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Original Production Directed and Choreographed by Gower Champion Produced for the Broadway Stage by David Merrick and Champion Five, Inc.

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**LESLIE BEAUCHAMP** 

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## AWS Foundation Patti Hays, Chief Executive Officer

AWS Foundation applauds Civic Theatre's "Project Lights Up!" sensory friendly performances. Creating a performing arts experience that is welcoming to individuals with intellectual and physical disabilities and their families means everyone can enjoy the theatre experience. We are delighted to support the Civic Theatre as they answer the need for inclusion of people of all abilities.

## Fort Wayne Metals Scott Glaze, Chairman and CEO

It's hard to believe that the Civic Theatre has been a part of Fort Wayne for over 95 years! During this time, many downtown institutions have come and gone, but you have always been there for us. Thank you for providing our city with arts and entertainment, and for never turning your back on downtown Fort Wayne! Fort Wayne Metals applauds your spirit.





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## Upstate Alliance of REALTORS® David Belew, Executive Officer

The Upstate Alliance of REALTORS® is privileged to support the Civic Theatre. As REALTORS®, we recognize the importance of building strong communities. The Civic Theatre, with its outstanding theatrical productions, is a unique gem that contributes to the vitality of Northeastern Indiana by celebrating the cultural arts and building community pride. We applaud the dedicated cast members, staff,



and volunteers at the Civic who help make Northeastern Indiana a great place to live, work and play. We look forward to more stellar performances this season.



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We're proud to sponsor the Civic Theatre because of the impact and experiences they provide our community. Thank you to the wonderful team that makes each performance memorable.

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We are honored to sponsor the staff, actors, and volunteers of the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre. My family, friends, and employees have enjoyed countless outstanding performances by very talented individuals. We look forward to another year of first-class community theater. Let the show begin!





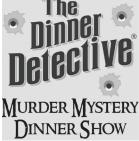
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## **Sweetwater**John Hopkins, CEO

Sweetwater is delighted to sponsor the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre and its mission to enrich northeast Indiana through music and drama. The Civic Theatre's ability to encourage, cultivate, and showcase local talent is remarkable. Sweetwater, and its more than 2,000 employees, looks forward to another great season of music, laughter, and entertainment.







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-For Your Information-

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Food and Beverages: Concession service is available in the lobbies before the show and during intermissions. Indiana law prohibits the sale of alcoholic beverages to minors. Food and beverages may be brought into the auditorium. We appreciate your cooperation and consideration of fellow patrons which helps to preserve the quality and atmosphere of the Arts United Center.

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Restrooms: Restrooms are located on the lower lobby level.

Personal Property: The management is not responsible for patrons' personal apparel or property. Lost and found inquires may be directed to the House Manager, 260-424-0646.

Ticket Office: ArtsTix Box Office is open one hour prior to and one-half hour after show time at all performances. For ticket information, please call 260-424-4226.

Latecomers: Latecomers will be seated at the discretion of the Arts United Center management during appropriate pauses in the program. The Arts United Center's policy is to begin performances at the advertised time.

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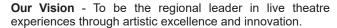
Personal electronic equipment: Cellular telephones, tablets and personal communication devices must be turned off or placed on silent while in the auditorium\*. \*Devices may be used at Fort Wayne Civic Theatre sensory-friendly performances.

Emergency Evacuation: Exit doors are every three rows on both the left and right of the auditorium. Exit the auditorium door nearest your seat and follow the instructions of ushers or other Arts United personnel.

#### NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE/ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

#### Welcome to the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre!

The Fort Wayne Civic Theatre is proud to be one of the oldest downtown arts destinations in Northeast Indiana and to be celebrating our 95th Season. We continue to enrich the Arts and Cultural makeup of our community, bringing tourism to downtown while other area businesses benefit from patrons pre and post show activities.





Phillip H. Colglazier

**Our Mission** - Fort Wayne Civic Theatre entertains, educates, inspires, and enriches the community through exceptional live theatre experiences.

Our Values - In pursuit of our vision and mission we:

Strive for excellence
Steward our resources
Promote diversity
Change lives

Nurture the creative soul
Pursue innovation
Educate our community

Welcome back Director and Choreographer Ms. Leslie Beauchamp! We are excited to have Leslie return to bring all the classic characters of *Hello, Dolly!* to life once more on the Civic stage. The last time Civic produced *Hello, Dolly!* was in July of 1984 with Rosy Ridenour playing Dolly Levi! Break-a-leg, Leslie, cast, and crew!

You, our patrons, our volunteers, are the heart and soul of the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre. Our staff and board of directors are here to serve you, to showcase and celebrate the theatrical talents of our community! What a joy it is to help make dreams come true, to be a part of something greater than oneself. We come together with a shared vision to give of ourselves for a collective work of art, the show, the ultimate experience for your pleasure and applause. Thank you to YOU!

