



The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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President's Column

There are lots of wonderful opportunities for everyone at RCT this month! The annual children's show goes up August 7-10; the brand-new Youth Program is up and running on Sundays and Wednesdays 2-4PM and auditions for the first show of our 20140-2015 season are fast approaching!

I will be directing the musical "Annie Warbucks" - the sequel to last fall's perpetual favorite, "Annie" - this October. Auditions for children interested in being orphans will be Aug. 17 at 2PM. August 17 and 18 at 730PM are open auditions for older teens and adults. At this time, ALL roles are open and available for casting EXCEPT the part of Sandy; Miss Daisy Huxley will reprise her canine character. Kari Tollesfrud is Assistant Director and Brian Angell is Producer. Performance dates are October 9-12 and 17-19.

The action picks up on Christmas morning, right where "Annie" left off, when Child Welfare Commissioner Harriet Doyle arrives on the scene to inform Daddy Warbucks he must marry in sixty days so the newly adopted Annie can have a proper mother. In the end, Daddy Warbucks' whirlwind search for a fitting bride uncovers not only a plot by Doyle and her daughter to strip him of his fortune, but also his true feelings for Grace Farrell. Of course, there's a happy ending!

Parts include: Daddy Warbucks, Grace Farrell, Annie, Drake, Harriet Doyle, Ella Paterson, Alvin Paterson, Sheila Kelly, FDR and Cabinet Members, Servants, Possible Wives, and a large chorus.

The show will be accompanied by an orchestra and also needed will be backstage crew and others to help with set building, costumes, props, lights, sound, etc. Those interested in playing or working should attend one of the auditions times (or contact bjseaton@usa.net).

ANNIE WARBUCKS (Book by THOMAS MEEHAN, Music by CHARLES STROUSE, Lyrics by MARTIN CHARNIN) is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI), 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019 212-541-4684 www.MTIShows.com.

Barb Seaton
President, RCT Board 2013-2014

RCT Banquet June 21st

RCT held its annual banquet June 21st at Gone Coastal. Thanks to organizer Pat Burke and MC Barb Seaton for ensuring the evening was pure fun. The following Henry Awards were handed out at the banquet:

Best Show: "Kindertransport", Arnold Galin, Director and Carol Brigandi, Producer

Acting: Dug Bartell "Harvey", Derek Proulx "A Little Murder Never Hurt Anybody", Merissa Marthage "Kindertransport" & Emily Foote "The Sisters Rosensweig"

Set Design: John Frank and Laura DeFranco "Harvey"

Music Direction: Barb Seaton "Annie"

Program Design: Arnold Galin "Kindertransport"

Lighting Design: Mike Sharp "Kindertransport"

Special Recognition- Keyboarding: Deb. Holling "Annie"

Set Decoration: Pat Burke, Derek Proulx and Rosa Potter "The Sisters Rosensweig".



More Award Information

The RCT Henry Awards are selected by an anonymous committee. If you are interested in joining this committee mail your name, address, and phone number in an envelope to John Parker, Attn: Henry Awards, 9026 Towne Dr., Rome, NY 13440. To remain anonymous do not put your return address on the envelope.

Other RCT Awards this season:

Ann Panasci Student Volunteer Award: Kaylee Sharp

RCT Nora Burke Award: John Doiron

Strough Fostering Theater Arts Award: Madelynn Maiolo

Strough Fostering Theater Arts Award: Jeremy Fargas

Staley Fostering Theater Arts Award: Isabella Gannon

Staley Fostering Theater Arts Award: Kaylei Wood

RFA Rick Morgan Award: Tyler Cavanaugh



"Kindertransport" Recap

"Kindertransport" was presented at the Rome Community Theater on June 5th – 8th. It was adjudicated by Frances Ruoff from the Theater Association of New York State with the following awards announced:

Excellence in Acting to Denise Morganti (Evelyn).

Meritorious Achievement in Acting to Merissa Marthage (Eva).

Meritorious Achievement for Ensemble Work to the Cast

Meritorious Achievement in Sound Design to Adrian Maggio.

RCT also thanks Arnie & Chris Galin and CNY Arts for their hard work on the "Kindertransport Experience".

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RCT Children's Show Opens Aug. 7th

The annual RCT summer youth musical "The Mad Adventures of Mr. Toad" is being presented Aug. 7-9 at 730PM and Aug. 10th at 230PM. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. The show is being directed by Kirstin Impicciatore with musical director Jennifer Bernstone, producer Vanessa Hansson and choreographer Lauren Impicciatore. The show is based on a popular book "Wind in the Willows". Performing in this production are: Cassandra Dolan, Dakota Andersen, Tiffany Stebbins, Emily Worth, Katherine & Abigail Hansson, Kathleen Isherwood, Sully Walker, Abigail & Louisa Morgan, Zachary & Sebastian Swistak, Jack Wood, Brandon Severs, Jeremy Fargas, Miranda Camp, Andromeda Yahoudy-Macner, Bethany Beeman, Madeline Allen, Morgan Brower, Kayla, Elijah & Austin Bush, Katherine Wynn, Jacob Cosentino, Alex Woodward, Ethan Vernold, Josh Vega, Tabitha Doak, Laina Beer, Amanda & Theresa Falvo, Nick Impicciatore, Mia Lybolt, Meg Benson, Ashley Beeman, Rowan Parker, Olivia & Christianna Clark, Emma Gaiser, Mackenzi Loughran, Jonathan Kommeyer, Rebecca Przylucki, Lennon Altieri, Tatum Butler, Miranda & Lucas Catanzaro, Jonathan Versace, Cristiana Damiano & Damiano Hernandez. It's going to be great, so be sure to come and see it!

RCT Quick News

- From Aug. 11th to Aug. 17th, RCT will be sanding the stage floor. It is a large undertaking and thus RCT can use help for as much or little time you can afford. Contact Fred Normand 336-7676 TODAY!
- The RCT play reading committee needs your help. If you wish to read plays and plan next season, contact Denise Morganti, dbmshop@aol.com. All members of the committee must come to the first meeting with 3 play suggestions they would like to see at RCT. If you are not interested in being on the committee, let us know what show titles YOU would like to see.
- RCT (Arnie Galin, 339-2545) is looking for a person to continue to capture and preserve RCT's history.
- RCT is looking for volunteers to obtain paid ads and / or sponsors for our RCT shows. If interested contact Barb Seaton, bjseaton@usa.net.
- RCT has a new look in its outer lobby thanks to the efforts of Laura DeFranco, Carl DeFranco and Chris Galin.
- RCT thanks all of you who renewed their season tickets. Season tickets are still being sold for \$70. See the RCT web site for details. RCT also thanks Chris and Arnie Galin, Jean Gauditis, Mary Ellen Naughton, and Sylvia Diamond for their recent phone calling assistance.