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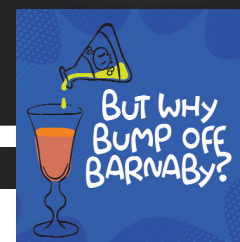
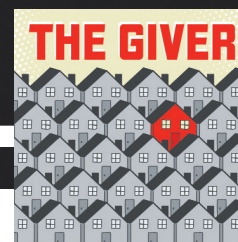
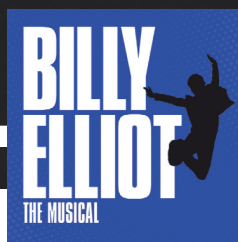
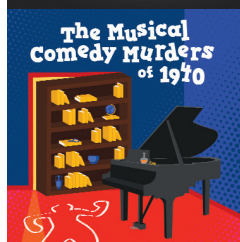
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## On To The 62nd Mainstage Season!



The Waukesha Civic Theatre begins its historic 62nd season in July 2018. The season will run through June 2019 and includes seven Mainstage shows, eight Education & Outreach shows, eleven Random Acts Of Entertainment, twelve PIX Flix, two fund-raisers, four summer camps, year-round classes, and theatre tours to Chicago and New York.

**The Musical Comedy Murders Of 1940** will be directed by **Carol Dolphin**. Past WCT directing credits include *Blithe Spirit* (2017), *An Inspector Calls* (2013), *The Miracle Worker* (2012), and *Wit* (2009). Snowed in at their wealthy patron's Westchester estate, a creative team reunites to launch a new show - stalked by the "Stage Door Slasher," who haunted their last Broadway flop. (NOT a musical. YES a comedy!)

WCT favorite **Mark E. Schuster** returns with **Billy Elliot: The Musical**. Mark's last two WCT productions were *The Hunchback Of Notre Dame* (2017) and *Les Misérables* (2015), two of WCT's most

successful shows! Set during the miners' strike of 1984-85, this musical follows Billy as he trades in boxing gloves for ballet shoes and develops the courage to be uniquely himself. *This show contains strong language - discretion advised.*

**John Cramer**, our Managing Artistic Director, will partner with **Kelly Goeller** to direct WCT's beloved holiday tradition **Candy Cane Tales & Holiday Carols**. Celebrate with a cast of all ages acting, singing, and dancing through classic seasonal songs and stories. This WCT family tradition is a must-see part of the holiday season. There are several daytime performances during the week for school groups. The **educational group rate** is only \$10/ticket!

**Phil Stepanski** makes his WCT directing debut with Steve Martin's adaptation of **The Underpants**. As events unfold, Theo worries about scandal and repercussions at his job as a government clerk. Louise allows herself to revel in newfound fame, reveling

in the possibilities. They explore scandal, fame, and gender roles through intricate wordplay.

**Thoroughly Modern Millie** will be directed by **Jim Padovano**. Jim is a local director making his WCT debut. Millie, a small town girl from Kansas, arrives in New York ready to become a star. This madcap musical comedy is full of bright, 1920s music and dance.

**The Giver** will be brought to life on stage by **Katie Lynne Krueger**. Katie last directed *My Funny Valentine* (2018) at WCT. Jonas lives in a utopia with no pain, no fear - and no choice. Jonas is assigned to be the Receiver of his community's memories and learns that life does not have to be so black and white. Based on the Newberry Award winning novel by Lois Lowry. There are several daytime performances during the week for school groups. The **educational group rate** is only \$10/ticket!

**David Kaye** will return to direct **But**

**Why Bump Off Barnaby?** David's past WCT directing credits include *Almost, Maine* (2016) and *For Purely Elfish Reasons* (2016). Barnaby Folcey is murdered at a family gathering where he had the motive to murder everyone, but no one had reason to want him dead. Everything seems to go wrong in this absurd comedy - there are secret passages, poison in the sherry, and the police take forever to arrive, so the eclectic group tries to unmask the murderer themselves.

Our Mainstage shows are included in our subscription packages, which allow you to purchase any additional tickets at the subscriber rate. When you combine this with our incredible **Subscriber Benefits Card**, you could save as much as you spend supporting the arts in Waukesha! The Subscriber Benefits Card entitles you to discounts or deals at our **downtown Waukesha restaurant partners** - and you can use it as many times as you like over the course of the season!