#### 2022-2023 Civic Theatre's 95th Season

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged): March 17-April 2, 2023
Into The Woods: May 6-14, 2023

#### Fort Wayne Civic Theatre is proud to announce our 96th Season!

Something Rotten!: July 21-July 30, 2023

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Get Your Season Tickets Online at www.fwcivic.org OR call the Box Office: 260-424-5220 Please consider making a donation to the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre with your season ticket order!

Thank you to all for your support, your return, and for your applause! Phillip H. Colglazier, Executive/Artistic Director



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If you would like to be a part of this important campaign we ask you to pledge to contribute a total of \$1,500 or more to be paid by June 2028 (over and above your traditional annual giving). You can determine a payment schedule at the time you submit your pledge form. Or, if you prefer, simply make a one-time 100th Anniversary Endowment Fund donation of \$1,500 or more.

Your donation to the 100th Anniversary Endowment Fund will be appropriately recognized in each Civic Stagebill program through our 100th Anniversary Season. Your generous gift will be part of a strong financial foundation that will ensure the Civic Theatre's place in our community for decades to come, nurturing generations of actors and technical stage volunteers.

Call or email the Civic Theatre's Development Director to request your pledge form or to make your 100th Anniversary Endowment donation today! Kathy Whiteman - (260) 422-8641 x 230 kwhiteman@fwcivic.org

Thank you to these donors who are making an on-going commitment to support the 100th Anniversary Endowment Campaign.

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We rely on the support from our amazing community. It is what has kept us around for 95 years! *How can YOU help?!* 

#### BE A PATRON

Ticket sales are a vital part of our revenue. And it's just not any fun to perform to an empty house, so come see us often. And bring your friends!

"I have been attending Civic Theater for many years and enjoy it every time! There are many very good, very talented people in our area and it is a chance to enjoy their performances. Being at the Theater gives me a chance to sit back and relax for awhile. Thank you, Civic Theater, for being part of the Ft. Wayne arts community!

-- Patti Robertson

#### BECOME A SUBSCRIBER

Support Civic Theatre, receive subscriber-only benefits, AND save money on tickets. It's a no-brainer! With Flex Passes, tickets come in quantities of 6 or 20, can be used in any combination, and are available for purchase all season long.

"As a near 40 year supporter of the Civic Theatre, we are thankful and appreciative of the quality of talent that blesses our stage with amazing live performances. The Civic Theatre is a lasting gem that not only is a key to the arts in Fort Wayne, but a cornerstone to the overall quality of life we experience."

-- Al & Cathy Moll

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Make an annual gift; Set up recurring monthly donations;

Contribute to our 100th Anniversary Endowment Fund; Set the stage for others by leaving Civic Theatre a gift in your will with our Encore Society; and more. The choice is yours!

"I appreciate the opportunity to budget an affordable monthly gift, but I really value the monthly reminder of who/what I'm giving. There are so many wonderful arts and humanitarian causes to support in Fort Wayne that it's easy to become lost in where my money goes and what it benefits. The monthly transactions and thank you notes are a topnotch way for me to remember the good we're trying to do."

-- Joe (& Tammy) Hyndman Inaugural Marquee Club members, 2020

#### **VOLUNTEER**

Whether in the scene shop, costume shop, on-stage, or backstage, we are always looking for passionate, dedicated individuals to help create our shows. No experience needed - we will train you!

"The Civic Theatre has such a welcoming and encouraging environment for volunteers. I knew very little about what goes into a theatre set when I started volunteering years ago and now I can paint almost anything from walls, doors, and stairs, to all varieties and colors of bricks!"

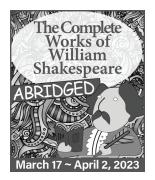
-- Sharon Fallon Volunteer since 2015

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Performing for you completes the artistic process for us! We would like your opinion of the Civic Theatre, the show, and your experience with us.

Take the Audience Survey by March 5 and you could win 2 free tickets to The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)

