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## Springfield Theatre Centre

presents



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ARMSTRONG

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ARMSTRONG &
MICHAEL MAYER

Original Broadway Production Produced by Tom Hulce & Ira Pittelman

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Tom Kitt

Additional music arrangement and keyboard programming by Mark Wheeler

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Directed by

### **MARK WHEELER**

Vocal Directed by **BETSY BUTTELL** 

Stage Managed by

**ADAM REISCH** 

Light Design by

**DAN HECHT** 

Choreographed by SUSAN WHEELER

Assistant Stage Managed by

KRISTI POGGEMILLER

Sound Design by

**KEVIN CLINE** 

Makeup & Hair by BETSY BUTTELL Props & Costumes by **KRISTIN WHEELER** 

Set Designed by

MARK WHEELER

Produced by

CYNTHIA HIGGINSON & STACY KOLAZ

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## The Cast



St. Jimmy Ariel Rhodes
Johnny
Will Gregory Runyard
Tunny Jakob Hankins
Whatsername Lydia Tate
Heather
Extraordinary Girl Erica Metzger
ENSEMBLE
Alysha
Andrew Joe Hardy
Brian/Ben Evan Rumler
Christina
DeclanBrandon Damm
Joshua
Leslie Shelby Bayless
Libby
Mary Liz Alatorre
Miguel
Theo
GerardCedric Milhouse
Child Harper Landes, Cameron Leccoq, Charlotte Stewart, Izzy Stewart
Backup Singers



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Please scan the code and take a few minutes to give us some input on what you want to see in our next season. Complete the survey and you will be entered into a drawing for 2 tickets to any show in the rest of our 74th season!\*

\*offer cannot be redeemed for our annual murder mystery dinner

## Please remember...

- Proper face coverings are required at all times inside the Hoogland Center
- Video or audiotaping of this production is not permitted.
- Cell phones and pagers should be silenced.

— Thank you for your cooperation



## **Synopsis**

he two-time Tony Award-winning hit musical Green Day's American Idiot, based on the Grammy Award-winning multi-platinum album, boldly takes the American musical where it's never gone before. This high-octane show includes every song from Green Day's album, American Idiot, as well as several songs from its follow-up release, 21st Century Breakdown.

Johnny, Tunny and Will struggle to find meaning in a post-9/11 world. When the three disgruntled men flee the constraints of their hometown for the thrills of city life, their paths are quickly estranged when Tunny enters the armed forces, Will is called back home to attend to familial responsibilities, and Johnny's attention becomes divided by a seductive love interest and a hazardous new friendship. An energy-fueled rock opera, American Idiot, features little dialogue and instead relies on the lyrics from Green Day's groundbreaking album to execute the story line.

Due to strong adult themes and explicit language, Green Day's American Idiot is rated R.

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**BILLIE JOE ARMSTRONG**, frontman of the rock band Green Day, came of age in the underground punk scene in Berkeley. Green Day's albums include 1039/Smooth Out Slappy Hours; Kerplunk; 1994's Dookie, which sold 15 million copies and garnered their first Grammy (and inspired a raft of imitators); Insomniac; Nimrod; Warning; 2004's landmark American Idiot, which debuted at #1 on the Billboard chart, spawned five hit singles, and earned seven Grammy nominations

(winning two,including Best Rock Album); 21st Century Breakdown (Grammy Award, Best Rock Album); and 2012's consecutively released ¡Uno!, ¡Dos!, and ¡Tre! (as well as the behind the scenes DVD,¡Cuatro!). Last year, Armstrong and Norah Jones released Foreverly, a tribute to the Everly Brothers' 1958 Songs Our Daddy Taught Us. The Tony and Grammy winning musical American Idiot, featuring lyrics by Armstrong, music by Green Day, and a book written by Armstrong and director Michael Mayer, opened on Broadway in 2010. Throughout its run, he made cameo appearances in the role of St. Jimmy. The recent documentary, Broadway Idiot, chronicles his road to the Great White Way. Armstrong also composed the music for These Paper Bullets currently being staged at the Yale Repertory Theatre. His other film and TV credits include This is 40, Nurse Jackie, and the upcoming feature film, Like Sunday, Like Rain. www.greenday.com



MICHAEL MAYER made his Metropolitan Opera debut with a celebrated new production of *Rigoletto*. Broadway: *On A Clear Day You Can See Forever; American Idiot* (Drama Desk Award, Best Director); *Everyday Rapture; Spring Awakening* (Tony Award, Best Director/ Best Musical); *Thoroughly Modern Millie* (Tony Award, Best Musical); *Side Man* (Tony Award, Best Play); *A View From the Bridge* (Tony Award, Best Revival); *Uncle Vanya; night, Mother; After the Fall; You* 

re a Good Man, Charlie Brown; Triumph of Love. Off-Broadway: Spring Awakening, Everyday Rapture, The Illusion, Our House, 10 Million Miles, Antigone in New York, Baby Anger, The Credeaux Canvas, Stupid Kids. Film: A Home at the End of the World, Flicka. Television: Do No Harm; director and consulting producer for the first season of Smash.





