

GARRISON PLAYERS

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Community Theatre Since 1953



GPAC News

April 2024

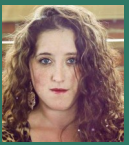
Board Update



Kevin Collins is stepping down as Production Director, having served more than his designated 2-year term in one of our busiest

board positions. Kevin saw us through COVID by spearheading our fantastic online readers' theatre productions. He created a logistical backbone to operations by managing the calendar and online marketing, building sets, running lights and more. He also directed our fabulous production of *The Humans*. Please join us in thanking Kevin for everything he has done for Garrison Players. We look forward to seeing him at the Annual Meeting on June 1!

Committee Updates



Emilyrose Johnson will be providing support to our marketing department by overseeing our social media postings. Look for updates on Facebook, Instagram and more!

Ann Marie Torres will be managing the 2024-2025 calendar, no small feat! More information on the turnover coming soon!



Interested in joining this amazing marketing and production team? Please reach out to Megan at: president@garrisonplayers.org

Mortgage Paydown Update



We are thrilled to announce that as of April 9th, we have raised over \$13,900 to pay our remaining mortgage balance. Treasurer Greg Turcotte has transferred the last payment of \$11,245.00 to First Seacoast Bank. We are officially mortgage free!!

The remaining balance of \$2,655 and any additional donations intended for the mortgage will go toward our Building Sustainability Campaign. Some of that money is already earmarked to repair the side access ramp. We will also be moving forward with the exterior painting the Dover side of the building and our kitchen porch with CertaPro. They did a phenomenal job last year with the Route 4 and Roberts Road sides!

Thank you to all of our many volunteers and donors, who keep our community theater alive and moving toward a vibrant future!

It is such an exciting time to be involved at Garrison Players! Please join the celebration on Saturday, June 1 at our Annual Meeting Cook-Out starting at noon.

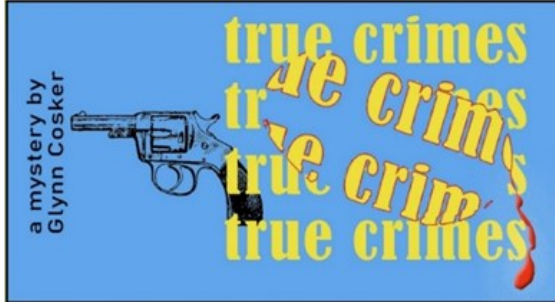
With grateful hugs,

Your GP Board of Directors:

Megan, Barb, Tom, Greg, Joyce, Kevin, Tim, Janet, Trevor, Caitlyn, and Rob



UPCOMING MAINSTAGE



Directed by Mike Doyle May 10-19, 2024

Introducing the world premiere of True Crimes, a fascinating whodunit written by local theater legend Glynn Cosker.

Paul Banks gets a surprise visit from a man he thought was dead. Something sinister might be afoot, and it's up to Paul and his family, along with his friend Sergeant Frank Gorski, to figure out if the family is in danger.

Featuring the Talents of:

John Jenks Seymour as Frank Gorski
 Ollire Lane as Kat Banks
 Steve McNally as Paul Banks
 Tim Young as John Banks
 Theryn Virginia as Dylan Banks
 Haley DeValliere as Robin White
 Dan Bergeron as Dennis Crowley

EVENTS



Shine!

Songs of Hope and Light
 featuring
 Garrison Players Showstoppers
 and



The Fourth Street Jazz
 Benefit Concert for the GPAC Building Sustainability Fund

June 14, 2024, 7 PM

Garrison Players Arts Center
 Tickets on Sale Now!

UPCOMING YOUTH ED



Directed by Emilyrose Johnson and Katie Gall
 Performances: June 21-23, 28-30



Directed by Sabrina & Samantha Williams
 & Belle Giguere
 Performances: June 20-23, 28-30

CHARITABLE GAMING FUNDRAISER

Garrison Players has been granted an organization license from the NH Lottery Commission to receive charitable gaming donations made by Filotimo Casino in Dover.

We will receive up to 35% of the profits brought into the casino during the two weeks listed below. Other nonprofit organizations who have been approved for this program have brought in up to \$20,000 in donations.

Our fundraising dates are:

June 14-18 and August 8-12

Please help spread the word to help make this fundraiser a success!



Filotimo Casino and Restaurant
 887b Central Ave.
 Dover, NH 03820



Donate to Garrison Players
 Through NH Gives
 June 11-12

SAVE THE DATE! GPAC Family Potluck and Annual Meeting, Saturday, June 1 Noon – 4 PM.

ANNOUNCING THE 2024-2025 PRODUCTION SEASON



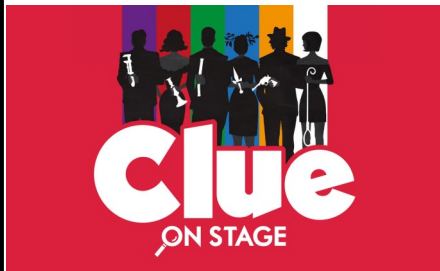
Broadway Junior Revue: Pure Imagination Directed by Sabrina & Samantha Williams
A brand-new revue featuring songs from across MTI's Broadway Junior® collection including *Seussical* and *Shrek The Musical* to Disney favorites like *Beauty and the Beast* and *Frozen*. A fun introduction to musical revues for young performers.