Visit our website fwcivic.org to complete

#### **MUSICAL NUMBERS**

#### **ACT ONE**

ACT ONE		
Scene 1: Street Scene in New York City in the 1890s Grand Central Station		
Opening: "Call on Dolly"Company		
"I Put My Hand In"Dolly		
Scene 2 : Vandergelder's Feed Store in Yonkers, New York Yonkers Railroad Depot		
"It Takes A Woman"Horace, Cornelius, Barnaby, and Male Chorus "Put On Your Sunday Clothes"Cornelius, Barnaby, Dolly, Ermengarde, Ambrose, and Chorus		
Scene 3: New York Street and the Exterior of Mrs. Molloy's Hat Shop "Ribbons Down My Back"		
15 MINUTE INTERMISSION		
13 MINUIE INTERMISSION		
ACT TWO		
ACT TW0 Scene 1: Outside the Hoffman House Hotel		
ACT TWO Scene 1: Outside the Hoffman House Hotel Harmonia Gardens Exterior		
ACT TWO  Scene 1: Outside the Hoffman House Hotel Harmonia Gardens Exterior "Elegance"Mrs. Molloy, Minnie, Cornelius, and Barnaby  Scene 2: Harmonia Gardens Restaurant		
ACT TWO  Scene 1: Outside the Hoffman House Hotel Harmonia Gardens Exterior "Elegance"Mrs. Molloy, Minnie, Cornelius, and Barnaby  Scene 2: Harmonia Gardens Restaurant "Hello, Dolly"Dolly, Rudolph, Waiters, and Cooks  Scene 3: Courtroom, Judge's Bench and Docket		

#### **DIRECTOR'S NOTES**

#### LESLIE BEAUCHAMP



Hello, Dolly! opened on Broadway in January of 1964, while our country was still grieving from President Kennedy's assassination and nervous about the worsening situation in Vietnam. The Beatles invasion had just begun, and there was a youthful passion for change and rock 'n' roll! On the small screen, TV fare included "The Flintstones," "My Three Sons," "Dr. Kildare," and "Perry Mason." David Merrick, a gifted theatrical producer, could sense the time was right to provide the comfort and nostalgia of a good old-fashioned Broadway musical. He

just happened to be in possession of a successful theatrical property that he felt was crying out to be set to music. He wanted it to serve as a star vehicle for Ethel Merman, and it had an 1890's period flavor that would offer much-needed diversion from current events. Merrick assembled a team of future Broadway legends – Gower Champion, Michael Stewart, and Jerry Herman - to give music and new life to Thornton Wilder's highly successful play, The Matchmaker. The title of this new musical began as Dolly! A Damned Exasperating Woman, changed to Call on Dolly, and finally settled at *Hello*, *Dolly!* 

Although Ethel Merman was Merrick's first choice to play Dolly Gallagher Levi, she declined the offer because she was recovering from her long run as Mama Rose in Gypsy. She accepted the role many years later, in 1970, and as the seventh actress to play the scheming matchmaker, a part that was written for her, Ethel Merman said farewell to Broadway. And so, it is Carol Channing, of course, in the defining role of her career - having played Dolly Levi more than 5,000 times - whose luminosity, hilarity, and personality is credited for the success and longevity of the show.

As we may find ourselves in a time of uncertainty as we slowly continue to resume our lives after the disruption of Covid, I hope you find comfort in this good old-fashioned musical! One of the many things I love about this show is that it is a loud and brassy call to action! Instead of being paralyzed by loss or uncertainty or fear, it urges each of us to take a chance and leap into the unknown, to go out and find love, to choose adventure, to be brave in the face of grief, "before the parade passes by." It has been a true pleasure working with each and every artist in this show. Their joy throughout the rehearsal process has been an infectious delight, and I am in awe of the talent we are blessed with within our city! Thank you for joining us, for choosing to go on this adventure with us! "It's so nice to have you back where you belong!"



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**MICHAEL STEWART (Book)** (1924-1987) scored on Broadway the first time when he won a Tony Award for his *Bye Bye Birdie* libretto. He was the librettist for *Carnival* (Drama Critics Circle Award) and *Hello, Dolly!*, which earned him both a Tony and Drama Critics prize. Stewart also wrote the lyrics for *Barnum* and the book for: *George M!* (with Francine and John Pascal); *Mack & Mabel*; *The Grand Tour* and *42nd Street* (with Mark Bramble); *Harrigan and Hart*; and *I Love My Wife*.

- Bio courtesy of Concord Theatricals

JERRY HERMAN (Music and Lyrics) (1931-2019) has the distinction of being the only composer/lyricist in history to have had three musicals that ran more than 1,500 consecutive performances on Broadway with Hello, Dolly!, Mame, and La Cage Aux Folles. His first Broadway show was Milk and Honey (1961), followed by Hello, Dolly! (1964), Mame (1966), Dear World (1969), Mack & Mabel (1974), The Grand Tour (1979), La Cage Aux Folles (1983), Jerry's Girls (1985) and Mrs. Santa Claus (1996), a CBS TV special starring Angela Lansbury. His string of awards and honors includes multiple Tony Awards, Grammys, Olivier Awards, Drama Desk Awards, the Johnny Mercer Award, the Richard Rodgers Award, the Oscar Hammerstein Award, the Frederick Loewe Award, the Songwriters Hall of Fame, the Theatre Hall of Fame and, most recently, The Kennedy Center Honors.

