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{ A LIVE } { RADIO PLAY}

BY JOE LANDRY

December 6-16, 2012





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A Message from the Artistic Director

All of us at Main Street Players wish you the Happiest of Holidays and thank you for your support. Without you attending our shows and making generous donations, we would not exist. We are here for YOU and with your support we continue to bring quality theatre to our community.

The show you are going to see is a holiday classic with a bit of a performance twist. This version is set in a Manhattan radio studio on Christmas Eve, 1946, with six actors playing playing 55 characters and creating live sound effects. We think you will find it quite entertaining to see and hear these fantastic actors become different characters in the blink of an eye.

For those of you who might possibly remember radio theatre, just imagine that you are a kid again sitting on the floor in front of the radio listening to the story unfold and seeing the action in your mind's eye. What a joy that was! What an amazing thing to picture the action and feel the emotion the actors create with their voices. We hope that you will regain that experience tonight.

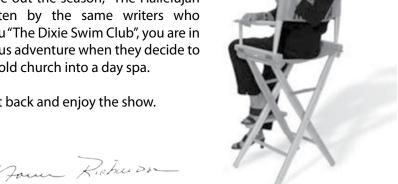
For those of you who have never experienced radio drama, welcome to one of the most dynamic forms of theatre and one that sadly is a lost art.

We would like to remind you that we have three more shows in our season. In January, we bring you to the Southern melodrama "The Little Foxes" by Lillian

Helman. In March, we are thrilled to present "Cotton Patch Gospel". In the re-telling of the greatest story ever told, set in Gainsville, Georgia, you will delight in the music and the message.

And to close out the season, "The Hallelujah Girls". Written by the same writers who brought you "The Dixie Swim Club", you are in for a hilarious adventure when they decide to convert an old church into a day spa.

And now sit back and enjoy the show.





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Directed By
Norma Richardson

Set Design and Fabrication BJ Hughes

Music Design Clark Douglas

Audio Design Chris Carroll Audio & Lighting Tech Jonah Brooks

Costume Design Norma Richardson

Props & Effects BJ Hughes

The Players

Gary Alexander	Bob Bower
Clark Douglas	Freddie Fillmore
Marian Sorensen	Lana Sherwood
Steve Martin	Jake Laurents
Rob Muldoon	Harry "Jazzobo" Heywood
Maureen McDaniel	Sally Applewhite

Setting

Studio A - WBFR Radio Station Manhattan, New York Christmas Eve, 1946

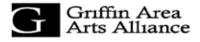
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SHOW SEASON



Jan 24-Feb 3, 2013

by Lillian Hellman

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March 14-24, 2013

Book by Tom Key & Russell Treyz Music and lyrics by Harry Chapin Based on the book by Dr. Clarence Jordan

This delightful musical version of The Greatest Story Ever Retold is based on the book *The Cottor* Patch Version of Matthew and John by Southern Baptist Minister Clarence Jordan. You will have a toe-tapping good time at this uplifting experience.



May 16-26, 2013

by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten

The same writers that brought you *The Dixie Swim Club* offer up another hilarious Southern comedy. Laughter abounds as the feisty females of Eden Falls, Georgia decide to shake up their lives. This side-splitting comedy will make you laugh out loud and shout "Hallelujah!"

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GARY ALEXANDER (Stage Manager & Sound Effects; Bob Bower / Charlie / Martini / Sam Wainwright / Dr. Campbell / Horace the Teller) was last seen as Charlie in *On Golden Pond*. Other roles at MSP include Sir Lawrence Wargrave in *Ten Little Indians or And Then There Were None* and Third Officer Pitman and the Major in *Titanic The Musical*. Gary has appeared in multiple roles with the Griffin Ballet. When he is not on stage, he enjoys providing medical care to the good folks of Griffin-Spalding. Gary is the proud father of two children, Georganna and Will, and spouse to Cindi. Gary would like to express kudos to all the great and talented actors, directors, choreographers, dancers, musicians, and vocalists with whom he has had the pleasure and privilege of working with over the years.



CLARK DOUGLAS (Freddie Fillmore / Announcer / Joseph / Old Man Gower / Old Man Collins / Potter / Peter / Ernie / Bridge Keeper) was last seen as detective William Blore in *Ten Little Indians or And Then There Were None*. MSP audiences will also remember him as Mitch in *Tuesdays with Morrie*, Thomas Andrews in *Titanic The Musical*, and Meter Reader in *Who's There?* Offstage, Clark is the station manager at WHIE Radio and lives in Griffin with his wife Rebekah and their four cats. He is greatly appreciative of the opportunity to work with such a wide array of talented people.



STEVE MARTIN (Jake Laurents / George Bailey) was last seen as Norman Thayer in *On Golden Pond*. He is an actor by evening and a computer programmer by day. He was born in Ohio and has lived in North and South Carolina, Alabama, and Georgia. His stage experience includes Atticus Finch in *To Kill A Mockingbird*, George Bailey in *It's A Wonderful Life*, Sir Toby Belch in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, Juror #12 in *Twelve Angry Men*, and Ebenezer Scrooge in *A Christmas Carol*. Film credits include an appearance as a featured extra in Tyler Perry's *Daddy's Little Girls* and the role of Swamp Robber in the children's DVD *The Swamp Robber*, which premiered at the Fox Theatre in Atlanta.