## Director's Note

Telcome back to live theater, and to Green Day's American Idiot, presented to you by Springfield Theater Center.

After a run at the Berkeley Repertory Theatre in 2009, the show moved to the St. James Theatre on Broadway. Previews began on March 24, 2010, and the musical officially opened on April 20, 2010. The show began touring in 2011, after a successful 422 performances on Broadway. The musical won two Tony Awards: Best Scenic Design of a Musical for Christine Jones and Best Lighting Design of a Musical for Kevin Adams. It also received a nomination for Best Musical. In 2011, its Broadway cast recording won a Grammy Award for Best Musical Show Album.

The show was created in the shadow of events following 9/11, a time where social media was coming into the American news stream, and politics were heightened by the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The show's relevance still carries today, and the musical themes have new meaning as we find America and the world gripping with a new crisis, COVID-19.

Thank you for your attendance to our production of American Idiot, and thank you for supporting the local arts.

I dedicate this production to the memory of the 700,000+ Americans who lost their lives to COVID-19.

-Mark Wheeler

## **Board of Directors**

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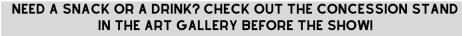
## **Production Staff**



Director
Vocal Director/Assistant Director
Choreographer
Props & Costumes Kristin Wheeler
Makeup & Hair
Assistant Costumer
Stage Manager
Assistant Stage Manager Kristi Poggemiller
Flymasters
Stage Crew Andrew Bolinger, Mel Rhodes, Ellen Tuttle, Brandi Bramlett
Set Design/Master Builder
Set Builders/Painters Mark Wheeler, Eric Wheeler, Susan Wheeler, Rick Stewart
Lights
Sound Kevin Cline
Projections
Producers

## Band

Guitar	ullivan
Guitar	Stewart
Bass and Acoustic Guitar Scott I	Lecocq
Violin	Crifasi





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## **Musical Numbers**

## American Idiot will be performed in one act. There will be no intermission.

American Idiot
Jesus of Suburbia Johnny, Will, Tunny, Heather, & Company
Holiday Johnny, Tunny, Theo, & Company
Boulevard of Broken Dreams Johnny, Whatsername, Tunny, & Company
Favorite Son
Are We the Waiting? Tunny, Favorite Son, & Company
St. Jimmy Johnny, Miguel, Declan, Theo, St. Jimmy, & Company
Give Me Novacaine
Last of the American Girls/She's a Rebel Johnny, Whatsername, Will,
Heather, St. Jimmy, & Company
Last Night on Earth St. Jimmy, Whatsername, Heather, & Company
Too Much Too Soon Theo, Alysha, Will, & Heather
Before the Lobotomy
Extraordinary Girl
Before the Lobotomy (Reprise) Tunny, Joshua, Ben, & Will
When It's Time Johnny
Know Your Enemy St. Jimmy, Will, Johnny, & Company
21 Guns
Letterbomb
Wake Me Up When September Ends Johnny, Will, Tunny, & Company
Homecoming Johnny, St. Jimmy, Will, Tunny, Heather & Company
Whatsername Johnny & Company
Good Riddance (Time of Your Life)

## Special Thanks

Springfield Theatre Centre and American Idiot would like to thank the following:

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Janet Seitz, SJ-R
Kevin 'Hootey' Cline
Stacy Kolaz



## \*First appearance in a Springfield Theatre Centre production. Welcome to the family!



#### **Christian Adams**

(Backup Singer) Christian is excited to be cast in his very first show. He mainly has played drums in local bands. He has been a massive Green Day fan since infancy and it's

absolutely stoked to be included!



#### Liz Alatorre

(Mary) Liz has been in the choir/theatre world since high school, but this will be the first named role in a long time. What better show to get her feet wet again! She currently

works at Laketown animal hospital, while in school to become a certified veterinary technician. She is a proud mother of four beautiful children, and could not do any of this without them or her supporting fiance Dennis.



### Makynzie Ashbaugh

(Christina) Makynzie is incredibly excited to be back on stage after 7 years! Some of her favorite roles include: Patty Simcox in Grease, Natalie Haller in All Shook

Up (TIP), and Hermia in A Midsummer Night's Dream (RHS). Makynzie graduated from the SIUE School of Pharmacy and is employed at Springfield Memorial Hospital. She gives a huge thank you to her entire family! She also wants to thank Mark and the rest of the AI team for giving her this opportunity to bring some of her favorite music to life! #LW3



## **Shelby Bayless**

(Leslie) Shelby is so excited that theatre is back! She is the district music teacher at Northwestern CUSD 2 where she teaches elementary music and high school band. Previ-

ously Shelby performed as Tammy in Hair-spray at (Legacy), Potiphar's Wife in Joseph (STC), and Frenchy in Grease (Muni). She would like to thank the staff of this show for this opportunity and her friends and family for their endless support.



