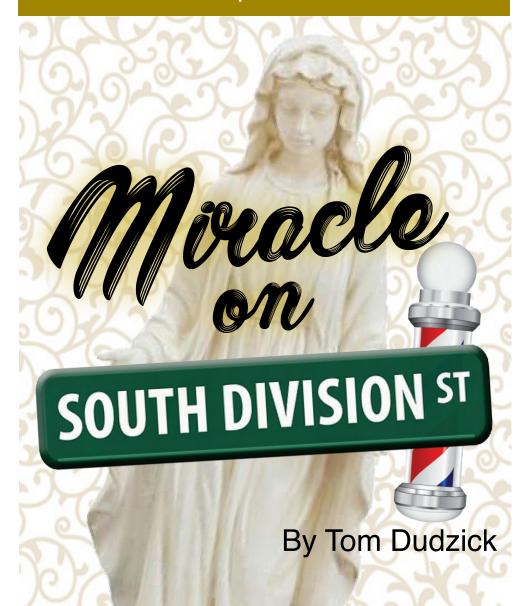
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A Message from the Director

What a pleasure to direct Tom Dudzick's *Miracle on South Division Street*.

When I first read this play, I thought it was a light and funny piece of theatre. That is true, however, the more I read it and began to work on directing it, I discovered that there was much more under the surface. While this is not your traditional Christmas story, it is at its essence about love and family.

What a joy to work with such a terrific cast on this journey of discovery. Thank you, Reece, Mackenzie, Marian and Elise for going on this journey with me. As we began to work on the story of the Nowak family and peel back the layers, we found their struggles with belief, identity, secrets and truth. While the telling of their story is done with humor there are moments that are thought provoking and moments that touch the heart.

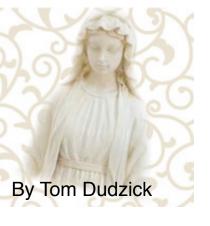
Theatre is about telling stories. Everyone has a story and it is my belief that through our stories we can discover that we have much more in common as human beings than we do that is different.

Now, I am delighted to present the story of the Nowaks of Buffalo, NY.

Now Richards

Enjoy,





Director	Norma Richardson
Scenic Designer	BJ Hughes
Master Carpenter	Frank Dansby
Stage Manager	Keith Potter
Costume Design	Norma Richardson
Lighting Design and Te	echnicianNate Barnes
Sound Design	Norma Richardson and Curtis Brown
Sound Technician	Nate Barnes
Production Assistant	Janice Aiken
Set Construction	Frank Dansby, Bobbie Hannon,
В	J Hughes, Dan Jennings, Alan Manno,
	and Keith Potter
Publicity	Norma Richardson
	and Marian Sorensen
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"Miracle on South Division Street" was originally produced by Penguin Repertory Theatre, Stony Point, New York. Joe Brancato, Artistic Director, Andrew M Horn, Executive Director.

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SETTING

Time2010
Buffalo, New York

Place

Kitchen of Clara Nowak
Christmas Eve

Act I 15-Minute Intermission Act II Epilogue

(several days later)

The Players

(In order of Appearance)

The Players



REECE BREEDLOVE II (Jimmy Nowak) last appeared as Jack in *The Tin Woman*. Other roles at MSP include Jacob Marley in Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol, Prince Carpenter in Foxfire and Jimmy Burrhead in Hank Williams: Lost Highway. He has also worked as the production audio technician for The Savannah Sipping Society and the assistant stage manager on *The Wild Women of Winedale*. Reece studied theater at Columbus State University and graduated from Georgia Tech with a BS in Civil Engineering.

He is excited to be back on the stage and hopes you enjoy the show! "I don't know if I am an actor or if I just play one on stage..."



MACKENZIE KELLEY (Ruth Nowak) is new to the Griffin area. She is a recent graduate from Columbus State University, where she received her BSEd degree in Theatre Education. She is now the theatre teacher at Spalding High School. Some of her credits include Lucille (*Jingle Bells*, *Batman Smells*), Jemilla (*Firebringer*), Miss Rosemary (*Cows Don't Fly and Other Known Facts*), and Peter Quince (*A Midsummer Nights Dream*). She has loved the process

here at Main Street Players. She wants to thank her family and boyfriend for always supporting her passion for theatre and hopes everyone enjoys the show!



