

# News Release

## Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

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### Groundbreaking Set for Jefferson Performing Arts Center

The groundbreaking for Jefferson Parish's new Performing Arts Center will be Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.

The new 1,050 seat theater will be located on the LaSalle Park on the edge of the soccer fields and across the parking lot west of Zephyr Stadium on Airline Drive in Metairie.

On Feb. 8, Calderera Construction Company signed the contract to build the \$26.6 million facility. The project was approved by the state legislature and \$28 million is being funded by the state Capital Outlay program. Jefferson Parish is providing the land for the Performing Arts Center and \$3 million in design and engineering work.

Once complete, the theatre will be capable of hosting any performing arts event including concerts and plays. It will boast a state-of-the art stage and sound and light system.

Construction is expected to take between 20 and 24 months.

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