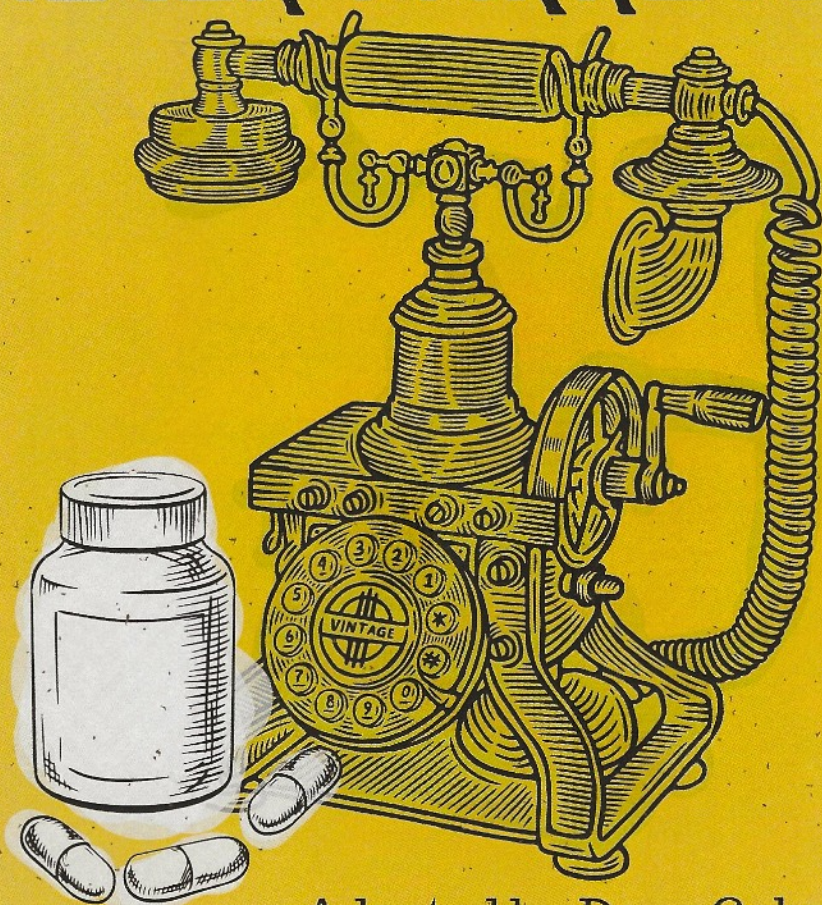


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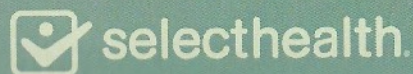
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- If you would like to meet the cast and crew after the show, please go to the green room at the back of our building.
- Smoking and vaping are not allowed anywhere in our building.
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Boise Little Theater

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Boise Little Theater deeply appreciates those who have volunteered to usher and serve as house staff for this production, enabling BLT to welcome in-person audiences once again:

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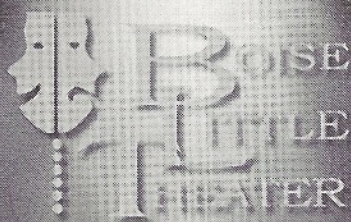
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- Techie? To help backstage with props, costumes, sets, lights, sound, crew, or stage management, please contact our box office at 208-342-5104 or boxoffice@boiselittletheater.org.
- Interested in directing at BLT? Please indicate your directing or assistant directing experience and interest by completing our online form: grco.de/BLTDirectorPool.
- Actor? Auditions are open to the community, no prior experience is necessary and all skill levels are welcome. For more information, please visit boiselittletheater.org/auditions.

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Membership is an easy way to support our Little theater and starts at just \$10! To learn more, join us at BLT for our next general business meeting on the 3rd Monday of every month *except June, July, August, and December*, or visit our website for an application: boiselittletheater.org/get-involved/membership.



