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HAIRSPRAY
The Broadway Musical

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● THE BROADWAY MUSICAL ●

Book by
Marc O'Donnell
Thomas Meehan

Music by
Marc Shaiman

Lyrics by
Scott Wittman
Marc Shaiman

Based on the New Line Cinema film written and directed by John Waters

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Amarillo Little Theatre is very excited to present **Hairspray** the Broadway Musical as its final production of the 2015-16 season! Winner of the 2003 Tony Award for Best Musical, this fast paced, big and bright production features spectacular music and dance and the zany characters you know and love. This show promises to be an exhilarating, fun evening of theatre for the entire family.

It's 1962, and plump, big-haired teenager Tracy Turnblad dreams of dancing on the local teenage TV dance program. When she learns a few dance moves from her black friend Seaweed, her wish comes true and she becomes an instant local celebrity. Using her new-found fame, Tracy advocates for racial integration on the show - an uphill battle she has every intention of winning.

ALT has assembled an incredible collection of talented performers for this production. It features **Emma Elkins** starring as Tracy. The remainder of the cast includes **A'Dreonna Armstrong, Brandon Bellar, Tony Brazell, Ronnie Brockett, Gina Doss, Drew Grimes, Nikki Hawes, Kaycee Humphrey, Gracie Hurt, Taurus Jackson, Devlon Jones, Sean Jones, Kelsey Kilburn, Jered Lopez, Regan Mashburn, Cole Medley, Jonathan Mobley, Treva Oller, Chad Price, Laurenn Reynolds, David Robinson, Bryan Scott, Melissa Shafer, Pecos Shafer, Reagan Shafer, Tevae Shoels, Isabella Smith, Janecia Stevenson, Harrison Stringer, Ryan Sustaita, Bianka Torres, SaVante Wallace, Kaori Young, Isaac Youree** and **ZZ Wright**. **Allen Shankles** is Artistic Director with **Jennifer Akins** as Music Director and **Crystal Bertrand** as Choreographer. **Jason Crespin** is Assistant Director and **Shannon Mashburn** is Assistant to the Directors.

HAIRSPRAY IS GOING TO BE SPECTACULAR! Make your reservations today.

Facts at a Glance

PERFORMANCE DATES:

May 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 & 21 8:00 PM
May 15 and 22 2:30 PM

BOX OFFICE OPENS TO:

Members - Monday, April 18 10:00 AM
Public - Monday, April 25 10:00 AM

LOCATION:

ALT Mainstage
2019 Civic Circle
Box Office - 806-355-9991
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Director's Notes

Well, believe it or not, here we are announcing the opening of the final show of the season. Where does the time go? It seems like only a short time ago that we were opening the season with **Mothers and Sons**.



Allen Shankles

I am very excited about our upcoming production of **Hairspray**. Not only is this show a ton of fun, featuring spectacular music and dance, elaborate sets and over 100 costumes, it has a wonderful message of inclusion and diversity. Many theatres cannot do this show because they don't have the diversity of talent. I am so pleased that we have the perfect mix of people to make this show everything it should be. That includes many talented newcomers who are making their debuts on the ALT stage. It is going to be fun. You shouldn't miss it.

You will note that we have listed the shows for next season in this issue of Curtain Call. We are very proud to be presenting such a great collection of shows. It gets harder and harder to identify what our patrons want to see while at the same time trying to produce shows that we believe are worthy of our time and energy. We appreciate the input we received on our season ballots and we have selected shows that you have indicated you want to see.

As we look forward to a new season, we have a number of exciting upgrades and changes that will be taking place. These include the implementation of online ticketing and changes in some of our start times, among other things.

We still have one more major event left in this season and that is our special event featuring **JD Souther**, which will take place on Saturday night, June 11. This event promises to be spectacular and we have had a great response thus far. We look forward to welcoming this "home town" boy to the ALT stage.

The coming season will be ALT's 90th anniversary season. We hope it is one of our best ever and we hope you will continue to support us in every way possible. Our theatre is touching so many lives, both young and old. It is a community treasure and I am proud of the great work we do every day. Our WARRIORS are the best!!!

I look forward to seeing you at the theatre(s).

