

AUDITIONS!

LITTLE WOMEN

By Kate Hamil

alt main stage

Amarillo Little Theatre is pleased to announce auditions for our third Mainstage and third Adventure Space productions of the 2020-21 Season!

AUDITION DATES
Monday and Tuesday, November 23 and 24, 2020 @ 7:30 pm
ALT Mainstage

PRODUCTION DATES
January 14 - 24, 2021

DIRECTED BY
Callie Hisek

Roles are available for:
4 women (age range 16-30)
2 women (40+ one of these women will need to play multiple roles)
2 males (age range 16-30)
1 male (40+ will need to play multiple roles)

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

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AUDITION DATES
Monday and Tuesday
December 14 and 15, 2020
ALT Adventure Space @ 7:30 pm

PRODUCTION DATES
February 11-28, 2021
ALT Adventure Space

DIRECTED BY
Allen Shankles

MUSIC DIRECTION BY
Jennifer Akins

Roles are available for:
8-10 men and **8-10 women** all ages

ALT is looking for talented musicians that can play an instrument and sing. The leading roles in the Broadway production all played an instrument and sang. We will be able to alter some of the requirements which will allow us to cast some who are only singers and some who are only wanting to play an instrument. For the audition process, we are asking that all auditionees do a prepared song in the style of the show. If you can accompany yourself during the audition, that would be great.

Should you have questions or need additional information, contact the ALT Box office.

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The Amarillo Little Theatre

Proudly presents

Winter Wonderettes

Written and Created by Roger Bean

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Winter Wonderettes

www.amarillolittletheatre.org

November, 2020

If you loved Plaid Tidings, you will adore this show!

PRODUCTION FUNDING BY
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SO YOU WANT SOMEWHERE TO ESCAPE THE WORLD FOR A BIT AND HAVE NOTHING BUT FUN? DO YOU WANT TO REDUCE YOUR STRESS AND ENJOY SOME TRULY GREAT HOLIDAY MUSIC AND MERRIMENT?

ALT has just exactly what you asked for as we present the hilarious juke box musical **Winter Wonderettes!** This wonderful Holiday show will lift your spirits and put a smile on your face.....we guarantee it.

Welcome to the 1968 Pride Home Center's Christmas Party. Featured entertainment: **Winter Wonderettes**, starring Missy, Suzy, Cindy Lou and Betty Jean, each with her own unique personality—and color scheme. Sit back and enjoy as the ladies work out the kinks, and insert their own special humor into the holidays. Along the way you'll be treated to classic—and wacky—Wonderette versions of seasonal favorites like *Jingle Bell Rock*, *Sleigh Ride*, *Santa Baby*, *Winter Wonderland*, and over 20 more!

ALT has cast a stunning quartet of performers for this production, They include **Amber Dewey**, **Mikayla Garren**, **Kaycee Humphrey** and **Kelsey Killburn**. Artistic Director is **Allen Shankles**, with **Jennifer Akins** as Music Director and **Shawn Walsh** as Choreographer. This show will also feature a four piece musical combo that will be a great addition to the show.

Despite the huge success of our latest show, **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time**, many of our patrons said that they wanted something "lighter" to help them escape from their lives for a couple of hours. This show lives up to that description in every way possible. This will be a wonderful evening of great entertainment, laughter and fun.

The **Winter Wonderettes** offers a wonderful opportunity for the entire family to enjoy a truly wholesome Holiday event! Order your tickets today!

{ NOTE: All patrons will be required to wear face mask/covering while attending a show at ALT. No exceptions. }

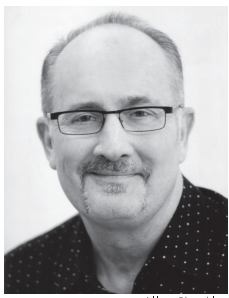
Facts at a Glance

<p>PERFORMANCE DATES: December 3, 10 and 17 7:30 PM December 4, 5, 11, 12, 18 and 19 8:00 PM December 13 and 20..... 2:30 PM</p>	<p>BOX OFFICE OPENS TO: Members - Monday, November 16 .. 10:00 AM Public - Monday, November 23 10:00 AM</p>	<p>LOCATION: ALT Mainstage 2019 Civic Circle Box Office - 806-355-9991 Rated - PG</p>
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Order online at amarillolittletheatre.org