MAUREEN MCDANIEL (Sally Applewhite / Mary Hatch) was last seen as Chelsea in *On Golden Pond*. She enjoys her daytime job as a hair stylist/salon manager at Oohs & Ahhs Hair Salon in Newnan, Goergia. She also enjoys singing and theatre. Her stage acting began at Southside Theatre Guild in Fairburn, Georgia. There she appeared in *Damn Yankees* as Lola and in *The Music Man* as Eulalie Mackecknie Shinn. Other roles at Main Street include Angel in *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*, Elaine in *Miss Firecracker Contest*, Miss Poppenghul in *Moonlight and Magnolias*, Gina Jo in *Christmas Belles*, Miss Scarlett in *Clue: the Musical*, Chrissy Collins in *Teachers: the Musical*, Annelle in *Steel Magnolias*, and Sarah in *Tintypes*.



ROB MULDOON (Harry Jazzbo Heywood / Harry Bailey / Clarence / Bert / Bill Bailey / Tommy / Mr. Welch / Man) was last seen as Murdock & 2nd Class Passenger in *Titanic The Musical*. As always, he is thrilled to be with his friends and family at Main Street. He has appeared in many fun productions over the years. Some of his favorites are *The Miss Firecracker Contest*, *The Mystery of Irma Vep*, *Moonlight and Magnolias* and *Clue: the Musical*. While studying with the Alliance Theatre Acting Program, he appeared in *Ten Little Indians* and *The Royal Family*. He has also performed as Conrad in Theatre Macon's production of *Much Ado About Nothing*.



MARIAN SORENSEN (Lana Sherwood / Violet / Rose Hatch / Zuzu / Matilda / Ruth / Schultz / Sadie / Janie / Woman / Mrs. Thompson) was last seen as Ethel Thayer in On Golden Pond. Other roles at MSP include Ethel Rogers in Ten Little Indians or And Then There Were None, the frantic puppeteer/dresser/stage hand in Farndale, and Mama in Who's There? She directed Driving Miss Daisy, A Tuna Christmas, Grace and Glorie, and The Best Christmas Pageant Ever in previous seasons. She spent several years with the Alliance and is the former assistant director for their theatre school, where she was a teacher in both the children's and adult acting programs. She is currently working part time as the SIG Coordinator at GHS.



BJ HUGHES (Scenic Designer) directed and designed *On Golden Pond* at the beginning of this year. Last year he designed *A Tuna Christmas, Tuesdays with Morrie, Titanic, the Musical*, and directed and designed the set for *Ten Little Indians or And Then There Were None*. BJ has also produced and designed over 100 productions for Alliance Theatre Education and has directed 80 of them. He has been a teaching artist there for 27 years and is currently the resident designer for Chattahoochee High School. As an actor, BJ toured America for three years in classical productions of Shakespeare and Moliere before settling in Atlanta, where he has performed at the Theatrical Outfit, Horizon Theatre, Theatre in the Square, and the Alliance Theatre.



NORMA RICHARDSON (Director) is a native of Griffin, Georgia. Her theatre experience includes acting, directing, stage management and writing. Her career in television began with Turner Broadcasting/CNN. She was an Executive Vice President with Primerica for over twenty years and General Manager for PFN, an in-house television production facility. As the founding Artistic Director of Griffin's Main Street Players, she is most appreciative for all the support from the community and our patrons for the past eleven years.



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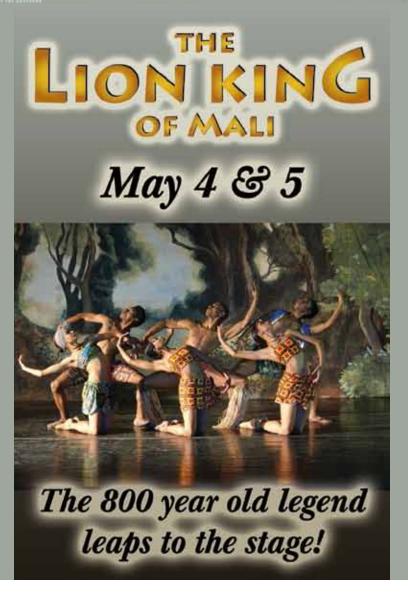
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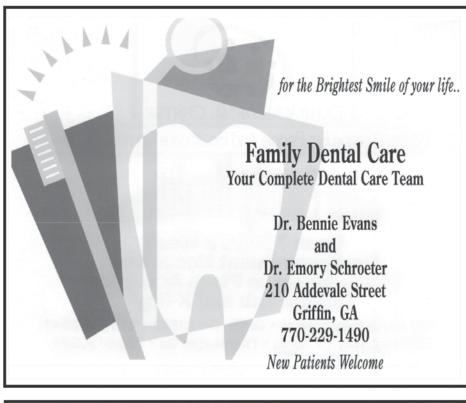
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