

EAU CLAIRE CHILDREN'S THEATRE  
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• Theatre for All Ages •

# WE NEED 100 FOR \$1000

By October of 2011 ECCT needs to raise \$265,000. That's the amount it will take to secure a \$100,000 matching grant from the L.E. Phillips Family Foundation. You can kick off the campaign- join the 100 for \$1000 Club! Here's the deal- we are looking for 100 supporters that will make a \$100 donation by September 15 AND a pledge to donate an additional \$1000 when we hit the \$165,000 mark. It's that easy! Club members will receive recognition in this newsletter and show playbills, tickets and an invitation to a special reception for HAIRSPRAY, their names engraved on a plaque in the lobby of The Oxford and special offers throughout the season. Call Wayne or Shelly at 715-839-8877 to join the club and help us kick off this campaign!

## August Auditions

*All auditions at ECCT, 1814 Oxford Ave. in Eau Claire*



**Aug. 22 & 23 at 5:30pm**

"One night, under a full moon, four orphaned children set out on their own and turned an abandoned boxcar into their home." In this heartwarming story, Henry, Jessie, Violet, and Benny discover the perils of life on the run and the joys of keeping their family together.

**AUDITIONS:** Reading from the script- no prep.

**ROLES:** 2 females & 2 males ages high school-Adult; 2 boys & 2 girls ages 8-13

**REHEARSALS:** Generally 3-4 nights/week from 5:30pm-7pm Aug. 25- Sept. 29.

**SHOWS:** 5 school matinees, 4 public shows & 5 touring performances- Sept. 30, Oct. 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, Nov. 2.

**Murder Mystery**  
DINNER THEATRE  
*All My Murders*

**Aug. 22 & 23 at 7:00pm**

The popular soap opera "The Day After Tomorrow" is "on location" in Eau Claire. The director is looking for new talent and audience members have a chance to audition. Of course tempers flare and the audience must solve a deadly mystery.

**AUDITIONS:** Reading from the script- no prep.

**ROLES:** 4 male & 5 female adults

**REHEARSALS:** Generally 2-3 nights/week from 7-8:30pm Aug. 26- Sept. 30

**SHOWS:** 4 shows Oct. 1, 2, 8, 9 at the Ramada.

Show will be double cast so each actor performs only one weekend.



**Aug. 29 & 30 at 7:00pm**

In 1960s Baltimore, the 50s are out and change is in the air. When plus-size heroine Tracy Turnblad wins a spot on the local TV dance program, she becomes an overnight sensation. Can she vanquish the program's reigning princess, integrate the TV show, and find true love without mussing her hair?

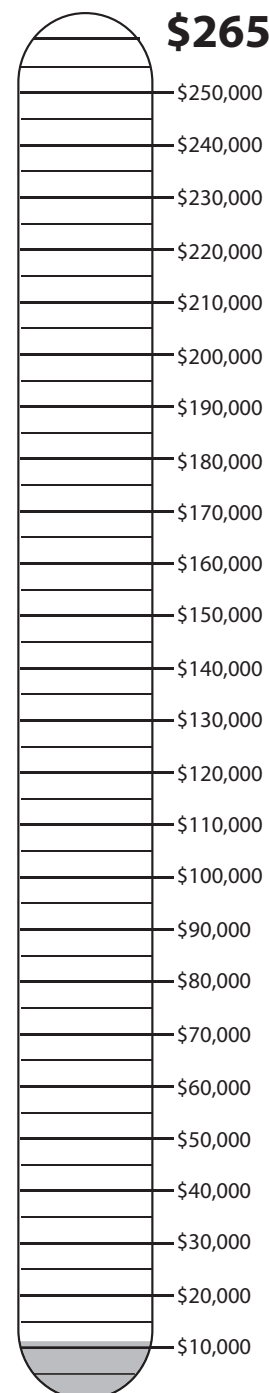
**AUDITIONS:** Those interested in a lead role should prepare 1 minute from any Broadway song. Those interested in the singing/dancing chorus will be given a familiar song to sing. Come dressed to dance and you may be asked to read from the script. An accompanist is provided.