### Alayna Currie

(Heather) Alayna is so excited to be back on stage for such a powerful show. It's been too long since we've been able to gather around music. Alayna has been in The

Rocky Horror Show a few times, Memphis the Musical, Spring Awakening and Blood Brothers. She says her favorite part of playing Heather is getting to use different parts of her voice.



#### **Brandon Damm**

(Declan) Brandon is a central Illinois native that was last seen at STC in the 1998 production of The Best Christmas Pageant Ever. He has also been in local performances of

Beauty & the Beast, The Princess and the Pea, and A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum. Brandon is in the security division at the Illinois Department of Revenue and a graduate of Eastern Gateway College. Brandon would like to thank his son for inspiring him each and every day.





#### **Madeline Frye**

(Libby) Madeline has been in eight shows here at the Hoogland and she is so excited to be back on stage with a whole cast. Some of Madeline's favorite roles include Jojo

in Seussical, the Prioress in Robin Hood, and ensemble in Young Frankenstein. Madeline would like to thank her amazing husband, friends and family for being so amazingly supportive.



#### **Gavin Gardner**

(Joshua) Gavin is thrilled to be on the stage again and working alongside this amazing cast, crew and staff! The songs from American Idiot take him back to his high school

days (yes he's THAT old) and he's excited to bring the material to life! Gavin would like to thank his wife, Katie, and sons, Tyler and Griffin, for their fierce love and support! Love you to the moon and back!







#### **Jakob Hankins**

(Tunny) Jakob is just excited to be here. In his free time he enjoys mixing/ producing music and rock climbing. He received a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting from AMDA in LA

and is currently working on his second bachelor's degree in Secondary Social Science/ History Education at ISU. Thank you to the whole staff for letting him back on stage. A special thank you to his mother for her endless support and constant reassurance.



#### Joe Hardy

(Andrew) Joe is so happy to be back on stage. Graduating with a Bachelors of Theatre and Dance from Southern Illinois University of Edwardsville, he is excited for a return to

live theatre. Some of his previous roles have been Sebastian in Little Mermaid, The Cat in the Hat in Seussical, Donkey in Shrek with Carlinville's Summer Repertory Theatre.



### Katie Heppe

(Backup Singer) Katie is so excited to be back on stage after the pandemic! The most recent shows she's been in are A Midsummer Night's Dream, Pirates of Penzance both at TIP,

Young Frankenstein at STC and Tracks at M.A.S.S! She is absolutely thrilled to be part of an amazing cast and crew! She would like to thank her husband, family, and friends for their wonderful support!



#### **Graham Kinley**

(Backup Singer) Graham is just getting started in community theater. He's currently a vocal major at Lincoln Land Community College, pursuing a career in music education. This is

his first musical outside of high school, and hopes to continue to build his experience as a performer. His condolences go out to his classical voice coach who advised against joining a modern rock show. Sorry Laurie!



#### Dylan Leach

(Johnny) Dylan is a history teacher at Lanphier High School. He is an assistant coach for the Springfield Capitols district Esports team, and likes helping out with the marching band

and drumline. He would like to shout out his dad, Ladonna, Lindsey, DJ, Aiden, and Evie. He dedicates his performance to his mom.



#### **Taylor Masten**

(Theo) Taylor has been a Green Day fan since age 4. Having been in several high school productions. Taylor was STC's Once on This Island Jr as "Mama Euralie". Taylor likes jamming

to music, watching YouTube and cuddling with cats Mercury and Indigo and dog Jake. Thanks to friends and family for their love and support. And everyone involved for this awesome experience. Shout out to Nicole in England. "I hope you had the time of your life".



#### Erica Metzger

(Extraordinary Girl) Erica is beyond excited to be included in this talent packed cast! By day, she works as the contractor supervisor for the IL Army National Guard Substance

Abuse and Suicide Prevention programs. Some previous favorite roles include Columbia/Janet/Usherette in Rocky Horror Show, Live!, Go-to-Hell Kitty in Chicago, and a Laker Girl in Spamalot. Erica thanks her friends and family, especially husband Steven and their kid, Mad-Eve Moody.





#### Cedric Milhouse

(Gerard) Cedric is stoked to be making their STC debut in American Idiot. This is their first time on stage since Illinois College's production of The Robber Bridegroom in 2018, and

they couldn't be happier to be making their comeback with this amazing show. Favourite credits include: Heathers the Musical (Mass Media Prod.), Angels in America (IC), and Children of Eden (TIP). They'd like to thank their roommates, Sarah, Buddy, and Leo for the endless support! :-)



### Will Moffett

(Miguel) Will is excited to participate in his second show at The Hoogland. Will was last seen in The Legacy Theatre's The Music Man. He is a junior at UIS studying theatre and

communication. His prior roles were It's a Wonderful Life at Hoogland, Shakespeare's Twelfth Night, Rogue's Gallery, and God of Carnage at UIS. Thank you to Mark, Betsy, and everyone else on the team for giving me this amazing opportunity. Will is excited to be working with such a talented and passionate cast. Thanks also to Liz and my family for their continued support and encouragement.



