

2016 SEASON



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# TONIC SOL FA

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# FROM THE ARTISTIC/ MANAGING DIRECTOR

Welcome. We are pleased to bring the musical group Tonic Sol-fa to the Capitol Theatre stage. They performed at the Capitol for a private event a few years ago, and the reaction from that audience is what influenced us to bring them back as a part of the 2016 season. If you are here early in the run, tell your friends. This talented group performs nightly through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and a final matinee performance Sunday at 2:30. Thanks for coming.

I want to take this opportunity to say, "thank you" to the previous staff of Aberdeen Community Theatre, and welcome ACT's new staff members. A big thank you to Ronda Anderson, who served ACT for more than 18 years, starting as Administrative Assistant and moving to Office Manager and then Box Office Manager; and Mary Keahey who served as ACT's Office Manager when Ronda moved to part time three years ago. They have both been exemplary employees, even more than that, part of the ACT family. They have been so gracious and wonderful coming in to train new staff as we have made the transition. I'd also like to thank Heidi Hepola for her time at ACT as technical assistant and facilities maintenance. All three staff members were an integral part of ACT, helping the volunteers make community theater thrive in Aberdeen.

Moving on to the future, I'd like you to join me in welcoming Gary Darling as Office Manager/Marketing Director and Steven Huber as Box Office Manager. Even though they have only been on the job for a few short months, they are proving to be great assets to the ACT family. Welcome, Gary and Steven. I hope they will be a part of the ACT family for many years to come. Lucas Murray has just recently joined the staff as facility maintenance/technical assistant. Welcome, Lucas.



Introducing the new ACT staff members.  
L to R: Gary Darling, Lucas Murray and Steven Huber

ACT, through its Capitol Cinema programming, is screening films nightly in the new digital theater, "Theatre B." Films start each night at 7 p.m. and we anticipate running film 364 days a year. To that end, we have a couple of very part-time projectionists to keep the movies running nightly, Don Bad Moccasin and Heather Williams. Please consider the new stadium-style seating in Capitol "Theatre B" for your future movie outing. All Capitol Cinema concessions are available by donation and we allow popcorn and pop in Theatre B. We are the most inexpensive theater in town, (\$9 a ticket, \$7 if you become a Capitol Cinema subscriber) so come check it out.

Thanks again for coming. If you are not already an ACT contributor, please consider being a part of the ACT family by contributing today. See the back page of this program. Ticket sales account for only about a third of the funds necessary to operate the historic Capitol Theatre and we cannot do it without the generous support of people like you. Any amount is appreciated and so important. Thanks again for coming.

**JAMES L. WALKER**



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 Tyler Lanam as Donkey and Courtney Rott, Jr. as Shrek



**2015 ACT's "Girls' Weekend"** L to R, Front: Paulette Callen as Dot, Mindy Eggers as Carol, Isabella Seaton as Ellie and Lori Harmel as Meg. Back: Brian T. Schultz as Rick, Eliot Lucas as Stephen, David Womack as Sheriff Tom Lane and Jacob Womack as Bubba.

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**2015 ACT & NSU's "A Christmas Story, the Musical" Orchestra**  
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**Tonic Sol Fa** CDs and Merchandise available at intermission and after the show. There will be a meet-and-greet with the band after the show.

### Contact information:

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**JANE WEST (REDMOND)** was a lover of all visual and performing arts. Her involvement in the nurture of these was evident in the early efforts to procure the Capitol Theatre building for the Aberdeen Community Theatre. The Jane West Gallery is dedicated to her memory.

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# TONIC SOL FA

Tonic Sol-fa is a ground-breaking a cappella ensemble from Minnesota, in constant development since their formation two decades ago. TSF stands as one of the leading forces in the world of vocal music with Emmy Award winning arrangements and multi-million selling compositions.

TSF performs approximately 100 concerts each year across 48 states to a combined audience of 250,000+.

The guys have released 10 CDs and have sold 2,000,000+ albums.

Tonic Sol-fa independently produces an annual, sold-out 25 city holiday tour in the Midwest as well as spring and summer concert tours throughout the U.S.

National appearances include: Newsweek, Country Weekly and MediaStyle magazines, NBC's Today Show, A Prairie Home Companion with Garrison Keillor, Steve & DC (nationally syndicated radio show) and many others.

Corporate sponsorships have been forged with Blue Bunny, Bose, Schwan's Foods, General Mills, Tastefully Simple, Herberger's and the Wenger Corporation.

Tonic Sol-fa has three PBS television specials, "Christmas," "If I Can Dream," and "Greatest Time of Year."

In late 2010, Tonic Sol-fa won its first Emmy in the "Musical Composition/Arrangement" category for a song performed in a Toys for Tots PSA (Public Service Announcement).

TSF recently won two Independent Grammys for Best Original Holiday Song and Best Pop Song out of 650,000 entries worldwide.

Philanthropic efforts include: collaborations with Be the Match foundation and the American Heart Association's "Go Red for Women" effort, contributions to breast cancer research for every pre-ordered copy of "Boston to Beijing," radio drive appearances for Gillette Children's Hospital, Music in the Schools Fundraisers and Master Classes, American Red Cross Disaster Relief and numerous other charities as noted on PlasticSanta.org, the non-profit arm of Tonic Sol-fa.

TSF was inducted into the Midwest Music Hall of Fame.