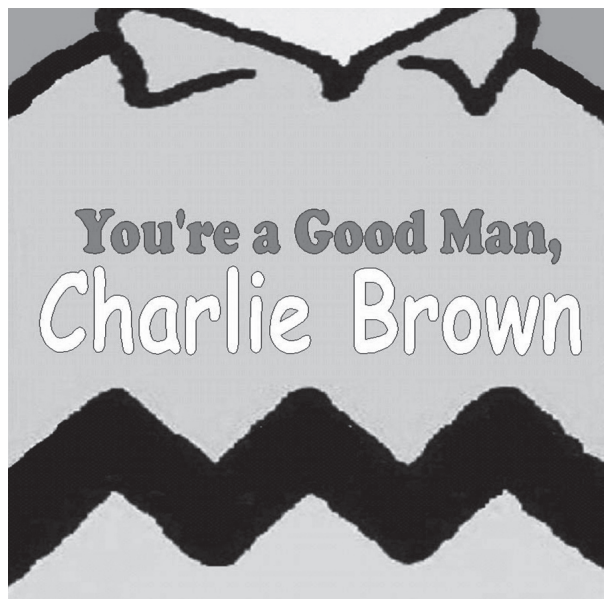
**ROLES:** 14 multi-cultural performers (including Seaweed, Little Inez, Motormouth Maybelle and singer/dancers) and 20 Caucasian performers (including Tracy, Edna, Link, Corny Collins, Velma, Penny and singer/dancers) ages high school to Adult

**REHEARSALS:** Generally Monday-Thursday from 7-9:30pm with some weekend dance rehearsals from Sept. 1 to Oct. 20.

**SHOWS:** 5 shows Oct. 21-24 at the State Theatre

**\$265,000**





Join Charlie Brown, Lucy, Snoopy, and the gang in this revival of the musical theatre classic celebrating the words and wisdom of Peanuts creator Charles M. Schulz. Performed by adults and featuring a score filled with delightful songs, the show's life lessons will resonate with every member of the family.

*You'll see these talented performers on stage next month:*

**Charlie Brown** ..... Nathan Libby  
**Snoopy** ..... Nate Plummer  
**Lucy** ..... Kristine Anderson  
**Linus** ..... Lee Heike  
**Sally** ..... Jessica Breed  
**Schroeder** ..... Greg Kernkamp

Performances will be held at The Oxford Sept. 9-11 at 7:30pm and Sept. 11-12 at 1:30pm. Reserved tickets are \$8 for youth; \$12 for students/seniors; \$18 for adults and can be ordered online at [www.ecct.org](http://www.ecct.org) or by calling **715-839-8877**.

# 2011 ECCT TICKETS

Our new season starts next month and we're looking forward to helping many of you with your ticket orders. Some things to keep in mind starting September 1:

## **AGE CATEGORIES**

**Youth Tickets:** Ages 12 and under

**Student Tickets:** Ages 13-17 and college with valid ID

**Adults:** Ages 18-64

**Seniors:** Ages 65+

## **LAP SEATS**

Regulations require ALL patrons to have an event ticket, regardless of age. Lap Seat tickets for all shows will be \$4 and will be required for ALL children sitting on a lap.

## **TICKET ORDERS**

Tickets may be ordered most conveniently online using a credit card or your PayPal account. Tickets ordered by phone must be secured with a credit card; the handling fee of \$2 will not increase. Unpaid tickets will no longer be held at the door. Tickets can be purchased in person at the ECCT office or at the door with cash, check, Mastercard or Visa. We do not accept Discover or AMEX. All sales are final, and there are no refunds.

## **TICKET EXCHANGES**

Season ticket holders may make unlimited exchanges. Exchanges for other patrons will only be made in extenuating circumstances and only for another performance of the show for which they hold tickets.

*Call us at 715-839-8877 if you have any questions about placing your ticket orders with ECCT.*

## 2010-11 SEASON TICKETS - ON SALE NOW!



Check out the complete brochure at [www.ecct.org](http://www.ecct.org)!

# ENCORE VOLUNTEERS

## Tuesday, August 24 5:30-6:30pm at The Oxford

Join us for our next training session for any new (or current) volunteers interested in helping with ushering, tickets and concessions for shows at The Oxford. Call 839-8877 to reserve a spot by August 20.

Looking for other volunteer opportunities? Consider these:

- Painting or constructing sets
- Making props
- Answering phones
- Selling tickets
- Running lights or sound for a show
- Helping in the costume shop
- Teaching a class
- Serving on a committee- Fundraising, Marketing, Communications, Resources, Programming
- Playing piano for auditions or rehearsals
- Teaching vocal music for a musical
- Playing in the orchestra

Drop an email to [frontdesk@ecct.org](mailto:frontdesk@ecct.org) for more info or to sign up!

