

EAU CLAIRE CHILDREN'S THEATRE
1814 OXFORD AVENUE
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• Theatre for All Ages •

the Best Christmas Pageant Ever

Make the theatre a part of your holiday experience this year! ECCT is pleased to bring Barbara Robinson's classic story to the stage. The Herdmans are the worst kids in the world and when they show up to be in the annual Christmas pageant the unsuspecting mom in charge is in for a real challenge. This heartwarming holiday classic is a perfect way for your family to take a break and spend a little quality time together during this hectic time of the year while reflecting on the true meaning of the season. Enjoy holiday treats and music in the lobby. We look forward to seeing you! We had 102 performers audition right before Thanksgiving.

Here's who you'll see on stage:

Bob Bradley	Drew Thompson
Grace Bradley	Michelle Chartier
Beth Bradley	Ruth Seymour
Charlie Bradley	Nick Maenner
Ralph Herdman	Kyle Wogahn
Imogene Herdman	Shannon McDonald
Leroy Herdman	Harrison Breed
Claude Herdman	Sergio Sigala
Ollie Herdman	Kendal Cleveland
Gladys Herdman	Ashley Kemmet
Alice Wendleken	Evelyn Halvorsen
Mrs. Armstrong	Laurie Osberg
Mrs. Slocum	Donna Shellenberger
Mrs. Clark	Angela Huse
Mrs. Clausen	Sarah Otto
Mrs. McCarthy	Jessica Johnson
Maxine	Eleanor Kernkamp
Elmer Hopkins	Noah Mutter-Schulz
Rev. Hopkins	Shane Miller
Firemen	Nathan Shellenberger, Robert Tomczak

Baby Angels

Cameron Carmody, Reese Thompson, Sasha Kirby,
Claire Steines, Molly Frizzell, Lauren Carmody,
Ana Miller, Raeann Brenner

Angels

Greta Kernkamp, Emily Otto, Caeli Fetherston, Bergen Phelps,
Kayce Leonauskas, Carrie Kemmet, Anna Accola,
Martha Seymour, Josie Seelen, Libby Brand, Sydney Tape,
Clarissa Moore, Katrina Mousel, Haley Hines-Michaud

Shepherds

Austin Huse, Charles Osberg, Aidan Sanfelippo,
Zak Sather, Elias Klein, Landon Lee, Seth Frizzell,
Dawson Halvorsen

Angel Choir

Jane Schradler, Emily McFadden, Kelce Gold,
Lexxi Amenson, Hailee Larson, Hannah Ottevaere,
Heather Lahr, Paige Vassel, Kiana Shawd,
Taylor Millington, Kristina Holloway, Rita Kawak,
Kaitlyn Jo Schmitt, Serina DeMoe, Tressa Forrest,
Mackayla John, Zoe Copa, Hannah Jones,
Charlotte Moore, Kylie Southard, Emma Anderson,
Gabrielle Brucker, Leah Nelson, Brianna Brickner

Performances are December 19 at 1:30pm and 7:30pm and
December 20 at 1:30pm at the State Theatre. Reserved seating
tickets are \$18/Adults; \$16/Seniors; \$8/Youth. (A Senior is 60+;
a youth is 18 and under.) Tickets can be purchased online at
www.ecct.org or in person or by phone (839-8877) with a credit
card or at the door. This performance is rated **E** for everyone and
is being sponsored by ECRAC and Nohre & Co. S.C.

KIDZ KABARET

"A MUSICAL VOYAGE"
SPOTLIGHT ACT AUDITIONS

Monday, December 20
6pm-7pm

ECCT- 1814 Oxford Avenue

This year's KIDZ KABARET theme is
"A Musical Voyage."

Songs being performed by the choirs include
"Locomotion", "Go the Distance", "Route 66"
and "Somewhere Out There."

