

## IWCC Arts Center

Tim Dickmeyer spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on November 5. He is currently the director of the Iowa Western Community College Arts Center.



Tim was born and grew up in Omaha. He went to UNL, majoring in Music Education. He plays the trombone in his 16<sup>th</sup> season with the Lincoln Symphony. He has lived in Treynor for five years and worked for the Omaha Performing Arts Center before starting at the IWCC Arts Center. Tim manages the staff, the calendar, and booking acts.

The Arts Center opened in 2001. It cost \$8.9M and has 48,000 square feet for space. It was expanded in 2011. There is a main stage and theater that seats 667 people, a black box theater that seats 120, and a practice theater with minimal seating.

This year is the 16<sup>th</sup> season for the National Performance Season. They have four more performances this year: The Nutcracker by Ballet Nebraska on November 20, Away in the Basement by

the Church Basement Ladies on December 3, Jim Brickman with Pure Piano, The Greatest Hits on February 24, and Slap Stick Sonata on March 9.

30,000 people attend the Arts Center each year for performances. 4200 elementary students go for free to special performances there. The Center also has 75 volunteer ushers.

The Arts Center has a 13 member advisory committee, with members from the community and the college. They host 100 events each year. Additional information is available at [www.artscenter.iwcc.edu](http://www.artscenter.iwcc.edu).