatre.org](http://foxtheatre.org). Please stay connected with the Fox Theatre on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and by using the hashtag #AtTheFox.