#### **Taylor Reigle**

(Backup Singer) Taylor is a young person who wants to become big and also wants to make some theater friends. They like singing, writing, being lazy, and overall just enjoying life.



#### **Ariel Rhodes**

(St. Jimmy) Ariel is absolutely honored to make an STC debut playing the role of St. Jimmy. Ariel would like to give special thanks to some people who helped make it

possible: Maison, for giving endless love, Mallory and Sunny, for being true friends beyond years, Mel, Mom, and Dad, for a lifetime of encouragement, and all the cast and crew of American Idiot, for bringing together a magnificent production and helping a lifelong dream become a reality.



#### Marlena Roate

(Alysha) Marlena is a premed student at UIS and pharmacy technician at Health Direct Pharmacy. She was most recently on staff for The Lion King Ir at Theater in the Park.

Favorite roles include Judas in Jesus Christ Superstar at STC, Jane Eyre in Jane Eyre at TIP, Phantom in Rocky Horror at ADHD Productions, and Regina in Rock of Ages at STC. Marley would like to thank her family and friends for always supporting her endeavors and the American Idiot staff for giving her the opportunity to perform in this incredible show! This one's for you Papa.



#### Evan Rumler

(Brian/Ben) Evan has been seen a few times before on the STC stage, like as Princeton in Avenue Q, and Clyde Barrow in Bonnie & Clyde. Other Springfield credits include

River in the Legacy Theater's Summer of Love, and most recently as a Quartet member in their production of The Music Man. He is excited to break out of his comfort zone and try his hand at a rock musical!



### **Gregory Runyard**

(Will) Gregory has performed in several theater productions in the Springfield area in recent years including the role of Amos Hart in Chicago (STC) in 2018. He is also

a member of the Spero Chamber Chorale. His hobbies include dad stuff like watching



baseball (GO CUBS!), smart home automation, bowling, and backyard barbeque. He would like to thank his wife, Laura, for enabling his many varied interests and he can't wait until he can share the stage with his 11 year old twins Andrew and Emily.



### Lydia Tate

(Whatsername) Lydia debuted in STC's Great American Trailer Park Musical and has worked her way up into lead roles such as Annie Oakley for STC's Annie Get Your

Gun. Other notable performances include HCFTA's Fiddler on the Roof, TIP's Cats, and STC's Rock of Ages. When not on stage she is one of the front liners for the powerhouse rock/pop band ReMix. Lydia would like to thank her family for their love and support!



#### **Riley York**

(Backup Singer) Riley started theatre in high school and fell in love ever since. She had recently graduated from Lincoln Land Community College with an

associates in Fine Arts and a worker's certificate in Audio Production. Riley is super thankful to be in this show, not only that it's Green Day (which has been super impactful throughout her life), but to be able to perform and act love theatre again with such talented and wonderful people. She thanks her friends, family, and her wonderful partner for supporting her through her journey in theatre.

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#### Mark Wheeler

(Director) This is Mark's 5th STC production he has directed. Previous directed shows include, Wedding Singer, JCS, Annie Get your Gun

and Broadway Through the Ages. Other local directing credits include Jane Eyre the Musical, CATs, Arsenic and Old Lace, Oliver, and Pirates of Penzance at TIP. Mark also enjoys performing on the stage and has been seen in many local productions. Mark works for the State of Illinois Department of Human Services, and has recently retired from a 20 year military career. He would like to thank his wife Kristin and to dedicate his work in this show in memory of Dale Mason.



#### **Betsy Buttell**

(Vocal Director/Makeup/ Hair) Betsy is happy to be vocal directing after a long hiatus from directing. She has been busy performing in central Illinois both on stage at local theaters and

out with her band, The Big Suns. Some favorite theater performances have been DelSarte Lady in Music Man and ensemble in Bright Star (Legacy), Ruth in Pirates of Penzance (TIP), Holly in The Wedding Singer (STC), and Gingy in Shrek (Muni). American Idiot was a dream come true for her to be a part of and she is so proud of the whole team that has come together to do this show at this moment in time. "Sending all my love to you!"



#### Susan Wheeler

(Choreography) This is Susan's first show working as a choreographer, but she has previously been in many community theatre productions. Most recently she was in Beauty and the Beast at Rochester High School (Mrs. Potts), Bright Star at the Legacy theatre (Ensemble), Peter Pan at the Muni (Lost Boy), and Shrek the Musical at Lincoln Community Theatre (Pinocchio). She would like to thank the staff and cast for their dedication and support during the process of the show.