MARIAN SORENSEN (Clara Nowak) spent 26 years in the Atlanta area and has performed and/or directed on the stages at The Alliance Theatre, Theatrical Outfit, Open City Theatre and Theatre in the Square. Some of her favorite roles at MSP include Grace Bodell in *Fireflies*, Mrs. Dubose in *To Kill A Mockingbird*, Carrie Watts in *A Trip to Bountiful*, Ethel in *On Golden Pond*, and Dot in *The Savannah Sipping Society*. She is indebted to Norma Richardson for her tenacity and perseverance in keeping MSP open for 22 years

and for allowing her to play such a different role in this quirky, beautiful story of the Nowak's miracle. Much love to my supportive husband, Neil!



ELISE WRIGHT (Beverly Nowak) was last seen as Shelby in Steel Magnolias and Helsa Wensel in The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940. Previous roles at MSP include Holly Burrell in Foxfire, Karol in Another Night Before Christmas, and Abby in Now and Then. Some of her other credits include Alice in Wonderland (Queen of Arts), Cinderella (Stepsister), and Silent Sky (Annie Jump Cannon). Elise graduated from Lees-McRae College with a theatre arts degree. She is also grateful for everyone coming to support the arts!

Artistic Staff and Crew



JANICE AIKEN (Production Assistant) has helped behind the scenes on many MSP productions. Onstage performances include *War of the Worlds: The Panic Broadcast, A Trip to Bountiful, Inherit the Wind* and *To Kill a Mockingbird*. She was recognized by the GAAA Heart for the Arts as Main Street Player's Most Valuable Volunteer for the 2016-2017 season. Janice serves on our board and has been volunteering for Main Street Players since the fall of 2012. She has been invaluable to our organization

and has worked the Box Office, sold concessions, ushered, trained others to usher, answered the phones, helped clean the theatre prior to openings, worked set construction, repaired props and is an integral part of our Theater for Young Audiences program.



NATE BARNES (Lighting Designer/Lighting Technician) has been the Griffin Spalding County School System's Auditorium manager for the past ten years. During this time, he has worked in both audio and lighting. Nate has experience in lighting and audio for several theatrical, ballet, and concert organizations. Nate also volunteers on the audio and visual team at Oak Hill Baptist. He is honored to work with MSP again and for the opportunities he has been given.



FRANK DANSBY (Master Carpenter) was Main Street's most valuable volunteer for the 2018-2019 season. He and his wife, Martha, are lifelong supporters of the arts and in particular theatre. Five years ago Frank joined Resident Scenic Designer BJ Hughes backstage at Main Street Players and quickly became a tremendous asset to the production team. With his background as an airplane mechanic and his vast knowledge of DIY (do it yourself), he quickly picked up on the construction techniques specific to

theatre. Frank has worked on twelve productions for Main Street. With his construction and carpentry skills, he has allowed BJ to expand his vision of what our productions can look like, resulting in even more professional looking sets and scenery. Thank you, Frank, for being part of the Main Street family!



BJ HUGHES (Director/Resident Designer) is enjoying his thirteenth season with Main Street Players. He is even more delighted to be celebrating his 52nd anniversary in professional theatre during which he has worked as an actor, teacher, director and designer. During his career he has produced, directed and designed over 150 productions. BJ is originally from New Jersey. After obtaining a degree in theatre, he spent four years touring America in classical repertory before settling in Atlanta where for the next 30

years he acted, taught and directed at the Alliance Theatre. He extends special thanks to Norma and Marian for inviting him to Griffin and providing a home with this creative theatre company.



KEITH POTTER (Stage Manager) was the stage manager for *Steel Magnolias*. He has been very active in theatre since serving in the US Army for 20 years in both Germany and Korea. He has had parts in *Annie, Cyrano De Bergerac*, and the traveling production of *A Midsummer's Night Dream* while in Germany. He was stage manager for *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* but ended up on stage when 'Hero' had to leave the production before the show

opened. He had multiple parts (apostle, demon, Simon the Zealot, musician) in *Jesus Christ Superstar*, ran lights and sound for *Greater Tuna* and *Same Time Next Year*, and had numerous parts in *Four Plays for Coarse Actors*. He enjoys helping out behind the scenes and looks forward to many productions with MSP.