Director’s Notes

So, I don’t know about you, but I am more than ready to bid adieu to the year 2020. There is not much good to say about the year as a deadly pandemic is causing pain and heartache as it ravages our country. Our failure to deal with the pandemic in a proper way has led to a new surge of infection in our country. Our economy has tanked and millions of people are suffering from the virus and its effects, which includes millions of jobs lost, people losing their homes, cars and anything of value. I’m done with it!!



Allen Shankles

ALT went almost nine months without producing a show at the MainStage. Isn’t that incredible? Never during my life in the theatre, which dates all the way back to High School, have I gone without producing theatre for that long.. It made my heart hurt and caused me a lot of depression and anxiety.

ALT employees a staff of eight full time professionals, including myself. One of my goals throughout this mess has been to keep all of our staff employed. Thanks to a PPP grant from our government, we have kept everyone on staff. That makes me happy. I think it also typifies how well ALT treats everyone from our staff and board to our volunteers and patrons. We have approved an operating budget for the 2020-21 season which has a deficit bottom line of \$160,000. Our expenses and overhead stay pretty much the same, whether we are producing theatre or not. Unfortunately, our ticket sales, season tickets, playbill advertising revenue and Academy tuition is all down significantly.

Despite this serious cash shortage, I am proud to say that we can weather this storm for maybe two years because we have been very successful for a number of years, and we have been good stewards of our resources. As a result, we have a fairly significant amount of savings that will help us bridge that stunning deficit.

We have successfully produced three shows this season, including **The Humans** at the Adventure Space, the Academy production of **The Ten (Thousand) Problems of a Teenage Girl** and the recent production of **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time**. We encountered Covid related problems during the rehearsals of each of those shows, but we got them on the stage and showed that we could establish strong safety protocols that would keep our patrons safe. We are forging ahead, because I honestly believe that we will probably just have to figure out how to live our lives with this virus always present.

This issue of Curtain Call announces the opening of **Winter Wonderettes**. This show was chosen to replace Matilda on our schedule as I concluded that the **Matilda** cast was too large to keep everyone safe. I think you are going to love **Winter Wonderettes!** It is fun, light-hearted and it features some amazing ALT talent. I hope you will plan to see it.

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

Allen Shankles
Managing/Artistic Director

Guild Notes

Greetings from the ALT Guild!

The ALT Guild is a volunteer organization within the theatre. Our volunteers are talented individuals who share their passion for theatre. We are, per se, the best supporting actors. We hope that you will consider joining the guild and sharing your talent and passion for service, production, event planning, and fundraising. Each of our volunteers brings a unique asset to the group and its abilities to support ALT. If you’ve ever wanted to be involved with the performing arts but not necessarily be on stage, we hope you consider joining! You can join in person at the box office or on our website, **www.altguild.org**. Our next meeting is scheduled for December 8th. This will be our annual Christmas Party

We are certain that we speak for everyone when we say that we miss our regular visits to ALT. We hope you are all staying safe and healthy. We look forward to seeing you all again soon.

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Academy Spotlight

Our Fall semester is wrapping up quickly. This is always such a fun time as we give thanks for family and friends.

Speaking of thanks, I want to thank as well as congratulate the cast and crew of **The Ten (Thousand) Problems of a Teenage Girl**.



Jason Crespin

This cast, crew and production team did a wonderful job bringing to life Carrie Huckabay's original script. We got so much positive responses from audience members and many wished that more students would have the chance to see the show as it was so informative. We are hoping this show won't be done just yet. Fingers crossed we will be able to take it to other areas in the Texas Panhandle in late Spring and possibly early Summer!