#### Kristin Wheeler

(Costumes & Props) Kristin works for the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity as a Grants Manager and lives in

Rochester with husband Mark, two out of three kids, 2 crazy puppies, and the most beautiful cat in the world.



#### **Adam Reisch**

(Stage Manager) Adam is stoked that theatre is back and is honored to be a part of this awesome show! He has stage managed several shows

in the Springfield area including STC's productions of Annie Get Your Gun, Spring Awakening, Bonnie and Clyde, and Jesus Christ Superstar. He also serves on the Board of Directors for Theatre in the Park. Adam would like to thank his wife, Sarah, our director Mark, and most importantly his Savior, Jesus!



### Kristi Poggemiller

(Assistant Stage Manager) She is so excited to be helping with shows again! This may be her first time as part of the staff, but she's no stranger

to helping backstage. She's been a part



of the stage crew for several Muni and Hoogland productions and most recently Mary Poppins at SHG. She would like to thank her family and friends for their never ending support!



Meredith Crifasi (Violin) Meredith studies Biochemistry at the University of Illinois Springfield and is minoring in Music (violin, piano, and voice).

She has played violin for 17 years and played in numerous musical pits such as Peter Pan, Evita, The Last Five Years, and Young Frankenstein. She is so excited to be back playing for musicals in Springfield. She would like to thank her dad Joe, and

mom Michelle for their constant love and encouragement.



### Scott Lecocq

(Bass & Acoustic Guitar) Scott is excited to add his best Mike Dirnt impression to his list of on stage experiences. 20+ years (at the time) of

trying to be a rock star lead him to play Roger in Muni's production of RENT. Scott has been seen in many other local productions as well. His favorite roles are being husband to Kristi and father to Cam and Calvin. Always and forever!







#### Rick Stewart

(Guitar) Rick is definitely not a rock star. He has to have a day job. He practices law and owns The Stewart Law Firm. Rick has been playing guitar since he was

15. American Idiot is one of his favorite albums and he would like to thank Mark for letting him play in the show. Rick would also like to thank his wife, Amy, and his kids (Jackson, Sophia, Izzy, and Lotte) for their patience in listening to him practice. Rick is dedicating his work in this show to his late friend Lee Estabrook.

#### Dan Hecht (Light Designer)

Dan previously worked at Theatre in the Park and now is on staff for the Hoogland Center for the Arts. He is excited to be back in the theater!



#### Michael Sullivan

(Guitar) Michael first played in the pit for STC's Rent (thanks, Carly!) Thanks also to Tonia, Ellie, Adrianna, Kevin, Alice, Shawn, Mark, and Scott. When not behind a desk

working in HR for the State of IL, he is very much looking forward to safely playing out more with local bands The Station, Micah Walk and The Station Hands, The Blue Ribbon Revival, Mr. Opporknockity, and The Eva Hunter Band. Love is love is love...

#### Kevin Cline (Sound Design)

Kevin works as a theatrical technician at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum and owns Blue Coat Arms Company. He has ran the gamut in Springfield community theater both behind the scenes and onstage. He sends his love to Lydia and his two babies KJ and Chris!





elcome to Springfield Theatre Centre's 74th season! The Springfield Theatre Guild incorporated as a not-for-profit organization in 1947. From that time on — through performances in many Springfield venues before the construction of our building at 101 E. Lawrence, to our name change to Springfield Theatre Centre and our new location at the Hoogland Center for the Arts — our goal has been the same. We bring our community and the arts together.

We strive to provide Central Illinois with quality theatre, educational opportunities, and a creative outlet for live theatrical arts. Our Junior shows, PAVE arts camp, and our affiliation with the Active & Creative Teen Theatre offer young people an opportunity to learn the skills necessary to build confidence not only in performance, but in all aspects of theatre.

We welcome your participation in our 74th season. Whether you are a volunteer, cast or staff member, or a member of our audience, we sincerely appreciate your support!

#### 1946-1951

Performances were in various Springfield locations before the building at 101 E. Lawrence was built, including the Hotel Abraham Lincoln, Illinois Building Auditorium, Knights of Columbus Auditorium, Hay-Edwards School and the Playhouse at 15th & Laurel.

Abe Lincoln in Illinois; All My Sons; Angel Street; Command Decision; Craig's Wife; Dear Ruth; Family Upstairs; Goodbye My Fancy; Guest in the House; Holiday; John Loves Mary; Light Up the Sky; The Little Foxes; Love Rides the Rails; The Male Animal; The Man Who Came to Dinner; My Sister Eileen; The Ninth Guest; Only an Orphan Girl; Petrified For- est; The Philadelphia Story; Spooks; Three Men on a Horse; The Women

#### 1951-1952

The first performance at 101 E. Lawrence was on November 8, 1951. Springfield Theatre Guild, as we were known then, received numerous congratulatory telegrams from many famous celebrities, including Bob Hope, Bing Crosby and Broderick Crawford.