WHAT TO KNOW:

Spotlight acts should fit in with the general themes of travel,
vacation or location names. Acts can be solos, duets or small
group vocal numbers only. You can use piano accompaniment
or recorded music. An accompanist will be provided for
auditions and the show or you can provide your own. Bring
your sheet music or CD. You must audition with the same song
that you want to perform at the show. You must be available
for the show rehearsals and performance on these dates:

January 31- 1pm-5pm

February 2- 5pm-8pm

February 4- 5pm-8pm

February 5- 6pm-8:30pm (Show at 7pm)

For more info call 839-8877

WINTER AUDITIONS

December 20 & 21 at 7pm * ECCT- 1814 Oxford Ave.



This musical version of the Lewis Carroll classic is based on the popular Disney musical. Follow Alice's adventures with the White Rabbit, Tweedledee and Tweedledum, the Mad Hatter's Tea Party and of course the Queen of Hearts. Familiar songs include "I'm Late for A Very Important Date", "The Un-Birthday Song" and "Painting the Roses Red." Fun for the whole family!

Auditions: Leads should prepare a 1 minute cutting from any Broadway or Disney song. All others will sing a familiar song from the show. There will be no dance audition.

Roles: 6 boys and 8 girls ages 10-13; 18 males and females ages high school- adult.

Rehearsals: Generally 3-4 nights per week from 7pm-9pm Jan. 4-Feb. 10.

Shows: One school matinee and four public shows Feb. 11-14 at the State Theatre.



Broadway at its best! Frank Loesser's popular song and dance musical about New York City crapshooters and the Salvation Army workers out to save their souls. The show features some of the most well-known musical theatre characters- Sky Masterson, Nicely-Nicely Johnson, Sarah Brown, Miss Adelaide, Nathan Detroit- and most popular Broadway songs of all time- "Sit Down You're Rockin' the Boat", "Luck Be Lady", "If I Were A Bell", "I'll Know" and the title song.

Auditions: Leads should prepare a 1 minute cutting from any Broadway song. All others will sing a familiar song from the show. You may be asked to read from the script. Most should dress comfortably for a short dance audition- limited non-singing/dancing roles available.

Roles: 18 males and 14 females ages high school-adult.

Rehearsals: Generally 4 nights per week from 7-9:30pm with some weekend dance rehearsals from Jan. 5- March 3.

Shows: Four public shows March 4-7 at the State Theatre.

2010 NEW PLAYWRIGHT'S COMPETITION

ECCT will be sponsoring the 6th Annual New Playwright's Competition this season for aspiring writers. Playwrights in three categories- middle school, high school and adult- submit 10 minute plays that are judged by a panel of local theatre and writing professionals. Two winners in each category will receive a cash prize and have the opportunity to see their work produced by ECCT. Entry deadline is Friday, Feb. 26, 2010. Go to www.ecct.org for entry forms and rules.



Give the gift of theatre this holiday season! An ECCT gift certificate is the gift that gives twice- once when it's opened and again when they attend the show. Just call 839-8877 or stop by the Oxford Avenue office to pick up your certificates.

Eau Claire Cuisine Tour

A Progressive Dinner featuring

- COCKTAILS & DESSERT
- Appetizers
- Wine Tasting
- Soup/Salad
- Entrée
- Dessert

Thursday
January 21, 2010
5-10 pm

\$50 per person
includes
four-course meal and
transportation

Visit www.ecct.org
or call ECCT
at (715) 839-8877
by Monday, January 11,
to reserve your spot.

A Benefit For
ECCT



Need entertainment for your holiday party or next corporate event? Check out EXPRESS ENTERTAINMENT at www.ecct.org.



BUILDING UPDATE

Great progress has been made on the multi-purpose performance space at ECCT. The mild weather allowed for concrete pouring and for completion of the parking lot ahead of schedule. Walls will soon be going up and then it's on to the next phases of interior work, roofing and stone work. Completion is slated for early next spring. Additional time will be needed to complete the outfitting of the building which is dependent on fundraising efforts.