Tonic Sol-fa has shared the stage with Jay Leno, Jeff Foxworthy, Garrison Keillor, Lonestar, Montgomery Gentry, Shawn Colvin, Weird Al Yankovic, Bryan White, Neal McCoy, Nestor Torres, Bobcat Goldthwait and Jerry Springer, among others.

Tonic Sol-fa's original songs, arrangements and albums have won numerous contemporary a cappella awards for best pop album, gospel song and Christmas original, have been featured on television and in movies and have garnered numerous positive national reviews.

TSF's original holiday song "Sno" is featured on the "12 Dogs of Christmas" (the most popular Christmas video sold at Wal-Mart).

Tonic Sol-fa has entertained at hundreds of national corporate events including: Jostens, Tastefully Simple, Thrivent Financial, LifeTouch, 3M, Wal-Mart, Buick, Medtronic, and General Mills.

The guys have performed the Star Spangled Banner for national Republican and Democratic events, former presidents, the Minnesota Twins, the Chicago Bears, the NY Mets, the National 4th of July Celebration at Mount Rushmore, the Minnesota Timberwolves, Minnesota Lynx and the Saint Paul Saints to name a few.

They were voted NACA's (National Association for Campus Activities) Contemporary Artist of the Year and have been nominated multiple times for NACA's Entertainer of the Year (most popular group in America on the college circuit).

Tonic Sol-fa was voted by Campus Activities Magazine as "One of the top five 'MUST SEE' groups in America."

The New York Times described Tonic Sol-fa's sound as "A vocal kaleidoscope... unique to the human voice."

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**2015 ACT ACTie Award Winners**

(L to R): Mark Anderson, Donald H. Hall Lifetime Achievement Award; Ronda Anderson, Staff Member of the Millennium; Marilyn Burckhard, Techie of the Year; Kati Bachmayer, Performer of the Year; Lori Harmel, Volunteer of the Year; Mary Marion, Orchestra Member of the Year; Carlee Miller, Newcomer of the Year.



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**2015 YPT's "Property Rites"**  
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**2016 YPT on the Mainstage in "Godspell, Jr."** Eric Jacobsen and Peyton Moench





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Aberdeen Community Theatre (ACT) is a not-for-profit community theater serving the greater Aberdeen area. It is a member of the Aberdeen Area Arts Council, South Dakotans for the Arts, Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce, American Association of Community Theatre.

**BOX OFFICE** ACT's box office prior to a show's opening is Riddle's Jewelry in the Aberdeen Mall. Typical hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m and Sunday, 12-6 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in person at Riddle's Jewelry or by mail to ACT. The Capitol Box office is also open one hour prior to performances. Tickets can also be purchased online at AberdeenCommunityTheatre.com.

**PERFORMANCES** ACT maintains a firm policy of not canceling any performance due to weather. We urge all ticket holders to make every effort to attend. In the event that travel proves impossible at performance time, ticket holders may inquire at ACT's office the next business day. ACT will make alternative arrangements, excluding refund, when possible.

**ACCESSIBILITY** Wheelchair seating arrangements should be made by informing ACT at the time of ticket purchase.

**ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES** The Capitol Theatre is now equipped with a Hearing Loop system, which transmits sound to hearing aids with T-coils. Those without hearing aids or without T-coils may check out an assistive listening device. Ask an usher for details or go to the Jane West Gallery to check one out. You will need a driver's license or credit card to leave as a deposit. Devices must be returned immediately after the show.



Hearing Loop  
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**EXITS** Please familiarize yourself with all emergency routes and exits closest to you.

**VOLUNTEERING** ACT welcomes all volunteers. Your involvement in set construction, costume making, ushering or fund raising projects will mean a great deal to us and can be fun and rewarding for you. If you can hammer, sew, paint, saw, embroider, type, glue, help gather props or enjoy working with kids, please volunteer now.

**GROUP RATES** Special rates are offered for groups of 12 or more at time of ticket purchase for all shows.

**TOURS** To schedule a Capitol Theatre and behind-the-scenes tour for your group, please call at least two weeks prior to requested date.

**ACT IMPROV TROUPE** Join the fun with the troupe on stage or at your event. Seen at Glacial Lakes Regional or Brown County Fair Chili Cook-off, 3M Employee Recognition Dinner, Avera St. Luke's Heart Health Dinner, Wyndham International Christmas Party and Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. For more information about performing with or booking ACT's Improv Troupe, contact us at (605) 225-2228 or act@nvc.net.

**FILM PROGRAM** Capitol Cinema shows a wide variety of films in Theatre B at the Capitol Theatre at 7 p.m. nightly year-round. To be placed on the Capitol Cinema mailing list, contact us at (605) 226-5494 or CapitolCinema@nvc.net. Having your address only on ACT's mailing list doesn't guarantee you will receive information on all Cinema activities.



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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Thank you for seeing the need for a community-based organization to provide programs for all ages in this region and our efforts to maintain the Capitol Theatre facility.

## CONTRIBUTION CATEGORIES

\$1,000 & above \_\_\_\_\_

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## WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Each year patrons like you contribute \$100,000 to meet the production and facilities budget for the historic Capitol Theatre. This year we have had to replace the main air conditioner at a cost of more than \$25,000 and also the roof on the theater needs to be replaced, before winter, and that will cost an additional \$25,000+. So this year we need to raise not just our usual \$100,000, but a minimum of \$150,000.

Please help if you can. Your support of the Capitol Theatre is a testament to the hundreds of volunteer hours each cast and crew member put in to present productions like "Hairspray." Use the form at the bottom of this page to make your contribution and identify how you want it to help with the programs here at the Capitol Theatre.