Born Yesterday; The Bat; Claudia; Ladies in Retirement; It's an Art

#### 1952-1953

Chicken Every Sunday; The Ghost Train; Dirty Work at the Crossroads; The Two Mrs. Carrolls; The Happy Time

#### 1953-1954

Bell, Book and Candle; The Chase; The Curious Savage; The Man Who Came to Dinner; Gramercy Ghost

#### 1954-1955

Hangman's Noose; Mrs. McThing; The Philadelphia Story; Mr. Barry's Etchings; Death Takes a Holiday

#### 1955-1956

Time Out For Ginger; Dial M for Murder; Lily, The Felon's Daughter; The Rainmaker; My Three Angels

#### 1956-1957

The Tender Trap; The Importance of Being Earnest; South Pacific; Therese; Harvey

#### 1957-1958

Teahouse of the August Moon; Anastasia; Oklahoma!; Sabrina Fair; The Seven Year Itch

#### 1958-1959

Desk Set; Mister Roberts; Inherit The Wind; Roberta; Life With Father

#### 1959-1960

The Matchmaker; Time Limit; The Mouse- trap; Plain and Fancy; Light Up the Sky

#### 1960-1961

The Man in the Dog Suit; I Remember Mama; Witness for the Prosecution; Damn Yankees; The Gazebo



## **Our History**

#### 1961-1962

Howie; Diary of Anne Frank; Arsenic and Old Lace; The King and I; The Loud Red Patrick

#### 1962-1963

Kind Sir; The Best Man; Tunnel of Love; Guys and Dolls; The Happiest Millionaire

#### 1963-1964

A Majority of One; A Far Country; The Boy Friend; Night Must Fall; Critics Choice

#### 1964-1965

Gigi; 12 Angry Men; Flower Drum Song; The Glass Menagerie; Come Blow Your Horn

#### 1965-1966

Send Me No Flowers; The Miracle Worker; The Sound of Music; The Pleasure of His Company; Blithe Spirit

#### 1966-1967

Never Too Late; The Advocate; Paint Your Wagon; Web of Murder; Mary, Mary A 75,000 sq. ft. addition was added in October, 1967. The addition, named Paul Becker Hall (past STG president who was largely responsible for the original building), housed the scene shop, make-up room, dressing rooms and more rehearsal space.

#### 1967-1968

Take Her She's Mine; The Rivalry; Lo and Behold; How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying; Barefoot in the Park

#### 1968-1969

The Odd Couple; A Thousand Clowns; Call Me Madam; A Case of Libel; Generation

#### 1969-1970

Three Men on a Horse; The Silver Whistle; Mame; Wait Until Dark; Star Spangled Girl

#### 1970-1971

Cactus Flower; Catch Me If You Can; Hello, Dolly!; Wind Between the Houses; The Fantasticks

#### 1971-1972

Little Mary Sunshine; Life With Mother; George M!; Ransom; I Do! I Do!

#### 1972-1973

Don't Drink The Water; Dirty Work at the Crossroads; Anything Goes; Picnic; Plaza Suite

#### 1973-1974

Forty Carats; Stalag 17; The Mikado; The Innocents; Butterflies Are Free

#### 1974-1975

Teahouse of the August Moon; You Can't Take It With You; Carousel; The Owl and the Pussycat; Harvey

#### 1975-1976

The Odd Couple; Godspell; Nightwatch; Oliver!; 6 Rms Riv Vu

#### 1976-1977

The Sunshine Boys; Two by Two; The Lion in Winter; Cabaret; Pinocchio; No Sex Please, We're British; The Book of Dreams

#### 1977-1978

David and Lisa; Tenderloin; God's Favorite; You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown; Sleeping Beauty; Cat on a Hot Tin Roof; The King of Illinois

#### 1978-1979

Our Town; The Taming of the Shrew; Scrooge; Death of a Salesman; H.M.S. Pinafore; Dirty Work at the Crossroads; Nobody Likes Mordacious...; The Last of the Red Hot Lovers

#### 1979-1980

Dracula; The Fantasticks; The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe; The Little Foxes; Another Part of the Forest; Pippin; The Prisoner of Second Avenue

#### 1980-1981

The Endless Pavement (original children's); A Midsummer Night's Dream; Vachel (original script); Pirates of Penzance; A Child's Christmas in Wales and A Christmas Carol; Vanities; Jesus Christ Superstar; California Suite; Poe, Illusions and Delusions



#### 1981-1982

The School for Wives; Man of La Mancha; Hannah and A Child's Christmas in Wales; The Runner Stumbles; Royko; Company; The Rainmaker; Alice in Wonderland

#### 1982-1983

Sleuth; Fiddler on the Roof; As You Like It; Ah, Wilderness; The Pushcart Wars; Chicago; The Miracle Worker

