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Amarillo Little Theatre proudly presents

LEGALLY BLONDE

the musical

Music and Lyrics by Laurence O'Keefe and Nell Benjamin Book by Heather Hach. Based on the novel by Amanda Brown and the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer motion picture.



Harvard's beloved blonde takes the stage by pink storm in this fun, upbeat story of self-discovery.

Amarillo Little Theatre is very pleased to open its 2019-2020 Mainstage Season with the outrageously funny *Legally Blonde - The Musical*. This hilarious show has megawatt energy and it promises to be one of the most popular shows of the season.

Elle Woods appears to have it all. Her life is turned upside down when her boyfriend Warner dumps her so he can attend Harvard Law. Determined to get him back, Elle masterfully charms her way into the prestigious law school. While there, she struggles with peers, professors and her ex. With the support of some new friends, though, Elle quickly realizes her potential and sets out to prove herself to the world.

ALT has assembled a brilliant cast for this production. **Terry Martin** who recently sparkled as Sophie in ALT's *Mamma Mia*, is playing Elle Woods. The cast also includes Tiffani Barkley, Patrick Baron, Nels Bjork, Brooks Boyett, Caitlin Campbell, Carol Coleson, Leigh Anne Crandall, Brandon Dawson, Stephen Dillard, Jo Early, Zoe Escalante, Joshua Gibson-Roark, Devenie Graham, Jay Hayes, Kylie Beth Howell, Jordan Humphrey, Kallie Kilburn, Kelsey Kilburn, David Martin, Regan Mashburn, Steve Parker, Elisheba Perkins, Amy Shelburne, Annika Spalding, Ryan Sustaita, Patrick Swindell and Dakota Warren. Artistic Director is Jason Crespin. Music Direction is by Jennifer Akins with Choreography by Beth Alexander. Chriselda Reyes is Assistant to the Directors.

This show is going to be a box office smash hit!! Make your reservations today!

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Facts at a Glance

PERFORMANCE DATES:

BOX OFFICE OPENS TO:

Members - Monday, August 26 10:00 AM Public - Tuesday, September 3 10:00 AM

LOCATION:

ALT Mainstage 2019 Civic Circle Box Office - 806-355-9991 Rated - PG 13

Order online at *amarillolittletheatre.org*

Director's Notes

And away we go!!! A new season is underway. In fact, we have our first show of the season, *The Underpants*, nearly completed. This funny show was a successful opening show and I am very proud of the cast and crew for their great work. Thanks to **Cy Scroggins** for his excellent work as Director of this production.



This issue of Curtain Call announces the much anticipated opening of *Legally Blonde*. This hilarious musical is big and bright and it promises to be a huge hit with ALT audiences. We have a wonderful ensemble of performers in this show. I am very excited to share it with our ALT Audiences. You will note that *Jason Crespin* is the Artistic Director of *Legally Blonde*. This is Jason's kind of show and he is going to make it spectacular I'm sure. This is part of our transition plan. He will begin directing more shows and I will be directing fewer.

I am directing **Sweeney Todd**, which opens at the Mainstage on October 24. This beautiful musical is dark, brooding and, at times, very funny. We produced this show very successfully in 2005 at the Adventure Space. We added a weekend of performances due to the high demand for tickets. I am very excited to reprise this great show on the Mainstage. We will be able to do some more elaborate set design and staging. Also, with

our new lighting equipment, we should be able to create some wonderful special effects for the show. I can't wait!

In case you haven't noticed all of the exciting changes and new things at ALT, I want to point out a few. We have added two new classroom spaces at the Adventure Space. These are on the east end of the building. We spent the summer developing this new space to accommodate our growing Academy class schedule. We have beautiful (and comfy) new chairs in the Adventure Space. We have installed entry code devices on most of our doors for added security. We have purchased and installed a lot of new lighting equipment in the Mainstage auditorium as well as some new equipment at the Adventure Space. We are continually working to keep our facilities in excellent condition.

Our success at ALT is due to hundreds of great volunteers and patrons who are unbelievably committed to this organization. Our great staff works every day to make our shows and our facilities the very best they can be. It is an amazing place! I am so proud of where we have come during my tenure.

This new season is going to be spectacular!! The line up of shows is extraordinary. Many of the shows are highly regarded and critically acclaimed. I hope you will plan to see all of them. I promise you won't be disappointed.

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

Allen Shankles Managing/Artistic Director

GUILD NOTES

Hello friends!

I hope you were all able to watch our season opener, *The Underpants*. This season is sure to be a success and we, as a guild, are excited to support and celebrate ALT!

We have some exciting plans for this season! If you are not already a guild member, we hope that you consider joining us. Our guild serves as an integral part of the ALT experience. Volunteer opportunities are many. We meet and greet patrons at each show, volunteer backstage, help with set designs, occasional costume support, and so on.

We will have our annual membership party on **September 18th** from 6-8pm at downtown Crush Bar and Grill. Join us on the rooftop for live music, games and community. We can raise a glass to another great year of theatre!

Chriselda, President, ALT Guild

Academy Spotlight

Fall is here and the Academy is ready for another great season! We wrapped up a fantastic Summer and even heard the bells of Notre Dame as we produced a very successful production of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. Thank you to everyone who came and saw this challenging production. I was extremely proud of everyone involved and am still hearing such positive feedback



from patrons who saw our show. All these things were made possible by the amazing resources and support ALT provides to the Academy as well as our sponsors.

A huge thank you to **AAA Electric** for being Production Partners for this special show. I also want to extend my thanks to **Brandon Bellar** who brought the beautiful music to life as our Music Director, **Krystal Burns** who was an amazing Assistant Director, **Socorra Carrillo** who helped as our Assistant Music Director, **Charlie Turner**, **Carla Fristoe** and **Chriselda Reyes** who provided so much help as a Production Assistants, **Carrie Huckabay** for her brilliant costumes, **Tana Roberson** for her stunning set, **Gregg Dunlap**, **Brandon Khamphoumy** and **Noah Lang** for all their hard work, **Laura Worsham** 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!

Not only did we produce a great show this summer, but we were also packed with several theatre and dance camps each having a great showcase plus auditions for company classes and our show choir! Thank you to all our amazing Camp Directors, Counselors, Guest Judges and ALT Staff for making our summer a success!

Registration for Fall classes began on August 12th and classes start on August 26th! If you have not yet registered, what are you waiting for? There are just a few spots left in some classes so be sure to check out our class schedules on our Academy Website. You can register by either calling or swinging by the ALT Box Office or online by clicking "Enroll Now" on our website. Registration will run through the first 2 weeks of classes.

Speaking of classes, have you heard about the 2 new Academy Classrooms we have? These are located right next to the Academy Classroom at the ALT Adventure Space. We are so lucky to be able to expand and continue to grow our class offerings and these classrooms will provide us the space we have been in need of. Thank you to our ALT Board members, staff members and volunteers who helped get these classrooms ready for us to use this Fall. We will put them to good use!

See everyone in the classroom! Jason Crespin Academy Director jason@amarillolittletheatre.org

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Auditions will be by cold readings from the script. Scripts are available at the ALT Box Office for a \$10.00 refundable deposit.



AUDITION DATES

ALT Adventure Space

DIRECTED BY

Allen Shankles

PRODUCTION DATES November 14-24, 2019 ALT Adventure Space

Roles are available for

1 Latino man (age range 20-35)

Sunday and Monday, September 29 and 30, 2019

2 African American men (age range 35-50) 1 White American man (age range 20-30) 1 African American man (age range 20-30) **1 White American man** (age range 40-55)

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