

EAU CLAIRE CHILDREN'S THEATRE
1814 OXFORD AVENUE
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APRIL 2010

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• Theatre for All Ages •



LITTLE WOMEN

the
broadway
musical

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 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.

You'll see the following performers on stage:

Marmee	Kobi Shaw
Meg	Stephanie Mueller
Jo	Jessica Breed
Beth	Elizabeth Rasmus
Amy	Aurora Krajnikonde
Aunt March	Judy Willink
Professor Bhaer	Adam Krajnikonde
John Brooke	Quinn Stewart
Theodore Laurence	Lee Heike
Mr. Laurence	Jason Lynn

Shows are **April 8-9 at 7:30pm** and **April 10-11 at 1:30pm** at the State Theatre. Reserved seating tickets are \$18/Adults; \$16/Seniors; \$8/Youth. Tickets online at www.ecct.org or in person or by phone (839-8877) with a credit card or at the door. This show is rated and is being sponsored by ECRAC, WEAU 13 News, Norske Nook, Wisconsin Public Radio and Mel & Sally Sundby.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BRUNCH

SpecJoin us Sunday, April 11 at Noon for the Ramada's Spectacular Brunch. Cost is \$24.95/Adults and \$16.95/Youth and includes brunch, tax, tip and ticket to the 1:30pm matinee at the State Theatre. Reservations due by Thursday, April 8 at 715-839-8877.



APRIL AUDITIONS

All auditions at ECCT- 1814 Oxford Ave.

NEW PLAYWRIGHT'S SHOWS

Audition for one of the 6 winning plays in this year's competition.

April 6 - 5pm-6:30pm

- Cold readings from the scripts
- Roles for: 9 males & 9 females ages High School- Adult; 8 boys & 6 girls ages 8-12.
- Rehearsals: 45 minute blocks between 5-9:30pm on April 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26
- Show: Tues. April 27 at 7pm at The Oxford

110 IN THE SHADE

The musical version of the classic play "The Rainmaker" by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt

April 11 & 12 - 5:30pm-7pm

- Leads- prepare a 1 minute cutting from any Broadway song; Chorus- will sing a familiar song.
- Roles: 10 males & 10 females ages High School-Adult
- Rehearsals: 3-4 nights/week 7-9:30pm April 20-June 3.
- Shows: June 4-6 at the Mabel Tainter Center for the Arts

ENCORE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Volunteers working events at The Oxford are invited to attend one of two training sessions at ECCT April 5 or April 7 from 5-6:30pm.

Info to include safety, seating, beverage service, policies and procedures. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP by April 2 to 839-8877.

THANK YOU!



A huge Thank You goes out this spring to our media partner WEAU 13 News, General Manager Terry McHugh and Promotions Director Andrew Felix for their ongoing assistance in promoting our fundraising efforts for our new multi-purpose performance space!

GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION!

April 15-18 at The Oxford

Join us as we open the doors to Eau Claire's newest performance venue!



RENT Returns to Stage!

April 15, 16, 17 7:30pm

All seats \$20 online at www.ecct.org
or call 839-8877.

FREE Public Open House

April 17 10am-Noon

Tours and light refreshments

Chamber Ribbon Cutting and Business Open House

April 16

10am-2pm Open House

12:30pm Ribbon Cutting



Spring Concert

April 17 1:30pm

*Featuring CVYC choirs and
STARQUEST winners*

\$10/Adults; \$8 Seniors/Youth

LIGHTFEST 2010

April 18 3pm-10pm

A day of live music to raise money for stage lights featuring The Sue Orfield Band, The Tony Basley Band, Thick Shoe & Crowded Heads

\$5 at the door; food and beverages available



MUSIC NOTES

The CVYC will be closing out their season with their annual Spring Concert on April 17 at 1:30pm at The Oxford, 1814 Oxford Avenue. The concert will feature music with a spring or multi-cultural flair. Special guests will be this year's STARQUEST winners. Tickets can be purchased at **839-8877** or at the door.

Families with singers currently in grades 2-7 that are considering joining CVYC next season are invited to attend Try On Night on Tuesday, May 4 from 6:30pm-8pm at ECCT. You'll learn more about the choirs, have a chance to do some singing and meet current members. For more info call us at **839-8877**.

SUMMER 2010 DRAMA CLASSES

It's time to start thinking summer! Each summer ECCT offers 30+ classes for ages 3-Adult. Popular classes include:

Celebrate Summer With A Show

Drama Camp

Voice Lessons

Show Choir classes

Broadway Dance

Fairy Tale Theatre

Improv classes

So You Wanna Do A Show?

Acting for Girls Only

Playacting

Again this summer we've partnered with the Eau Claire Area School District and the Chippewa Falls School District. Students in these two school districts are able to take one of their ECCT classes for FREE! Complete details on how to take advantage of this offer and complete course descriptions and registration forms are located on our website at www.ecct.org under "Summer Classes". If you would like to receive a hard copy of the course list or have questions contact us at info@ecct.org or **839-8877**.



A Benefit for ECCT

Sponsored by:



A Fresh New Event Featuring



A Silent Auction

over 50 purses filled with goods and services

A Live Auction

Hosted by I-94's Curt St. John

higher-end purses including a bag donated and autographed by actress **Sarah Jessica Parker!**



A Delicious Dinner

with dessert by Bo-Jo's Creations

Entertainment by Broadway Star Jen Burleigh-Bentz

UW-EC graduate and
star of Broadway's *Mamma Mia!*



Thursday, April 22, 2010
Eau Claire Golf & Country Club
5:30-9:00 p.m.
\$35 per person



**Visit www.ecct.org
or call 839-8877
to order your tickets today!**



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Hats Off To...

- the cast and crew of GUYS AND DOLLS for their time and talent in bringing this classic work to the stage and to ECRAC, WEAU 13 News and Clear Channel Radio for sponsoring this production
- the 29 volunteers that came to the Work Day for the new building on March 6
- the cast and crew of THE JUNGLE BOOK and WEAU 13 News for sponsoring the show
- Insty Prints for donating the printing of this month's newsletter

Special Thanks go out to Mel and Sally Sundby who, along with Sally's mom Gloria Dickson, have been huge supporters of ECCT over the years. Their support has included physical gifts, like a new MAC computer and a collection of Wizard of Oz figurines valued at \$1600 as well as being Gold Star donors to our current Legacy Campaign and sponsoring the upcoming production of LITTLE WOMEN. It is families such as this that allow ECCT to bring quality family programming to the Chippewa Valley and we salute their involvement!

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL

April 5 & 7	Encore Volunteer Training	5-6:30pm	ECCT
April 6	Auditions- New Playwright's shows	5pm	ECCT
April 8-9	LITTLE WOMEN	7:30pm	State Theatre
April 10-11	LITTLE WOMEN	1:30pm	State Theatre
April 11	YAC meeting	7pm	ECCT
April 11-12	110 IN THE SHADE Auditions	5:30pm	ECCT
April 13	ECCT Board meeting	5:15pm	ECCT
April 15-17	RENT	7:30pm	The Oxford
April 16	EC Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting	12:30pm	The Oxford
April 17	Open House	10am-Noon	The Oxford
	CVYC Spring Concert	1:30pm	The Oxford
April 18	Lightfest 2010	3pm-10pm	The Oxford
April 22	Purses with Purpose	5:30pm	EC Golf & Country Club
April 27	New Playwright's Performances	7pm	The Oxford

Looking Ahead....

May 23-24	FAME Auditions	ECCT
June 4-6	110 IN THE SHADE	Mabel Tainter