

# Your ECCT Adventures Await You!



**2009 - 2010**  
**21<sup>st</sup> Season**



# WELCOME TO ECCT

## Don't Be Late for a Very Important Date!

Join over 35,000 of your closest friends at an ECCT production this season! That's our average attendance for the last four years.

You can discover what they already know- ECCT is truly a gem in the cultural landscape of the Chippewa Valley and purchasing season tickets is the best value for your hard-earned dollars. (Our pricing is the same or lower than last year!)

It's easy to order tickets- just pick the shows you and your family want to see and design your own season package! No getting stuck with shows you don't want to see. ECCT is excited to bring no less than six new shows to our friends in the Chippewa Valley- including the premiere of the blockbuster musical RENT.

Check out what's in store- we've got a great season lined up for you and we look forward to seeing you at the theatre!



### AUGUST 5-8, 2009 STATE THEATRE

What time is it? Summer time! School's out—and the Wildcats are back for an all new adventure. Join Troy, Gabriella, Sharpay, Ryan and the rest of the East High gang as they dive into the enchanted world of Lava Springs Country Club and put their talent to the ultimate test!

Based on the Disney movie by Peter Barsocchini.  
7:30pm, August 5-7 • 1:30pm, August 8

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### OCTOBER 2-3, 2009 NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

Come along with the wacky students of the Wayside School as they journey on one crazy thrill ride of a school year! Crazy costumes, colorful scenery and Louis Sachar's zany characters will have you roaring with laughter and giggling in delight-no matter your age!

Based on the books by Louis Sachar.

7:30pm, October 2 • 1:30pm, October 3

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**Family Times**  
The Newspaper for Chippewa Valley Parents



## The Orphan Train



### NOVEMBER 6-7, 2009 NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

The orphan trains were designed to move orphans living in poor conditions in the city to families in the Midwest to give them the chance for a better life. From 1854 to 1929, over 250,000 children were placed with families through this program. This series of vignettes is based on the actual stories of children riding the orphan train from New York to Kansas City.

By Aurand Harris.

7:30pm, November 6 • 1:30pm, November 7





# Seussical

**NOVEMBER 19-22, 2009**

## STATE THEATRE

The mischievous Cat in the Hat acts as the emcee for this fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza, bringing to life all of our favorite Dr. Seuss characters- Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, Lazy Mayzie and all of the Who's of Whoville. Clever, colorful, tuneful and full of heart, Dr. Seuss comes through again!

Music and book by Stephen Flaherty. Lyrics and book by Lynn Ahrens. Based on the works of Dr. Seuss.

**7:30pm, November 19-21 • 1:30pm, November 21-22**

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# the Best Christmas Pageant Ever

**DECEMBER 19-20, 2009**

## STATE THEATRE

Make the theatre part of your family's holiday celebration this year! Enjoy the escapades of the Herdmans as they learn the true meaning of the holidays in this heart-warming classic.

Based on the book by Barbara Robinson

**1:30pm, December 19-20 • 7:30pm, December 20**

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# Disney's Alice in Wonderland JR.

**FEBRUARY 11-14, 2010**

## STATE THEATRE

Join Alice's madcap adventures in Wonderland as she chases the White Rabbit, races the Dodo Bird, gets tied up with the Tweedles, encounters a bubble-blowing Caterpillar, and beats the Queen of Hearts at her own game! Features all the familiar songs and wonderfully wacky characters from the Disney movie.

Based on the books by Lewis Carroll and the classic Disney movie.

**6:30pm, February 11 • 7:30pm, February 12 • 1:30pm, February 13-14**

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# GO DOLLS

**MARCH 4-7, 2010**

## STATE THEATRE

A musical theatre classic sure to send your winter blahs dancing away! Catch Sky Masterson, Nicely-Nicely Johnson, Nathan Detroit and his doll Adelaide in this Tony Award-winning hit with songs like "Luck Be A Lady Tonight", "I've Never Been in Lover Before", "If I Were A Bell" and the title song that have entertained millions of theatre-goers through the years. Whether it's your first time or your fourth, you're sure to enjoy this perfect musical comedy!

Book by Jo Swerling & Abe Burrows. Music and lyrics by Frank Loesser. Based on the books by Damon Runyon.