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by Ken Ludwig

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Adapted by Doug Goheen

Directed by Frank White

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Adapted and Directed

by Aubrielle Holly

Nov 24-Dec 16, 2023

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It's a Wonderful Nativity

by Jeff Goode

Directed by Shannon Peterson

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By Jacob Richmond

and Brooke Maxwell

Directed By Victoria Horn

Jan 13-28, 2024

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By John Cariani

Directed by

Katie Shuter-Rompala

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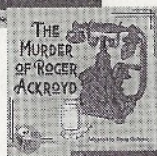
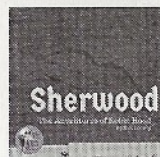
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SYNOPSIS

Setting: Early Autumn 1920, King's Abbot, a small village in Northern England

Synopsis: Detective Hercule Poirot is forced out of retirement when his friend, Roger Ackroyd, is found brutally murdered. There's a locked door, an open window and a chair that moves itself. To All three, Poirot asks "Why" but finds no answer. Assisting Poirot in the investigation, Dr. James Sheppard provides Poirot with one of the most valuable clues in solving the case. However every suspect is hiding a secret, the truth proves elusive.... for a while.

Directed by Frank White

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CAST

Joseph Wright	Dr. James Sheppard
Joseph L. Stevenson	Hercule Poirot
Mary Morris	Caroline Sheppard
Brad Ooley	Inspector Raglan
Rebecca Swanson Lyons	Mrs. Cecil Ackroyd
Karen Marker	Flora Ackroyd
Matthew Hansen	Geoffrey Raymond
Deanna Hamilton	Elizabeth Russell
Layne Taylor	John Parker
Anna Moore	Ursula Bourne
Steve Martin	Roger Ackroyd
George Patterson	Major Hector Blunt
Fraser Martens	Charles Kent/Stranger
Greg Hemmert	Ralph Paton

CREW

Frank White	Director
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Gary Miller	Props Manager
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Bridget Fitzpatrick	Lighting Tech
Christiana Kirchgatter	2nd Lite Tech
Jim Steele	Sound Design
Jim Steele	Sound Tech
Elizabeth Greely	Wardrobe Design
Guen Johnson	Wardrobe Assistant
Louie Lopez	Crew
Ayla "Sabrina" Michael	Crew
Brandt Cummins	Crew
Jim Anderson	Set Construction

CAST BIOS

Frank White / Director

I am both excited and proud to bring this amazing and classic play to the Boise Little Theater stage for this awesome 76th Season. This marks my 104rd stage production and it is still as exciting as number 1, with this cast and this play I would say a bit more. I have worked in film, TV and radio and live theater remains my first love and great passion. I continue to be blessed with amazing casts and crews and this one is no exception. This cast is a director's dream, for their talent, commitment and dedication and pure love of theater and the craft of acting. They have worked hard and taken my floggings in stride as we worked to bring these characters and this production to life and to do justice to the incredible Agatha Christie. The same is true of the amazing production team behind the scenes who worked so hard to create the magic that is live theater. To the entire cast, production team and you, our audience, much love and deep appreciation.

Joseph L. Stevenson / Hercule Poirot

I have been acting since I accidentally fell in love with Theatre twenty-seven years ago. Some favorite credits include John Proctor in *The Crucible*, Hamlet in *Hamlet*, Harold Hill in *The Music Man*, and George Bailey in *It's a Wonderful Life*. An avid Shakespeare addict, I have taught English Literature and Theatre Arts at Vallivue High School since 2005.

Joseph Wright / Dr. James Sheppard

Idaho born, a Boise resident, and a national traveler thanks to my service and logistics career with IBM, my life-long adventure in art, entertainment, musicals, and plays, includes the Burbank (California) Civic Light Opera, the University of Kentucky (Lexington) Summer Theatre Series, and Boise's Stage Coach Theatre, Knock-Em-Dead Dinner Theatre, Spontaneous Productions, Daisy's Madhouse Theatre, Eagle Theatre Company, and Boise Little Theater. Among many others, I have performed as 'Charles Darwin' in *Darwin in Malibu* at Stage Coach Theatre, 'Professor Van Helsing' in *Dracula* at Boise Little Theatre, and 'Mysterious Man' in *Into The Woods* for Boise Music Week 2022. Favorite shows I've directed include Jon Lonoff's *Skin Deep*, Tina Howe's *Painting Churches*, and Sam Bobrick's *Baggage*, for Stage Coach Theatre, and *Graceland* for Eagle Theatre Company's premier, which was also awarded Outstanding Performance at the 2023 Idaho Association of Community Theatres State Festival. It is always a joy to work with Frank White as director, and I hope you are deviously puzzled by our whodunnit!

Mary Morris / Caroline Sheppard

I am thrilled to be on the boards again at Boise Little Theater under the direction of Frank White. It is exciting and enlightening to be working with this incredibly talented cast and crew. Sue and Marianne, thank you for all the support and as always, this one is for you, Mom.

