

Unplug... and Reconnect

Spotlight

Kalamazoo's Community Theatre

DECEMBER 2014

Ring in Your New Year with Laughter!



By Ken Ludwig

Production Sponsors:



PERFORMANCE DATES:

Friday	January 9	7:30pm
Saturday	January 10	7:30pm
Thursday	January 15	7:30pm
Friday	January 16	7:30pm ●
Saturday	January 17	7:30pm
Sunday	January 18	2:00pm
Friday	January 23	7:30pm
Saturday	January 24	7:30pm

● ASL Interpreted performance

FOR TICKETS CALL

269-343-1313

or visit www.KazooCivic.com

It's 1934 and the Cleveland Grand Opera Company is preparing to welcome world-famous tenor Tito Morelli for a sold-out, one night only performance of *Otello*. But when the star arrives desperately late with his ego and his jealous wife in tow, things don't go exactly according to plan. A double dose of tranquilizers, an over-sexed soprano, and a mistaken suicide note add up to complete chaos! What transpires is a furiously paced comedy with more than a touch of the Marx brothers; complete with slamming doors and laugh-out-loud humor.

Director **D. Terry Williams** (*Doubt, The Odd Couple, Good People*) has assembled a talented cast, which features Civic veterans **Stefani Bishop** (*The Night Before Christmas,*

Boeing Boeing), **Janet Gover** (*All Shook Up, The Dixie Swim Club*), **Ken Holda** (*Little Shop of Horrors, Into the Woods*), **Joanie Melekian** (*Good People*), **Art Nemitz** (*On Golden Pond, The Sunshine Boys*) and **Lou Price** (*The Foursome, Fiddler on the Roof*). Making their Civic debuts in *Lend Me a Tenor* are **Colleen Bielman** and **Mitch Voss**.

The stage management team for *Lend Me a Tenor* is comprised of Stage Manager **Paul Kriner** and Assistant Stage Manager **Jackie Layer**.

Tickets for *Lend me A Tenor* are available online at www.KazooCivic.com or by calling the Civic Box Office at **269-343-1313**. As always discounted rates are available for groups seniors or students.

Holiday Hours

The Civic will be CLOSING for the Holidays

Friday, December 19th at 5:00pm and re-opening for business

Monday, December 29th at 9:00am.

You will still be able to purchase your

ACT II Season Subscriptions

and performance tickets online at

www.KazooCivic.com





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Give the Gift of Theatre

Happy Holidays! This is the time of year when we take extra moments to reflect on what is truly important to us, give thanks for all of the wonderful joys in our life and make plans and resolutions for the New Year. This is also the time of year when we show our appreciation of our friends, family, and neighbors through small (or large) tokens of appreciation.

If you are still in the process of shopping for that perfect token of appreciation or have folks on your list that seem to have everything, why not give them the gift of live theatre? Coming to the Civic with family and friends to be entertained by family and friends is a great way to spend an evening. We have offerings to appeal to all members of the family from our Civic Youth Theatre to our Senior Class Reader's Theatre. Our ACT II subscriptions provide a wonderfully affordable ticket package that can be used on any of our productions after the holidays.

We also have gift certificates that can be used for classes and camps and workshops as well as tickets and merchandise. The catalog for winter classes is available online at www.KazooCivic.com and we have two wonderful spring break day camps being offered this year perfect for those stay-cationing over spring break.



Kristen Chesak
Managing Director

We could not provide all of these wonderful opportunities to our community without the support of our community. We are thankful for the time and talent of our volunteers, the generosity of our donors, sponsors and patrons, and the ability and opportunities that we have to present great theatre to our community. Thank you for making your community theatre a vital and enjoyable place for all.

I hope you have had the chance to see some of the great productions that kicked off our season, and are making plans to come enjoy the shows we are offering in the New Year! **- KC**

*Happy Holidays
from our families to yours.*



UPCOMING AT A GLANCE

**The Hobbit (CYT)
AUDITIONS**
December 7 & 8 at 4:00pm

**The Kalamazoo Civic Theatre
CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS**
December 19 at 5:00pm - December 29 at 9:00am

**The Who's Tommy
TICKETS GO ON SALE**
December 29 at 10:00am



SHREK, THE MUSICAL IN REHEARSAL



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REGISTER TODAY for 2015 Winter Classes and Workshops!