#### 1983-1984

Whose Life Is It, Anyway?; Annie; Romeo & Juliet; The Dramatic Revival of Edwin Booth; They're Playing Our Song; Crimes of the Heart

#### 1984-1985

Mass Appeal; The Robber Bridegroom; Standing on My Knees; Heidi; Jacques Brel; The Dining Room; Snow White; A Streetcar Named Desire; Billy Bishop Goes to War

#### 1985-1986

Black Coffee; A Christmas Carol; Amadeus; Talley's Folly; Sweeney Todd; The French Have A Word For It; A Chorus Line; Royko

#### 1986-1987

Dream; A Murder Is Announced; Little Shop of Horrors; Sherlock Holmes; Da; Shoulders; Purlie; Agnes of God

#### Summer of 1987

The Odd Couple; Barefoot in the Park; The Prisoner of Second Avenue

#### 1987-1988

You Can't Take It With You; Morning's at Seven; A Day in Hollywood; West Side Story; Fool For Love; To Be Young, Gifted and Black; A...My Name is Alice; Manny

#### 1988-1989

The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wilde; The Mystery of Edwin Drood; The Last Meeting of the Knights of the White Magnolia

#### 1988-1989

La Cage Aux Folles; The Taming of the Shrew; Noises Off; Ma Rainey's Black Bottom; The House of Blue Leaves

#### 1989-1990

On Golden Pond; Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?; A Christmas Carol; The Glass Menagerie; The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas; Murder on the Nile; A Lesson From Aloes; Come Back to the 5 and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean

#### 1990-1991

Arsenic and Old Lace; To Kill a Mocking-bird; A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum; The Boys Next Door; Guys and Dolls; Steel Magnolias; Bleacher Bums

#### 1991-1992

Brighton Beach Memoirs; Big River; The Normal Heart; Wait Until Dark; The Foreigner; The American Clock; Nunsense

#### 1992-1993

Biloxi Blues; The Best Man; Grease; Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?; A Flea in Her Ear; Prelude to a Kiss; Baby

#### 1993-1994

The Great Cross Country Race; Broadway Bound; Twelfth Night; Annie; The Littlest Elf; Red, Hot & Cole; Angel Street/ Gaslight; Our Town; I Never Sang for My Father; Nunsense II; Three Bears/Three Pigs

#### 1994-1995

Pump Boys and Dinettes; Jack and the Beanstalk; Dracula; Lend Me a Tenor; Scrooge, The Stingiest Man in Town; Little Shop of Horrors; Charlie and the Chocolate Factory; The Miracle Worker; Harvey; Snow White; The Sound of Music

#### 1995-1996

The Fantasticks; The Emperor's New Clothes; Blithe Spirit; One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest; It's a Wonderful Life!; Charlotte's Web; Barefoot in the Park; Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?; The Runner Stumbles; Winnie-the-Pooh; The Music Man





#### 1996-1997

A...My Name is Still Alice; The Velveteen Rabbit; A Few Good Men; Life with Father; Miracle on 34th Street; Alice in Wonderland; Evita; Laundry & Bourbon and Lonestar; The Junglebook; Of Mice and Men; You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown

#### 1997-1998

Born Yesterday; Dial M for Murder; The 1940's Radio Hour; The Best Christmas Pageant Ever; On Golden Pond; Annie Get Your Gun; The Odd Couple (Female Version); Toad in the Hole; Stone Soup; The Phantom Tollbooth. ACTT: Romeo & Juliet

#### 1998-1999

Driving Miss Daisy; The Mousetrap; Annie Warbucks; Moon Over Buffalo; Working; Inherit the Wind; Cabaret; Cinderella; Littlest Angel/Gift of the Magi; Pinocchio; Heidi. ACTT: Return to the Forbidden Planet

#### 1999-2000

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (twice); The Sunshine Boys; I Hate Hamlet; Witness for the Prosecution; Frankenstein; Winnie-the-Pooh - A Christmas Tale; Charlie and the Chocolate Factory; Clue The Musical; Aurora: Sleeping Beauty

#### 2000-2001

Snow White; Into the Woods; To Kill a Mockingbird; The Best Christmas Pageant Ever; Forever Plaid (a collaboration with Gordon Productions); Guys and Dolls, Jr.; Steel Magnolias; Murder's A-float; My Fair Lady. ACTT: Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?; A Midsummer Night's Dream

#### 2001-2002

Something's Afoot; A Streetcar Named Desire; Nuncrackers; Robin Hood; Crimes of the Heart; The Gazebo; Camelot; Schoolhouse Rock Live, Jr. ACTT: Little Shop of Horrors; David and Lisa

#### 2002-2003

Over The River and Through The Woods; Footloose; A Christmas Story; The Hobbit; Once Upon a Mattress; Cat on a Hot Tin Roof; Jesus Christ Superstar; Charlotte's Web. ACTT: Li'l Abner; Don't Drink the Water

#### 2003-2004

The Dinner Party; Stuart Little; Uh-Oh, Here Comes Christmas; Annie; Three Tall Women; As You Like It; Tommy; Holes. ACTT: Snoopy!!!; Mother Hicks

#### 2004-2005

The first performance at the Hoogland Center for the Arts in downtown Springfield was on September 17, 2004.