Brad Wm. Ooley / Inspector Raglan

My first show at BLT was in 1982, so about 43 years! Which now makes me old, and retirement is good. My list of work is 2010's *White Christmas*, and before that *Lie, Cheat and Genuflect*. Since the world changed, I did a couple of original scripts over at Stage Coach Theater, *Olvidar* and *The Trouble With Tourists*. I have directed a few times with *Company*, *Squabbles* and *Evelyn in Purgatory*. I miss performing. I miss doing the work. So, here I go again! I send all my love to my wife Keri, I appreciate her patience and understanding.

Rebecca Swanson Lyons / Mrs. Cecil Ackroyd

Nine years ago, after watching numerous plays at Boise Little Theater, I thought, "I could do that!" So, I auditioned a few times and was eventually cast in my first play. This is my seventeenth show (not all at BLT, but they still count). Thank you for supporting community theater. Thanks to Frank, Alies, Sam, the cast, and the crew—you are all amazing! To Charles, my adoring husband: I love and thank you with all my heart. The life of a theater spouse is not easy; your support means everything. Enjoy the show.

Karen Marker / Flora Ackroyd

I'm a sucker for a good script and engaging characters, so am delighted to help tell a story by the queen of the murder mystery. I last performed in *Twelfth Night* at Boise Little Theater, and am grateful to have the opportunity and energy to work with another experienced director and creative team, as well as a cast of so many wonderful character actors and good people all around.

Matthew Hansen / Geoffrey Raymond

I am delighted to return to the Boise Little Theater stage, having last appeared here as Bernard in *Death of a Salesman*. It's been a great honor to work under Frank's direction again and to join such a fantastic cast. Thanks to my wife, Faith, and my son, Oskar, for giving up many weeks of evenings at home in order for me to get back on the stage!

Deanna Hamilton / Ms. Elizabeth Russell

I have enjoyed acting in community theater in the Boise area since 2000. This is my second Frank White production, the first being *The Crucible* in 2016. I am thrilled to be back at BLT working with this terrific cast

Layne Taylor / John Parker

76th Anniversary for Boise Little Theater! This marks my 13th play performance with Boise Little Theater. Fun fact: 2009, BLT, the first play I was in was Agatha Christie's *The Mouse Trap*! Favorite stage, favorite theater, and favorite director. The cast and crew are, in a word, AMAZING! Huge shout out to my favorite job O.N.E., and to you our Theater Patrons. HERE'S TO 13 MORE!

Anna Moore / Ursula Bourne

While this is not my first production at Boise Little Theater, this is my first time acting on stage in 15 years. This role has been fun and challenging for me to play. I'm excited to bring this mystery to life with the rest of the amazing cast.

Steve Martin / Roger Ackroyd

I've enjoyed the pleasure of performing more than a dozen plays at Boise Little Theater over the last 20+ years, most recently including *The Crucible* and *Second Samuel* with director Frank White. When I'm not on stage, you'll find me advocating for LGBTQ+ equality with Pride Foundation, and doting on my Corgis Sophie and Hermes with my husband, Jim.

George Patterson / Major Hector Blunt

My promising acting career that began in high school on the set of Mr. Robert's handling one line and a goat was interrupted after many more endeavors in college and little theater (without four-legged animals) by one career advising high school students not to act up and another telling juries what they ought to do. Glad to be back.

Fraser Martens / Charles Kent

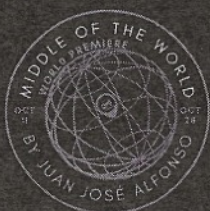
I'm a native of Vancouver, Canada, but now I live in southeast Boise with my family. When not on stage, I'm the former operator of a successful home donut shop, and was once interviewed by the Wall Street Journal about what I was wearing to work from home during COVID.

Greg Hemmert / Ralph Paton

I am very excited and blessed to be working with this wonderful group of people comprising the cast, technical crew and directing team. I love the camaraderie of the community theater scene in Boise and look forward to sharing this amazing story with the patrons of the Boise Little Theater.