- Bio courtesy of Concord Theatricals

**THORNTON WILDER (Author)** (1897-1975) was born in Madison, Wisconsin, and educated at Yale and Princeton, was an accomplished novelist and playwright whose works explore the connection between the commonplace and the cosmic dimensions of human experience. *The Bridge of San Luis Rey*, one of his seven novels, won the Pulitzer Prize in 1928, and his next-to-last novel, *The Eighth Day*, received the National Book Award (1968). Two of his four major plays garnered Pulitzer Prizes: *Our Town* (1938) and *The Skin of Our Teeth* (1943). His play *The Matchmaker* ran on Broadway for 486 performances (1955-1957), Mr. Wilder's Broadway record, and was later adapted into the record-breaking musical *Hello, Dolly!*- Bio courtesy of Concord Theatricals

LESLIE BEAUCHAMP (Director/Choreographer) is a familiar face to area audiences, having been involved in our arts community for over 35 years (Arts United Award Recipient Outstanding Volunteer). Most recently serving as Assistant Director for Arena's *Bright Star*, and as Choreographer and Education Director for FWSMT's Hairspray, Leslie was last seen onstage in PFW's Sondheim on Sondheim. Additional credits include The Witch (Into The Woods), Desiree Armfeldt (A Little Night Music), Margaret Johnson (Light in the Piazza), Eliza Doolittle (My Fair Lady), Gypsy Rose Lee (Gypsy), Guinevere (Camelot), and Sally Bowles (Cabaret). Directing/ Choreographic works include A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, Sweeney Todd, Newsies, The Marvelous Wonderettes, and the all-female production of 1776 (Arts United Award Significant Contribution to the Arts). Leslie and her husband Brad were honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from USF's School of Creative Arts. Leslie currently serves as President of Arena Theatre BOD, choreographs award-winning area show choirs, is an adjudicator and motivational clinician, and can be heard in local, regional, and national voice over campaigns.



AMY ROSS (Dolly Gallagher Levi) is thrilled to be returning to the Civic stage once again! Credits include Nancy Oliver (Nancy), Nunsense (Sister Robert Ann), Man of La Mancha (Aldonza/Dulcinea), Sweeney Todd (Mrs. Lovett, Anthony Award), and 1776 (John Adams). Of all these, none is more cherished than her role of mother to her talented, charming, lovely daughter, Olivia. Amy is honored to share the stage

with her daughter and couldn't be more grateful for the opportunity. Thank you to my squad, my children (mostly Olivia, who wrote this bio), and my pups.

**OLIVA RANG (Ernestina, Production Dance Captain)** is thrilled to finally share the stage with her favorite leading lady, her mother, her inspiration, the one and only Amy Ross. Olivia is a formally trained dancer, having worked with Fort Wayne Ballet and Radio City Rockettes. Favorite stage credits include *Clue* (Scarlet), *Assassins* (American Dream Girl), *A Little Night Music* (Charlotte), and *Matilda* (Mrs. Wormwood),



all brilliantly directed by Christopher J. Murphy. "Love and thanks to family and friends, to my loving husband and dog...but most of all to Christopher J. Murphy (who helped write this bio)."



**OWEN SAALFRANK (Ambrose Kemper)** started theatre in 2018 as Young Scrooge in *A Christmas Carol*, and after taking a theatre camp, Owen fell in love with the art. Since then, Owen has done multiple Youtheatre and IMTF shows, his favorites being *Hairspray* and *Frozen Jr.* This year, he wishes to extend his repertoire with his first Civic show, *Hello, Dolly!* Special Thanks to: Jordan Saalfrank, Geoffrey

Saalfrank, Nancy Love, Joyce Saalfrank, and Violet Park.

**BRAD BEAUCHAMP (Horace Vandergelder)** is an accomplished, award-winning actor and director. Some of Brad's favorite roles include Will Rogers (*The Will Rogers Follies*), Eugene (*Biloxi Blues*) Pseudolus (*A Funny Thing... Forum*), Professor Harold Hill (*The Music Man*), Teach (*American Buffalo*), and Moonface Martin (*Anything Goes*). Brad's directing credits include *Jesus Christ Superstar*, 1984,



The War of the Worlds, Seussical the Musical, The Diary of Anne Frank, Picasso at the Lapin Agile, Dead Man Walking, Sister Act, and The Mountaintop. Brad can also be heard as a VO talent in the podcast GEEK BY NIGHT and was a featured voice artist on a new musical PABLO by Charles Bloom.