**7:30pm, March 4-6 • 1:30pm, March 7**

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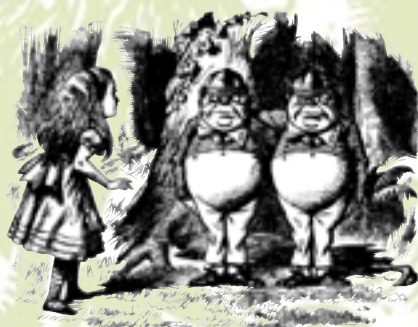


## MARCH 26-27, 2010 NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

A first for ECCT, we're pleased to bring this adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's classic tale to the stage. Follow the adventures of the man-cub Mowgli with Bagheera the panther, Baloo the bear, Shere Khan the tiger and a jungle full of monkeys and other creatures.

Based on the books by Rudyard Kipling  
7:30pm, March 26 • 1:30pm, March 27

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## APRIL 8-11, 2010 STATE THEATRE

The classic story of the March sisters comes to Eau Claire for the first time as an exhilarating new Broadway musical filled with glorious music, dancing and heart. LITTLE WOMEN embodies the complete theatrical experience, guaranteeing a night filled with laughter, tears, and a lifting of the spirit. This powerful score soars with the sounds of personal discovery, heartache and hope – the sounds of a young America finding its voice.

Book by Allan Knee. Lyrics by Mindi Dickstein. Music by Jason Howland. Based on the novel by Louisa May Alcott.



7:30pm, April 8-9 • 1:30pm, April 10-11

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Mel and Sally Sundby



## JULY 28-AUGUST 1, 2010 STATE THEATRE

First the hit motion picture, then the long-running TV series. And now ECCT ends its 21st season with the new stage adaptation. Set during the last years of NYC's High School for the Performing Arts (1980-1984), FAME is the bittersweet but ultimately inspiring story of a diverse group of students as they commit to four years of grueling artistic and academic work.

Conceived by David De Silva. Music by Steve Margoshes.  
7:30pm July 28-31 • 1:30pm July 31, August 1

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SEASON  
BONUS!



## OCTOBER 22-24, 2009 STATE THEATRE

RENT follows a year in the lives of seven friends living the disappearing Bohemian lifestyle in New York's East Village. It went on to win the Tony for Best Musical as well as the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. ECCT is honored to be the first group in the area to present this landmark musical.

Book, lyrics and music by Jonathan Larson.  
7:30pm, October 22-24

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# SEASON EXTRAS!

## Dancing with the Eau Claire Stars



*An ECCT Fundraiser*

**Friday, September 18, 2009  
RAMADA CONVENTION CENTER**

If you're a fan of the popular television show, this is the can't-miss event of the season! The evening begins with a gourmet dinner, followed by local celebrities competing in two rounds of dancing!

\$50 per person for premium seating, dinner and show or reserve a table of 8 for \$360 (a savings of \$40!)

Seating assignments made on a first-come, first-served basis, so don't delay! Limited number of show only tickets available for \$20!

**6:00 p.m. Cocktails and Dinner,  
8:00 p.m. Celebrity Dance Competition..**

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**Murder Mystery**  
DINNER THEATRE

# WIN, LOSE OR DIE!

**SEPTEMBER 25, 26, OCTOBER 2, 3, 2009  
RAMADA CONVENTION CENTER**

A game show with murder in the bonus round! Lyrical Pursuit, the popular game show where knowledge of lyrics could lead to fame and riches, has come to Eau Claire. Host Sparky Duke invites audience members to challenge the current Lyric King, Furlong Shemp. But before the show is over, someone winds up very dead! Join in the fun to find out who-dunit!

**6:30pm, September 25, 26, October 2, 3**

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# BIG BAND Monster Bash

**OCTOBER 30, 2009  
RAMADA CONVENTION CENTER**

Join us for an evening of dancing and listening enjoyment. The event features 10 jazz bands from 5 area high schools and UWEC. Free swing lessons are offered and Halloween costumes are encouraged at this no smoking/no alcohol event. All proceeds benefit ECCT youth programs.

**7:00pm, October 30**

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## Mark Your Calendar for these Upcoming Events!