Nicki Poer

Director of Education & Outreach

Winter is a time when the world is resting—waiting for spring...but here at the Civic, it is a time to warm-up and gain new skills to get ready for the next time you step out in life or onstage. No need to wait for the warmth of spring; adults can come on down and get moving with our Winter Workshop Series on stage combat! Youth can use theatre to create new things, become inventors, and even prepare for college! And our Senior Class will be working on finding a strong, commanding voice in our monologue performance class to help prepare for their next audition. As always, there is just the right amount of offerings with something for everyone!

And when the weather warms up, we will be offering our extremely popular Spring Break Day Camp for the 6th year in a row! This year, both our K-3rd and our 4th-9th grade camps will be heading out on the high seas with two pirate adventures!

Our curriculum is designed to help all students of all levels work together to grow together so that everyone gains as much as possible. Come on down and discover new strengths and confidence to reach new heights.

**Don't wait until the winter thaws—
we're warming up at the Academy!**

OPEN HOUSE
January 17th
Carver Center
noon-2pm

FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE FOR ALL AGES

Students of all ages may apply for funding to attend Academy programming—applications are available online at www.KazooCivic.com. Applications must indicate financial need first and then we will look at student desire and merit. First-time applicants will be considered before those that have previously received scholarships. Upon submission, the Civic will reserve a place for the student pending the decision of the Scholarship Committee and applicants will be notified of the Committee's decision by Friday after the application deadline. If applying for aid for more than one student, an application must be filled out for each individual student.

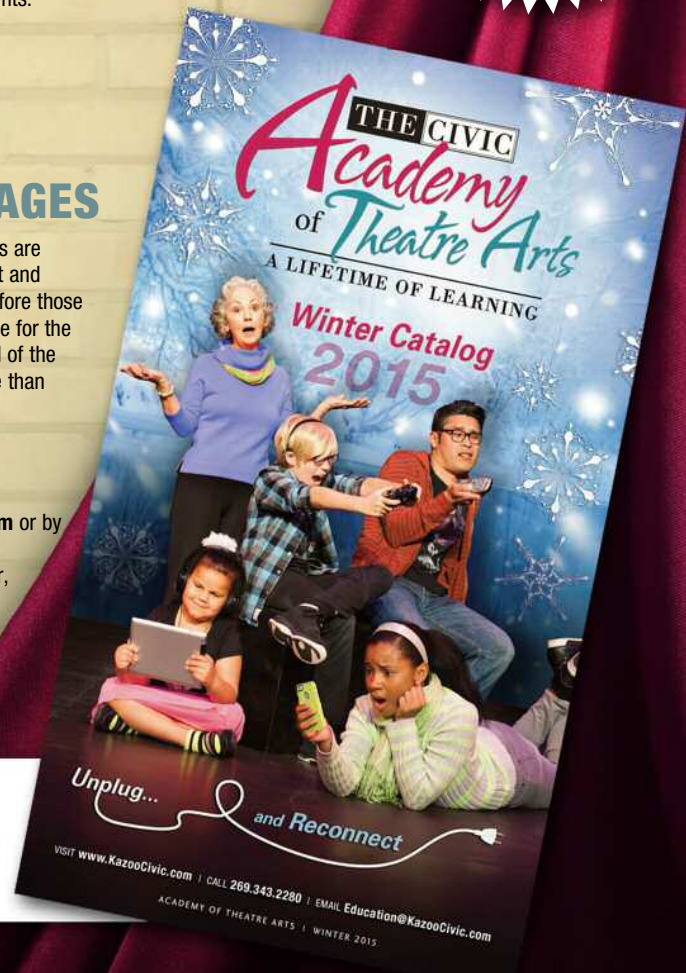
REGISTRATION

Registrations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis online at www.KazooCivic.com or by phone, fax or US mail. Confirmation will be emailed to registered students once the form has been received and processed. All classes and camps take place at the Carver Center, located off of S. Park and Lovell streets downtown Kalamazoo.

**REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED UP TO ONE BUSINESS DAY
PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS/WORKSHOP**

For detailed class information
or for quick and easy registration visit:

www.KazooCivic.com



Registration is easy! Enroll online today at www.KazooCivic.com or call 269-343-2280.