## CVYC Musical Notes

Registrations are now being taken for singers entering grades 3-8 this fall to join CVYC. CVYC will have two choirs this season- grades 3-5 and 6-8. Rehearsals are held Tuesday nights starting Sept. 7 from 6-7:30pm. CVYC presents two concerts each season along with KIDZ KABARET in January and is involved with other community performances and social events throughout the year. The conductors for this year's choirs are Annelies Slack (Eleva-Strum schools) and Tammie Delveaux (Mondovi schools). For a complete registration packet send an email to [frontdesk@ecct.org](mailto:frontdesk@ecct.org).

3rd Annual

# Harvest Hustle



**Sat. Oct. 16 9am-Noon**  
**10K Road Race & 2K Run/Walk**  
**Eau Claire Orchards**

Register now for this 3rd annual benefit for ECCT. The event includes a challenging road race, a shorter run/walk and a hilarious Mascot Race in the beautiful fall setting and rolling hills near the Eau Claire Orchards. For registration info go to [www.ecct.org](http://www.ecct.org) - fees go up October 1.

# YAC APPLICATIONS

Applications are now being accepted for the 2010-11 Youth Advisory Council members.

YAC members provide support to ECCT through fundraising and promotional activities such as info booths, parades, concession sales and running auditions. Members organize the Big Band Monster Bash and make classroom visits as part of the YAC Ambassador program. Membership is open to area young people ages 12-24 years old. Meetings are held on the second Sunday of the month at 7pm. Drop us an email at [frontdesk@ecct.org](mailto:frontdesk@ecct.org) to receive a short application form. Deadline is Aug. 27.

## Save the Date!



## Auditions

ECCT- 1814 Oxford Ave.

### Orphans:

Girls ages 8-13

**Sept. 18 9am-12pm**

Request an audition time by emailing:

[frontdesk@ecct.org](mailto:frontdesk@ecct.org)

### Leads and Chorus:

Ages high school-Adult

**Sept. 19 & 20 at 7pm**

For complete audition info go to [www.ecct.org](http://www.ecct.org)



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*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!*

CURRENT RESIDENT OR

## Hats Off To...

- The cast of TRUE BLUE AND TRUSTED for entertaining patrons back in July
- The cast and crew of FAME for bringing this high energy show to the stage, particularly choreographer Frank Moran and to the show's sponsors- ECRAC, Clear Channel Radio, Oakwood Mall and Charter Media.
- The cast of THE MYSTERY OF EDWIN DROOD for their time and talents in presenting this challenging show
- Burrachos Restaurants in Eau Claire for donating \$365 from sales on July 26
- Laurie Osberg, Deb Brown, Kim Accola, Robin Michelsen, Jessica Jones and Olive garden, Lori Cruciani, Gladys Young, Kay Furrer, Kristen Hartzel, Denise & Jay Bouley and Pat Malecki for recent donations to our costume collection
- Sara Bryan for donating a Roland electric piano and Sarah Brost for donating an electric baby grand for use on stage at The Oxford

## WISH LIST

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| 2 piano lights                                   | Postage stamps             |
| Baby wipes                                       | Hairspray                  |
| Artist's brushes                                 | Mascara and eye pencils    |
| Baseball caps                                    | Plastic banquet tables     |
| Women's dresses- <i>plus sizes</i>               | Latex paint in all colors  |
| Extension cords                                  | Colored copier paper       |
| Plastic totes                                    | Serving trays and utensils |
| Nesco roaster                                    |                            |
| Thread, needles, elastic, notions, buttons, lace |                            |
| Paint brushes, rollers, roller covers, trays     |                            |

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN AUGUST / SEPTEMBER

August 22-23	Auditions- THE BOXCAR CHILDREN	5:30pm	ECCT
	Auditions- ALL MY MURDERS	7:00pm	ECCT
August 29-30	Auditions- HAIRSPRAY	7:00pm	ECCT
September 9-11	YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN	7:30pm	The Oxford
September 11-12	YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN	1:30pm	The Oxford
September 12	YAC Meeting	7:00pm	ECCT
September 14	ECCT Board Meeting	5:15pm	ECCT
September 17	DANCING WITH THE EAU CLAIRE STARS	6:00pm	Ramada
September 18	ANNIE- Orphan Auditions	9:00am	ECCT
September 19	ANNIE- High school/Adult Auditions	7:00pm	ECCT
	IF YOU TAKE A MOUSE TO SCHOOL Auditions	7:00pm	ECCT
Looking Ahead...			
October 1, 2, 8, 9	ALL MY MURDERS		
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October 16	Harvest Hustle		
October 21-24	HAIRSPRAY		

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