



TICKETS ON SALE NOW FOR SPRINGTIME AMUSEMENT

Buy now for best seats at Shrine Circus

WEST SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Excitement is building and the online box office is buzzing as families reserve tickets to the 62nd season of the [Shrine Circus](#), four days of wholesome family fun in the safe environment of the Eastern States Coliseum in West Springfield. The “Circus with a Purpose” will feature performances from Thursday, April 28 through Sunday, May 1. Tickets will be available at the Coliseum box office daily beginning Saturday, April 16 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Eastern States Exposition. Advanced tickets are available online now at melhashrinecircus.com.

Among the most popular and daring performances to appear in the ring this year will be Flat Out Freestyle doing their unique stunts, Captain Shawn Marren “The Human Cannonball,” Johnny Rockett “thrill rider,” and a high-flying high wire act will also be joining the fun and excitement at this year’s circus.

The 2016 circus schedule will be as follows:

- **Thursday, April 28:** 7:00 p.m.
- **Friday, April 29:** 7:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, April 30:** 10:00 a.m., 2:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.
- **Sunday, May 1:** 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Tickets can be ordered online, any time, day or night. Beginning April 16, tickets will be available at the box office during regular business hours, 24 hours after the order was placed online, or at the will call booth on the day of the performance. Circus-goers are required to present a receipt or photo identification when picking up tickets. Prices are \$15 for general reserved seats and \$18 for box seats (no discounts apply to box seats). Children under age 3 seated on an adult’s lap do not need a ticket.

How to purchase Shrine Circus tickets:

- By phone: (413) 205-5087
- At the box office: Daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. – box office opens April 16
- Online: melhashrinecircus.com
- Discounted coupons will be available at all western Massachusetts Big Y locations (on sale now – Sunday, May 1) – buy three reserved seats/get one free!

*Please note when ordering tickets, indicate if a ticketholder uses a wheelchair or requires special assistance, and the Shriners will do their best to accommodate attendees’ needs. In such situations, there will be room for only **one other person** to sit with the ticketholder.*

The proceeds from the circus are used for the benefit of the Melha Shriners and are not tax deductible. Sponsors for this year’s “Circus with a Purpose” include: Big Y World

Class Markets; the Hampden County Bar Association; and the International House of Pancakes (IHOP).

About the Melha Shriners

Shriners International is a philanthropic fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief and truth. With approximately 325,000 members in 194 temples (chapters) in the United States, Canada, Germany, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico and the Republic of Panama, our fraternity is open to men of integrity from all walks of life. More information about Shriners International can be found at shrinershq.org. For more information about the local area Shriners call the Melha Shrine Center located at 133 Longhill Street in Springfield, MA, at (413) 736-3647, or visit the web site at melhashriners.com.

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