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# Fulfilling Our Mission: Academy At Civic Theatre



Since our founding in 1957, the Waukesha Civic Theatre has had education as a component of our mission. Our education program - Academy At Civic Theatre, or A.C.T. - and our outreach programs are thriving! The A.C.T. program offers classes at the theatre, but we also partner with many area schools and organizations to offer theatre arts education. Here's a look at what we have planned in 2018-2019: **four summer camps**; one **A.C.T. Production; fall, winter, and spring session** classes at the theatre and several area schools; **A.C.T. Combat Boot Camp**; **A.C.T. Live!** (in partnership with Waukesha JanBoree); three **Star For A Day** sessions; four **PeeWee Players** sessions; **Master Class** workshops; and anti-bullying and other theatre arts **workshops**. Visit our website (<http://waukeshacivictheatre.org/act.html>) for more information on registration and ticket prices.

We offer 2 **two-week summer camps** for students age 4 to 19 - one in June and one in August. Both camps will include classes on acting, improv, musical theatre, and dance. At the end of each camp, there are two showcase performances, where the students get to show what they learned. These performances are open to the public.

**A.C.T. Productions** is proud to present, once again, a totally different kind of class over the summer. We're going to put on a show, but it's SO much more than that! Students who registered for **The Music Man JR.** are not only guaranteed a spot in the show, but they get a theatre experience like never before. With **The Music Man JR.**, students will have a unique opportunity to experience all of the differ-

ent aspects of performing in a show. Not only will there be regular rehearsals, but we will also have scheduled classes throughout the entire rehearsal process. These classes will give students a glimpse into all of the different skills and disciplines that are needed to put a show together. This session will provide amazing opportunities for the students to learn about auditioning, acting and character development, light and sound design, stage makeup, and costume design. Rehearsals can move pretty fast, and we want to make sure the students of **The Music Man JR.** don't miss out on the opportunity to learn about all of the fun and different ingredients that make up a show. Visit our website for more information on registration and ticket prices.

**Lights! Camera! Action!** is our one-week film acting camp. Students perform original scripts on camera and learn about the differences between performing on stage and on film. Each student receives a DVD of the final performances, and family and friends are invited to attend a showing of the DVD after camp is over.

**Broadway Bound!** is moving to the summer. It's a one-week musical theatre camp in July. Students will audition for a place in the program before any tuition is paid. Auditions will be on **Monday, June 25, 2018**. At the end of the week, on **Saturday, July 14, 2018**, the students will present a Broadway musical revue. This performance is open to the public.

Our **fall, winter, and spring session** classes and workshops ensure that the theatre arts education fun doesn't have to stop with summer! We offer a wide variety of classes for students of all ages (not just

for kids anymore!) on a rotating schedule, so be sure to check out our website for the most up to date registration information.

**PeeWee Players** are Saturday morning workshops aimed specifically at our youngest students. Starting at 9 am, 4 & 5 year olds will spend the morning learning a song, a dance, and creating a costume piece or prop to support their performance. At 10:45 am, they will perform everything they learned for family and friends! You'll be amazed at what these kids can do!

**Star For A Day**, introduced in our 57th season, returns! When area schools have individual days off, students can join us for a day of intense fun as we sing, dance, and improvise our way on to the stage. There is no better way to spend a day off from school! Classes will run throughout the day, culminating in a showcase performance at 5 pm on the WCT stage.

**A.C.T. Combat Boot Camp** and **A.C.T. Live!** are both A.C.T. winter traditions. For the uninitiated, **A.C.T. Combat Boot Camp** challenges high school age playwrights, directors and actors to bring original scripts from initial concept to performance before a live audience ... **IN ONLY 4 DAYS!** Topics, locations, directors, and actors are all, literally, "pulled from a hat." There is no advanced preparation, no warning, no mercy - just instinct, ability, and raw talent on display. Artists flying without a net! It takes a talented group of students to write, produce, and perform an original sketch comedy show. It takes an outrageously talented group to do it in two weeks, but that's exactly what the students involved in **A.C.T. Live!** do every January! Come out on January 26, 2019 and support this

outstanding and hilarious WCT tradition, part of Waukesha JanBoree, and see what the next generation of sketch comedy looks like.

