



Green Room Gazette

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ANNIE

Directed by
Cheryl Blauer & Steven Santos
November 29—December 14

AUDITIONS

Second Samuel

Directed by Frank White
November 9—10
12—5 PM

Membership Meeting

Monday,
November 18, 2019
7:00 PM

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Greetings, Hello and a Super Big Welcome to the Green Room Gazette and to the 2019/2020 BLT season and some notes from the Prez...

What an exciting season so far. We had a blockbuster opening with "Clue" with 2,017 tickets sold, great reviews and made lots of new friends. We follow that with an amazing World Premiere of "Casserole". A wonderful new award winning play by Pam Harbaugh and directed by our own amazing Wendy Koepl and an amazing cast and production team.

We were supported in this wonderful production with a grant from AACT, (American Association of Community Theaters) and additionally sponsored by a grant from the Pride Foundation. It is so exciting to see Boise Little Theater have the honor of hosting a world premiere play.

Opening night was amazing with lots of social media live activity; the lobby was a buzz before and after the play. We had a wonderful Gala Party following the premiere opening, lots of fun pic's and lots of publicity followed. My thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this event possible, too many to name.



The excitement continues with the upcoming opening of "Annie" directed by Cheryl Blauer and Steven Santos. It opens on November 29th and looks like it will be a sellout, so get your tickets early. Cheryl introduced her talented "Annie" cast at the last membership meeting and they look amazing! What a great cast she has for this wonderful show.

It's getting pretty close to Ho Ho Ho time. I'm beginning to hear those jingle bells ringing and carolers singing and you know what that means. Our annual Boise Little Theater Christmas Party. Mark your calendars for December 16th at 7pm and join us for our festive holiday gathering.

It's great seeing you all at our monthly membership meetings; I love your energy, support and participation. See you soon! FW

Courtesies

If you hear of any member who is sick, hospitalized, etc., please contact Nancy Suiter at suiter@aol.com

IMPORTANT NEWS!

Please note that after this season (June. 2020), we will no longer be sending hard copies of the Gazette to any member. Beginning July 1, 2020, it will only be available in **electronic version**. Be sure the box office has your email address so you will be sure to continue to receive all the news from Boise Little Theater.





Want to support your favorite local community theater and earn a few dollars at the same time? BLT is looking for someone to join their box office team. Primary work hours are evenings for the run of show performances, four (4) to seven (7) shows a season. Each show runs for three (3) weekends (Thursday night 6:30-9:30, Friday and Saturday night 7:00-10:00). Additional hours may be needed to fill in for vacations or other activities as needed. Starting pay DOE. If interested, please contact the BLT Business Manager at solstice.2008@live.com.

BLT STUDENT CLUB NEWS



October was another busy month for the BLT Student Club!

At the monthly meeting, BLT Board Member & Student Club Liaison, Jillian Durrant, spoke to the Club about being involved as volunteers at BLT. At The Village in Meridian, the Student Club donned their costumes for the "Villians at The Village", an annual event, which was a real crowd-pleaser! The students had a Wand Building workshop at the home of Cheryl Blauer, and then showed off their expertise at the Boise Train Depot for their "Wizard Encounter" where the world of Harry Potter came to life at Platform 9 3/4.

The Student Club meets monthly at the BLT, right before the monthly Membership Meeting. New members are welcome, so visit the Student Club to make new friends, have fun, and learn about being involved in community theatre!



SAVE THE DATE!

You won't want to miss the Boise Little Theater Holiday Party!
Plan to join your friends in the festivities right here in the BLT Lobby
On Monday, December 16 at 7:00

AACT Town Hall at BLT

On Saturday, October 19, Boise Little Theater hosted a well attended "Town Hall" during which AACT's Marketing/Communications Director, David Cockerell, Linda Lee (Representative of the Jack K. Ayre & Frank Ayre Lee Theatre Foundation) and AACT Idaho State Contact, Debbie Hertzog, led a discussion about some of the issues facing community theatres. Attendees included BLT President, Frank White, and representatives from Stage Coach Theatre, Daisy's Madhouse, Encore Theatre Company, Knock 'Em Dead Productions, Chaotic Acts of Theatre, Theatre 7, Lewiston Civic Theatre, and Treasure Valley Youth Theatre, as well as the "Casserole" playwright, Pam Harbaugh, individual I-ACT members, and I-ACT Board members.. Several topics were discussed regarding the local theatre groups and the benefits they can share by working together. It was a lively, interesting and positive exchange of ideas including: Shared Resources, Educational Conferences, Youth Programming, AACTFest, Member Discounts and Insurance Programs. We thank AACT for their support. We are looking forward to working together in 2020 to improve communication between the local theatre groups.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Looking for some volunteers to bring snacks to the Monthly Membership Meetings!!! We need volunteers for January, February & March. If you can help, please contact Jay Parker at dbrat_1974@yahoo.com.

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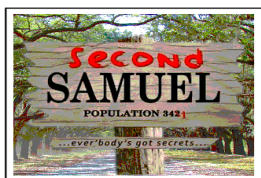
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NEXT UP: SECOND SAMUEL

Our next production, following "Annie" and the holidays, is a compelling drama by Pamela Parker, Directed by Frank White.

It was a simpler time in the late 1940s, especially in South Georgia in a little town called Second Samuel. The folks in Second Samuel were ready for things to settle down after the Great Depression, war, and presidential election. Except- this was the summer Miss Gertrude passed away. Nobody could have imagined how the death of one sweet little old lady would turn the entire town upside down, leaving everybody in Second Samuel wondering if anything would ever be normal again.

Auditions will have taken place by the time this goes to press, but performances will run from January 17—February 1, 2020.



"ANNIE" BRINGS LOVE & LAUGHTER TO THE HOLIDAYS!

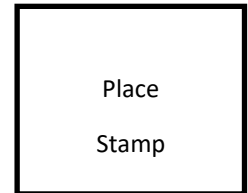
This timeless musical, directed by Cheryl Blauer & Steven Santos will start the holiday season off right! Beginning the day after Thanksgiving, the whole family will love "Annie."

With equal measures of pluck and positivity, Little Orphan Annie will charm everyone's hearts. Despite a next-to-nothing start in 1930's Depression Era New York City, Annie is determined to find the parents who abandoned her years ago and in the process she changes the life of lonely billionaire, Daddy Warbucks.

Take some time from your holiday shopping to enjoy the antics of this lively bunch of Orphans as they sing & dance their way into your hearts. Buy your tickets now! This holiday charmer is sure to sell out!

Performances run from November 29 through December 14, 2019.





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2019-20 SEASON

Annie by Charles Strouse, Martin Charnin, Thomas Meehan
Directed by Cheryl Blauer—Presented November 29—December 14

Second Samuel by Pamela Parker
Directed by Frank White—Presented January 17– February 1

Leading Ladies by Ken Ludwig
Directed by Wendy Koepl—Presented February 28-March 14

These Shining Lives by Melanie Marnich
Directed by Sarah Wright—Presented April 17-May 2

The Drowsy Chaperone by Bob Martin, Don McKellar, Greg Morrison, Lisa Lambert, Directed by John Myers—Presented May 29-June 13

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MEETING
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7:00 pm