

The Tivoli Foundation
709 Broad Street
Chattanooga, TN 37402

Dear Friends at the Tivoli Foundation,

It is an honor to submit this proposal for a video series highlighting the renovation of The Historic Tivoli Theatre. As a local company with expertise in both professional live theatre and video production, this project is perfectly suited to both our skillsets and passions. The Tivoli has been a mainstay for us as artists, as Chattanoogaans, and as a family. Many of our fondest memories in this city have occurred at The Tivoli, and I believe this is because the history and beauty of the space honors the work and experiences held within it.

Let me tell you a little bit more about us. I have been teaching and directing theatre for over 20 years, particularly at Chattanooga Christian School. One of the major highlights from my time at CCS has been performing Matilda the Musical at the Tivoli in 2021. Seeing our work produced in such an iconic and beautiful space heightened the experience for everyone. My role as director of the theatre program at CCS has given me a passion for storytelling, but has also turned my heart to the larger Chattanooga community. A joy of my career has been directing Camp Broadway for three years with Ellie Austin. Meeting students from across the area and working together with our disparate skills reminds me that collaboration and storytelling can be a crucial way to bind us together - as it could and should be for the broader Chattanooga community.

Jon has been working at various video agencies in Chattanooga until branching off on his own. He enjoys capturing authentic experiences from behind the camera, and then turning those genuine moments into beautiful and impactful art on film. In 2023, we launched our company Theatrigo with the express purpose of offering high quality storytelling to the broader community, as well as paid work for theatre and video professionals in and around the area. We have done this in a number of ways, through high-quality theatrical productions, film and other live events. This project is right up our alley.

We love that Chattanooga is our home. Our family's life has intersected with the Tivoli in so many meaningful ways over our years here, and it would be an honor to work alongside the Tivoli Foundation to tell your story well for the impact and education of the Chattanooga community. They need to know this story because it has the potential to change lives the way it has changed ours.

Sincerely,

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