Sunday in the Park With George; The Trial of the Big Bad Wolf; Death of a Salesman; Scrooge, the Musical; Death-trap; You Can't Take It With You; James and the Giant Peach; Bye, Bye, Birdie! ACTT: Frankenteen; The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe

#### 2005-2006

The Man Who Came to Dinner; Jekyll & Hyde; A Few Good Men; Santa Claus, The Musical; The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas; Noises Off; Alice's Adventures in Wonderland; Aladdin, Jr. ACTT: Clue, the Musical; Harvey

#### 2006-2007

Assassins; Blithe Spirit; The Best Christmas Pageant Ever; Nuncrackers; Macbeth; Ramona Quimby; Fools; Sweeney Todd. ACTT: You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown; Rehearsal for Murder

#### 2007-2008

The Spitfire Grill; On Golden Pond; Cinderella; Dreamgirls; The Nerd; A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum; Mr. Toad's Mad Adventures; Children of Eden. ACTT: Return to the Forbidden Planet; Loving Lives



#### 2008-2009

Thoroughly Modern Millie; Steel Magnolias; Willy Wonka, Jr.; Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat; Our American Cousin; The Odd Couple (Female Version); Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs; Dessa Rose. ACTT: Honk!; The Slimming Mirror; The Lottery; Hardcandy

#### 2009-2010

Disney's Beauty and the Beast; The Laramie Project; Disney's Geppetto & Son; The Importance of Being Earnest; Rent; The Foreigner; Comic Book Artist; Company. ACTT: Once On This Island; Spring Show

#### 2010-2011

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels; Dear Edwina Junior; White Christmas; The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee; From Behind the Curtain; Four Places; The Velveteen Rabbit; Morning's at Seven.

#### 2011-2012

1776; The Pirates of Penzance (Young Adult Version); The Best Christmas Pageant Ever; Chess; Heritage; Stoops; Charlotte's Web; The Great American Trailer Park Musical.

#### 2012-2013

9 to 5: The Musical; M\*A\*S\*H; White Christmas; Couplings; The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley Jr.; You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown; Winnie The Pooh; Proof.

#### 2013-2014

Spamalot; The Track Home, The Musical; Annie; Hair; Parallel Lives; The Jungle Book; Little Shop of Horrors

#### 2014-2015

Seven Brides for Seven Brothers; Harvey; A Christmas Story: The Musical; The Full Monty; Dr. Dolittle JR.; Our American Cousin; Bat Boy: The Musical

#### 2015-2016

Miss Saigon; Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr.; Rock of Ages; Tick, Tick...Boom!; Blather, Blarney and Balderdash; On Golden Pond; The Wedding Singer

#### 2016-2017

Once Upon a Mattress; Crimes of the Heart; The Music Man, Jr.; A Chorus Line; Into the Woods, Jr.; Jesus Christ Superstar; Doubt: A Parable

#### 2017-2018

Anything Goes; Once On This Island, Jr.; Avenue Q; Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat; The True Adventures of Aladdin; Robin Hood; Chicago.

#### 2018-2019

Bonnie & Clyde; 13; A Christmas Carol, The Musical; Barefoot in the Park; Junie B. Jones Jr.; The Hunchback of Notre Dame; 42nd Street

#### 2019-2020

Young Frankenstein, Spring Awakening, It's a Wonderful Life: Radio Hour, Annie Get Your Gun, Beyond the Beanstalk: You Don't Know Jack (Pinkalicious and M.A.S.H. were cancelled due to the pandemic)

#### 2020-2021 Virtual Season

The Spirit of Lincoln, Santa's Workshop's Got Talent, Broadway Through the Ages, Virtual Murder Mystery Dinner Show: Sugar & Vice

#### 2021-2022

Arsenic & Old Lace, Green Day's American Idiot, Elf: The Musical, Miscast Cabaret, August Wilson's Gem of the Ocean, Nightmare at the Sweet Dreams Inn: A Totally 90's Murder Mystery Dinner, Disney's Moana Jr.

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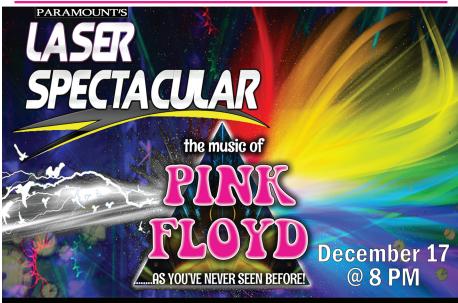
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