Of course, the Academy is extremely lucky to have had so much support in producing this play. I want to thank our production team that consisted of **Mikayla Garren** and **Abigail Martin**. The success of this show was due to the hard work of these individuals. I would also like to thank the **staff of ALT** and **ALT Board of Directors** for their continued support, all the wonderful parents and family volunteers, the **ALT Guild** for co-producing this show, the **Derington family** as well as **Tyler's Barbecue** for providing lunch during our two show day performances and you, our patrons who came to see the show. Your support now means more than ever! The Academy is certainly blessed to have such an amazing group of individuals and businesses helping provide even more magic of live theatre to our community.

In this Curtain Call, you will find information for our second Academy production of the season. **It's a Wonderful Life** is a perfect holiday show that reminds us all how fortunate we are to be surrounded by friends and family. Be sure to get tickets fast as I am sure this show will sell out quickly. We will be following all of our ALT Adventure Space COVID Safety protocols. Patrons can easily find those and other protocols on our ALT website.

Lastly, I want to remind everyone that Pre-registration for Spring classes begins on December 7th and regular registration begins on December 14th with Academy classes beginning on January 11th. Be sure to check out our full class schedule online starting on November 23rd and maybe add an ALT Academy class to your Christmas wish list! What better gift could Santa possibly bring than great training from a great Academy!

See everyone at **It's a Wonderful Life!**

Jason Crespin, Academy Director — jason@amarillolittletheatre.org

Amarillo Little Theatre Academy and Sparkman Orthodontics present

Production Dates: Dec. 11-13, 2020
Show is rated G

Adapted for the stage by James W. Rodgers.
Based on the film by Frank Capra and the story by Peter Van Doren Stern.



The Amarillo Little Theatre Academy and Sparkman Orthodontics are proud to present the holiday production **It's a Wonderful Life**. Based on Frank Capra's holiday classic movie, this play is sure to get your family in the holiday spirit.

It is Christmas Eve, and George Bailey stands on a bridge looking over the icy waters below, contemplating suicide. Clarence Oddbody, an Angel Second Class who, after 200 years, has yet to earn his wings has been sent to save him. Clarence soon takes George into the past reminding him of when he was a boy rescuing his brother from drowning, enduring a beating from grieving druggist Gower, saving a child from accidental poisoning, then growing up to forgo college so he can save the family business and keep the citizens of Bedford Falls from being ruined by the Depression and the sinister and conniving ways of Henry Potter. George goes on and marries his childhood sweetheart, has a family, and resigns himself to a life of "failure." When his Uncle Billy misplaces \$8,000 of the Building and Loan's money, George takes responsibility and runs to the bridge to commit suicide. When George wishes he had never been born, Clarence makes the wish come true. By showing George what the world would have been like had he never been born, George realizes how many lives he has touched, how many people he has helped, and is reminded that this has been, after all, a wonderful life.

ALT Academy has assembled a terrific cast to bring this heartwarming story to life. **It's a Wonderful Life** features 25 talented Academy students and is being directed by Academy Director **Jason Crespin**. **Krystal Burns** serves as Assistant Director.

A show fit for the whole family, this beloved American holiday classic comes to thrilling life onstage December 11-13, 2020. Ticket prices are \$15.00 for 12 and up and \$12.00 for under 12. Tickets go on sale to ALT members on November 23rd and to the general public on November 30th. Reservations can be made by calling the ALT box office at 806-355-9991 or online at www.amarillolittletheatre.org. This performance will be taking place at the ALT Adventure Space and Covid Safety precautions will be in place. All audiences members will be required to wear face covering while at the theatre and during the performance.

The play not only celebrates the faith of the season, it also celebrates the American philosophy of life: hard work, fair play and that the love and support of one's family and community will be rewarded. Make your reservations today!

WHO: Amarillo Little Theatre Academy and Sparkman Orthodontics
WHAT: *It's a Wonderful Life*
WHEN: Dec. 11 and 12 @ 7:30 pm — Dec, 12 and 13 @ 2:30 pm
WHERE: Amarillo Little Theatre Adventure Space 2751 Civic Circle
TICKETS: \$15 for ages 12 and up. \$12 for under 12.
Box Office opens to **members November 23rd at 10:00 am**
Box Office opens to **public November 30th at 10:00 am**
Reserve by phone: (806) 355-9991 or online at: www.amarillolittletheatre.org
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