Allen Shankles
Managing/Artistic Director

Academy Spotlight

How much fun was Disney's Aladdin Jr.? If you missed the production or couldn't get tickets in time, I am very sorry. It was absolutely one of my favorite shows to direct. The VERY talented cast of 100 Academy students as well as a very dedicated crew created theatre magic to sold out school and public performances. This show was so popular, we had to sell chairs in the aisle. This is a true testament to the abundance of talent and heart the cast and crew poured into this show. There were many moments that as I watched, I forgot that these were students performing and not professional adults. This show had all the "Disney magic" that I could have wished for.



Jason Crespin

All these things were made possible by the amazing resources and support ALT provides to the Academy as well as our sponsors. I must thank **AAA Electric** for being Production Partners for this huge show. They helped provide resources for us to cast such a large show and have amazing elements that really made the show magical. I also want to extend my thanks to **Brandon Bellar** who brought the beautiful music to life as our Music Director, **Chriselda Reyes** who was an amazing Assistant Director, **Jamie Humphrey** and **Velvet Knight** who provided so much help as Production Assistants, **Leigh Anne Crandall** and her costume "warriors" who created over 150 beautiful costumes, **Connor Brent** who ran 32 wireless microphones for our show, **Tana Roberson**, **Jasmine Shannon**, **Gregg Dunlap**, **Ricky Shreffler**, **Don Washburn**, and **Brandon Khamphoumy** for all their work on set and lights, **Paramount Baptist** and the **ALT Guild** for providing lunches during our school performances, **Sarah Chase** who coordinated the cast party, the **ALT staff and Board of Directors** who supported this show, and of course all the family members of the cast and crew who did so much! The

Academy is not only blessed with amazing kids, but amazing families as well!

I would also like to thank **AAA Electric**, **Sparkman Orthodontics**, **Amarillo Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics**, **Freeman, Wilcox, and Nance Law Firm**, **Plains Dairy**, **Xcel Energy Foundation**, **FirstBank Southwest**, and **Palace Coffee** for providing financial support to all three of our Academy shows this season. Their financial support helped us in creating more professional and magical theatrical moments on our stage throughout this season! We also want to send a big thank you to the **ALT Guild** as they surprised us at our last matinee of **Aladdin** and gave the Academy a check for \$1,500! What a generous gift and we are so thankful for their ongoing support!

With our season wrapping up, we can now look forward to Summer! We have put together a fun filled camp schedule that includes both theatre and dance camps. These day camps will provide kids of all ages the chance to be challenged at their level and have a whole lot of fun learning more about theatre and dance. Also, check out the Summer class schedule on our website for Summer Dance classes that will be offered! Registration for camp and summer classes begins on May 16th!

See you this summer!

Jason Crespin
Academy Director

2016-2017 Season of Shows

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(Drama)

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(Musical Comedy)

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Notes from the Guild

Hello Guild Greats!

Well, it seems like we are just beginning and the year is winding down. As I write this, ***Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*** will be opening in just a few hours. ***Hairspray*** will be opening in just a few weeks and it will be summer before we know it! We have had a wonderfully successful year and you have been a huge part of the GUILD's success. So thank you!

Please continue to sign up for concession and ushering at our last two shows of the season. We may also be asked to help with summer's Special Events so be watching for that.

Our big fundraiser – the Hairspray Sock Hop will be April the 23rd. We have secured the Wesley Community Center near Osage and I40 for that event. The committee in charge has done a wonderful job of planning and getting ready for this event. Doors open at 7 PM and we hope everyone plans on attending!

The Guild was able to make a \$1,500.00 donation to the ALT Acade-

my at the last performance of ***Aladdin!*** Thank you to April and Krystal and to everyone in the Guild for helping to make this committee successful. The Guild served lunch to 120 cast and crew on Thursday, March 24, during school performances. We served homemade waffles and did a cereal bar. It was fantastic! The kids loved it, the theatre smelled great, and best of all, it was easy! Special thanks to **Plains Dairy** for donating the milk and to **Krystal** and **April** for coordinating with Mr. Jason! WOWzer! What a day!

The Guild had a very beautiful spray delivered to the funeral home for our very own Ms. Amy G. It was full of purple flowers and filled with butterflies. She was a member of the Guild for many years and we are working and several ideas to commemorate the importance of this wonderful friend, volunteer and mentor. If you have any ideas, please bring them to the next Guild Meeting.

Thank you for all you do to make Amarillo Little Theatre the best community theatre anywhere!
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Laura Jo Worsham, 676-9056