Sabrina Michael / Housemaid

Ever since elementary school, I've had a passion for performing. Thriving on and behind stage, I've done roles from constables and prosecutors to main roles like Johnny-Cake in the infamous *Outsiders*. I'm so excited to enter this new world and make herself at home



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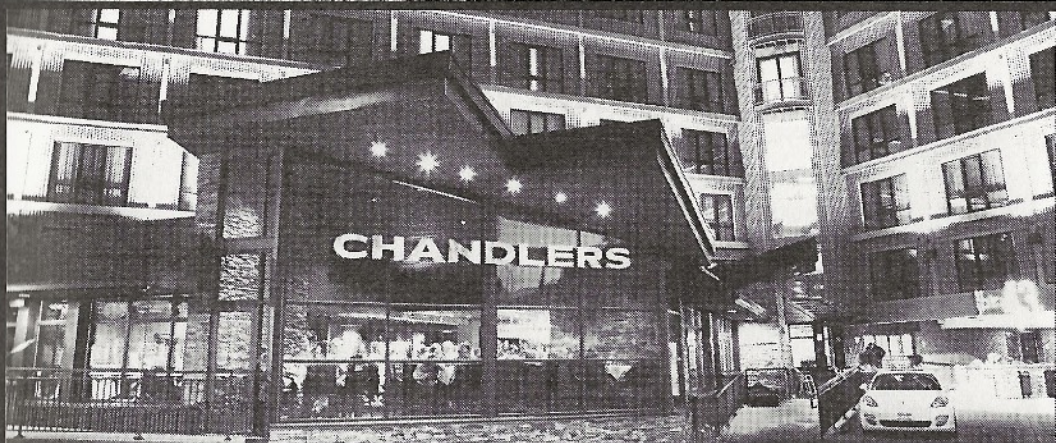
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2023-2024 Posluszny Scholarship Recipients



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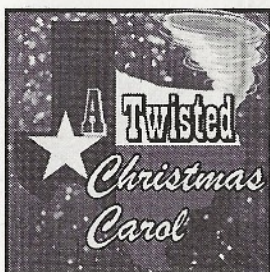
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Light-hearted
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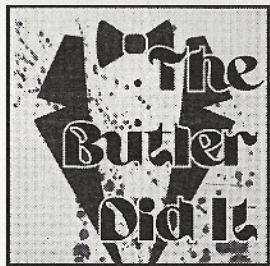
Dec 1-23

Comedy
Southern
Unique



Mar 1-23

Musical Parody
Edgy
HeartFELT

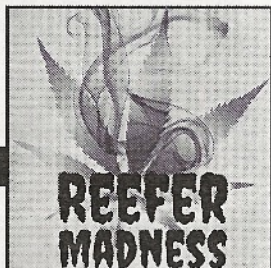


May 31-Jun 15

Thriller
Witty
Engaging

Oct 6-28

Musical Satire
Irreverent
Campy



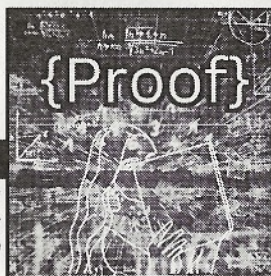
Jan 19-Feb 3

Comedy
Insightful
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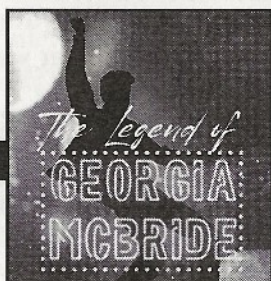
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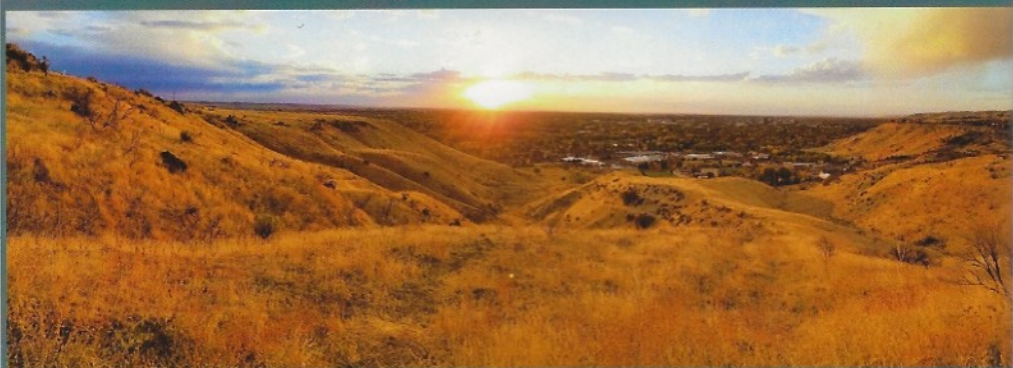


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