**CASSANDRA SMITH (Ermengarde)** is excited to perform in her fourth Civic show after previously performing in *Joseph*, *Elf*, and *Matilda*. She has appeared in 37 local productions, most recently as Olaf (*Frozen Jr.*) and Annie (*PTGW*). Cassandra has interned with Youtheatre for three years and is a senior at Bishop Dwenger where she enjoys the speech team and the jalapeno cheddar chips. She will attend Bucknell

University for political science and environmental studies. Thanks to her favorite director Leslie for letting her live her dream of nonstop crying on stage!



CALEB CURTIS (Cornelius HackI) is thrilled to be making his Civic debut! He is a graduate of Indiana University's Theatre and Drama program as well as an apprentice with Boston's Commonwealth Shakespeare Company. Caleb's most recent credits include *A Christmas Carol* (Ebenezer Scrooge) with Summit City Music Theatre and *American Idiot* (Will) with IMTF. He has worked professionally with Oklahoma

Shakes, Cardinal Stage, and others. He would like to thank all involved in this production for their incredible work as well as to thank you, the audience, for supporting live theatre!

**DUSTIN HORNBEAK (Barnaby Tucker)** is proud to present his 4th production at the Civic Theatre. He would like to recognize the immense talent in the cast and hopes you enjoy the show!





**EMMA BEAUCHAMP-LEAVELL (Minnie Fay)** is a Ulndy graduate with a B.S. in Kinesiology and A.S. as a Physical Therapist Assistant. She was last seen on the Civic stage as the Sour Kangaroo in *Seussical*. Some of her past credits include *While the Lights Were Out, Sweeny Todd, Newsies, Hairspray*, and *Big The Musical*. Emma is excited to be performing on the stage with her dad for the first time since

Annie in 2002. A huge shout out to her family, Alex, Leon & Otis, for all their support!

**RENEE GONZALES (Irene Molloy)** is a vocalist from Fort Wayne. She earned her Bachelor's in Musical Theatre from Ball State University and has worked in regional theatres, tours, and jazz clubs. Recent credits include Rita (*Lucky Stiff*), Arena Dinner Theatre; Woman 1 (*Songs for a New World*), Franca (*The Light in the Piazza*), Three Rivers Music Theatre; Edward Rutledge (*1776*), Quintet Soloist (*Sweeney* 



Todd), and Christine Colgate (*Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*), Fort Wayne Civic Theatre. She is currently working on her Masters in Music Therapy at PFW and assistant directs for Fire and Light Productions. "Dedicated to Great Grandma Irene and Grandma Minnie."



**LEAH WEDLER (Mrs. Rose)** is excited to be back on the Civic stage after last being seen as a Bird Girl in *Seussical*. Other Civic productions include 1776 (John Dickinson), *Sweeney Todd* (Wigmaker Quintet), *Mary Poppins* (Chimney Sweep), *The Glass Menagerie* (Laura), and *Once Upon a Mattress* (Lady Beatrice, Anthony Award). Among her credits, Leah lists favorites *South Pacific* (Nellie Forbush, Arena

Award), *A Little Night Music* (Mrs. Anderssen), and *Lucky Stiff* (Anabelle Glick). Leah would like to thank her husband Ben, and children Evelyn and Henry.



AJ LORENZINI (Rudolph Reisenweber, Production Assistant Dance Captain) has a specific "type" of playing stuffy, domineering waiters in golden age musicals. He won an Arena Dinner Theatre award for playing a stuffy, domineering waiter in their 2018 production of She Loves Me. Other Civic appearances include Forbidden Broadway (played a waiter in one song), Seussical (Cat in the Hat,

\*not\* a waiter), Sweeney Todd (Ensemble, \*not\* a waiter), Young Frankenstein (Frederick, who dressed like a waiter), and other non-waiter roles. He has three Anthony Awards, which look like waiters. During the summer months, AJ works as a waiter.

**CARTER HAMMON (Stanley)** is a Junior at Bishop Dwenger High School and has been acting for 10 years! He is excited to be returning to the Civic stage for the fifth time! He was previously seen as Michael Hobbs in *Elf* at the Civic Theatre. Previous credits include *Matilda* and *Miracle on 34th Street* at the Civic Theatre and *Frozen Jr.* and *Robyn Hood* with the Fort Wayne Youtheatre. He would like to thank the incredible cast and crew for making this show possible!





**KALEB MANTLE (First Cook)** is excited to join the Civic in their production *Hello, Dolly!* Though this is Kaleb's first production with Civic, he has done many productions with the Fort Wayne Youtheatre in the past! Some of those include *Frozen Jr., Stuart Little*, and much more! Kaleb would like to thank his parents for always supporting him and for God bringing him where he is today!