Established in 1999, the **Civic Broadway Singers** perform throughout Waukesha County doing what they love: singing Broadway hits! This dynamic group meets to rehearse only one night per month and performs twelve months of the year. Their music will bring back memories from famous musicals including *The Sound of Music*, *West Side Story*, *Oklahoma!*, *Chicago*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, and more! Lake Country resident Abby Lorenz both directs and accompanies the Civic Broadway Singers, and many members are veteran actors and actresses often seen on stage in local community theatres.

The **Civic Senior Players** are a group of fun-loving senior actors, singers, and comedians from throughout the community. Their backgrounds and experience levels may vary, but there is one thing they have in common—they love to perform! They perform a unique comedic variety show, filled with funny monologues, hilarious scenes, music, and even sing-alongs! The Senior Players travel throughout the area performing for local senior centers, civic groups, and other community organizations. And with a wide variety of scenes and songs to choose from, you're sure to get a different show every time you book them.

As you can see, our Education And Outreach program always has something interesting going on. Whatever your age or experience level, join the Academy At Civic Theatre to learn about theatre arts, build your communication skills, or just have fun!

## Village Players AUDITIONS

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- **Subscriber Rate on any additional tickets**
- **Subscriber Benefits Card, with discounts or deals at 17 Downtown Waukesha Restaurants**
- **Offers may be used multiple times during the season**

# Save As Much As You Spend Supporting The Arts In Waukesha!

Here's what all that really means: The subscriber rate allows you to save up to 33% per ticket, depending on the type of show you're buying tickets for and the package you purchase. **The Subscriber Benefits Card** can be used as many times as you want over the course of the season; *that's as many times as you visit our restaurant partners between now and the end of June 2019!* There is no limit to how many times you can use your **Subscriber Benefits Card** or how many discounted tickets you can purchase! And if you find that you can't attend the performance you ordered your tickets for, that's okay too: as a subscriber, you can get free exchanges to another performance of the same show!

So what do you have to do to get all this? Just purchase one of our subscription packages:

## • **Mainstage Season Tickets**

This package is our best value, saving you 33% all by itself! Buy tickets to 6 Mainstage shows and receive the 7th FREE! It includes all seven of our sensational Mainstage shows with the same confirmed seats for each show. But hurry! It's only available through September 30, 2018.

## • **Flex Pass Membership**

This package is truly one of our best kept secrets! It saves you 22% and gets you four tickets that you can use *however you want to anything we do* (fundraisers excluded)! Use all four coupons at one show, one coupon at four different shows, or come up with your own combination - the ultimate in flexibility! Because it's so flexible, it's available through the end of our season - June 23, 2019.

## • **Flix Mix**

Save 20% by getting one ticket to each of our PIX Flix movies with this package! It's only available through July 9, 2018, so get your tickets now!

In addition to our restaurant partners, WCT partners with a variety of local businesses and organizations to offer the quality live entertainment you've come to expect and to give back to the Waukesha community. Some of these partners include: ACAP, Berg Management, Bunny Gumbo, Cantrell's Carpet Cleaning, Carroll Studios of Photography, Carroll University, CertaPro Painters, DustFree Cleaners, Electronic Tele-Communications, The Freeman, Water Doctors, Waukesha County



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Only a handful of community theatres across the nation can claim the honor of a half-century or more of consecutive operation and we are thrilled to open our 62nd consecutive Mainstage season this July! For more information and to see our full season, visit us online at [www.waukeshacivictheatre.org](http://www.waukeshacivictheatre.org). Or feel free to call the Box Office: 262-547-0708.