Inside the Civic
FREE AUDITION WORKSHOPS
January 3

Lend Me a Tenor
OPENING NIGHT
January 9 at 7:30pm

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof & Stepping Out
AUDITIONS
January 11 & 12 at 7:00pm



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SHREK, THE MUSICAL IN REHEARSAL

UPCOMING AUDITIONS



AUDITION DATES

Sunday, January 11th at 7:00pm
Monday, January 12th at 7:00pm

CALLBACK DATE

Wednesday, January 14th at 7:00pm

LOCATION

The Civic Auditorium – The Green Room
329 South Park St.

(Those auditioning are encouraged to arrive thirty minutes prior to audition time.)

CASTING

Seeking 3-5 men and 4-6 women
ages 16 and up plus 2-3 children
ages 9 and up

REQUIREMENTS

Those auditioning will be asked to read
from the script.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Rehearsals will be held Monday through
Friday from 7:00pm-10:00pm beginning
January 26th - March 5th

PERFORMANCES

March 6, 2015 – March 22, 2015

DIRECTOR

Kevin Dodd

If you would like to pre-register for auditions visit www.KazooCivic.com
or call the Director of Volunteers, Preston Misner, at 269-343-2280 x1006



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Sunday, January 11th at 7:00pm
Monday, January 12th at 7:00pm

CALLBACK DATE

Wednesday, January 14th at 7:00pm

LOCATION

The Civic Auditorium –
The Mainstage Rehearsal Room

(Those auditioning are encouraged to arrive thirty minutes prior to audition time.)

CASTING

Seeking 9 woman and 1 man ages 16 and up

REQUIREMENTS

Those auditioning will be asked to read from
the script and will be taught a short tap
combination.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Rehearsals will be held Monday through
Friday from 7:00pm-10:00pm beginning
February 2nd - March 19th

PERFORMANCES

March 20, 2015 – April 4, 2015

DIRECTOR

Sandra Bremer



FREE AUDITION WORKSHOPS

Saturday, January 3rd

STEPPING OUT AUDITION WORKSHOP

For ages: **Adults (16+)**

Time: **Noon-2:15pm**

Tap ahead of the pack by attending this workshop to learn more about the distinct characters in this North London dance hall from Director/Choreographer Sandy Bremer. You will then learn some of the tap steps that will be part of the audition process so you can prepare for your big break. Don't forget your tap shoes if you have them—if not, just bring some comfy sneakers to learn in! And remember, this show is about a dance class, so no tap experience is required, we can get you to step up!

CAT ON A HOT TIN ROOF AUDITION WORKSHOP

For ages: **Adults (16+) & Youth (9-15)**

Time: **2:15pm-3:30pm**

The Mississippi Delta is where this play finds its home and Director Kevin Dodd will help you find your way there as he takes you through the potential audition scenes. He will also give insight into how to act in the "Williams Style" in this drama deeply rooted in a story about one family and their web of deception and manipulation. Challenge yourself and prepare to audition for one of the classics of the modern stage!

Advanced Registration is

REQUESTED

www.KazooCivic.com

For detailed production, audition and workshop information or to register online please visit www.KazooCivic.com

**The Who's Tommy
OPENING NIGHT**
January 23 at 7:30pm

**The Hobbit (CYT)
TICKETS GO ON SALE**
January 26 at 10:00am

**Theatre Kalamazoo Presents
THE 5TH ANNUAL NEW PLAYFEST**
January 30 & 31

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2014-2015 SEASON

With an Act II Season Subscription, you have four admissions — which means you can see any four of these six shows:

- Lend Me a Tenor
- The Who's Tommy
- Cat on a Hot Tin Roof
- Stepping Out
- Richard III
- Crazy for You

and you may also use your admissions for our Civic Youth Theatre and Senior Class Reader's Theatre shows:

- The Hobbit
- Anne of Green Gables
- A Piece of My Heart

OR you and a guest can see any two shows of your choice. To order your Act II Season Subscription, just fill out the enclosed form and mail it to the Civic or give us a call and we'll take care of the rest.

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Added Performances!

DREAMWORKS
SHREK
THE
MUSICAL

Music by Jeanine Tesori | Book and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire
Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig

PERFORMANCE DATES:

Thursday	December 4	7:30pm	Friday	December 12	7:30pm
Friday	December 5	7:30pm ●	Saturday	December 13	2:00pm ◀
Saturday	December 6	2:00pm ◀	Saturday	December 13	7:30pm
Saturday	December 6	7:30pm	Sunday	December 14	2:00pm
Sunday	December 7	2:00pm			● ASL Interpreted performance

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