**BRANDON HATHAWAY (Second Cook/Ensemble)** is returning to the Civic Stage, first appearing in *Les Misérables* (Ensemble). Since then, he has appeared in the University of Saint Francis's productions of *Sister Act* (Ensemble), *The Sound of Music*, and *While the Lights Were Out* (Algernon). Brandon would like to thank the family, friends, and coworkers who have supported him throughout his participation with *Hello*, *Dolly!* 



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PAUL R. FAULKNER (Judge/Train Conductor) is excited to share the stage with this talented company in such a classic musical! He was last seen in *Elf* as Mr. Greenway at Civic. Paul won a regional Broadwayworld.com award for the Baron in Civic's *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*. He also won an award for his role as Swifty in *Frost/Nixon* at Arena Dinner Theatre. He teaches at Concordia Lutheran High School and is the

organist at Zion Lutheran Church in Garrett. Paul thanks his parents for their support and appreciates that so many people are helping celebrate his birthday on Feb. 25th!

JOE HYNDMAN (Policeman) has stumbled onto the Civic stage for his first time after nearly a 40-year break from any theatre experience. While he has some experience singing and playing various instruments, he has felt blessed to be welcomed and aided by his fellow cast mates as well as their directors and staff. This has been one of the most challenging, but rewarding and fun things he's ever attempted. "Thanks to

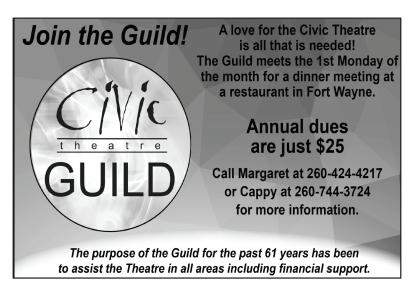


Leslie for taking a chance on casting me, and to Tammy for having patience for my frequent practicing at home."



CHRISSY WEADICK (Mrs. Mortimer) is thankful for the opportunity to be back on the AUC stage! Recent credits include Kinky Boots (Nicola), American Idiot (Heather), Bright Star (Tree), and Clue (Mrs. White). Offstage, Chrissy is a production manager for Second City Works, the B2B arm of the world-famous comedy institution. "Love & thanks to Leslie & the entire production team, Marshall, Mom,

Quarantinx, and Skate Gang. For Dad, always."





**LILLIAN BARKER (Ensemble)** is very excited to make her Civic Theatre debut in *Hello, Dolly!* When she isn't on stage, Lillian is spending time with family and working as a designer at Vera Bradley. She wants to thank her family, friends, and co-workers for encouraging her to step back into the theatre.

MICHAEL BARTKIEWICZ (Ensemble) recently played the lovable Leaf Coneybear in Summit Music Theatre's production of 25th Annual...Spelling Bee. He assistant directed and played in IMTF's Halloween cabaret, The Book of Evil, as The Witch. Michael was last seen on the Civic stage as Hero in one of his favorite musicals, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum.





**CATHY CHRISTOFF (Ensemble)** was in her first Civic show, *Brigadoon*, in high school where she sang and danced in the Ensemble. In between, she has appeared in many wonderful productions at Civic and elsewhere. She recently played Mrs. Potts in *Beauty and the Beast* and Mrs. White in *Clue* for CC Banks Productions. Cathy is thrilled to get the chance to sing these beautiful songs and to work with this fabulous cast and

crew. Thanks to Leslie Beauchamp for letting her march in this parade!

**COLTON EASTERDAY (Ensemble)** has performed throughout Indiana as a recurring cast member in The Dinner Detective Murder Mystery Show. He is excited to be returning to the Civic stage. His other roles include Matthews/Fake Santa (*Elf*), Ensemble (*Ghetto*), Ensemble (*The 24-Hour Plays*), both at PFW, Patron/Porter (*The Servant of Two Masters*), Improv Club Cast member, both at Manchester



University, and Alibi Crabtree (*Wagon Wheels A Rollin'*). His favorite theatre experience was performing alongside his brother, Peyton, in *Wagon Wheels A Rollin'*. He dedicates his performance to his late grandmother, Janice Perry.



**LINCOLN EVERETTS (Ensemble)** is delighted to return to the stage for the third time this season at the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre! Audiences will remember him for his title role in *The Spongebob Musical* this past summer, as well as leading *Elf The Musical* last fall as Buddy the Elf. Previous shows include *Meet Me in St. Louis, Music Man, Wizard of Oz*, and more. He would like to thank Leslie, Holly, Jennifer.

Cora, and the entire production team for this amazing opportunity!



**LISA GERSTENKORN** (Ensemble) is originally from Kansas and moved to Fort Wayne in 2020 to perform professionally with Heartland Sings. She has sung nationally, and in addition to musicals, she performs opera, oratorios, and the occasional cover of Adele! You may have caught her recently at the Bradley Hotel crooning out her favorite genre - jazz! Favorite roles performed include Glinda in *Wizard of* 

Oz, Grace in Annie, Louise Thaden in Staggerwing (world premiere), and Julia Child in the one-woman opera, Bon Appetit! Thanks to her husband Brian and kitties, Simba and Jack!

