

GARRISON PLAYERS Arts Center



January 2023



GPAC News

\$70 for 70 years

2023 is a big year! Not only is it the 400th anniversary of the founding of Dover, New Hampshire, it is the 70th anniversary of the founding of the seacoast's one and only community theater: the Garrison Players! After putting on shows for decades in a variety of venues around the city, in 1986 we purchased Hiram R. Roberts Grange Hall in Rollinsford and began the slow and expensive process of renovation, opening our first show there in 2003. Re-named the Garrison Players Arts Center (now on its 20th anniversary!), our home has provided quality community theater, top-notch youth performing arts education, and space for both individual and group performing artists, as well as community youth education groups. Now our venerable old building needs our help. On this momentous anniversary, we are asking our members and our supporters to donate \$70 to keep us going for another 70 years! \$70 for the 70th!

Donation button at <https://www.garrisonplayers.org/70-for-70-years>



Spring Clean-Out

What's better than free food? Free food AND helping a worthy cause!

Garrison Players is hosting its biannual building clean-out on January 28, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Coffee and donuts will be provided for all volunteers in the morning, and pizza and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided for lunch. The work involves carrying unneeded items outside for eventual disposal, as well as a little light maintenance work—such as installing light bulbs! (No pun intended!)

The clean-out is always a fun time, and it's a great opportunity to meet new people, learn about Garrison Players, get involved in theater, and help us prepare for upcoming shows by making room in the building for new props, costumes, and dressing areas.

Come join the fun, either for the whole time or even for just an hour or two!
To sign up or for more info, email Barb at recsec@garrisonplayers.org



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Open Positions

To apply for any of these positions, contact Barb at: recsec@garrisonplayers.org

Director of Fundraising: Develops fundraising strategies, formulates fundraising policy and procedure, and oversees all fundraising activities. Identifies new donor bases, directs and coordinates solicitation of funds and secures show and season sponsors. Develops overall fundraising goals in support of the annual budget and oversees all grant funding acquisition and compliance. Prior experience in a fundraising role for a non-profit organization with strong connections to the community at large. A high energy individual with a passion for raising funds in support of the overall mission is essential.

Director of Marketing & Public Relations: The Marketing Director holds ultimate responsibility for all marketing activities for the organization. This individual oversees the development and delivery of a fully integrated marketing strategy, brand strategy and audience generation activities. This includes oversight of all digital and print advertising, collateral and publications, media communications, patron communications and ticketing procedures. Works in close collaboration with the Membership and Fundraising Directors to achieve financial and public image goals are achieved.

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Play Reading Committee – looking for new members

Garrison Players' Play Reading Committee is preparing to evaluate selections for the 2023-2024 season. The group meets online once a week for about 7-8 weeks. If interested, please reach out to production@garrisonplayers.org

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Director of Membership:

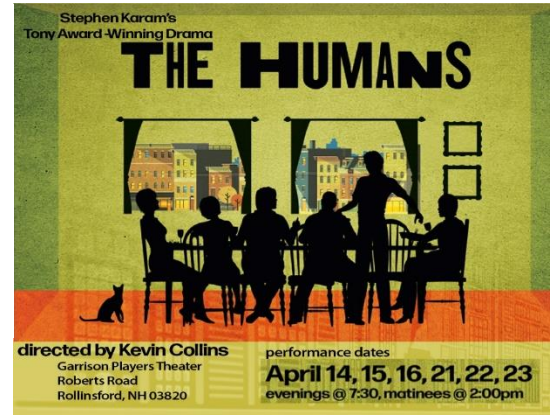
Directs and oversees membership recruitment and retention activities for the organization. Develops programs, initiatives, and policies designed to increase overall membership. Creates, updates, and distributes collateral materials related to membership activities. Maintains membership database and works in partnership with Fundraising and Marketing Directors to advance mission and financial health of the organization. The Director of Membership should be a creative, detail-oriented individual with previous experience in customer service, member services or recruitment.

We're always looking for volunteers for a number of projects and on-going activities. Contact Barb at recsec@garrisonplayers.org

The Humans, winner of the 2016 Tony Award for Best Play is our April offering.

The Blake family has gathered for Thanksgiving dinner, during which the ups and downs of an all-too-human family are revealed in this moving production.

Join us in April for *The Humans*



Coming Events – Joel Cage April 29, 7-9 pm

JOEL CAGE is an award winning veteran singer/songwriter from Boston. Once a member of the internationally acclaimed rock & roll group **Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes**, Joel has been performing regionally and nationally as a soloist for the past 2 decades.



For more information, please visit <https://www.garrisonplayers.org/showsandevents>

“SAVERS” – April 29 @ noon

GPAC's annual fundraising event with Savers in Newington – Collect your old, clean, used “soft goods” (clothing, bedding, pillows, shoes, purses and the like). More info about drop-off locations to come. Questions? Email Barbara Rowe at bsrowe49@gmail.com

Showstoppers!

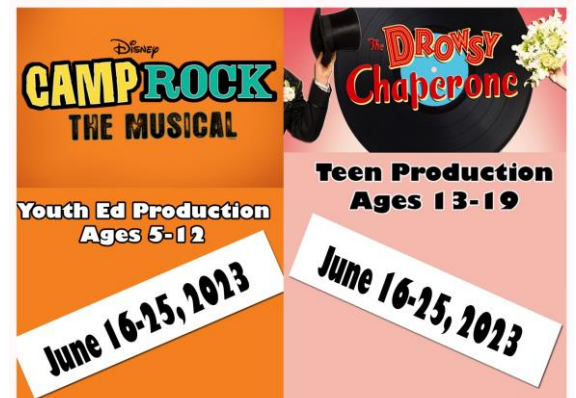
70 years of Musical Theater

March 10 & 11

Garrison Players Arts Center
Tickets \$20

<https://www.garrisonplayers.org/showstoppers-2023>

SUMMER YOUTH ED EVENTS

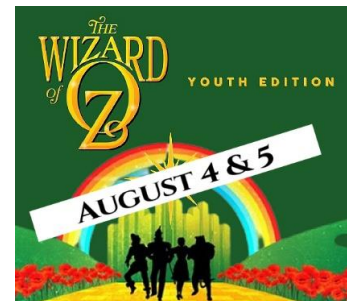


Auditions for *Camp Rock* and *The Drowsy Chaperone* will be held on Sunday, March 19, 2023 (times TBA).

We're always looking for volunteers: costumers, set builders, lighting operators for the youth and teen shows!

Also, August 14th - August 20th Teen Intensive Camp working on dance, voice, and acting with a showcase at the end!

SUMMER CAMP



Melissa Manseau's Musical Theater Summer Camp returns with *The Wizard of Oz*.

The camp runs from July 17 –Aug 5th from 9 am to 3 pm, Monday-Friday. Performances on August 4th and 5th (2 shows each day).

Registration fee is \$600. Please visit <https://www.garrisonplayers.org/summer-music-theater-camp> for more information

SAVE THE DATE! GPAC Annual Meeting, Saturday, June 3, 2023 Noon – 4 pm. Family potluck begins at noon.