



# The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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## President's Column

We are getting excited about the prospect of our return to regularly scheduled live theater events--drive-in movies, one-act plays, dramas, comedies, musicals, etc.

In order to make that happen, we need to invigorate and energize our volunteer base. RCT runs completely by folks just like YOU who have a love of theater and a desire to see it succeed. We are currently looking to add to our ranks of loyal ushers and house managers for the upcoming 2021-2022 season.

House Manager duties include: Preparing the theater to make sure it's ready to receive patrons, greeting patrons as they arrive, consulting with the Stage Manager to determine when performances may start (and continuation after intermission), coordinating with ushers (including at the conclusion of performance ensuring the house is in order for the next performance).

Ushering duties include: Receiving tickets/handing out programs, assisting patrons in locating their seats, assisting House Manager as requested including preparing the House for the next performance, assisting concessions at intermission as needed.

Those interested may leave a message at the theater: 315-337-5920 and they will be contacted regarding their potential interest.

We have all missed performing and enjoying performances. Watch your US Mail for information on season tickets as we start our regular slate of shows in December. We are looking forward to some extra shows, as well. One of the highlights will be our participation in Music Theater International's "All Together Now--A Global Event Celebrating Local Theater" November 12-14. This is a one-of-a-kind special production that theaters all over the world (over 1300 to date) will be presenting on the same weekend. Imagine that! Actors and musicians all over the globe performing all at once! Pat Stone and Barb Seaton will be auditioning singers from all around the area to share their talents in celebration of a return to musical theater. MTI has selected some of their best-known songs from a variety of musicals for this cabaret-style revue including: "Be Our Guest" (Beauty and the Beast), "Somewhere That's Green" (Little Shop of Horrors), "Children Will Listen" (Into the Woods) and many more.

Additional information will be sent out to all area theater groups, colleges and high schools to ensure it truly is a "Global Event" for central NY. There will be opportunities for solos, duets, trios, ensembles, youth and children--in other words--EVERYBODY!

RCT Memberships for the 2021-2022 year are available now for \$10 per person. Mail checks to PO Box 91, Rome, NY 13442, attention: membership. Cannot wait to see YOU at YOUR community theater!

Barbara Seaton, RCT President 2021-2022



## RCT Seeks One Acts And Directors

Directors and play submissions are requested for an RCT One Act Festival Oct. 22&23. Anyone can submit to direct, and RCT offers to help either play selection or assisting new directors. Directing a one act play is one step towards being able to direct a regular season production. The key right now is if you have or can find a one act less than 60 minutes you wish to direct you must contact Barb Seaton at [bjseaton@usa.net](mailto:bjseaton@usa.net) and provide the name and a copy of the script by Sept. 6. You can contact Barb as well to help you find a one act, if necessary.



## Upcoming Events at RCT

- Every Friday and Saturday from Sept. 10 through Oct. 2 RCT will be showing outdoor movies in its parking lot at 730PM. Schedule of movies will be announced on the RCT web site and social media in the near future.
- Oct. 14-17 RCT, jointly with Outcast Productions, will present the hilarious farce "Noises Off". Plan to come since this production PROMISES to make you laugh and who could use a little laughter these days?
- Oct. 22-23: One act plays discussed above.
- Oct. 29-30: A history based show called "Three Conversations".
- Nov. 12-14: A musical revue called "All Together Now" mentioned in the President's column.
- Nov. 19-21: RCT hosts the annual Theatre Association of New York State Festival.

And a 2021-2022 four show season consisting of:

Dec.- The Charitable Sisterhood of the Second Trinity  
Victory Church

Feb.- Nunsense

Apr.- Geezers

June- The 39 Steps

Exact dates will be published after director selection.

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## RCT Seeking Regular Season Directors

On the other side of this newsletter at the bottom of the column on the right is a listing of the 4 regular season shows which need a director. If you are a director interested in directing a show in our upcoming season, go to the Rome Community Theater Facebook page and scroll down to the request for director announcement. Complete the form in the comments (which has the show descriptions) or send a message and resume to [Agalin21@hotmail.com](mailto:Agalin21@hotmail.com) with the subject "Director for RCT". Don't forget to indicate the show you are interested in. Exact show dates will be confirmed with the selected director, based on availability. Each show will run for two weekends. Deadline to submit is October 1.



## RCT Fundraising

- Thank you all the volunteers who worked the August 7<sup>th</sup> Give and Take Fundraiser. Thanks ESPECIALLY to Arnold and Chris Galin who organized the event.
- If you did not give your bottles and cans to RCT at the Give and Take Event you can bring them to J&J Bottle and Return Center at 8727 Turin Rd. and tell them you are donating to Rome Community Theater.
- THANK YOU Robert Dietrich for contributing more than 800 bottles & cans to J&J for the benefit of RCT.
- Sign up for Amazon Smile and when you order from Amazon on Amazon Smile you can designate RCT as your charity and a portion of your purchase is donated to RCT.

## RCT Quick News

- RCT congratulates Abigail Morgan who was selected by RFA to receive the RCT Rick Morgan Award.
- RCT congratulates Evelyn Simanowski who was awarded the RCT Anne Panasci Award for student achievement.
- RCT is looking for a person to join the RCT Board. Your obligation is to attend and participate in monthly meetings, usually held on Tuesday nights. If interested, send an email to [jparker3531@twcny.rr.com](mailto:jparker3531@twcny.rr.com) and we can discuss.
- RCT has an anonymous committee to choose the Henry Awards (Best show, Best actors etc.) at the end of the season. The chairperson is known to me, but the committee members are not. If interested in joining the committee send your name and contact information in an envelope addressed to: John Parker, Attn: Henry Committee, 9026 Towne Dr., Rome, NY 13440. Do not put your return name and address on the envelope. I will turn the envelope into the committee chairperson and they will get in touch with you.
- The President's column spoke of a need for ushers and house managers. We can also use help with costume / prop organization and management, organizing our large historical documents, managing and sitting at the box office, managing the season ticket campaign and sending out cards to RCT folks who are ill or have passed on. If interested in volunteering contact Arnold Galin at [agalin21@hotmail.com](mailto:agalin21@hotmail.com).