ANYA GOULOFF-SMEAD (Ensemble) was most recently seen on the Civic stage as Jovie in *Elf.* Other recent credits include *Bright Star* (Ensemble), *Seussical* (Gertrude), *The Christmas Schooner* (Alma), *A Funny Thing Happened... Forum* (Gymnasia), *Annie* (Cecile), and 1776 (Lewis Morris). Much love to her husband, Eric, and her family for always supporting her. Enjoy the show!





**TIA HACKBUSH (Ensemble)** is making a comeback to the stage for the first time since 1776. Tia has a love for performing, some of their favorite parts include Mayzie La Bird in USF's *Seussical*, the Baroness in *The Sound of Music*, and most recently the Civic's rendition of 1776, where they played Thomas Jefferson. Tia is beyond excited to be back performing with friends. Tia would like to thank their

supportive partner, friends, and family for always being encouraging.

**MELISSA B. HATHAWAY (Ensemble)** is beyond excited to join the cast and crew of *Hello*, *Dolly!* for her very first Civic Theatre production. Previously, she has been involved in the University of Saint Francis's productions of *The Sound of Music* (Sister Margaretta), *Sister Act* (Featured Nun), and *While the Lights Were Out* (Chloe). When Melissa isn't onstage, she works as a medical technologist at Dupont Hospital. Melissa would like to thank everyone who made *Helli* 



Hospital. Melissa would like to thank everyone who made *Hello, Dolly!* possible, and her friends and family for their constant love and support.



**QUENTIN C. JENKINS (Ensemble)** (he/his/him) is an actor in this show. You can easily pick him out from the rest of the cast because he's the handsome one. Supposedly, he has also been in other shows before now but that's just a rumor.



**BRIAN KARKOSKY (Ensemble)** is excited to be performing in his first theatrical production. After high school, Brian served five years in the United States Marine Corps and is currently a psychology major at Purdue Fort Wayne. Brian is excited to continue performing in the future.

**BETH KRINER (Ensemble)** is thrilled to be returning to the Civic stage! Recent performances at Civic include 1776 (Robert Livingston) and *Mamma Mia!* (Ensemble). Beth would like to thank Leslie for giving her this opportunity to dance in the parade, Roselyn for the audition practice, Jill for the voice lessons, and especially Jessie (number one fan) for being her research and sing-along buddy. Finally, abundant



thanks to Steve for always supporting her dreams and for being a "willing" mandatory scene partner for the late-night living room rehearsals.



**DANIELLE STRICKLAND (Ensemble)** is ecstatic to be making their Civic debut after an 8-year hiatus from the stage. As a recent transplant from Illinois, they are thrilled about being welcomed into the Fort Wayne theatre community! Having predominantly performed in Shakespearean roles, such as Puck (*Midsummer Night's Dream*) and Mercutio (*Romeo and Juliet*), they are excited to add *Hello, Dolly!* to

their (hopefully growing) number of musical performances along with Joanne (RENT)!

**LAUREL VAN AMERONGEN (Ensemble)** (They/Them) is thrilled to be starting off 2023 with something new. This is their second musical with FWCT, having performed in *The SpongeBob Musical* earlier this season. Laurel has experience with helping out backstage and tech in various productions throughout Fort Wayne. When they aren't performing or helping out in the costume shop, Laurel is performed in fiber extensional productions full time at the large.



dabbling in fiber arts, music, and working full-time at the Jorgensen YMCA as a lifeguard and swim instructor. @Laurel\_Van\_Alphabet



**THOMAS WILSON (Ensemble)** is thrilled to be on the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre Stage again. You may have seen Thomas as Charlie in the recent Fort Wayne Civic Theatre production of *Elf The Musical*. Thomas has also appeared in *Seussical*, *The Christmas Schooner*, *Miracle on 34th Street*, and *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*. He is excited and grateful to be working with such a talented cast and crew in a wonderful

classic musical. He would like to thank his wife for supporting and encouraging him and his children, Cai and Liam, to pursue their love of theater.

