

FMACT

FARGO/MOORHEAD
COMMUNITY THEATRE

*Written & created
by
Roger Bean*

Winter **Wonderettes**

Vocal Arrangements by Roger Bean & Brian Baker Musical Arrangements by Brian Baker



**December 5-8,
12-15 and 19-20**

the Hjemkomst Center
202 1st Ave N, Moorhead, MN

Hello FMCTFriends and Families,

Happy holidays and welcome to the Fargo Moorhead Community Theatre! We are so honored that you've chosen to spend this part of your holiday season with us. The Winter Wonderettes is a delightful journey down Christmas Lane, celebrating all our favorite holiday classics.

The past few years have been challenging globally. Through the kindness of our community, patrons, the City of Moorhead, the Kilbourne Group, Global Development, and the City of Fargo, the Fargo Moorhead Community Theatre is now on a successful path for the next 78 years and beyond. It took kindness, belief, and a little bit of magic. Since Mayor Carlson and City Manager Dan Mahli invited us to share the Hjemkomst with the City and the Historical & Cultural Society of Clay County, we've engaged over 150,000 people at the Hjemkomst. Our partnership is natural, filled with history and wonder. Many partnerships have been forged through hard work and faith, building friendships and collaborations that will last for years. My mind and heart are full of dreams for our shared space in Moorhead, MN, for many years to come. We plan to stay at the Hjemkomst for as long as the City will have us!

Our building project on NP Ave, in partnership with the Kilbourne Group, Global Development, and the City of Fargo, is progressing well! This new theatre space, combined with our home at the Hjemkomst, will firmly root our organization in the Fargo Moorhead Area forever. The NP Ave building will be a beautiful new space for everyone to enjoy, with a proper stage and all the traditional elements that theatre makers use to bring magic to life for our patrons. It will be a theatre space with open doors to the community both day and night, all year round.

We're excited to have two beautiful spaces, one on each side of the river: a traditional theatre in Fargo and a black box in Moorhead. Two locations, just a short walk apart, full of life and possibilities for everyone!

Theatre is wonderful because it not only brings together diverse artists but also the many diverse people who love them! So, thank you for supporting this cast and crew, and everyone at FMCT. I'd also like to take a moment to thank the cast, crew, and creative team of the Winter Wonderettes. Their kindness and hard work have created a magical evening, and we are thrilled to share it with you!

To our guests, whether it's your first time seeing a production at FMCT or you're a long-time patron, on behalf of everyone at FMCT, I'd like to welcome you to our holiday show. Your support means everything to us. Please grab a drink from our cocoa cart in the lobby, settle in, and enjoy the Christmas magic of the Winter Wonderettes!

With joy,

Judy Lewis

Executive & Artistic Director, FMCT





Grace Magstadt
as
Betty Jean

Grace graduated from MSUM with a degree in Communication Studies and minors in broadcast journalism and musical theatre performance. Some recent shows you may have seen her in are in MSUM's productions of A Year With Frog and Toad, Complete History of America Abridged, and FMCTs It's a Wonderful Life, Rent, and Carrie: The Musical. As always, she would like to thank her friends and family who have supported her along the way.



Josie Cass

**as
Suzy**

Josie Cass is a performer and choreographer from the Fargo-Moorhead area. She was most recently seen in Harwood Prairie Playhouse's production of Lend Me a Soprano (Jo), as well as FMCT's productions of Carrie: The Musical (Sue Snell), Junie B. Jones (Camille) and Goosebumps: The Musical (Cami, Choreographer). She is a graduate from the University of Texas-Arlington with a BFA in Musical Theatre and a Dance minor. There she had the opportunity to work on Cabaret (Texas, Sally u/s, Assoc. Choreographer) and 9 to 5 (Missy, Judy u/s, Assoc. Choreographer), and more! She loves choreographing and teaching for FMCT's education program and recently just spent the summer working in Disney World! josiecass.com



Chloe Hall
as
Cindy Lou

Chloe Hall is a Junior at Northern Cass High School, where she lives with her parents, brother, and their dog. This is her 3rd time on the FMCT stage, following her role as Tilly in “It’s a Wonderful Life” last winter and the ensemble of “Carrie: The Musical” in October. Chloe recently played Roz in “9 to 5” at West Fargo Summer Arts Intensive and the role of The Narrator in “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat” at Northern Cass Theatre. When she’s not performing, you’ll find her golfing, shopping, or catching up on sleep. Chloe is thrilled to be part of this amazing production & hopes you enjoy the show!



Claire Splonskowski
as
Missy

Claire Splonskowski is delighted to be a part of FMCTs holiday show! This is only her second musical ever and it's been quite the ride. She grew up in Hawley, MN singing, dancing, and riding horses with her six siblings. All things she still loves to do when time allows. Now she is a part-time student and works in Fargo as a Massage Therapist.

