



# The Prompter

Rome Community Theater

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## President's Column

Welcome to the 2014-2015 season of live theatrical performances at YOUR community theater. Two weekends of "Annie Warbucks" followed by the world premiere of Eric Almlauf's original play, "The Summer Fox" and auditions for the December show, "Star on the Door." How can you increase your support of RCT? Every show requires volunteers on stage, back stage, in the sound and lighting booth, selling concessions, ushering, house managing--the list is long and varied. If the performance aspect of RCT is not your "cup of tea," perhaps you can consider joining one of our standing committees: Marketing, Advertising, Play Reading, Opening Night Reception, Box Office, Plant Maintenance and Housekeeping. Now is the time to make sure you are a member of the theater and that way you could be considered for the Board of Governors or an Officer. If history is your passion or you are just really organized, the theater is searching for someone to continue the documentation of past, present and future projects. For more information on any of these opportunities, please contact Barb Seaton ([bjseaton@usa.net](mailto:bjseaton@usa.net) or 315-334-7737) and I will forward it to the appropriate chairperson.

See you at the shows!

Barbara Seaton, RCT President 2014-2015



## **"ANNIE WARBUCKS" OPENS OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup>**

If you enjoyed last year's production of "Annie" you will enjoy its sequel "Annie Warbucks". The show picks up precisely where "Annie" ended on Christmas morning 1933. The show is being directed by Barbara Seaton, with assistance from producer Brian Angell and choreographer Patrick St. Thomas. The show promises many oohs and aahs with the dog Sandy reprising his starring role from the last production. Be sure to come early and beat the large crowds expected. Show times are October 9-11 & 17-18 at 730PM and Sunday matinees October 12 & 19 at 230PM. The production will be adjudicated by the Theater Association of New York State on Saturday October 11 and the audience is welcome to stay after to listen. Be sure to see it at RCT before it opens on Broadway in 2015!

## "The Summer Fox"

### RCT Extra Show Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>

RCT is proud to host the world premiere of this original production. The show has a small cast and features in the main roles Merissa Marthage and Dan Goewey. Merissa was recently seen as the young actress in the RCT production of "Kindertransport" which brought her both RCT and State of New York recognition.

This is a lyrical, almost magical story of a young girl who uses love and fantasy to help her face a terminal illness with quiet strength and dignity. A gentle story filled with emotion, it is reminiscent of a Japanese folk tale, yet timeless in its refreshing take on young love and the sad realities which life often brings.

As Musoka sits sobbing under a tree on a quiet afternoon, she laments not only her illness, but a lost love she fears will never be seen again. A young man, escaping for a brief respite from a family commitment approaches her. She recognizes Inari from her past. He is her lost love who has broken his promise and deserted her. He, however, has no recollection of his long ago vow. Or does he?

As they piece together their years apart, they realize that Musoka's short time remaining on earth leaves only precious days to recapture what was lost between them.

This play will cause the audience members to look deeply into places from which they often turn away. They will become invested in the struggles and triumphs of one young couple whose lives intertwine in the most magical way.

This is a debut play of uncommon grace that will beautifully illuminate a story of love, loss and fantasy. It cannot help but strike a chord in the hearts of all who see it. The show is being directed by Denise Morganti and assistant directed by Adrian Maggio. Admission is \$5 as a special rate for RCT season ticket holders (bring your ticket!) and \$10 otherwise. Show times are Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> at 730PM and Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> at 230PM. No reservations are required, seating is general admission.



RCT thanks Vanessa Hansson for her hard work cleaning the theater and organizing the recent RCT Volunteer Recognition / Ice Cream Social.

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## RCT Auditions Coming Up

RCT director Laura Brace (formerly DeFranco) announces open auditions for “Star on the Door” will take place Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Required will be four men and two women, ages range from 20-60. Actors will read short scenes from the script which requires good comedy timing, physical comedy, and one character requires a Bavarian accent. The show is being produced by Elizabeth Balick and will be performed between December 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>.



## RCT Box Office Reminders

If you want to make reservations for “Annie Warbucks” dial 337-5920 from 6 - 10PM. Season Ticket holders NO LONGER have to call. You have tickets printed with seat numbers reserved for a specific night. In addition, Season Ticket holders no longer have to wait in line to get a ticket; they can enter the auditorium with their tickets that were mailed to them for seating. Please be sure to arrive at least 15 minutes before curtain so the show can start on time. If for some reason, the night or seat needs to be changed, you MUST call the reservation line to make the change and then you MUST go to the box office to receive your new ticket. Tickets can also be purchased on the RCT web site (Ticket Derby).

## RCT Quick News

- Congratulations to Vanessa Hansson and Kirstin Impicciatore who won a Meritorious Achievement in Theatre Education award from the State of New York for the RCT youth production of “The Mad Adventures of Mr. Toad”.
- Reminder: When you have bills for the treasurer for personal reimbursement, you can leave them in the folder on the bulletin board outside the office. Please make certain to write on each, your name, complete mailing address and name of the show or activity involved.
- RCT now participates in a fundraising program called Amazon Smile. So, for those of you who shop online go to smile.amazon.com to place your order and select RCT from the list of organizations.



## RCT on the Web

RCT can be found on the internet at the following addresses and try out our QR codes above:

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