#### **CREATIVE TEAM**



HOLLY KNOTT (Music Director) is pleased to return to the Civic Theatre as Music Director for Hello, Dolly! working alongside the incomparable director Leslie Beauchamp. Holly has served as music director for several Civic productions, including I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change, White Christmas, and The Rocky Horror Show, as well as Assistant Music Director for Thoroughly Modern Millie, Young Frankenstein, and The Producers. For over fifteen years, she was Music/Instrumental Director for Purdue Fort Wayne's music theatre on productions including Little Shop of Horrors,

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee, On the 20th Century, How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying, Into The Woods, and most recently, Sondheim on Sondheim. Last year, she had the opportunity to work with the Fort Wayne Summer Music Theatre's production of Hairspray. She has played for shows at Arena Dinner Theatre, Grey Lite Theatre, Excelsior Arts Academy, and several area high schools. During the day, she accompanies the Leo Jr/Sr High School choirs. On a final note, she would like to thank Eunice Wadewitz for welcoming her into the Civic pit over twenty years ago.

JILLIAN COOK BIXLER (Assistant Director) is excited to be one of the Assistant Director's for Hello, Dolly! A special shout out to her dear friend Leslie for this awesome experience. Jill has performed in several shows around Fort Wayne including Civic Theatre's Sweeney Todd and Beauty and the Beast and at Arena Dinner Theatre's Always A Bridesmaid and Bright Star. Backstage, Jill is a Costumer who has worked with Fort Wayne Summer Music Theatre, Arena Dinner Theatre, Summit City Music Theatre, and Three Rivers Music Theatre. "Thanks to my loves, Kent, Darby, and Dana!"





PAM KARKOSKY (Assistant Director) is thrilled to be part of Hello, Dolly! Recent acting credits include Arena's Clue (Mrs. Peacock), Civic's all-female 1776 (Benjamin Franklin), and USF's Sister Act (Sister Mary Lazarus). Other Civic favorites include Steppin' Out (Andy), Gifts of the Magi (City Her), The Dining Room, and Oliver (Widow Corney). Collegiate favorites include IPFW's The Diary of Anne Frank (Mrs. Frank), BSU's Come Back to the 5 & Dime, Jimmy Dean Jimmy Dean (Juanita), Picnic (Rosemary Sydney), and The Glass Menagerie (Amanda Wingfield). "Squad forever!"

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#### STAGE MANAGEMENT



**JENNIFER BEINEKE (Stage Manager)** has been with the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre for eight seasons. She has been part of the stage management team in the past seasons at Civic for 33 Variations, Sweeney Todd, Young Frankenstein, The Rocky Horror Show, and Disney's Beauty and the Beast; and part of crew for Mary Poppins and Jekyll & Hyde. She has also worked with Fort Wayne Youtheatre on Remembering

Anne, James & the Giant Peach, and Young Harriet Tubman. Jennifer would like to thank her husband, Lee Beineke, family, and friends for their love and support.

CORA LEE STRATTON (Assistant Stage Manager) is honored to be working on the all-female production team of *Hello*, *Dolly!* this season in her 5th show with the Civic Theatre. To her most supportive friends in the production - Lincoln, Carter, Cassie, and Dustin - thank you for making them feel so welcome in rehearsals. Huge thank you to Leslie for trusting her to understudy as a new assistant stage



manager. Cora would also like to thank her roommate, Sloan, who always inspires fearlessness and foolishness, after all, "99% of people in this world are fools" - Horace Vandergelder



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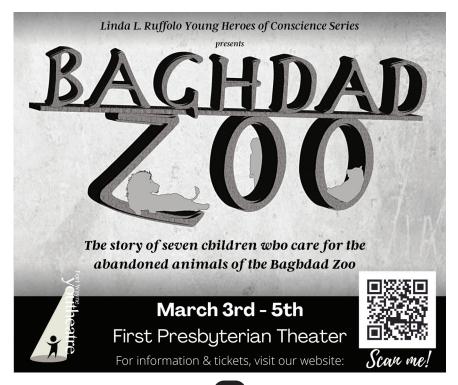
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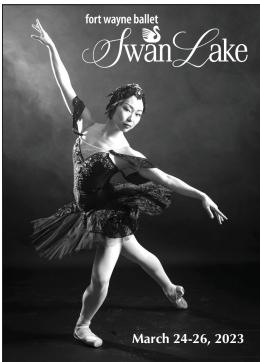
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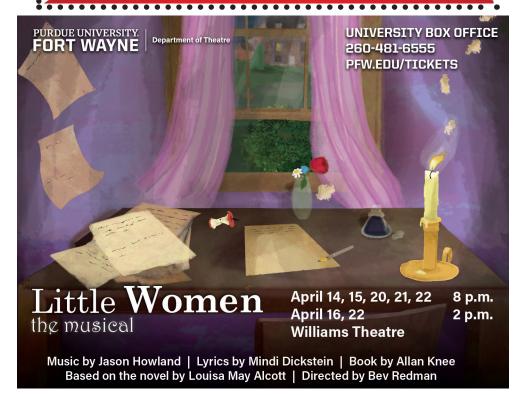
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