



Talking Heads band member Jerry Harrison (Image courtesy of the Embassy Theatre.)

Talking Head, Embassy Helping PFW Music Industry Students Take Advantage of 'Once in a Lifetime' Learning Experience

A few weeks into the spring semester, Jason Lundgren showed his music industry class the 1984 film "Stop Making Sense," a concert by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame group Talking Heads. It was a way to introduce the students to music legends, and their next major assignment.

The clinical assistant professor of music recording and technology at Purdue University Fort Wayne wanted to push the 16 in his class to the next level. Lundgren recruited most of them to take the course because he knew how good they were. Now, they are proving it.

The students are teaming with the Embassy Theatre to present a screening of the film on May 2.

The 7:30 p.m. show will include an introduction from Talking Heads keyboardist and guitarist Jerry Harrison. He will also lead a Q&A after the film.

Students can use the code MASTODON to **purchase a ticket online** or in person at the discounted price of \$16. General admission tickets costs between \$35 and \$75.

"This is a unique opportunity to involve students in the entertainment industry with a show that will take place in the historic auditorium," said Carly Myers, the Embassy's chief marketing officer. "Students are learning about programming, marketing, and show production, all invaluable skills as they get closer to starting their own careers. We love being a part of that learning process."

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Purdue Fort Wayne Awards 7 Full Scholarships to Winners of 2025 Summit Scholars Competition

The Summit Scholars Competition at Purdue University Fort Wayne is capped off by one life-changing moment, but the pivotal experiences it sparks continue to build to a crescendo over the next four years. That's the realization six students who have been identified as Chapman Scholars and another who has earned the title of Doermer Distinguished Scholar are now making.

This annual competition, which identifies top high school seniors who will receive full, four-year

scholarships to Purdue Fort Wayne, has grown significantly during the nearly two decades of its existence. Recipients are chosen based on their academic merit and community involvement. The 80 applications submitted this year is a record number, and 10 more than the university received in 2024.

Interviews are conducted remotely to encourage participation from applicants near and far, including those whose families may be facing a degree of financial insecurity that would make travel to Fort Wayne a hardship.

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High School Research Internship Program Applications Are Open

Applications for Purdue University Fort Wayne's High School Research Internship Program are now being accepted for the 2025–26 academic year. Juniors and seniors who qualify will be able to gain hands-on experience and receive mentorship from PFW faculty.

Students admitted to the program are expected to work on active research under the guidance of their faculty mentor as an unpaid intern for 6–8 hours per week. Successful completion of the internship will help participants earn one college credit per semester with a maximum of four.

Eligibility requirements are listed on the [program website](#). The cost is approximately \$320 for Indiana residents, and financial aid may be available. The application deadline is Aug. 1.

Eventful

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities—check the full [events calendar](#) often to see what's happening on campus.

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Today, 7:30–9:30
p.m.

Guitar Ensemble/Studio Recital

This program will feature the PFW Guitar Ensemble and students performing solo guitar works. A wide array of musical styles including classical guitar repertoire will be performed...

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Thurs, 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Bands Concert

The School of Music bands welcome composer Roger Zare and ensembles from Hamilton Southeastern High School to the stage. They will also celebrate a premiere of a work by Gala Flagello and selections from John Williams's *Star Wars*...

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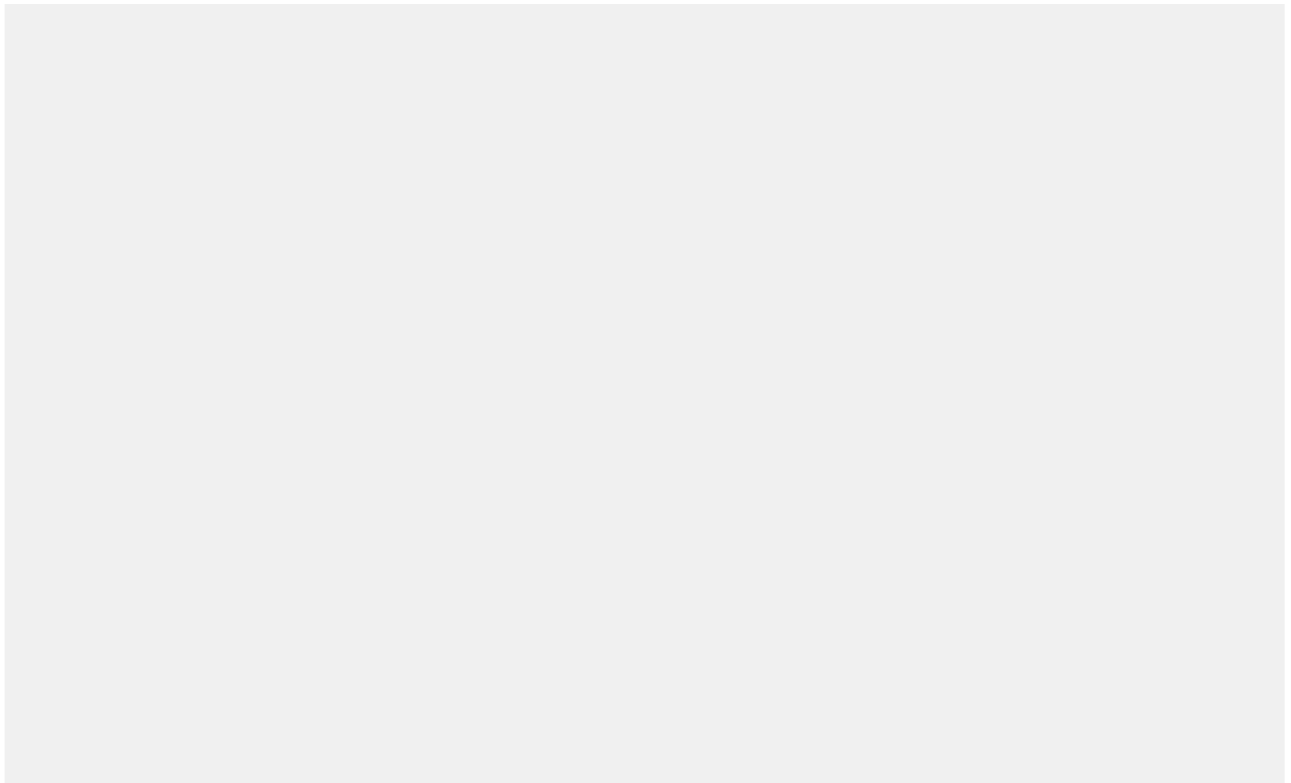
All at 8 p.m.; 2 p.m.
matinees April 19, 26

Elephant & Piggie's 'We Are in a Play!'

Get ready for a musical experience ripped from the pages of Mo Willems' beloved, award-winning, and best-selling children's books. In this vaudevillian romp, two best friends, an elephant named Gerald and a pig named Piggie, attend a party hosted by the Squirrels, three fun-loving rodents. Plenty of pachydermal peril and swiney suspense will ensue...

In a Snap

Seen and noted around campus. Monitor our university social feeds for more great moments of Mastodon life.





A visual history of the university is portrayed on an impressive new wall banner that was just installed in the main hallway at Walb Student Union, across from the mastodon bones display.

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