**My Way**  
*A Tribute to Frank Sinatra*  
September 11-12, 2009

**Harvest Hustle**   
October 17, 2009

**7th Annual  
Holiday Silent Auction**  
November 19-22, 2009



**Winter Concert**  
December 5, 2009

**Starquest**  
December 5, 2009

**KIDZ KABARET**  
February 5, 2010

**Queen of Hearts Ball**  
February 13, 2010



**Spring Concert**  
April 10, 2010

**7th Annual  
New Playwrights Competition**  
April 20, 2010

**110 in the Shade**  
June 4-6, 2010



## Step One- Full Season Pass

Can't decide which shows to attend? Try the Full Season Pass! Each pass is good for one admission to each of the 10 shows listed below. Individually those tickets would cost \$72 for youth and \$138 for adults! Save up to 30% by purchasing a Full Season Pass.

#\_\_\_\_\_ Youth X \$54 + #\_\_\_\_\_ Adult X \$104

## Step Two- 4 Show Season Tickets

Design your own season package! Just circle the FOUR shows you want to see and insert the date and time you'd like to attend each one.

\_\_\_\_\_ I'll pick my dates and times later

**High School Musical 2**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**Sideways Stories**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**The Orphan Train**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**Seussical**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**Best Christmas Pageant**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**Alice in Wonderland Jr.**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**Guys & Dolls**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**The Jungle Book**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**Little Women**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

**Fame**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

#\_\_\_\_\_ Youth X \$30 + #\_\_\_\_\_ Adult X \$56

## Step Three- Individual Tickets

Need some additional tickets? Prices are as follows:

All North HS shows: \$8/youth/seniors; \$10/adult

State Theatre shows: \$8/youth; \$16/seniors; \$18/adult

SHOW	Date/Time	#Youth	#Senior	#Adult	TOTAL
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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## Step Four- Season Ticket Holder BONUS

SAVE 30%! You can order tickets to RENT before they go on sale at full price.

It's our way of saying THANKS for buying a season ticket or pass!

**Rent**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

#\_\_\_\_\_ Youth X \$6

#\_\_\_\_\_ Adult/Seniors X \$12

## Step Five- Season Extras

**Dancing with the Eau Claire Stars**

Friday, Sept. 18, 2009

#\_\_\_\_\_ Dinner/Show X \$50

#\_\_\_\_\_ Show Only X \$20

#\_\_\_\_\_ Table of 8 X \$360

**Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre**

Date/Time\_\_\_\_\_

Order by August 31

#\_\_\_\_\_ tickets X \$25

Order after August 31

#\_\_\_\_\_ tickets X \$27

**Big Band Monster Bash**

Friday, October 30, 2009

#\_\_\_\_\_ Youth X \$5

#\_\_\_\_\_ Adult X \$7

## Step Six- Donations

Ticket sales account for only 70% of our budget. Patrons making a tax-deductable donation are listed in playbills and receive the following:

CHORUS	\$10-49	Thank You!
ACTOR	\$50-99	(2 FREE Show Tickets)
CO-STAR	\$100-299	(1 FREE Four-show Ticket)
LEADING PLAYER	\$300-499	(4 FREE Four-show Tickets.)
SUPERSTAR	\$500-999	(6 FREE Four-show Tickets)
LEGEND	\$1000+	(8 FREE Four-show Tickets)

## Step Seven- Your Totals

Total cost for Full Season Passes	\$_____
Total cost for Season Tickets	\$_____
Total cost for Individual Tickets	\$_____
RENT Season Bonus total	\$_____
Total cost for Season Extras	\$_____
Tax-Deductible Donation Level	\$_____
Postage and Handling	\$_____ 2.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$_____

## Payment Options

\_\_\_\_\_ Check Payable to ECCT enclosed

\_\_\_\_\_ Bill my: \_\_\_\_\_ Mastercard \_\_\_\_\_ Visa

Acct. # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Mailing Address

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/ State/ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Send your payment or payment information along with this order form to:  
ECCT, 1814 Oxford Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54703

Questions? Call 715-839-8877



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## ECCT SEASON SNEAK PEEK!



*The Eau Claire Children's Theatre is a non-profit volunteer-driven community theatre providing quality theatrical and educational experiences for western Wisconsin residents of all ages.*

***Check out our website at [ecct.org](http://ecct.org) for the latest ECCT information!***