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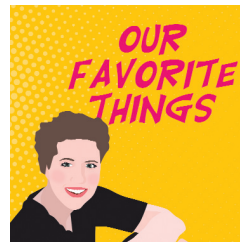
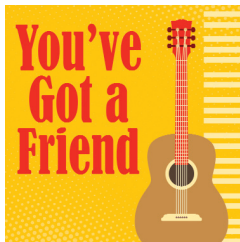




# Random Acts Of Entertainment - Never A Dull Moment At WCT!



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In addition to our bustling education program and entertaining Mainstage season, we offer a variety of Random Acts Of Entertainment over the course of our season. Our 62nd season Random Acts are: *Br!NK New Play Reading*; *disABILITY: The Evolution*; *Waukesha Reads Speaker*; *You've Got A Friend*; a new fundraiser, *Holiday Tales With John McGivern*; *Joel Kopischke's I Got Yule, Babe*; *Comicality*; the STEM Academy's production of *Fame JR.*; WCT's Valentine's Cabaret tradition, *My Funny Valentine*; *The Wizard Of Oz Unplugged*; our annual casino night gala fundraiser, *The Shamrock Shindig: A Gaelic Gala*; *Our Favorite Things*; and *Miscast*.

We'll open our Random Acts Of Entertainment with *Br!NK New Play Reading* on August 1, 2018. Listen to the staged reading of a brand new play and help develop it with feedback in this partnership with Renaissance TheaterWorks!

While the Broadway hit *Hamilton* explored the founding fathers of the American Experience, *disABILITY: The Evolution* explores the history of the human experience of disability. Running

October 4-7, 2018 this ACAP PlayMakers Production is set to music with a whimsical cast of characters.

Join us on **October 30, 2018** for this *Waukesha Reads* event, based on the 2018 *Waukesha Reads* book!

Kerry Bieneman, Casey Olson, and Melissa Cardamone join forces to pay tribute to Carole King and James Taylor in *You've Got A Friend*, running **November 5-8, 2018**.

The Waukesha Civic Theatre welcomes local celebrity John McGivern for a night of stories from his Wisconsin childhood and a warm holiday glow. *Holiday Tales With John McGivern* on **December 4, 2018**, is a special performance to benefit WCT you won't want to miss!

Joel Kopischke is back on **December 11 & 13, 2018** to present *I Got Yule, Babe*, one of WCT's holiday traditions. You've never celebrated the holidays like this! Join local favorite Joel Kopischke and his merry band as he serves up hilarious holiday hits like you've never heard before. Get ready for the gift of laughter with this night of outrageous comedy. For ages 13 and up.

*Comicality*, a raucous musical comedy revue, features the funniest songs and scenes from Broadway to Hollywood and some unexpected surprises. Join us **December 29-31, 2018** for some guaranteed laughs!

The talented kids from the Waukesha STEM Academy are sure to wow you **January 17-19, 2019** with their production of *Fame JR.* Set in the early 1980s, this musical comedy explores issues faced by young people pursuing rigorous study to fulfill their dreams.

WCT presents our annual Valentine-themed cabaret show on **February 14, 2019**. This fun, lighthearted cabaret will prove that love is a many splendored and hilarious thing. If you love to laugh, then this is the perfect valentine for you. Featuring a cast of WCT favorites, you'll enjoy a laid back evening of music that's something old, something new, something borrowed, and nothing blue! With a new mix of songs and performers every year, *My Funny Valentine* reminds us every year why we love laughing at love!

The ACAP PlayMakers present *The*

*Wizard Of Oz Unplugged*, showing us that sometimes you don't need to go over the rainbow; the answer could be right under your nose! Join us for a jaunt into the merry old land of Oz **March 7-10, 2019**.

Games o' chance mixed with a healthy dose of Irish hospitality bring you the merriest night o' food drink, and music this side of the Emerald Isle! We'll see you at Embassy Suites on **March 16, 2019** for *The Shamrock Shindig: A Gaelic Gala*.

Taryn Whipple and Don Lobacz present *Our Favorite Things*, an entertaining retrospective of Julie Andrews' storied career, **April 2-4, 2019**.

On **May 16, 2019**, enjoy a night of your favorite musical theatre songs as you've never seen them before! WCT stars perform iconic songs they would never get to sing from roles in which they would never be cast in *Miscast*.

Check out our website (<http://waukesha.civictheatre.org>) for the most up to date information on all WCT's quality live entertainment options. With so much going on, we're sure to have something for everyone!

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