The price tag for this project is \$500,000. In the last 6 weeks we have raised over \$32,000. We are particularly appreciative of a \$15,000 gift from Dr. Steve Kristo from the Kristo Family Fund through the Eau Claire Community Foundation. A variety of fundraising efforts are underway and we look forward to the support of our loyal patrons to make this project a success. Options range from larger gifts connected to Naming Rights to the purchase of a specific item like curtains and lights to the purchase of a chair with a memorial nameplate on it.

During this holiday season we invite you to be a part of our efforts to bring this new performance space to Eau Claire. All donations are tax-deductible. Consider purchasing an item for the stage in lieu of family gift giving or purchasing a chair in honor or memory of a loved one. If you would like more information on the building project or our fundraising efforts please contact Wayne at 839-8877.

I/We Want to Help Furnish the New Addition!

NAME _____ PHONE _____

FULL ADDRESS _____

EMAIL _____

I WANT TO BUY SOMETHING YOU NEED

- _____ Grand Drape: 1 @ \$4,175
- _____ Side Curtains: 6 @ \$754 each
- _____ Lighting Console: 1 @ \$8,630
- _____ Lighting Instruments: 36 @ \$348 each

_____ Chairs w/ name plates: 275 @ \$75 each

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_____ (Name(s) you want engraved) _____ (Name(s) you want engraved)

I CAN'T DECIDE- PICK OUT SOMETHING YOU NEED

- _____ Gold Star: \$5000-\$9999 (engraved wall star & 10 free season tickets)
- _____ Silver Star: \$1000-\$4999 (engraved wall star & 8 free season tickets)
- _____ Bronze Star: \$500-\$999 (engraved wall star & 6 free season tickets)
- _____ Budding Star: \$100-\$499 (2 free show tickets)

PUT MY NAME ON IT

- _____ The Auditorium Addition: \$500,000
- _____ The Vestibule: \$100,000
- _____ Dressing Room: \$50,000
- _____ Lighting/Sound Booth: \$25,000

_____ Check made out to ECCT enclosed

_____ Charge my: Mastercard VISA Card #: _____ Exp. _____

Amount: \$ _____ Signature _____

Return completed form and payment to: ECCT 1814 Oxford Ave. Eau Claire, WI 54703



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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 for the latest ECCT information!

Holiday Wish List...

2 piano lights (\$45 each) * Music stand rack (\$370) * Cases of copier paper (\$35) * Lighting instruments (36 @ \$348)
Stage curtains (6 @ \$754) * Grand Drape (\$4175) * Postage stamps (\$44/roll)
Auditorium lights (6 @ \$560) * Lighting Console (\$8630)

We could also use...

Paint brushes, rollers, roller covers, trays, artist's brushes, mascara and eye pencils, baseball caps, feather boas, thread, needles, elastic, notions, buttons, lace, women's dresses - plus sizes, latex paint in all colors, extension cords, colored copier paper, plastic totes.

HATS OFF TO...

- the cast and crew of SEUSSICAL for their talent and dedication in bringing this family work to the stage and to ECRAC, Charter Media, Oakwood Mall, Leader Telegram and Terpstra Orthodontics for sponsoring this production.

- all the businesses that donated items to our annual holiday silent auction and to the patrons who bid on items, raising over \$10,800 for the new building addition.

- Mike and Mary Kolstad for donating 12 new music stands, which brings the number of donated stands for use by our pit orchestras to 18.

- Machgan Family Dental and Clear Channel Radio for their sponsorship of this year's STARQUEST competition

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN DECEMBER

December 19	BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER	7:30pm	<i>State Theatre</i>
December 19-20	BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER	1:30pm	<i>State Theatre</i>
December 20	YAC Holiday Party	7pm	<i>ECCT</i>
December 20-21	Auditions- GUYS & DOLLS and ALICE IN WONDERLAND	7pm	<i>ECCT</i>

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