NORMA RICHARDSON (Artistic Director/Director/Costume Design) has been involved with theatre for most of her life and has appeared on a number of Atlanta stages among others. As a director her credits include: The Savannah Sipping Society, Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol, Another Night Before Christmas, Hank Williams: Lost Highway, Inherit the Wind, Titanic, the Musical, Tuesday's With Morrie, and Our Town. On stage performances include: Foxfire, Now and Then, The Wild Women of Winedale,

Fireflies, The Lion in Winter, Driving Miss Daisy, Love Letters, The Little Foxes, Steel Magnolias, and Same Time Next Year. Her career in television began with Turner Broadcasting/CNN. After leaving Turner, she was an Executive Vice President with Primerica and General Manager for their corporate television production department for over 20 years. She is a native of Griffin, Georgia and is the Founding Artistic Director of Main Street Players.

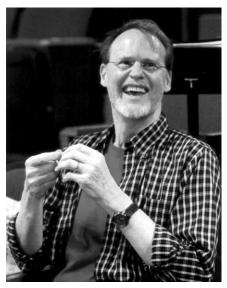


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TOM DUDZICK



Tom Dudzick is one of the few playwrights who makes a living at it. His first play, a Christms tale called Greetings!, opened at New York's John Housman Theatre and starred Darren McGavin anf Greg Edelman. It is now a holiday favorite across the country and has had well over one hundred productions. His next play, Over the Tavern, the first in a semiautobiographical trilogy, has over three hundred productions under its belt, with many box office records broken throughout the U.S. has recently spawned a holiday musical as well, entitled Christmas

Over the Tavern. The Irish adaption, Over the Pub, also broke the box office record at Cork Arts Theatre in Ireland. Tom has written eight plays to date, most published by Playscripts, Inc. He was recently honored with a memorial plaque embedded in front of his boyhood home in Buffalo. And an even greater honor - he was once a question on Jeopardy!



Author's Note

Miracle on South Division Street is pure fiction, based on a "true" local legend. Back in busy bustling 1950s Buffalo, a block and a half from my father's tavern, there stood a barbershop. Next to the barbershop was an 18 foot-tall shrine to The Blessed Virgin Mary- a beautiful life-sized statue encased in wood, brick and glass. Well, legend had it that the Blessed Mother herself appeared to this barber and gave him a message for the world concerning world peace. Whether this miraculous materialization actually tool place is still a matter of conjecture, but, regardless, there it stood, this monument to a man's faith for us impressionable kids to gawk at and wonder about. The nuns at St. Pat's told us not to waste our prayers or coins on the statue as the mighty Roman Catholic Church had no intention of ever sanctioning this hokey miracle. And that's how the matter stood at the time I left the neighborhood in 1964.

Fast forward 45 years. My old neighborhood has all but disappeared. Businesses and homes have succumbed to hard times and neglect. Residents have fled to the suburbs, and St. Pat's is gone. But amidst the rubble of urban blight something still stands, dare I say, "miraculously?" You guessed it, the shrine to the Blessed Mother- spared from the wrecking ball by a promise from City Hall, lovingly preserved by a handful of faithful residents, it's creator long passed away.

I made a pilgrimage to my old neighborhood a number of years ago. I stood

before the shrine-newly Windexed, freshly flowered, it's mail slot still active with donations and requests for miracles-and I thought to myself, "There's a story here". The real-life details of it's creation were forever buried with the barber, so I needed to invent a family.

And here they are. The Nowaks of Buffalo's East Side- amalgams of neighborhood characters, friends and family and a little of myself sprinkled in. Over the years, I find that I've fallen head over heels for the Nowaks, with all their crassness, their squabbles, their secrets and their dreams. I hope you do as well. Enjoy!

Tom Dudzick



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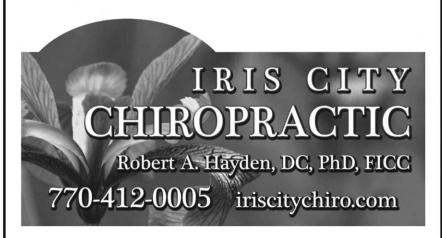
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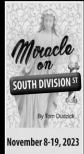






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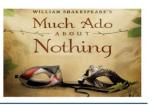


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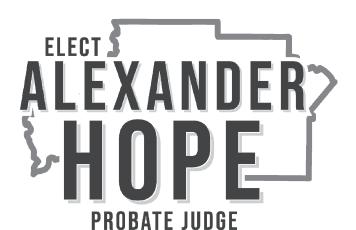
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