Production Team

Director.....	Shanara Lassig
Music Director.....	Joan Degerness
Choreographer	Karin Luchsinger
Stage Manager	Joey Wilhelmi
Scenic Designer & Production Manager	Katie Link
Scenic Carpenter & Props	Anna Kann
Costume Designer	Gina Bar-El
Lighting Design	Judy Lewis
Technical Director, Lighting Operator	Rick Lewis
Sound Board Operator	Keith Schweigert
Costume Crew	Tully Haynsworth
Backstage Crew	Noah Franzen

FMCCT Staff:

Executive and Artistic Director	Judy Lewis
Marketing Director	Shanna Franzen
Technical Director	Rick Lewis
Master Carpenter & Designer	Anna Kann
Production Manager, Scenic Charge	Katie Link
Costume Director	Gina Bar-El
Finance Manager	Kim Rensvold
Operations Coordinator	Sydney Loewen
Box Office Manager	Kayla Rice
Office Assistant	Liz Wilhelmi
Gaming Manager	Rick Stenseth
Front-of-House	Amanda Kadrmas, Jordan Franzen, Reid Strand, Tami Mangahas, Rick Mangahas, Dawn Thompson
Bar & Concessions Staff	Asha Franzen, Mike Finch

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Perry Rust - photography	MSUM - Confetti cannon
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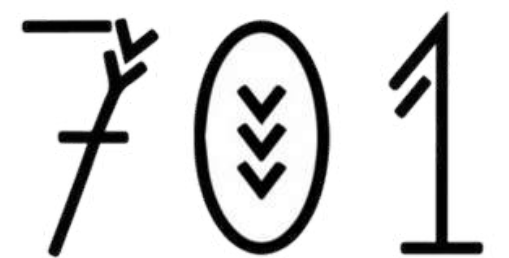


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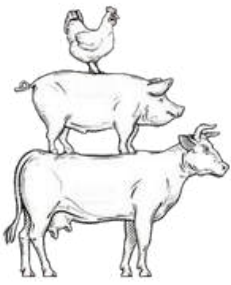




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SEASON 78

2024-2025

PRESENTING SEASON 78...

CARRIE
the musical

October 2024

MURDER MYSTERY
Dinner Theatre

November 2024

Winter
Wonderettes

December 2024

MURDER MYSTERY
Dinner Theatre

January 2025



Ten.
Minute.
Plays.

January 2025

**DANi
GiRL**

Jan-Feb 2025



March 2025

HOLES
by Louis Sachar

April 2025

MURDER MYSTERY
Dessert Theatre

May 2025



June 2025

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Musical Theatre K- 2nd grade * 3rd - 6th grade * 7th-10th grade

Students will tackle fun, challenging harmonies and choreography. Through discipline and artistic expression, students will develop their performance skills in a multidisciplinary environment.

Auditioning 4th - 8th grade * 6th - 12th grade

Study the process of auditioning to build a repertoire for future auditions. Students will practice monologues, song choices, and dance combinations in this course.



"Little Shop of Horrors"
Summer '22

One-Act 5th - 8th grade

Students will take their acting & storytelling skills to a new level by rehearsing & performing an in-studio one-act play.

Adult Acting ages 16+

Explore core principles of acting, voice, movement, objectives, obstacles, theatre vocabulary, and the importance of risk-taking and ensemble building.

About FMCT Ed

Theatre education embraces many aspects of curriculum: English, History, Science, Social Studies, Math, Music, and more. Through stories, character development, problem-solving, peer collaboration and critical thinking, students explore these areas of curriculum in order to creatively exist within the world of a play.

The goal at FMCT Ed is to expand upon a student's frame of reference and teach them to make connections between the theatre they create and the world in which they live. Students learn to collaborate with peers, connect with people from differing backgrounds, and begin to see themselves as valued citizens on the world's stage where they develop important ideas about justice, history, personal choice and humanity.

Through programs like "On The Road", "Silver Follies", Saturday Education Class sessions as well as Summer Musical Productions and Camps, FMCT is proud to offer exceptional year-round educational programs featuring a variety of classes and performance opportunities for individuals of *all* ages and experience levels.





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"With the establishment of a Community Theater, residents of Fargo-Moorhead now share with people in many other cities of the nation the opportunity to regularly see offerings of the legitimate theater. With continuation of the present support the Theater will soon find its permanent place in our community.

The Theater was organized in February after several meetings of people with varying interests and backgrounds but a common interest in the stage; there were potential actors, designers of costumes and scenery, stagehands, directors, makeup artists, house managers, producers—and some folks who just liked to see plays. Each was able to contribute something to the development of a well-rounded organization. A play was selected, a director secured and production started. Public response to ticket sales already assures the Theater of being self supporting...

...it is the purpose of the Theater to present professionally produced legitimate stage plays for the entertainment of patrons, to provide opportunities for those people who are interested in working in the theater either as a hobby or preliminary to a professional career and to make these opportunities available to everyone without regard to race, creed, color or position in life."