Grades 2-12

Show Dates: September 20-22, September 27-29

Auditions: July 29 & 30 from 5-7 PM

For more information about auditions, including video submissions, contact Caitlyn: youthed@garrisonplayers.org



Clue: On Stage Directed by Phil Hammond

Written by: Sandy Rustin

Based on the cult classic film and the popular board game by Hasbro, Inc., *Clue: On Stage* is a madcap comedy that will keep you guessing until the final twist.

Show Dates: October 11-13; 18-20; 25-27

Audition Dates: June 3 & 5 from 6:30-9 PM with callbacks on June 6 at 6:30 PM

For more audition info, please reach out to Phil at: pwhammond2@gmail.com



A Child's Christmas in Wales: A Christmas Musical

Based on the story by Dylan Thomas; Adapted by Wanda Strukus

Directed by Wanda Strukus Music Direction by Carol Davenport

Drawing upon the unique and evocative language of the famous Welsh poet Dylan Thomas, *A Child's Christmas in Wales* is a heartwarming and enchanting family musical celebration of Christmas through the eyes of a child. Adult/children ensemble cast.

Show Dates: December 6-8; 13-15

Audition Dates in September will be posted soon: www.garrisonplayers.org



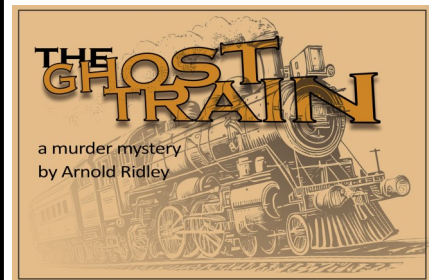
Outside Mullingar Produced by DoGo Productions; Directed by Matthew Parent

Written by John Patrick Shaley

Starring Constance Witman, Don Goettler, Carol Davenport, and Phil Adams, *Outside Mullingar* is a compassionate, delightful work about how it's never too late to take a

chance on love. After sold-out runs with rave reviews at both the Players Ring in Portsmouth and The Actors Studio of Newburyport, we are thrilled to be able to present this exquisite production at the Garrison Players Arts Center.

Show Dates: January 10-12; 17-19



The Ghost Train Directed by Elaine St. Jean Written by Arnold Ridley

Six passengers find themselves stranded late at night in the waiting room of an isolated railway station in Maine. Ignoring the ghostly tales and dire warnings of the stationmaster, they decide to stay where they are until morning - with terrifying consequences!

Show Dates: February 28-March 2; March 7-9; March 14-15

Auditions: Saturday, Nov 16 from 10 AM-noon & Sunday, Nov 17 from 3-5 PM

Rehearsals begin November 21, 2024

For more information about auditions, please contact Elaine at: bejstj@comcast.net



The Importance of Being Earnest Directed by Marina Altschiller-Gannon

Written by Oscar Wilde

This sharp and witty classic tells the story of two men who get wrapped up in a lie that quickly begins to spiral out of control.

Show Dates: April 25-27; May 2-5; May 9-11

Auditions: Tuesday, January 21 from 5:30-9 PM; Callbacks on Wednesday, January 22 from 5:30-9 PM

For more audition info, please contact Marina at: marina.altschiller@gmail.com

TICKETS ON SALE SOON! www.garrisonplayers.org

IN MEMORY OF DONNA



Donna Goldfarb was a dedicated member of the Garrison Players, having performed in many productions over the years. Her soaring soprano voice, her classic wit, and her perfect timing made her a joy to watch on stage. Theater meant the world to Donna, and she believed that the performing arts are integral to fulfilling our true potential. She was passionate about making artistic pursuits accessible to everyone, particularly to students and the younger members of our community.



To honor Donna's memory, her family encourages all who knew her and loved her to make a contribution in her name to the Garrison Players Youth Education Program. Your contribution will help ensure our Arts Center remains a viable facility and allows us to continue providing affordable programs for our youth and their families.

VOLUNTEER

Get into the act at Garrison Players! Share your love for the arts and make a difference in your community by volunteering with us. No matter your interests or how much time you can commit, we have a perfect opportunity for you!

Help bring the magic of live theatre to life!

Become a friendly usher and welcome theatregoers.

Lend a hand with set design and construction, creating the scenes for our next production.

Keep the refreshments flowing and smiles shining as part of our concessions team.

Find an outlet for your creative and organizational talents: take headshots for our lobby and program, stitch up costume alteration projects, or set out on a props list scavenger hunt.

Spread the word about our exciting shows and events through marketing and outreach efforts.

Every hour you give makes a difference!

Regular weekly or monthly shifts are available for those who love being involved.

Can't commit to a schedule? We have one-and-done projects perfect for occasional volunteers.

Visit our website www.garrisonplayers.org or email Megan at president@garrisonplayers.org to learn more.



ANNOUNCING: MAINSTAGE AND YOUTH ED PITCH NIGHT

for the 2025-2026 Production Season
MONDAY, AUGUST 19 FROM 6:30-9 PM



Are you a local director interested in bringing your dream show to the Garrison Players stage? Join us for Pitch Night! Register by submitting your entry by Thursday, August 1, 2024

Mainstage Contact Tim & Greg: treasurer@garrisonplayers.org

Youth Education Contact Caitlyn: youthed@garrisonplayers.org

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